



WINDHAM NEWS & NOTES

Results of Windham Town Meeting 2024

By Ellen McDuffie, Town Clerk

As your Town Clerk, I first want to thank everyone involved with our Town Meeting, especially our registered voters who were able to attend and cast their votes.

The Windham Town Meeting was held in-person on Saturday, March 9, 2024, by floor vote upstairs at the Meeting House. Our Windham Selectboard voted to delay Town Meeting until the Saturday after the traditional meeting day. This is the last year that the Vermont legislature is allowing unchartered towns to hold Town Meeting after the first Tuesday of March due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It was our second meeting held upstairs in the Meeting House, and the Windham Community Organization (Imme and Steve Maurath single handedly) set-up and cleaned-up the Potluck Lunch. Imme and Steve were able to keep everything warm for us until the meeting recessed for lunch at 4PM!

Kudos to all those who helped at the meeting, from set-up, putting cushions in pews, opening windows, working out the sound and video system, to the Selectboard, School Board, Auditors, those giving out numbers to help us keep within the Fire Marshall's limitations of 150 people upstairs, Justices of the Peace, Assistant Election Officials, Barabara Lettenberger for continuing to hand out numbers and name tags to late arrivals, Maureen Bell for being an excellent remote (downstairs) moderator, Bill Dunkel for running around with the floor microphone and getting his 10,000 + steps in, Mike McLaine for always steering our meetings in an orderly and fair manner, and MOST OF ALL, A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CAME AND SHARED YOUR HEARTFELT VIEWS. It was a very emotional meeting, and everyone remained civil in presenting their views.

Initially, a hand vote was held to change the order of business to hold the school meeting first. A 2/3 vote was needed, and it passed easily. We gave out 172 numbers to those who were in attendance to track the first 150 allowed upstairs, registered two new voters for a total of 303 unchallenged registered voters and had 144 paper ballots cast on the first paper ballot. The number of paper ballots cast decreased from there to 137 on the second ballot vote and then to 127 on the third paper ballot. Once again, a number of voters were disappointed that they were not able to attend and therefore were not able to vote.

Below are the Articles that were considered. The results of the vote are in **bold**. Votes were cast by voice or show of hands, except where noted for the school items for which at least 7 participants were required to request a paper ballot. Paper ballots were used for three school votes.

SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

Article 1 - Moderator - **Michael McLaine**

Article 2 - School Treasurer - **Kathy Scott**

School Director - **Daniel Roth** (by paper

ballot) Total ballots cast - 144; **Daniel Roth- 73;**

Nancy Tips – 67; Spoiled Ballots – 4

WRED District Director - **Paul Stapleton**

Article 3 - School Director Compensation, motion to amend to increase to \$1250 each - **PASSED**

Article 4 - To approve the school budget which was modified by the previous article to spend \$596,012. (by paper ballot) Total Ballots Cast – 137; Yes – 60; No – 77 **FAILED**

Article 5 – To move surplus funds to Capital Reserve - **PASSED**

Article 6 - Shall the School Board provide for the elementary education of students by paying tuition to one or more public elementary schools in accordance with Vermont law? (by paper ballot) Total Ballots Cast – 127 **Yes – 82; No – 45 - PASSED**

Article 7 - Assessment of needs and petition to state to change supervisory unions - **FAILED**

Article 8 - No action taken

The School Board Meeting adjourned at 3:36 PM.

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School Board Revote

Saturday, May 18th 2024

at 10 AM

Windham Meeting House

See Warned Articles on Page 6→

Selectboard Report

The Selectboard aims for Windham to have an efficient and effective town government in which all town officials work together as a team. After Town Meeting, we updated our town policies and appointed folks to town offices and committees. We shared our conflict-of-interest policy, Selectboard policies and procedures, and purchasing policy with all appointed and elected town officials. We also plan to meet with town officials to promote teamwork and offer our support.

At our regular meetings, we hear from town officials about their work or the work of the committees they chair. Imme Maurath has reported on the grants that she administers from FEMA and other agencies, which have provided six-figure income for our roads. Cathy Fales has told us about her efforts as grant strategist. Recently, her work resulted in an energy assessment of the Meeting House and a \$75,000 grant to paint the Meeting House, restore its entrance to meet historic and ADA standards, and repair its windows. Additional funds will come from ARPA and the Friends of the Meeting House. Other reports are given regularly by the Planning Commission, which is revising some town regulations, and by the Meeting House Committee.

Special attention has focused on the Meeting House to support the committee's efforts to preserve our 222-year-old treasure. The alarm system and the heating system have been inspected and approved. We are in the process of getting an electrician to inspect the building's electrical system. A fire-suppression exhaust hood was purchased with a grant from AARP which would allow any sort of cooking to take place in the Meeting House kitchen. After seeing the hood, the Meeting House Committee has recommended that it not be installed, saying it is larger than is needed and its venting on the outside of the building could violate the historic appearance. Questions remain for the Selectboard about the future use of the kitchen and the actual impact of the hood's installation on the building, so it has been placed into storage.

As always, maintaining our roads is of great importance to everyone in town. The road crew's work over the past few years has resulted in a shorter and less problematic mud season, for which everyone is grateful. A new, large culvert has been installed on Windham Hill Road in South Windham which will prevent flooding in that area. We are now seeking bids for a new six-wheel truck. At our most recent meeting, we approved a long-term plan for our paved roads, beginning with repairs to the 0.9-mile section from Four Corners south to the big bend in Windham Hill

Road. The plan includes chip sealing, which is placed on top of pavement, extending the life of our paved roads and saving money in the long-term.

