



WINDHAM NEWS & NOTES



IT'S TIME TO VOTE!

Tuesday, November 3, 10 AM - 7 PM

School Board Candidates Night

by Mary Boyer

Candidates for the Windham Elementary School Board position vacated by Antje Rupert had an opportunity to present themselves to the community via a Zoom meeting on October 12th.

The meeting was called to order by our Town Moderator, Michael McLaine, who introduced the candidates to the 26 people participating virtually. Michael invited each candidate to make an opening statement and then presented them with questions. Each candidate articulated their strong commitment to both our children and taxpayers. Carolyn Partridge emphasized her institutional knowledge gained over the many years she served on the School Board, while Erin Kehoe spoke for her organizational and team skills, fresh ideas and a new enthusiasm she would bring to the board.

Candidates were respectful to each other and answered a variety of questions with earnestness and clarity. We wish them both good luck, and trust the winning candidate will serve the Windham Elementary School children well.

Below are the two candidates Position Statements:

Statement from Carolyn Partridge

I would like to be elected to the Windham School Board and would appreciate your vote on November 3rd. I offer my experience, my knowledge of education funding, and my track record of dedicated service to the town.

My leadership of the Windham School Board during the last 20-plus years has produced budgets that have provided an excellent local education for Windham students while balancing the needs of Windham taxpayers. Additionally, my guidance through the Act 46 process has placed Windham in the enviable position, should we decide to close our school, of being able to allow for elementary school choice at more than just the schools in the Windham Central Supervisory Union District. I was also involved in the effort to leave the Leland and Gray Union Middle/High School District that would have allowed our students to choose, not only public high schools, but approved independent high schools as well.

In recent years, special education costs have created a challenge to keep our spending below the spending penalty threshold. After the expected defeat of the initial FY2021 budget in March, I offered the changes to the revised budget that reduced your taxes by more than one-third, or \$1.00 per hundred, that you overwhelmingly voted in.

My service as a State Representative in Montpelier

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Statement from Erin Kehoe

Greetings Windham Voters!

My name is Erin Kehoe, and I am running for a seat on the Windham School Board. My husband Nathan and I have three children, Kylie, a 7th grader, Norah who is in her 2nd year of Pre-K and Spencer, who will be two in March. I am the General Manager for Centerplate at Bromley Ski area. My educational background consists of an A.S. in Culinary Arts, a B.S. in Management and I am continuing my education with my MBA from Johnson & Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island.

In my current position, I am charged with the general oversight and leadership of all food and beverage operations, as well as a hub for communications to support profitability within the operating budget. Within the duties of my position, I establish daily priorities and direct the ongoing activities of the department heads in key areas of my administration such as culinary production, hospitality, sales, accounting and cash management, all while maintaining the financial performance through effective controls of expenses through the development and implementation of budgets. My work and education have given me the skills to work through financials and create solutions.

After the resignation of long-standing school board member Antje Rupert, I was contacted by several

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has enabled me to introduce legislation that will potentially benefit Windham by correcting what I consider to be bad policy regarding the funding for Pre-K Special Education, and the weighting of our students in regards to the education funding formula.

It is my belief that educating our children is the most important investment we make in the future of our community, state, and country. I have the objectivity and perspective to make sure all Windham's children are afforded an equal opportunity for education.

As we consider the future of the Windham School, it is critical that we deal with detailed, accurate information and not oversimplified approaches. It is also important that community members participate in and contribute to this discussion so that they have a better understanding of why decisions are being made.

I would appreciate your vote on November 3rd, if not before, and invite you to contact me by phone at 874-4182 or by email carolyn.w.partridge@gmail.com if you have any questions, thoughts, or concerns. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Carolyn Partridge

Justice of the Peace Candidates

The following Windham residents are running for the position of Justice of the Peace: Marcia Clinton, John Hoover, Carolyn Partridge, Michael Simonds and Meredith Tips-McLaine. Their names appear on the reverse side of your General Election Ballot. *Windham News & Notes* has received the following statements from the candidates:

Marcia Clinton

I wish to continue to serve the Town of Windham as a Justice of the Peace and will need your vote in November. Besides conducting marriage ceremonies, Justices of the Peace are members of the Board of Civil Authority (BCA), and serve as election officials for the town. Members of the BCA also hear and decide appeals for tax abatement.

John Hoover

My name is John Hoover and I am running for election as a Justice of the Peace in the Town of Windham. As a Justice of the Peace for the last eight years, I have actively fulfilled the duties assigned to the office. I have participated in meetings of the Board of Civil Authority and Board of Tax Abatement, served as an election official and notary public and solemnized marriages. If reelected to another two year term, I will continue to serve the Town of Windham and its residents to the best of my ability.

Carolyn Partridge

I would greatly appreciate your vote for one of the five Justice of the Peace seats. It is my pleasure to

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community members asking if I could run for the position. I felt that I could honor their wishes and take on this roll. We need a vision for our school that is developed with community input in mind.

I am for the best education that the children of Windham can get, and I would love for it to be the school at the end of my road. With that said, we also need to do what is best for the taxpayers in Windham as well. We will need to explore all the options to make the best-informed decision that we can for our community. Please keep in mind our children when you vote on (or before) November 3rd.

Stay Safe, Stay Kind,

Erin Kehoe



Capturing the Beauty of Windham

Deadline to enter is Saturday, November 7

All are invited to submit photographs "Capturing the Beauty of Windham" for the 2021 Windham Library calendar. There is no contest this year but your photos are needed. All photos must be taken of scenes in Windham and no people can be in the photo. Photos can be left at or mailed to the Town Office or you may make arrangements with Cindy Kehoe 874-7028 or John Hoover 875-6224 to pick up your photos. This is the Library's only fundraiser. Windham calendars will be ready for Christmas gift giving and can be purchased at the Town Office or by contacting Cindy Kehoe.

contribute to the workings of the community by helping to maintain the checklist, and weighing in, when necessary, regarding property tax grievances. It is also nice to perform the occasional wedding! Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you might have at 874-4182 or by email at carolyn.w.partridge@gmail.com. Thanks so much for your consideration. Carolyn Partridge

Michael Simonds

I have been a town official for 24 years, in eight different positions. I am running again for Justice of the Peace to provide an historical prospective for newer residents, in terms of Windham government. Since its establishment more than 200 years ago, Windham residents have had strong opinions and have often disagreed on matters. In my 24 years, I have witnessed residents disagreeing without being disagreeable. I'm concerned about behavior to the contrary, including a recent anonymous letter sent with false claims against a long-time Windham official. If re-elected as a JP, I will work to keep Windham a civil and respectful town.

News from the Selectboard

As we enter November, we remind and urge you to vote. There are a lot of issues to be decided, nation- and state-wide, as well as locally. You can vote in person on November 3 or get your mail-in ballot back to the Town Clerk by close of polls on that same day. Alternatively, there is a secure box where you can return your ballots at the Town Office. (To the left of the front door is a new, secure mail slot.)

As the Covid-19 pandemic continues, we urge you to keep your guard up. We know everyone's tired and impatient (pandemic fatigue) but as things shift back indoors, it's important to be alert and follow the safety recommendations: wear a mask, keep a 6-foot distance and wash your hands often.