To improve communications between town officials and all residents, we've been gathering information to make several purchases. We will buy additional audio-visual equipment, using ARPA funds designated for this. We will be hiring a website specialist to upgrade and maintain our town website. We are gathering info for a new phone and internet system for the Town Office that will include voice mail for several town officers. In addition, we plan to use an internet-based communication system for scheduling meetings, sharing information, and similar tasks.

Shortly after Town Meeting, we evaluated the day. We anticipate that our new A-V equipment will ensure that we don't have technical difficulties, as we did this year. We agreed that the name tags and number tags were a big success, and we saw the biggest problem to be parking. Although the meeting lasted eight hours, much was accomplished, and everyone in attendance who wanted to speak had an opportunity to do so. .

Windham has a long history of folks working together for the good of the town, and we want to build on that. We support the efforts of Susan Persa and Paul Wyman who are creating the Windham Historical Society. At our last meeting, we voted to provide \$500 for them to enhance old photographs and create a booklet history of the town. One notable piece of history is changing. Among the first settlers of Windham, Edward Aiken claimed a nice section of flat land in North Windham for farming. It would later become a large potato farm and still later a golf course called Tater Hill. That land is being sold again. What it will become is unknown.

We hope you will join our team efforts to make Windham an even better place to live.

Kord, George, Michael, and Mac



To reach the Road Crew

Call the Town Garage at 802-874-7025, or Richard Paré at 802-379-5647 (cell) or 802-874-4971 (home). You may also call or email Kord Scott, George Dutton or Michael Pelton to let us know if there's a tree down or any other unsafe road conditions. Thank you in advance for notifying the Road Crew.

How Windham Voted in the Presidential Primary

By Ellen McDuffie

Of the 301 active, unchallenged registered voters in Windham as of March 5, 2024, 103 cast ballots in the 2024 Presidential Primary. This was a 34.2% voter participation rate. The numbers showed that many voters who usually vote Democratic crossed over and voted for a Republican candidate. Sixty-four votes (62%) were cast for a Republican candidate and 39 (38%) were cast for a Democrat. No other parties had a candidate on the ballot in Vermont. The results are as follows; candidates who did not receive any votes are not included:

Republican

Nikki Haley – 35 votes (54.7%)
 Donald J. Trump – 28 votes (43.8%)
 Chris Christie – 1 vote (1.5%)

Democrat

Joseph R. Biden, Jr. - 37 votes (94.9%)
 Dean Phillips – 1 vote (2.56%)
 Write-In – 1 vote (2.56%)

West River Modified Union Education District Annual Meeting Results

By Ellen McDuffie

The West River Modified Union Education District (WRMUED) held its annual informational meeting on the evening of Tuesday, March 26, 2024 followed by an election the next day, March 27. This was Windham’s third election of the month! The voter turnout was very light with only a 10% turnout in Windham. However, this was the highest voter participation rate of all the district member towns, which include Brookline, Jamaica, Newfane, Townshend and Windham. Once the polls closed for this election, all ballots were securely transported to Townshend and comingled prior to counting. David Liebow was elected Moderator; Ellenka Wilson was elected Clerk; the Treasurer position was left vacant; and Sara Webb was elected At-Large School Director. All articles passed including the School District’s Budget of \$14,595,562. However, the margin for the budget was closer than the other articles – 139 in favor, 113 opposed and 4 blank. To see a complete listing of the warning, please go to: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UICsmk1D2kdP_KjoWfMsErFt9KC3YKKb/view?usp=drive_link

ALL DOGS MUST BE REGISTERED!

A reminder that **all dogs must be registered in the Town Office each year**. We have over 40 dogs in Windham that have not yet been registered for 2024. Registration is now **past due**. You are urged to come into the Town Office and register your dog as soon as possible or call Town Clerk Ellen McDuffie at the Town Office at 802-874-4211 to make arrangements to register your dog by mail. Thank you!



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Next deadline: June 13, 2024

Town Office Hours

Monday Noon - 6 PM
Wednesday 10AM - 4 PM
Thursday 10 AM - 4 PM

Third Saturday of the Month
11 AM - 2 PM

CLOSED Tuesday, Friday & ALL Federal Holidays
For an appointment at another time, please call 802-874-4211 or email windham.town@gmail.com.

Face Mask Optional

To Join A Zoom Selectboard Meeting:

The Selectboard meeting information is available from the printed agendas that are posted at the Town Office, Meeting House, and Fire House on Saturdays before meetings, and are also posted on the town website at: townofwindhamvt.org.

TOWN MEETING (continued from page 1)

Article 1: To elect a Town Moderator for the year ensuing. **Michael McLaine**

Article 2: Shall the voters accept the Town Report prepared by the Auditors? **PASSED**

Article 3: To elect all Town Officers as required by law. All positions were uncontested.

Selectperson, 3-year term: **George Dutton**

Lister, 3-year term: **Antje Ruppert**

Auditor, 3-year term: **Kathaleen Jungermann**

Delinquent Tax Collector, 1-year term:

Paul Wyman

Windham Center Cemetery Commissioner,

5-year term: **Walter Woodruff**

West Windham Cemetery Commissioner,

5-year term: **Colin Blazej**

North Windham Cemetery Commissioner,

5-year term: **Ralph Wyman**

Library Trustee, 5-year term: **Eileen Widger**

Article 4 - Authorizing Treasurer to collect taxes - **PASSED**

Article 5 - Property taxes due October 31, 2024 - **PASSED**

Article 6 - General Fund - Article amended to raise stipend for Selectpersons by \$1,000 each, Total General Fund Budget of \$342,107 - **PASSED**

Article 7 - Roads Budget - Selectboard made a motion to change number based on a typo; Roads Budget of \$537,286 - **PASSED**

Article 8 - New Road Machinery appropriation of \$180,703 - **PASSED**

Article 9 - Repaving & Bridges of \$60,000 - **PASSED**

Article 10 -Town Garage Maintenance & Improvements of \$10,000 - **PASSED**

Article 11 -Town Office Maintenance & Improvements of \$10,000 - **PASSED**

Article 12 - Meeting House Maintenance & Improvements of \$10,000 - **PASSED**

Article 13 - Weatherization Fund moved to Meeting House M & I - **PASSED**

Article 14 - Appropriate \$10,000 for Town-wide Reappraisal - **PASSED**

Article 15 - Transfer \$20,000 of surplus funds for NEMRC Fund for Accounting Software & Services - **PASSED**

Article 16 - Transfer \$16,000 from surplus funds for a professional audit - **PASSED**

Article 17 - Change name of Rainy-Day Fund to Emergency Reserve Fund - **PASSED**

Article 18 - Transfer \$25,000 of surplus to Emergency Reserve Fund - **PASSED**

Article 19 - Non-profit appropriations of \$8,535 - George Dutton clarified that the Brattleboro Development Corporation was added to the Social Services recommendations by the Selectboard - **PASSED**

Article 20 - Prohibiting the Windham Constable from exercising any law enforcement activities - **PASSED**

Article 21 - To change the Constable position from elected to appointed - **PASSED**

Article 22 - To adopt Australian balloting for all elected officials and special elections - **PASSED**

Article 23 - No action taken

Town Meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.

It was a long one, but individuals were able to voice their concerns and ask questions about each article. Congratulations to all the candidates and new town officials, and thank you to the Selectboard, the election workers and organizers who worked hard to make this a successful Town Meeting.

A Revote on the School Budget will be set by the School Board.

From The Meeting House Committee . . . By Maureen Bell

While we await instructions on what we can do as Paul Bruhn grant recipient (see article on page 8 in this issue), we continue to improve and use the building. The water heater and the heating system recently both got some TLC. Thanks to Kord Scott, the fire alarm system is now in good working order with a new monitoring vendor.

The building recently played host to Town Meeting Day with more than 170 in attendance and to some special Winter's Table events.

Our regularly scheduled programs continue. Living Strong exercisers meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 10AM. Our Town Library is open Wednesdays from

3-5PM. If this time doesn't work for you, please call on any of your Library Trustees. As they've always done, they would be happy to meet you there at a time more convenient for you. Book club discussions are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 3:30PM (see the next selections page 13). And our newest addition, Game Day, meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 12:30PM.

Come join us at the Meeting House for any or all of these events!



Spring Support Drive for Windham News and Notes

By Kathy Jungermann



The Windham News and Notes has successfully completed 21 years of informing Windham residents and property owners about community events and issues! The first eight-page issue was published in July/August 2003. The newsletter is produced by an all-volunteer team and attempts to inform and involve every corner of the Windham community, we welcome submissions and photos as space permits.

In this issue you will find a subscription form with a return envelope. Please take the time to fill out the form and check to make sure that we have your correct address as the Post Office will not forward the newsletter. Be sure to include an email address if you are requesting our expanded electronic version. This online full color option comes to you as a link to a drop box and will help your donation go further to meet our production costs. We depend on your annual support to cover the cost of production and mailing, and ask that you contribute whatever you can. If you are not a Windham resident, a donation is necessary to receive the additional five issues per year.

We are thankful to our subscribers and advertisers for their generous support and our 'team' that takes on the many tasks of recording subscriptions, maintaining mailing lists, writing and editing articles, interviewing people, producing the newsletter and preparing it for mailing.

The News and Notes is published by the Windham Community Organization, a non-profit organization. Your support allows us to fulfill our mission of helping Windham residents in times of need. In addition, the donations that we receive are used to support local agencies that provide the community with a range of resources.

Thank you for your support !



Listers Corner

The town wide property reevaluation is complete. The next step in the process is that NEMRC will be mailing a booklet out to all town taxpayers just after May 1. This booklet will list all Windham properties and provide prior and new assessments. The average increase in assessed value is around 65%. This does not mean your taxes will increase by this amount. Your taxes are based on the two budgets - town and school.

The booklet will include frequently asked questions and answers. In addition, NEMRC will offer taxpayers meetings with the assessors. The first is an informal group meeting, open to anyone with concerns and may answer your questions. If this does not satisfactorily address your concerns, there will be a second series of individually-scheduled meetings to reevaluate property values. For these meetings, property owners should have back up paperwork to support your position.

Three options are available that might reduce your taxes. These are (1) to file a HS-122; (2) to file a HS-144; and (3) to explore whether your property could be enrolled in the current use program.