A group of concerned neighbors, town officials from Jamaica and Windham and first responders safely came together recently with State officials to discuss the overuse situation at Hamilton Falls. The area's unique beauty, safety concerns, law enforcement, short- and long-term management and other challenges were discussed. Hopefully, the folks who manage the State Park will be able to take a look at this during the off season and devise a plan that addresses these issues and helps keep the Falls area the important and beautiful asset that it is.

Most of the Town's Covid-19 related expenses will be covered by State grants, which are funded in part by the US Treasury's Coronavirus Relief Fund. We have already received approval for some of our expenses and expect to hear about the balances very soon.

Complaints of loose and/or unattended animals continue to roll in. We urge all animal keepers to make sure your animals are secure and compliant with local and State requirements. Our new Nuisance Animal Ordinance will take effect on November 6, but in all honesty, we'd rather see neighborly compliance than have to enforce this ordinance. Just remember that even though you think your animals are friendly and harmless, it doesn't mean the general population shares these thoughts. Additionally, the mess that they can make while off your property is uncalled for and absolutely preventable.

With our sand/salt shed in need of some costly repairs, our Road Crew (of course!) has figured out a way to safely store sand for the winter so that they don't exacerbate the problem. We can now take some time to figure out the best way to approach the fix without throwing money down the drain.

You have probably noticed the Road Crew out there all summer/fall working to execute the Road Erosion Plan mandated by the Windham Regional Commission and the State, which stems from the VT Clean Water Act. Our drainage systems (ditches) are being brought up to spec so that they meet the guidelines for hydrologically-connected segments of roads, thereby reducing erosion, which protects our rivers and streams.

That's it for now. If you have anything to bring to our attention, please do not hesitate. Look out for one another and please stay safe.

Maureen, Kord and Peter

[Departmental budgeting discussions for 2021 have begun at Selectboard meetings and will continue through mid-January. Check the meeting agenda for the department to be discussed or contact Kathy Scott at 875-3725.]



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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: December 15, 2020

Town Office Hours

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Monday Noon- 8 PM

Tuesday 6 AM - 10 AM

Wednesday 10AM - 2 PM

Fourth Saturday of the Month

November 28

December 26

8 AM - Noon

**CLOSED Wed., Thurs., Fri.
& ALL Federal Holidays**

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for records research

802-874-4211 or 802-875-1550

or email

windham.town@gmail.com .

To Join A Zoom Selectboard

Meeting: The Selectboard meeting information is available from the printed agendas that are posted throughout town on Saturdays before meetings, and are also posted on the town website, or you may email Maureen Bell for an invite at: mbellselectboard@gmail.com .

Track the Status of Your Absentee Ballot *by Kathy Jungermann*

Are you wondering if your ballot has been received by the Town Clerk? You can check on its status online. The My Voter Page at <https://mvp.vermont.gov> is your primary online resource for all election information unique to you. You can login to the page using your personal information. It's easy to use, you only have to type in your birthday, and Drivers license number or last 4 digits of your Social Security number. Once there, you may update your registration information, request and track the status of an absentee ballot, locate your polling place, view a sample ballot and listing of candidates for upcoming elections, and more. To track the status of your ballot, use the online ballot tracking service on this site.

Letter from Candidate Carolyn Partridge Running for Vermont House of Representatives from Windham-3 District

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As many of you know, I am running for my twelfth term in the Vermont Legislature and I'd appreciate your vote on November 3rd. During my 22 years in Montpelier, I have worked hard to make sure workers are treated fairly, our beautiful environment is protected, human and civil rights are assured, education funding is kept equitable, and that economic development and job creation are done in a Vermont way. One of my goals has always been that all Vermonters have access to quality health care and affordable prescription drugs, and we find the most cost-effective, sensible way to pay for it. While we have made progress, there is still more to do.

I was honored this biennium, to be reappointed as Chair of the House Agriculture and Forestry



It's Time to FALL
BACK!

TURN BACK YOUR
CLOCKS ONE HOUR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 at 2 AM.

Committee by the Speaker of the House, Mitzi Johnson. As Chair of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee, I have worked hard to continue support for the Farm to Plate and Working Lands Enterprise Initiatives that benefit agriculture and forest sector entrepreneurs, surpassing job creation estimates, and have encouraged economic development, for now and in the future.

This year with Coronavirus Relief Funding, we were able to provide support to our businesses, including woman- and minority-owned small businesses; farmers and food processors; the forest products sector; non-profit organizations; the creative economy; and local governments, as they deal with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Perhaps most importantly, I especially enjoy and get great satisfaction from representing the citizens of Windham and helping all of my constituents when problems arise. On more than one occasion, I have hand-delivered documents to various agencies and departments in Montpelier. Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions, ideas, and concerns you might have. My phone number is 874-4182 and email is carolyn.w.partridge@gmail.com.

Thanks for your consideration and vote on November 3rd. Remember, together, we govern!

Sincerely, Rep. Carolyn Partridge

Property Tax Information - Taxes Are Due Saturday, October 31

Property tax bills have been mailed out. Please contact the Town Office at 874-4211 if you have not received your bill. Taxes are due on Saturday, October 31, 2020. Payment will be considered delinquent on November 1. Interest will be assessed at 1% per month on the first of every month, beginning on November 1, with a 3% penalty added on January 1, 2021. A **postmark of October 31 will be accepted as on-time payment. The Town Office will be open on October 31 from 9 AM - 5 PM for tax payments only.** If you have any questions about your Homestead Declaration and State Exemption or Current Use, please contact the State of Vermont at 802-828-2505 or 866-828-2865. If you have questions about the assessed value of your property or believe there may be an error on your bill, please contact the Windham Listers on Wednesdays from 9 AM - Noon at the Town Office.



Addressing Climate Change Right Here in Windham

by Michael Simonds

Climate change is accelerating the pace of wildfires, wind damage, droughts, and flooding throughout the world, including here in Windham. We need to find ways to combine green energy production, natural habitat, and food production.

This challenge is being tackled by Windham's Energy Committee and West River Valley 100% Renewable. Working in conjunction, these two volunteer groups are focused on establishing solar installations in our area that will provide green energy for local residents.

The location for our first site was recently prepared for this purpose at 1275 Old Cheney Road, with the excavation work done by Woodland Earthworks. The one-and-a-half acre site will provide a 150 KW solar array, capable of producing clean, green energy for about 40 households. That means 40 households can become "off-takers" who pay an initial fee, and thereafter receive their green electricity at a discount.

The fenced array on Old Cheney Road will be surrounded and bisected by wildlife corridors, edible landscapes, hiking trails, and sitting areas, thus combining electricity production with the enjoyment of nature for both wildlife and humans. The landscaping will also provide visual screening of the array from the road.

The financial details need to be worked out, and even in the best case scenario, construction won't start until summer. If you think you might be interested in becoming an "off-taker", you can contact Michael Simonds at michael@windhamcountryhouse.com or 874-4790.

Do you have an E-911 Address Sign for your Property?

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by Ellen McDuffie

You may have noticed that most residences in Windham have a rectangular yellow sign with dark green address numbers posted in a prominent place near their driveway access. This is an Enhanced 911 address which is registered with the State of Vermont.

What is Enhanced 911 Compliance?

Enhanced 911 compliance means that every telephone connected to an Enterprise Communications System must provide the unique callback number, street address and specific location (i.e. floor# and room#) from which the call originated. This information must be automatically delivered to the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) when someone dials 911.

Why is addressing a critical part of 911?