Windham Listers

Bill Casey, Ron Cohen and Antje Ruppert

2024 Select Board Appointments to the Windham Team

Building Safety Officer - Ron Cohen

Citizens Advisory Committee- Michael Simonds

Deerfield Valley Communications District Reps -

David Cherry and Chris Cummings

Emergency Management Coordinator - Imme Maurath

Energy Committee - Vance Bell

Energy Coordinator - Bill Dunkel

Grant Administrator - Imme Maurath

Grant Strategist - Cathy Edgerly Fales

Green-up Co-coordinators - Ellen McDuffie and Kathy Jungermann

Meeting House Committee - Louise Johnson

Planning Commission - Chris Cummings

Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service Operators -

Tan Bronson and Jim McCandless

Road Commissioner - Kord Scott

Selectboard Clerk - Mary McCoy (Mac)

Social Services Committee - Tom Widger, Marcia

Clinton, Skip Raymond, and Barbara Jean Quinn

Town Attorney - Robert Fisher

Town Engineer - Everett Hammond

Town Webmasters - Bea and Jordan Eliastam

Tree Warden - Walter Woodruff

Windham Regional Commission Reps - Bill Dunkel and Cathy Edgerly Fales

Backyard Burning

By Marcia Clinton

On-premise or backyard burning of brush, deadwood or tree cuttings collected from normal property maintenance is allowed under the Vermont Air Pollution Control Regulations, as long as no public or private nuisance, such as excessive smoke, is created. With spring cleaning underway, it is important to remember to follow a few guidelines:

- Allow green materials to dry before burning.
- Consider the wind speed and direction before burning.
- Check the Fire Danger Forecast from Forests, Parks and Recreation and postpone burning during periods of elevated fire danger.
- Check the Air Quality Forecast and postpone burning if atmospheric conditions are not favorable to disperse the smoke.
- Ensure the fire burns hot.
- Obtain a local burn permit from your Town Fire Warden.

The Windham Town Fire Warden is Rick Weitzel at 802-874-4104 and the Assistant Fire Warden is Ralph Wyman at 802-875-3373.



Windham Energy Committee Update

By Bill Dunkel

If you want to reduce your heating bills, lower your carbon footprint and be warmer next winter, I urge you to consider ordering Window Dressers storm window inserts for your home. Window Dressers, a non-profit entity based in Maine, has nearly perfected a simple, assembly line process which enables volunteers to produce attractive, inexpensive, efficient internal storm window inserts. The Windham Energy Committee and leaders in Londonderry, Landgrove, and perhaps several other nearby towns, are organizing a community-build which is scheduled for the first week of November next fall at the Meeting House.

Each insert is custom-priced based on the exact measurements of your window. Inserts generally pay for themselves in 1-2 heating seasons. Below are sample prices. Your exact price may vary slightly. Depending upon one's circumstances, significant discounts also may be available.

Size	Cost for Pine Finish	Cost for White Finish
Small: 20" X 36"	\$35.28	\$43.91
Medium: 30" X 52"	\$48.06	\$61.06
Large: 44" X 68"	\$65.30	\$ 83.38

More information is available on line at www.WindowDressers.org. Contact me if you are interested in having storm window inserts made for your home, or if you have questions about the Window Dressers program (bdunkel1455@gmail.com, 802-874-4131).

Windham School Board Update

By Dan Roth, Windham School Board

Our second Windham Vote Day for the School Board will be held Saturday, May 18th at 10:00 AM at the Windham Meeting House. Three issues will be voted on:

Article 1: Shall the voters of the Windham School District approve the closure of Windham Elementary School?

Article 2: Shall the voters of the Windham School District approve the school board to expend \$546,344, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the 2024/2025 fiscal year?

Article 3: If Article 1 passes, shall the voters of Windham School District grant general authority

Article 3, continued:

to the school board to pay tuition for an elementary student at an approved independent elementary school in an amount not to exceed the average announced state-wide elementary school tuition? This authorization is in addition to the March 9th, 2024 electorate authorization for the board to pay tuition to public elementary schools.

These three articles would put Windham in a healthy position for future years and have the full support of the board. We would be able to offer equitable opportunities to all children, lower our tax rate, and minimize risks. We will communicate details about an additional Informational meeting soon.

Please join us in moving forward with the interests of everyone in Windham and the future of our community!

Vermont's Annual Green Up Day: May 4, 2024

By Kathy Jungermann

Take part in a collective clean-up for Windham on Green Up Day on Saturday, May 4, 2024. Join your neighbors in this spring tradition that activates thousands of Vermonters to get involved in their communities by picking up roadside litter.

It's easy to get involved!

- Green Up bags and a clipboard are available by the front door of the Town Office at 5976 Windham Hill Road.
- Please indicate on the clipboard which area you will be cleaning and take Green Up bags you will need.
- Leave your tied up bags on the road where the road crew can see them for pick up.
- Send your Green Up day photos to News & Notes, windhamnews@hotmail.com, and we will include in the next issue!
- Please follow the safety tips below.

Thank you to all of you who do your part to help **Green Up** our town!

Be *safe* on Green Up Day

1. Tie your trash bag **closed** when full; keep your good work in the bag!
2. Wear long pants and boots and always **check** your body for **ticks**.
3. If you see a **needle or sharp** material, find an adult and do not put it in your bag with other trash. Put it in a thick plastic container, clearly mark **"DO NOT RECYCLE"**, duct tape the lid on and put into the regular trash. Visit www.healthvermont.gov for further information.
4. **Road Caution** – Always work facing on-coming traffic.
5. Follow **State Covid-19 guidelines**
6. Wear **gloves**.