Correct addressing, assigned in a systematic and logical way, according to the standards of the Vermont 911 Board, helps emergency responders locate you in an emergency. Addressing in most municipalities is distance-based, so an address number assigned to a structure will tell responders approximately how far along a road they need to travel to reach the scene.

In addition, your 911 address is used to route your 911 call to the correct public safety answering point (PSAP), and is associated with the correct emergency responders (Law/Fire/EMS) for that location. Accurate addressing ensures the call-taker can assist you and send the appropriate responders efficiently and effectively.

Do communities have the authority to create physical addresses?

Yes. Per Vermont law (30 VSA) and the Enhanced 911 Board Technical and Operational Standards, municipalities must designate an individual responsible for all addressing in their town. Addresses must be assigned by the municipal 911 coordinator and **not by the resident or developer.**

You are urged to contact Windham's E-911 Coordinator to request this readily visible sign to post at the entrance to your property. It may save precious moments if emergency responders are trying to locate you. You may apply for a 911 address if you have a residence or if you have undeveloped land that may need to be located in an emergency. Windham's E-911 coordinator is Meredith Tips-McLaine, and she may be reached through the Town Office at 874-4211 or by email at: meredithtipsmcclaine@yahoo.com.

Protecting Glebe Mountain and Cobb Brook

by Carolyn Rubin

On a beautiful October day, with the autumn leaves changing colors and creating a crunchy bed to walk on, Jeff (my husband) and I decided to check out the new trail at the head of Corn Hill Road that we learned is a part of the tract of land, the Glebe Mountain Forest Block, acquired by The Nature Conservancy in 2019.

What a surprise as we walked up to the Meeting House from our back yard to find the *Windham News & Notes* (ladies) having their meeting for the next issue, outside (with masks, of course), and responding with enthusiasm about our trek (of course asking if I'd write something about it), as well as how we can get my eggs I ordered from Carolyn Partridge, out of the Meeting House to be picked up on our way back home (just a sidebar)!

This was my first time on the trail, but Jeff's third, and he did promise me it was flat (which is definitely in dispute) but we entered this wonderful, quiet, tranquil world, walking and sometimes talking, not knowing much about the trail, but not having any goal except a walk.

Being alone and never expecting to see another person, we were pleasantly surprised to see a young woman walking towards us, like a mirage. Turns out

her name is Suma Lashof, who is the Donor Relations Manager for the conservancy. Suma, along with her fellow staff who were a distance back, had come to check out Cobb Brook after the removal of a huge culvert "to reconnect Cobb Brook with its flood plain to restore a healthy aquatic natural stream ecosystem. This will enable brook trout to travel downstream, which flows into Hamilton Falls and eventually into the West River. Glebe Mountain is also full of wildlife habitat such as bears who can feed off of the significant beech stands for food to survive, and New England forest birds".... (Information loosely quoted from the Conservancy's printed articles).

The staff we met on the trail were incredible and full of information. There is so much history in that neck of the woods (no pun intended), and much to learn and explore. This acquisition will have a major impact in Windham and the surrounding areas for generations to come; recreationally, ecologically and environmentally. Mary and Heath Boyer have been exploring and researching the history of the Glebe Mountain property and hope to share this information in a future issue of *WN&N*. We are so lucky to have this beautiful property right here in Windham to enjoy!!!

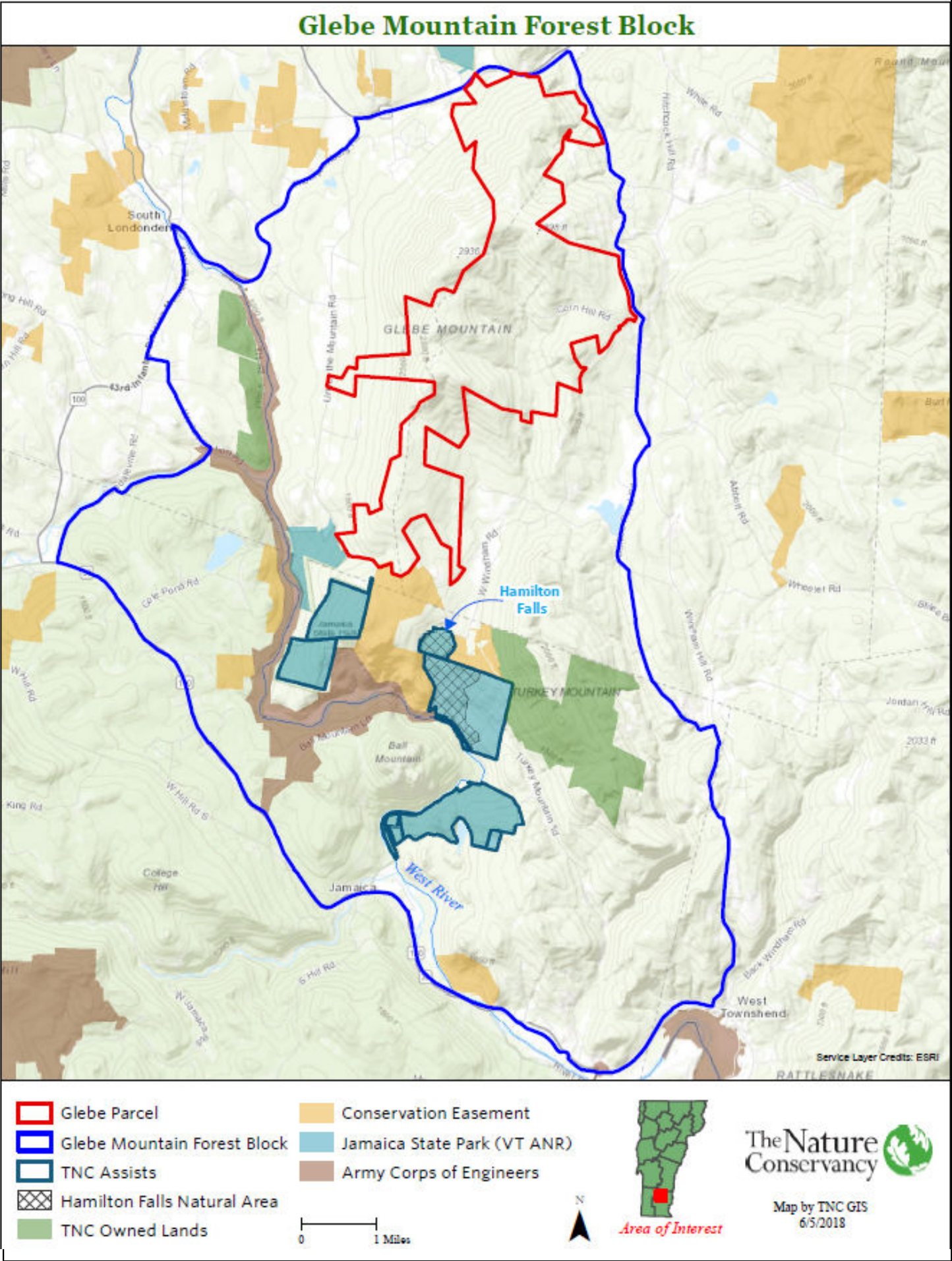
For more immediate information you can follow The Nature Conservancy in Vermont on Facebook, visit the website www.nature.org/Vermont or go on Instagram @TNCVermont. Look for information about guided winter snowshoeing walks and events.