Garden Club of Manchester Upcoming Events

By Pat Cherry

The Garden Club of Manchester (GCM) is holding their Annual Plant, Bake and Tag Sale on Saturday May 18, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Southern Vermont Arts Center, 860 SVAC Drive/ West Road, Manchester VT. Get ready to plant your garden: purchase a variety of plants, used garden tools, and baked goods!

The GCM meeting featuring Charlie Nardozzi on Thursday, June 13 at 5:00 PM is open to the public. Charlie will talk about "Cottage Gardening: the history and elements of traditional and nontraditional gardens". Charlie has a popular PBS gardening program providing helpful tips and gardening secrets! This entertaining presentation will be held at the Manchester Community Library, 138 Cemetery Avenue, Manchester Center, VT.

Finally, save the date - July 20th - for the 2024 GCM garden tours, featuring gardens in Dorsett, East Dorsett and Manchester.

Chester Plant Sale May 31-June 2, 2024

The annual Plant Sale sponsored by St. Luke's Church, 313 Main Street in Chester, will be held Friday May 31st and Saturday June 1st from 9 AM-3 PM, and Sunday June 2nd from 12 PM -3 PM. Plants are large, healthy and hardy with helpful labels to make it easy to add them to your garden. To contribute perennials or for more information, please contact Lillian Willis at 802-875-1340.

Join the Community Lunches at Neighborhood Connections

Free community lunches are available on the second Tuesday of every month at noon at Neighborhood Connections, 5700 Mountain Marketplace in Londonderry. The next two lunches will be May 14 and June 11, 2024. If you need a ride, request transportation from the Mountain Town Connector. Please RSVP to 802-824-4343.



Windham Among Eight Communities to Receive Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant

By Cathy Edgerly Fales

The Preservation Trust of Vermont (PTV) awarded a Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization grant of \$75,000 to the Windham Meeting House to replace the front doors and front deck, make window repairs, and paint the building's exterior. These funds will be added to monies from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the Town of Windham, and the Society of the Friends of the Windham Meeting House.

Vermont's Federal Delegation, Senators Sanders and Welch and Representative Balint, are glad to see federal funding support the preservation of historic sites in rural communities throughout Vermont. "We look forward to seeing the role these historic community sites will play for generations to come."

Constructed in 1802, the Windham Meeting House has been the focus of community life for over 220 years. Use declined during COVID, but the Town, in partnership with the Friends of the Meeting House, has been working to engage the community in planning and new programming. Brunch and Brainstorm sessions described in earlier issues of News and Notes helped the Meeting House Committee identify priorities, which included preserving the building, expanding its use, and upgrading the kitchen to allow for more shared experiences. The Bruhn grant funding will address fire safety improvements as well as Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and code compliance issues.

"The Preservation Trust of Vermont, in partnership with the National Parks Service, is excited to support projects like the Windham Meeting House that will help preserve and revitalize Vermont's rural communities," said Ben Doyle, PTV president. "We congratulate the community champions who are leading this work and thank Senator Sanders, Senator Welch, and Congresswoman Balint for their support of this wonderful program. We would also like to acknowledge former Senator Leahy, for his work in establishing this important national program and proposing that it be named after his good friend, and former PTV President, the late Paul Bruhn."

Windham is working with the Park Service and PTV to get plans approved so that construction can begin this fall with painting to occur in 2025. For more information, please see: <https://ptvermont.org/windham-meetinghouse-2024/>.

New Windham Historical Society

By Susan Persa

During the last two months a few of us have been meeting to identify, research and document old Windham photographs including our town's collection of pictures that is in the safe and some private collections of pictures that have been brought to us. We are so excited and grateful to find so many treasures. Our goal is to preserve the history of our town for future generations and to provide education for interested people about our rich heritage. We are concentrating on past dwelling sites and homes built up to around 1970. We plan to research the various industries, schools, churches and stores located in different sections of town. Since we have a unique geography, many people who lived near us in other towns attended our schools and churches. These would include residents of nearby parts of Acton at the end of Chase Road, East Jamaica near South Windham village, Hamilton Falls in West Windham and parts of Andover that border North Windham.

Our group, Paul and Gail Wyman, Susan Persa, Ginny Crittenden, Mark Griffin, Walter Woodruff and Sharon Guzik, has met several times on Wednesdays from 12-2 PM at the Town Office. Bob LeBlond from South Wardsboro is helping us with the restoration and developing. Charlie Marchant from Townshend and John Clark from Chester have given valuable advice. We are hoping that more of you will join us, bring pictures and remembrances. The Select Board has given us \$500 to help us get started. The Town lawyer has suggested that we apply for a 50(c)3 status so we can legally accept donations and apply for preservation grants. For more information, please contact Susan Persa at 802-380-4511. Material for the Historical Society can be left at the Town Office.

Huge Tag Sale at the Meeting House Saturday, May 25, 2024

Be sure to check out our Huge Tag Sale on Saturday, May 25th from 9AM to 2PM at the Meeting House (Memorial Day Weekend). A few tables are still available to rent for \$10 each and we ask that you donate 15% of your sales to the Meeting House Committee.

For more information, contact Imme Maurath at 802-875-8755 or by email at ism777oth@yahoo.com.



Vermont Farmers Market Summer 2024

Buy Local—Eat Fresh



Brattleboro: Opens for the summer beginning Saturday, May 4 through October 28 every Saturday from 9AM-2PM at 570 Western Ave (Rt. 9) near the covered bridge. www.brattleboroareafarmersmarket.com. No pets. 802-490-4371.