See you on the trail!



Photos: Left, Before huge culvert removal.

Above, After culvert removal, allowing brook trout to travel up and down Cobb Brook.





Paul Wyman Serves Windham for 50 Years

Fire Chief Jonathan Gordon and Assistant Fire Chief Rick Weitzel are proud to give this certificate of appreciation to Paul Wyman. Paul has been a Windham Volunteer Fire Company member for 50 years. We had a very small get together at the fire house to show our appreciation for a job well done. If you see Paul around town, please congratulate him. Thank you, Paul, for your many years of dedicated service.

Photo, from left: Jonathan Gordon, Paul Wyman, and Rick Weitzel

Prescription Drug Safety

by Marcia Clinton

More than half of people who misuse prescription medication get it from a friend or relative, often straight out of the medicine cabinet. Medications that are not properly stored in your home can be a risk to kids and pets who might accidentally ingest them. Flushing medications or tossing them in the trash is a danger to our waterways and wildlife. For safety, store your medications in a lock box or locked medicine cabinet.

Unused medications can be dropped off at the Chester Police station, the Green Mountain Pharmacy in Londonderry or the Windham County Sheriff's Department in Newfane.

The Vermont Health Department offers medication mail-back envelopes free with pre-paid postage. They can be ordered online at www.healthvermont.gov. Each envelope holds up to eight ounces of medicine. You can mail back: over-the-counter and prescription medications, prescription patches and ointments, liquid medication (up to 4 oz.), pet medications and vitamins. The envelope will be destroyed without being opened.



Welcome, Baby Juliana!

Juliana Adeline Miranda was born June 7, 2020. At 20 inches long, she weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. Juliana makes the 5th grandbaby for Barbara Jean Quinn and Joe Monroe!! She joins Sage, 13, (Burlington VT), Mason, 5, and Livy Bryn, 3, (Sandy Hook CT) and Gabriella, 2, who is Juliana's older sister (North Plainfield, NJ). We are so blessed and are so very grateful.

Windham Fire Company

Fire calls:

September 13 - Windham Hill Road, propane leak. 5 fire fighters responded.

September 20 - Mutual aid to Peru to cover fire station. 2 fire fighters responded.

Members of the Fire Company continue to meet monthly on the first Thursday of the month at 6 PM via online Zoom, and have training sessions every month. For more information, contact Jan Wyman at 875-3373.



DVFiber Internet Broadband

Hello,

I am the Windham town representative to the Deerfield Valley Communications Union District. Our goal is to secure affordable broadband to every address in our 16-town district. The prospect is challenging, and we are hard at work.

In an effort to connect with residents throughout the district, we are launching a quarterly newsletter. I invite you to read it and subscribe. Follow this link:

<https://mailchi.mp/a80c36b03875/october-2020> to read and subscribe.

DVFiber now has a Facebook page. If you use Facebook, search for DVFiber, and please "Like" the page, or you may use this link: <https://www.facebook.com/DVFiber-113984150471692>.

Thanks, David A. Cherry,
Windham DVFiber Representative

Part-time to Full-Time in a Pandemic

by Carolyn Rubin

It's exactly 3 years since Jeff and I bought the Carmichael's house on Windham Hill Road. As a matter of fact, we passed papers on Veterans Day, 2017 which was the same day as the Windham Harvest Dinner that year. Tom Carmichael took me as his date so he could introduce us to his friends, and share his excitement for the town he and Bev loved, but where they could no longer stay. (In hindsight, I think Bev was looking for some extra votes for her photos in the photo contest!!)

Ahhh, that's when I found out about the photo contest and the Windham Calendar, got to meet local folks (the ladies) who were serving dinner, was introduced to the array of library books available to borrow, and realized there was a whole community of people invested in creating community. And that was all in the first day!!!

This house was to be our get-away heaven! We loved coming up most weekends, starting on Thursday nights, and for holidays of course! Jeff and I even took the day off for Town Meeting; we were not gonna miss that for anything even tho we couldn't vote. We also wrote a letter of introduction for *Windham News & Notes*, (March/April, 2018), while becoming friends with neighbors and neighbors' friends. We invited new friends for dinner hoping for invites back as a way to get to know each other, share Vermont stories, and learn about town news and issues!! And I never stopped taking photos for the next photo contest!!! We really felt comfortable right away and felt lucky to have found Windham, in spite of the severity of the weather (a snow belt in a snow belt!) as compared to other areas around us.

Neighbors gave our grandchildren tractor rides, offered advice for home and land improvement projects and loaned us tools, as we became more and more imbedded in the community. (And yes, a few wonderful dinners with new friends)!

I feel like there's so much more to tell about the three years we had appreciating having a vacation home with two wood stoves, simple surroundings,

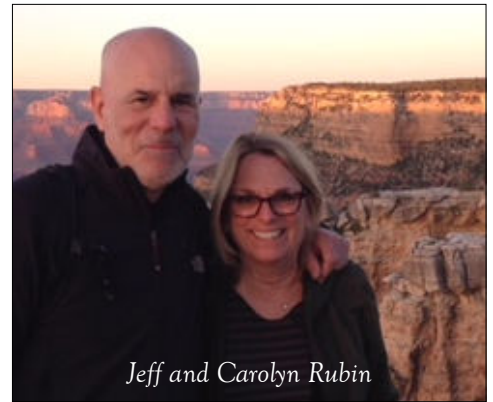
just barely enough room for a weekend visit from our kids or old friends. We enjoyed Community/Church dinners, Music Festivals, Arts and Crafts shows, Summer Theatre, outdoor/indoor

auctions, Harvest Fairs, Antiquing, and Fundraising Raffles supporting local fire departments and Grace Cottage! And of course, all the Farmers Markets...

Then came March, 2020, when everything changed. Our little get away quickly became a full-time residency, leaving the city behind out of fear of getting the virus. We hunkered down, with Jeff being able to work remotely, and like everyone in our small village, we learned to order online, go to the market early during senior hours, learned to Zoom and check in with the neighbors by email or phone. (What we really learned is that now our simple get-away cottage is way too small)!!! We obtained masks and never left home without one. Within months, I gave up my long-term memberships at home to my pottery studio, my gym, and my book club in Newton. My son and daughter-in-law moved into our house so they could have the room to also work remotely, and care for a new baby. Life and community have entered an altered state, or as they say, "the new normal", that just keeps going onand on.....with no end in sight, ... till a vaccine...!

So life in Windham is quiet as winter is approaching, with Zoom Book Club, Zoom Yoga with Liza Eaton, a pottery membership in Brattleboro, a home pottery studio, and lots of walks in the woods. We miss having friends over for dinner and look forward to the "old normal", sooner than later, please!!!

As Ed Brown once told us "You guys fit right in".....and so we have!!



Jeff and Carolyn Rubin

Wantastiquet Rotary Foundation of Londonderry

Wantastiquet Rotary launches its 250 Club 2021 Raffle to fund scholarships for students in the Mountain towns in our area. Tickets are \$12 each, and a book of 10 is \$120. There are 12 drawings, one each month. We award six prizes per month giving you 72 chances to win! Each month there is a drawing for an award of \$50, \$25, and four \$12 awards. Last year the Wantastiquet Rotary gave out \$7,000 in scholarships to seven deserving students in our area.

Please support this fund raising effort. Tickets can be purchased by sending a check to: Wantastiquet Rotary, PO Box 309, Londonderry, VT 05148.

Tom Widger

President, Wantastiquet Rotary



Stowell Family Reunions

by James Tenney

Elias Stowell (1874-1946) and Minnie Robinson (1877-1960) were born in Windham and married there in 1895. On a cold December night in 1902, they were burned out of their home at Stowell Corner in West Windham. They then bought from Elias's father, the family farm across the road, and raised a large family of eight boys and eight girls. In 1923, Elias and Minnie sold the farm and moved into the Windham Center home that is currently owned by Mary and Heath Boyer. From a wing of that home, they operated the Windham Store through the Depression and World War II.



Stowell's Store, Windham, Vt., about 1940

When Minnie died in 1960, daughters Alice Bliss and Effie Tenney were concerned that the whole family would not get together like it used to. So, Alice suggested an annual family reunion. These gatherings started in 1961 and have continued to this day. This year would have been our 60th reunion, but we decided to cancel it due to the coronavirus pandemic. These reunions generally attracted between 60 and 70, but sometimes as many as 130, and over 200 in 2001, the combined reunion and surprise 90th birthday party we held for Alice. More recently, attendance has slipped to the 40 to 50 range; but we keep trying and hope we can gather again next year.



Mr. & Mrs. Stowell & Family, Windham, Vt., 1917

Minnie and Elias lost one child in an accident when he was just 16. The others, however, all lived long and productive lives and had 51 children of their own. In 2017, we tried to identify all of the descendants of this one couple and counted 495; we know there are more. Such a large family is challenged to stay connected, but reunions have helped us do that to some extent. Elias and Minnie held an early reunion in Windham in 1927 at which all 15 living children and 12 grandchildren were present.



11 of the 16 Children, Stowell Reunion, Townshend, Vt., 1972



Stowell Reunion, Windham, Vt., 2019

Most reunions have been held at family members' homes in May when we could enjoy a potluck lunch and afternoon outdoors with cool air, warm sunshine, blue skies, and the beauty of lilacs in bloom. But there have been times when Mother Nature didn't cooperate. In 1992, we were forced indoors by wet snow, and in 2016 we found ourselves huddled under a tent during a thunderstorm that dropped hail and five inches of rain in three hours on us. Recently, we moved our timing to October, giving folks the opportunity to enjoy the splendor of Fall in New England. And through it all, we've

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had the great fortune to have among us those with a gift for and love of music to carry on a long tradition of a family sing-along of old and new favorites.

Many reunions have also been held at the Windham Congregational Church and Meeting House. In 1981, the family presented the church with a schoolhouse, regulator-style clock in memory of Elias and Minnie to replace one that had been stolen. Another was held there in 1998, and in 2006, we held a supper dance there on the evening before our reunion to recreate the supper dances that Minnie and Elias ran for the community at the dance hall in South Windham from 1926 until about 1940. Sally Newton and the Turkey Mountain Window Smashers led us in a number of old-time square dances. What fun we had!

Chef John Stowell Malone updated his *Stowell Family Windham Cookbook* that year, a copy of which is in the Windham Library. We also gathered at the church in 2007-2013 and in 2017-2019. On a number of these occasions, the Boyers graciously opened their home to us so that some could relive memories from long ago and others could experience for the first time, where their family was rooted. We want to sincerely thank the Boyers for their kindness and friendship over the years. We are sad that the old home place will be passing from their loving care, but we wish them much happiness in the next chapter of their lives. We also want to thank Ginny and Dave Crittenden for their kindness and friendship over the years, and for being such caring and helpful liaisons for us with the town and church.



Congregational Church and Meeting House, Windham, Vt., about 1900

No Plan is the Best Plan. That was our motto 1 year ago!

by Deb and Don Weiskopf

We retired 5 years ago after 35 years of living, teaching and raising our two sons in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. That summer we saw an Airstream and fell in love with the idea of traveling around the country. We were lucky to find a used Airstream, packed up and headed to California. Neither one of us had ever been in a RV before. Our first trip was an exciting journey that lasted six weeks.

A year or so later, we decided to get rid of most of our belongings and sell our 1854 Federal home in Pennsdale, PA to take off and live in our 30 foot Airstream for at least several years before finding a permanent home.

This plan took two years to put into place. In September 2019, we hopped into our truck with our two dogs, Stanley, a four year old Boston terrier, and Olive, our two year old English Bull Terrier. Our motto was, "No plan is the best plan." The freedom was exhilarating! We avoided the interstate highways, rarely drove over 200 miles in a day, and looked mostly for state and county parks. We especially enjoyed "boon-docking" - camping among Joshua trees in the Mojave desert was but one of many highlights.

After six months, we began hearing about COVID-19. In March, we were at a campsite in Moab, Utah when we got the distinct impression we were not wanted there, and the fear of becoming ill while not

having a permanent home, family or medical care easily available, was frightening. Luckily for us, friends in Pennsylvania had a rental house for us to shelter-in-place. When the country was starting to open again, we agonized about going back on the road or finding a new home. We felt the safest thing for us was to find a home.



We started an internet search, and Vermont was always a place that we loved. We planned to move to Vermont after several years of traveling anyway. We were able to find a place up north to quarantine before starting our physical home search.

Luckily for us, we found a charming home in Windham that is perfect. We knew it was the right choice as soon as we walked on the property. The people here have been so warm and welcoming. We like to say, "we landed well!"

Our Airstream journeys will have to wait. Now we will explore the wonderful state of Vermont. Don, myself, Olive and Stanley would like to say thank you, Windham, for making us feel safe and at home.

Many New Books for Our Library

by John Hoover

In mid-March of this year the Windham Town Library trustees voted to forego the weekly meetings normally held on Wednesday afternoons. In light of the continued spread of the Covid-19 virus the library has remained closed since then and will continue to be closed for the foreseeable future. In order to allow books to be checked out and/or returned, the library trustees have all agreed to be available to meet at the library with interested patrons. If you are interested in checking out or returning library books, please feel free to contact any of the trustees:

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| Maureen Bell | 875-1024 |
| Chris Dunkel | 874-4131 |
| John Hoover | 875-6224 |
| Cindy Kehoe | 874-7028 |
| Eileen Widger | 875-4604 |



Although the library has been closed, the trustees have not been idle. Individual trustees have made almost weekly visits to manage the library's collection of books. We've also added a number of new books that either add to an author's series in our collection or are recently published works.

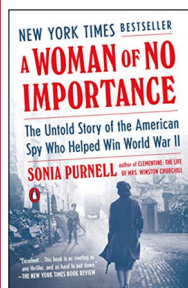
We've added *The Sentry* by Robert Crais that continues to follow his Elvis Cole and Joe Pike characters; Paul Doiron's, *Stay Hidden*, continues the story of Maine game warden (now investigator) Mike Bowditch; to the C.J. Box novels about Wyoming game warden Joe Pickett, we've added *Wolf Pack*; Quinn Colson, sheriff of Tebbelah Country, Mississippi, is back in *The Shameless* by Ace Atkins; and Daniel Silva's most recent book about Israeli intelligence operative Gabriel Alon, *The Order*, was also added. We have multiple works in each of these mystery/thriller series that can be checked out.