Dorset: Summer market begins Sunday May 12 through October 5, outside on the green at H.N. Williams store, 2732 Rt. 30. No pets. 802-353-9656 marketmanager@dorsetfarmersmarket.com

Londonderry: The West River Farmers Market is opening on Saturday May 25 through October 12 from 9AM-1PM and is located at the junction of Routes 11 and 100. No pets. 802-379-2326. www.westriverfarmersmarket.com.

Ludlow: New Location every Sunday from May 26-October 13 at Depot Street in the Ludlow Village from 9AM-1PM. Info@ludlowmarket.org, 208-559-3175.

Manchester: Summer market begins Sunday, May 23 through October 10 from 3PM-6PM at Adams Park, Rt. 7A in Manchester Center. To preorder visit www.manchesterFarmers.org. 802-447-1472. No Pets.

Springfield: Farmers Market opens Saturday, June 1 and is held every Saturday from 10AM-1PM, rain or shine until Apple Fest in October. The market is held at 280 Clinton Street in the grassy area at the head of Toonerville Trail. 802-738-5272. www.springfieldvtfarmersmarket.com

Townshend: Opening on Friday, May 24 continuing until October 11 from 4:30PM-6:30PM. Located at West Townshend Country Store at the junction of Rt. 30 and Windham Hill Road. 802-874-4800. www.westtownshend.org.

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

GROW SoVermont Seeks Local Hosts

Program Welcomes New and Returning Vermonters

By Rachel Shields Ebersole

With Vermont as a top state for relocators three years in a row, our region has seen a significant amount of recent in-migration. GROW SoVermont is seeking local “hosts” to help welcome newcomers throughout Windham County.

The GROW SoVermont initiative, a program of Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation, connects new residents with their communities through newcomers mixers and by matching them with local hosts.

Hosts help newcomers get oriented to their new community and discover ways they might like to get involved, meeting for a hike, coffee, or town walking tour. In small towns that are powered by volunteers and community engagement, and whose culture is built on interwoven networks, helping newcomers find their way into meaningful community involvement is essential.

Interested? You can learn more and sign up at www.sovermont.com/grow-partners or contact Rachel Shields Ebersole, GROW SoVermont Projects Specialist at rsebersole@brattleborodevelopment.com or 802-257-7731 x 218.

Vermont Open Studio Weekend 2024

By Kathy Jungermann

The Annual Vermont Spring Open Studio Weekend is held during Saturday and Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend, May 25 & 26, from 10-5 each day. This statewide celebration of the visual arts and creative process offers a unique opportunity for visitors to meet a variety of artists and craftspeople in their studios, some of which are only open to the public during this event.

The self-guided Open Studio Tour features the work of glassblowers, jewelers, printmakers, potters, furniture makers, weavers, ironworkers, painters, sculptors, quilt makers, and wood carvers.

The Vermont Studio Tour booklet contains maps and directions. The maps, along with the yellow signs

placed along the roads, guide visitors to the studio locations. Pick up a tour guide from Vermont Welcome Centers or download a pdf from the Vermont Crafts Council website vermontcrafts.com.

In our area, the following studios are participating: Clayshare and Stephen Lally Pottery in South Londonderry, Carol Violanda Art in Dummerston, Doris Ingram Watercolors in Weston, and Jim Jackson and Kim Eng Yeo in Townshend.



Windham Hears a WWOOFer

By Bryanna Vitale

When asked by Windham locals to introduce ourselves, our first response is, “We’re WWOOFERS on Meadows Bee Farm.” More often than not, this introduction produces in the mind of the listener something reminiscent of a canine. Though there *is* a dog on the farm that we are quite fond of, and though we *do* hear coyotes at night, we do not pretend that we can communicate with them in their doggy language. Instead, we always quickly dispel any such canine associations by explaining what WWOOF stands for, which is: Worldwide Opportunities on Organic Farms. So, here we find ourselves on Meadows Bee Farm, and we would like to tell you a bit about ourselves, now that the whole dog misunderstanding has been laid to rest.

Our names are Lorna, Adrianna, and Bryanna, and we three live together in the charming yellow farmhouse at Meadows Bee. One might wonder how we ended up far removed from our suburban lives. Well, let us tell you.

Lorna, an artist both on paper and in the kitchen, recently moved to the New England area from Texas. She believes that art and food are the most nourishing elements for humans, so she decided to come here to learn more about how food is grown in harmony with the cycles of our earth.

For Adrianna, being at Meadows Bee fulfills a childhood dream to do maple sugaring in Vermont. She came all the way from Tennessee to have Vermonters show her how it’s really done!

Bryanna came to Meadows Bee soon after she graduated from college, hoping to find an authentic industry to start her career path in. She certainly found it, and has travelled from her home in Michigan three times to intern on the farm.

All three of us agree that our favorite part about working on Meadows Bee is the community that we get to be a part of. We are so thankful to be here with coworkers who are full of knowledge, interesting conversations, and the patience to teach us what they know. The relationships that we have made have been so meaningful, and the farm has come to feel like a second home.

Of course, we have plenty of good things to say about

Windham too! The consensus between the three of us is that we wish more towns in America were like it. The small town community, where neighbor helps neighbor, still thrives here. Lorna has seen that neighborly support while volunteering for pizza nights at the general store. She has met so many locals who give their Friday nights to help their community.

Adrianna likes to attend pizza nights too, and has noticed how friendly and welcoming people are there. Everyone seems happy to meet a new person in the area!