An excellent new work of fiction that we've added is *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd. In non-fiction, we've added two books by Isabel Wilkerson, *The Warmth of Other Suns* and *Caste*; *Relentless: Unleashing a Life of Purpose, Grit & Faith* by John Tesh; *A Life on Our Planet: My Witness Statement and a Vision for the Future* by David Attenborough; *Rage*, Bob Woodward's book based on his interviews with President Trump; *Too Much and Not Enough: How My Family Created the World's Most Dangerous Man* by Mary L. Trump; and *A Woman of No Importance* by Sonia Purnell, which just happens to be the book group's December selection. For young adult readers, we've added two series: the Heartland series by Lauren Brooke, stories set on a horse farm in Virginia, and books in the Sisters' Grimm series, a children's fantasy series of mysteries based on fairy tales.

Please feel free to let any of the trustees know if you would like to take out any of the books above, or any other book in our collection. If you want to talk to us about what might be available, or get our recommendations, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Windham Library Book Club

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 - 3:30 PM

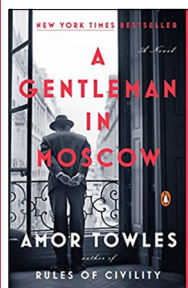


A Woman of No Importance

by Sonia Purnell

In 1942, the Gestapo sent out an urgent transmission: "She is the most dangerous of all Allied spies. We must find and destroy her." The target in their sights was Virginia Hall, a Baltimore socialite who talked her way into Special Operations Executive, the spy organization dubbed Winston Churchill's "Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare." She became the first Allied woman deployed behind enemy lines and--despite her prosthetic leg--helped to light the flame of the French Resistance, revolutionizing secret warfare as we know it. Virginia established vast spy networks throughout France, called weapons and explosives down from the skies, and became a linchpin for the Resistance.

Wednesday, January 6, 2020 - 3:30 PM



A Gentleman in Moscow

by Amor Towles

In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, and is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him entry into a much larger world of emotional discovery.

Brimming with humor, and one beautifully rendered scene after another, this novel casts a spell as it relates the count's endeavor to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a man of purpose.

Contact Maureen Bell at 875-1024, for more information and/or the Zoom link.



Object of Interest!

The Mialkowski's add a bit of whimsy and color to the view on Windham Hill Road!

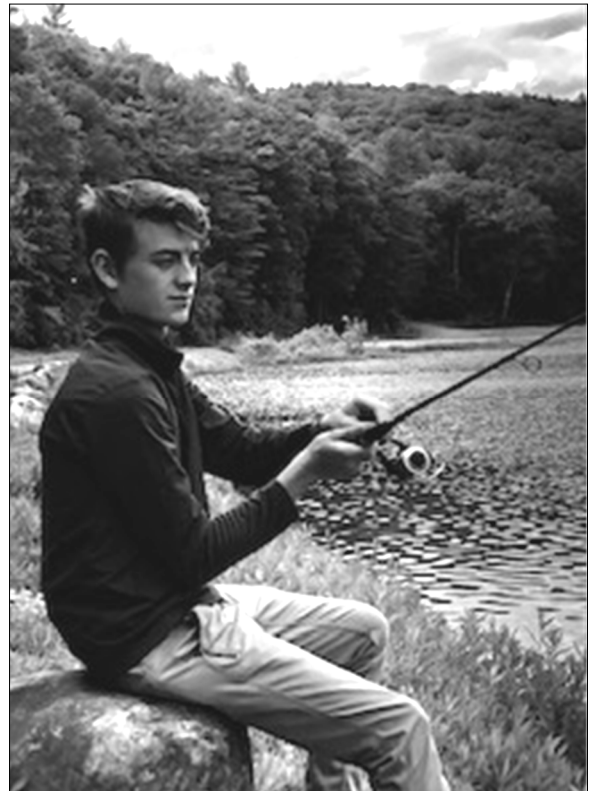
Please send your photos of interest taken in Windham, photos of your new baby or grandbaby to: windhamnews@hotmail.com.

Three Local High School Graduates Are Honored

by Susan Persa

Valley Bible School Co-op recently honored two graduates on August 29, 2020. Jonathan Griffin from South Windham completed his academic course of study and now plans to attend Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina, majoring in accounting and beginning in the fall of 2021. This gap year will give him time to take on-line courses and to work part time. Bradford Cutts, from Brookline, also in the Valley Bible homeschooling program, has plans to join the Marines in the next year. He has been employed at Dutton's in Newfane and will soon be working for Al Jeffers and Sons in Townshend. Another homeschooler in Windham, who is completing studies, is Aubrey Goodband. He officially finishes his work with Vermont Adult Learning and the Community College of Vermont this fall. He has future plans to join the Coast Guard in the spring, and is now working in the family roofing business.

Congratulations, young men! Reach for the stars!



Photos: Above, Jonathan Griffin

Top right, Bradford Cutts and Jonathan Griffin

Lower right, Aubrey Goodband



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“Giving Tuesday” at Grace Cottage Hospital

by C. J. King

After *Black Friday* and *Cyber Monday*, comes *Giving Tuesday*, a worldwide day of philanthropy during the season of gratitude.

Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital asks its friends and neighbors to participate in its “Giving Tuesday” campaign on December 1 to help raise funds to purchase two new LifePak defibrillators for the Hospital Emergency Department, to update and replace aging equipment.

The goal is to raise \$48,600 for the two units and associated costs (batteries, power cords, etc.). Very generous kickoff donations totaling \$10,100 bring the remainder to be raised down to \$38,500.

Defibrillators are a vital piece of equipment used within a health care setting. They are an integral diagnostic tool in a cardiac emergency. Defibrillators identify rhythms that can be life threatening or require immediate medical intervention. They work by sending an electrical current that restarts a heart and/or restores a normal rhythm. The Stryker LIFEPAK 20e can be used in the emergency department, on patient transports, and in the primary care environment, as well, should the need arise. It provides an array of data, advanced monitoring, and temporary pace making, if needed, to assist providers in their life-saving work.

To participate in Grace Cottage’s “Giving Tuesday 2020 Campaign”, go to www.gracecottage.org/ through midnight on December 1 to donate via credit card, or call (802) 365-9109 between 8 AM and 5 PM, Monday - Friday. Checks may be made out to Grace Cottage with “Giving Tuesday” on the memo line, and sent to P.O. Box 1, Townshend, VT, 05353. Any money raised beyond the campaign goal will be applied to the Grace Cottage Patient Care Fund.



Free Food – VeggieVanGo

Monday, November 30, Noon-1 PM

Thursday, December 17, Noon-1 PM

Lower parking lot, Leland & Gray High School, Townshend

Please note: The November event occurs on Monday, November 30, after Thanksgiving (not Thursday).

The December distribution will be back on Thursday, but one week earlier in the month than usual, on Thursday, December 17.

Grace Cottage Hospital hosts the Vermont Foodbank’s “VeggieVanGo” free food distribution program in Townshend at least once a month.



The purpose of the program is to help people obtain fresh fruits and vegetables to sustain a healthy lifestyle. All are welcome and no proof of eligibility is required. Sometimes a second food distribution in a month is organized with little advance notice, so check the Grace Cottage website or call 802-365-9109 for information.

Vermont Fish and Wildlife

Hunting season is in full swing. Bear, deer and turkey season dates vary as to type of animal and weapon. Small game, grouse, fur-bearing hunting, and trapping also have varied season dates, some extending into 2021. Be sure to check the Fish and Wildlife website for regulations, licensing, legal hunting dates, and other information and details at: <https://vtfishandwildlife.com/hunt/hunting-and-trapping-seasons>.