Bryanna has experienced the special community that we’re all raving about during the Sundays she attends Valley Bible Church. She feels so blessed by the generous, kind-hearted people she has gotten to know there.

We could probably say many more things about how much we love being here, but we feel that these are the most important impressions from our time WWOOFing at Meadows Bee. By the time this story is being read, we will all have left the farm, but Windham will always have a special place in our hearts and memories.



From left to right: Lorna, Bryanna, and Adriana

Looking on the Bright Side Keeps Kids Safe

By West River Valley Thrives

Spring is an exciting time of year for teens who are preparing to celebrate prom and graduation. Our job as a community is to make sure these pivotal adolescent milestones are safe and healthy. One of the most effective ways to reach our youth is with positive messaging.

As families gather to celebrate, it is important for adults to remain vigilant about alcohol use and keep it out of the hands of young people. This is why West River Valley Thrives (Thrives) invites community members to participate in its Annual Lawn Sign Campaign. This campaign is implemented each year in May around prom and graduation events to promote community support for safe and healthy celebrations. This year you'll notice a shift to more positive messages on the lawn signs around town.

Recent studies show that the majority of teens overestimate how much their peers use alcohol and other drugs, which creates the misperception that these behaviors are widespread and acceptable. In

turn, this increases the likelihood that teens will engage in these activities themselves.

Our Thrives 2023 Core Measures Survey of 151 students in grades 6-12 at Leland and Gray (L&G) found that nine percent of L&G students reported drinking alcohol within the previous 30 days. Looking at this data from a different perspective, we can also say that 91% of L&G students reported they did not drink alcohol in the last 30 days. This is the kind of message we want to share with our youth, one that can have a positive impact on preventing risky teen behavior.

By sharing positive messages in our community, we can impact change and protect our kids. Let's do this together! Learn more about the Thrives Lawn Sign Campaign and how you can get a sign for your yard at wrwthrives.org/lawn-sign-campaign-2024.

West River Valley Thrives is the substance use prevention coalition that serves all towns in the West River Valley. Its mission is to create opportunities for meaningful contributions to support and promote healthy lifestyle choices with an emphasis on the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use by young people. Learn more at wrwthrives.org.

Windham Remembers

Garry Sharon, 1957-2024

On March 23, 2024, Garry Sharon of Peru, VT passed away following a recent battle with pancreatic cancer. He was the son of previous Windham residents Walter and Elsie Sharon who lived for many years on Route 121. Garry was born and raised in Bellows Falls and graduated from Fall Mountain High School in Charlestown, NH in 1975. He worked as a probation and parole officer and was active in the community as a member of the Peru

Congregational Church, the Bartonsville Grange and the Adoniram Masonic Lodge in Manchester. A talented musician and a man with a big smile and a teasing nature, Garry will be missed by those whose lives he touched. His niece Leah Kimball Johnson and her husband Ezekiel currently live in Walter and Elsie's home on Route 121. Our thoughts are with you, Leah and Ezekiel.

Heather Chase Announces Candidacy

Heather Chase is pleased to announce that she is running for re-election for State Representative of the Windsor-Windham District. A Democrat who resides in Chester, Vermont, Heather is completing her first term in the Vermont State House representing the towns of Athens, Chester, Grafton and Windham.

At the State House, Heather serves on the House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development. The committee oversees matters relating to workforce development and training; business development and formations; financial institutions; insurance; securities; unemployment; workers' compensation insurance; and consumer protection. Heather was also appointed by Governor

Scott to the Vermont Economic Progress Council, an independent board that approves and authorizes state incentive programs to encourage business development and economic growth.

In Montpelier, Heather's recent legislative activities include working in support of the Data Privacy bill. This bill gives citizens a right of privacy and protection from mis-use of personal data by corporate data gathers and is seen as the foundational element for future work in the regulation of high tech.

Representative Heather Chase looks forward to continuing her service to her constituents and their communities. To discuss legislative issues of concern, please reach out to Heather either by email (hchase@leg.state.vt.us) or by phone (802-875-4663).



Your Windham Library

By Eileen Widger

Your library is open daily from 9 to 7. It has Pokémon nights, movie nights, guest authors reading from their latest novels and reading to tots 3 days a week. Wait! That doesn't sound like the Windham Library which is only open on Wednesdays from 3-5 PM.

The Windham Library was started years ago by resident Beverly Carmichael who envisioned a space where people could check out books and also nibble on the pastries she brought each week. The staff of the library is entirely volunteer. Over the years we have tried various approaches to increase attendance. We changed the time of operation twice; no one came. We added a Sunday afternoon; two people came. We now have regular attendance by a few folks who stop in, check out books and chat for a few minutes. We have looked into having it designated as a regular library but we do not meet the criteria that include having a

regular librarian on staff.

So what can you get at the Windham Library? We have a diverse assortment of children's books, an adequate supply of young adult books, many adult fiction and non-fiction books including recent best sellers, and a good supply of craft and cooking books. If you are interested in a particular book, you can request that it be ordered and it probably will be. If you're interested in checking out books, stop by and our friendly volunteer staff will sign you up. If you've got a new idea, let us know.

On the first Wednesday of each month at 3:30 PM we host a book club. Copies of the books are available several months in advance of the meeting (see page 15 for reviews of the books for June and July 2024). Readers with many different points of view and interests attend. Just drop in for a lively discussion!

We look forward to seeing you at the library!