Our local Game Warden is Kyle Isherwood. He can be reached at (802) 279-8935. To report a violation in progress, call 1-800-752-5378.



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Dr. Moss Linder Named Family Physician of the Year

by Andrea Seaton

Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital is proud to announce that Dr. Moss Linder, who has been practicing at Grace Cottage since 1997, has been chosen by his peers in the Vermont Academy of Family Physicians (VTAFP) as the 2020 Family Physician of The Year. The award will be officially presented on Saturday, November 7.

Each year, VTAFP members select a family physician to honor who:

- provides patients with compassionate, comprehensive, and caring family medicine on a continuing basis,
- is directly and effectively involved in community affairs and activities that enhance the quality of the community,
- provides a credible role model, professionally and personally, to the community, to other health professionals, and residents, and medical students.

Stephanie Winters, Executive Director of VTAFP told Dr. Linder that, "Your dedication to your patients, community and practice in a rural part of Vermont is a true trait of a family physician."

Grace Cottage Chief Medical Officer, Dr.

George Terwilliger, said that, "I can't think of a doctor more deserving of the Vermont Academy's 2020 Family Physician of the Year Award. He is exceptionally caring, diligent, and thoughtful. Patients love him because he goes the extra mile to help out in any way he can. His informal, yet professional and respectful manner immediately puts patients at ease and allows them to open up about their concerns."



Moss Linder, MD

A native of New London, CT, Dr. Moss Linder earned his B.A. from Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT, and a Master of Science from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. He received his medical degree from the University of Vermont College of Medicine, and completed a family medicine residency at Oregon Health Services University in Portland. Prior to joining Grace Cottage, he worked as a family physician on the Acoma-Canoncito-Laguna Hospital in New Mexico.

Dr. Linder and his wife, Dr. Elizabeth Linder who is Grace Cottage's pediatrician, have both been employed at Grace Cottage since 1997. The Linders have three grown daughters and live in Townshend, Vermont.

Wreath Sale by Megan Carson

I am now a freshman at Vermont Academy in Saxton's River, Vermont. I am making fresh holiday wreaths with my family which will be available starting Saturday, November 28 for \$20 each. This is to help me raise money for the fees involved with riding for the Vermont Academy Equestrian team this spring. Thank you to everyone who supported



me last year. To order, please call 802-874-4057.

Megan Carson

[Megan lives on Chase Road in South Windham with her parents, siblings and grandmother, Susan Persa.]



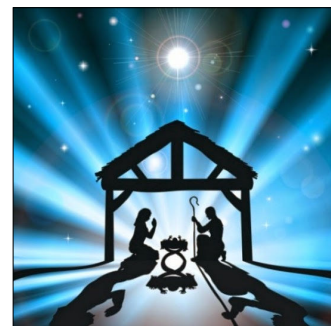
Valley Bible Church Christmas Programs

by Susan Persa

Valley Bible Church in South Windham plans to hold their usual Christmas Eve service on December 24th. A musical concert is now also being planned, with the date pending.

Our usual order of Sunday services remains the same, with Sunday School for all ages at 10 AM, followed by Sunday morning service at 11 AM. On Wednesday evenings, Bible Study is at 7 PM. All are welcome!

[Valley Bible is located at 3264 Windham Hill Road in South Windham. It is an independent Bible church. Mark Griffin has been serving as Pastor of Valley Bible Church since February of 2000. For more information call (802) 874-7267 or visit the website at: www.valleybiblevt.com.



Windham Elementary School Students Are Thriving

Submission by Sara Wunderle

Our Autumn days at Windham Elementary School (WES) have been filled with lots of learning, outdoor play and some familiar traditions that we have been able to continue safely.

Apple picking at Green Mountain Orchards was a bit different this year due to Covid-19, but we made the most of it! Thanks to our amazing bus driver Kord Scott for driving us over Putney Mountain, the students were able to enjoy the beautiful fall weather and explore the orchard. Students were able to pick different varieties of apples to taste with their families, and had a freshly made apple cider donut as a snack before returning back to WES.

Craig Bailes and Sally Newton, approved substitute teachers for WES for this school year, have teamed up and crafted an Outdoor Adventure class that meets about twice a month at Windham Elementary. The students, with guidance from Sally and Craig, have begun to clear overgrown brush and dead branches from the school property. Safety lessons and instructions were given on how to use the tools they would be using. Students were taught how to identify tree leaves and were able to select a few to put into a leaf press that we will use later to make some artwork with. The most recent project was to create forest plots using stakes, yarn and surveyor's marking tape. These plots will be areas that students will be able to observe throughout the school year and take notes on the changes that happen (ie changes to forest floor, wildlife habitats, footprints, etc). There is a lean-to structure that they will be working on, and the goal is to try and use it as an outdoor classroom during the school year. We are in search of a canvas that could be donated to add to the outside of our lean-to. The type of canvas that is being requested is the type that teepees/tents use for weather proofing.



In addition, Sally has been visiting our students and providing music and ukulele lessons on Thursday afternoons. We are so grateful for her sharing her love of the outdoors and music with us all.

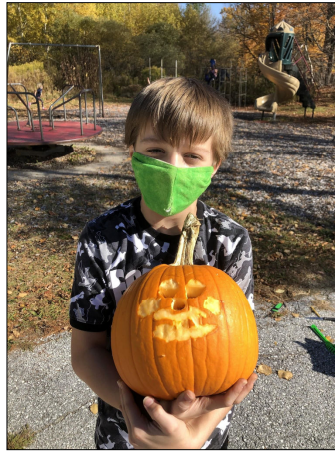
During Fire Prevention Week, the Windham Fire Department visited with our students again this year. After our fire drill and watching the fire trucks enter the school driveway, a wonderful outdoor presentation was given to the students. The focus was on fire safety and introducing the students to all the equipment that is used during fires and emergencies. Each student was then presented with a fire prevention goodie bag and stickers by the fireman. Thank you to the Windham Fire Department for the time you gave to our students again this year.



Ten Monarch butterflies were released recently after watching the life cycle of a monarch caterpillar these last few weeks. It was a gorgeous day, when we watched our butterflies spread their wings and fly for the first time!



We have finished off our October by carving pumpkins that were donated to Windham students by Cindy and Bob Kehoe and the Marie Hill Farm. Pumpkin seeds were then dried overnight and were cooked to be enjoyed the following day



Although we are missing a lot of our normal traditions and field trips that we have at this time of year, we are finding other ways to keep our students engaged, and their learning unique and fun. We hope you have enjoyed our fall school update for 2020.



Windham Community Organization Is Here for You!

Please know that the primary mission of the Windham Community Organization (WCO) is to assist Windham residents in time of need and vulnerability by providing financial and other assistance. If you find yourself needing assistance,

we are here to help with rent, utilities, heating, repairs, minor chores, etc. If your needs are ongoing or beyond our scope, we can direct you to other social service organizations and provide information on obtaining food security. We have procedures in place to provide for your privacy. Please contact Pat Cherry at 874-7094, Kathy Jungermann at 874-4606 or Imme Maurath at 875-8755.

News from the Transfer Station

The Londonderry Transfer Station is due for recertification. We had a very positive site visit from Buzz Surwillo from the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), so I expect that the certification will be forthcoming. It is good for ten years.

On another note, the 2021 Transfer Station stickers will be available by mid-November. You will be able to purchase one at the Windham Town Office or online (see below).

If you ever wonder what to do with things you no longer use or want, take a look at the A-Z list at <http://www.londonderryvt.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/A-Z-final-2020-list.pdf> for options about where and how to dispose of just about everything.

As a member of a Packaging Subcommittee, I have been working with the Product Stewardship Institute and the Vermont Product Stewardship Council on possible legislation for an Extended Producer Responsibility bill that will make manufacturers pay into a system to take care of the end life of their products. This will afford Vermonters some relief for disposal of packaging materials.

Unfortunately, the Take-it or Leave-it shed at the transfer station will remain closed for the safety of attendants and residents. The Thrifty Attic is closed for the time being, as well, but textiles, clothing, shoes, handbags, etc. can be brought to the two collection bins at the transfer station. All textiles must be in plastic bags, please.

The 2019 Solid Waste Implementation Plan draft can be found at <http://www.londonderryvt.org/recycletransfer/solid-waste-plan/>. We are in the final stretch of having it approved by VT DEC. The plan speaks to the various requirements to which all Solid Waste Management Entities must comply.

Cheers,

Esther Fishman

[Annual Stickers and Punch Cards can also be purchased by credit card or echeck at this link: <https://pay.xpress-pay.com/org/D6F2CEAF94204A6>. These will be mailed to the address you provide. If you have special instructions, please email: treasurer@londonderryvt.org.

- **Transfer Station Punch Cards** are \$10 for five punches/ \$20 for ten punches.
- **Transfer Station Yearly Permits** are \$10 each Both can also still be bought at the Windham Town Office.]



Notes From Mike's Desk

by Mike McLaine (and Ellen McDuffie)

The Town Office will be open on the following Saturdays: November 28 from 8 AM. to 12 PM, and December 26 from 8 AM to 12 PM.

I applied for and was awarded a grant to begin the digitization of the Windham Land Records. This will allow for title searchers to access the Land Records remotely. I have sent the last five years of recording to the vendor, Recordsforce, to scan and index. We will have the originals back next week, and the information will be available digitally by the end of the year.

The office is now open for business Mondays from 12 PM to 8 PM, Tuesdays from 6 AM to 10 AM, and Wednesdays from 10 AM to 2 PM. These are the same hours as before the restricted hours for Covid-19. Hand sanitizer and a mask are required, and please respect others by socially distancing.

In August, the exterior of the Town Office was painted by Christian Schilling of Jamaica, VT.

Life may have slowed a bit during Covid-19, but we have adjusted to the situation and continue with the business of the Town of Windham. Peter Chamberlain, Assistant Town Clerk, is working Ellen McDuffie's hours in the office until she is once again comfortable coming back into the office..

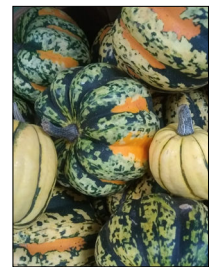
Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays!

Brattleboro Winter Farmers' Market Moves Indoors

by Kathy Jungermann

Newly located in the C.F. Church Building at 80 Flat Street in Brattleboro. Open every Saturday from November 7, 2020 through March 28, 2021 from 10 AM – 2 PM.

This new location offers onsite free parking. It is one of the few indoor Vermont farmers' markets open for in-person shopping this season, "Shop 'n Go" will be the mindset. Shop safely and briefly with your favorite farmers and producers. A new curbside pick-up option is available for those who prefer a completely touchless option. Customers can order and pay online for a market order to be picked up on Saturday. Visit the website for all the details: www.brattleborowinterfarmersmarket.org. Rain or Shine, Sleet or Snow. Masks are required. Call (802)869-2141 to verify or get directions, or go online: www.nofavt.org or www.postoilsolutions.org



The Gordon/Wyman Families Dress Up Windham for Halloween

For a bit of Halloween fun, drive up to North Windham and check out the annual treat of creative decorations by the Gordon and Wyman families! Happy Halloween!



**All Dogs Must Be Registered in the
Town Office and Current Rabies
Vaccination Must Be on File.**

Bring or mail certification of rabies vaccination and proof of neuter/spay, if applicable.
You may mail in your registration fee or drop it by the office.



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



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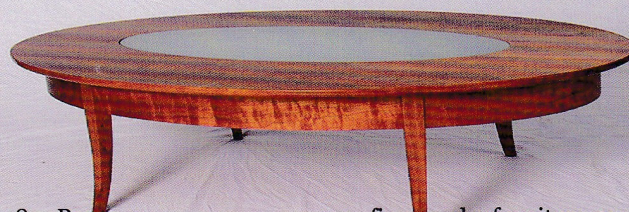
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minutes, events, town information. Please
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input: webmaster@townofwindhamvt.com.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED WINDHAM MEETINGS CALL CONTACT TO CONFIRM

**Citizens Advisory
Committee**, Second
Tuesday of Nov. at
6:30 PM. Contact Marcia
Clinton at 875-3531.

Energy Committee:
3rd Thursday of the month, at
4:30 PM on Zoom,
Contact Bill Dunkel 874-4131.

**Windham Community
Organization:**
Last Wednesday of the month
at the Meeting House. Please
join us! Contact Ellen
McDuffie at 874-8183.

Town Clerk: 874-4211
Monday: Noon - 8:00 PM
Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Closed all Thursdays, Fridays,
and Federal Holidays. Open
every fourth Saturday, 8 AM-
Noon.

Planning and Zoning:
Second Wednesday of the
month at 6:30 PM usually at
the Town Office. Open
meetings. Agenda posted.
Contact Bill Dunkel at
874-4131.

Conservation Committee:
Third Tuesday of the month
usually at 7 PM. Contact
Alison Trowbridge at
874-7050 for information.

Select Board:
1st & 3rd Mondays at
5:30 PM on Zoom. Open
meetings. Agenda posted.
Check website:
townofwindhamvt.com

Library:
Wednesday, 3-5 PM
Book Group at 3:30 PM,
1st Wednesdays on Zoom or
at the Meeting House.
Contact Maureen Bell at
875-1024.

Valley Bible Church:
Sundays: Sunday School,
10 AM; Morning Worship,
11 AM; Potluck following.
Sunday Afternoon Service,
1:15 PM; Wednesdays, Bible
Study/ Prayer, 7 PM.

School Board:
First Mondays of the
month, Contact Beth
McDonald 874-4015 or
Russ Cumming 874-7011 for
information.

Volunteer Fire Company:
First Thursday of the
month at 6 PM. Contact
Jan Wyman at 875-3373
for information.

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

**West River Education Dis-
trict:** Third Mondays at 7 PM
at Leland & Gray. Call Leland &
Gray 365-7355 for info.

SAVE THESE DATES! **ALL DOGS MUST BE REGISTERED at the Town Office**
October 31 - Halloween & Deadline to pay Property Taxes. Town Office Open 9AM-5PM
November 1 - Turn BACK your clock
NOVEMBER 3 - ELECTION DAY, Meeting House, 10 AM-7 PM, May register to
Vote at the Meeting House
November 7 - Deadline for photos for "Capturing the Beauty of Windham"
January 1 - Annual Permit for 2021 needed to use Transfer Station