Winter's Table Part Two

By Cathy Edgerly Fales



On February 24, we dined Indian. It was a lovely evening. Over 30 people gathered in the Meeting House to learn to cook three basic staples of Western Indian cuisine: khichdi, raiti, and rice pudding. Our chef and guide was Ravi Shimpi. He is one of the founders and the chef at Willow, a Vermont retreat center in Newfane. We divided

into groups in the kitchen as Ravi showed us how to flavor a multitude of vegetables, rice and lentils with aromatic spices including turmeric, cinnamon,

coriander, and cumin. He brought his own Garam masala from India so that we could all experience the authentic flavors of his homeland.

Everyone joined in. Who knew that Bill Casey was such an excellent sous chef? There was lots of chopping and slow simmering. A rice pudding doesn't materialize instantly. And in the wonderful Windham tradition, many hands made light work of clean up. This was all funded by a grant from AARP for community building.

Our third and final event was cancelled due to our first spring snowstorm. While it's not winter anymore, we are trying to assess how to do one last event. Watch the website www.winterstable.com as we think about a spring-themed gathering. Table talk: spring edition!

Game Day at The Meeting House

By Maureen Bell

Come join us on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday afternoons of each month, from 12:30 to 2:45 PM. We play all kinds of games. Bring your own and teach us or learn from our resident experts. Louise is happy to teach people to play cribbage. Leila is an expert in the fast-paced game of Rummikub. And you can play Scrabble with Al on his luxurious rotating board! Try your hand at Mancala. Imme will show you how to play.

We have Boggle, Yahtzee, Backgammon, Tapple, Playing Cards, Bananagrams, Uno and more.

Though we are assured that winter is coming to an end, jigsaw puzzles are still fun to work. You can add

to the one being worked on in the room, or thanks to some donations, take 1 or 2 home for your pleasure. Many of them are brand new.

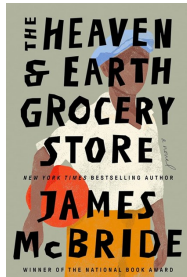
Our next sessions are May 1, May 15, June 5 and June 19. Hope to see you there!



Windham Library

The Windham Library is open every Wednesday from 3-5 PM.. Book Club meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 3:30 PM..

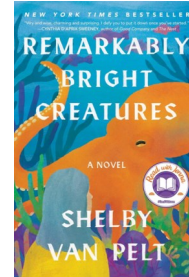
Windham Library Book Club Selection Wednesday, June 5, 2024, 3:30 PM



In 1972, when workers in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, were digging the foundations for a new development, the last thing they expected to find was a skeleton at the bottom of a well. Who the skeleton was and how it got there were two of the long-held secrets kept by the residents of Chicken Hill, the dilapidated neighborhood where immigrant Jews and African Americans lived side by side and shared ambitions and sorrows. Chicken Hill was where Moshe and Chona Ludlow lived when Moshe integrated his theater and where Chona ran the Heaven & Earth Grocery Store. When the state came looking for a deaf boy to institutionalize him, it was Chona and Nate Timblin, the Black janitor at Moshe's theater and the unofficial leader of the Black community on Chicken Hill, who worked together to keep the boy safe.

As these characters' stories overlap and deepen, it becomes clear how much the people who live on the margins of white, Christian America struggle and what they must do to survive. When the truth is finally revealed about what happened on Chicken Hill and the part the town's white establishment played in it, McBride shows us that even in dark times, it is love and community—heaven and earth—that sustain us.

Windham Library Book Club Selection Wednesday, July 3, 2024, 3:30 PM



After Tova Sullivan's husband died, she began working the night shift at the Sowell Bay Aquarium, mopping floors and tidying up. Keeping busy has always helped her cope, which she's been doing since her eighteen-year-old son, Erik, mysteriously vanished on a boat in Puget Sound over thirty years ago.

Tova becomes acquainted with curmudgeonly Marcellus, a giant Pacific octopus living at the aquarium. Marcellus knows more than anyone can imagine but wouldn't dream of lifting one of his eight arms for his human captors—until he forms a remarkable friendship with Tova.

Ever the detective, Marcellus deduces what happened the night Tova's son disappeared. And now Marcellus must use every trick his old invertebrate body can muster to unearth the truth for her before it's too late.

Shelby Van Pelt's debut novel is a gentle reminder that sometimes taking a hard look at the past can help uncover a future that once felt impossible.

Windham Philharmonic Concerts for May 2024 By Alan McLaine

The Windham Philharmonic presents two concerts in May 2024. The first concert will be at The Latchis Theater in Brattleboro on Monday, May 20th at 7:00 PM. This concert will include Ravel's Rhapsodie Espagnole and Mozart's Linz Symphony. The second concert will be at St. Mary's in the Mountains Church in Wilmington on Saturday, May 25th at 7:00 PM. This concert is part of the "Red Door" concert series sponsored by the church, and

will feature Mozart's Linz Symphony.

Admission is by donation. Join your neighbors to support local live music and local musicians. For more information, see windhamphilharmonic.org.

Windham Library Book Club Selection Wednesday, May 1, 2024 at 3:30 PM Death Comes for the Archbishop By Willa Cather

Grace Cottage Wins “Best Place to Work” Award

By C. J. King

For the second year in a row, Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital has been named one of Vermont’s “Best Places to Work” by the Vermont Business Magazine.



The award, given each year by Vermont Business Magazine and the Vermont Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the Society for Human Resource Management, the Vermont State Council, the Vermont Department of Commerce and Community Development, and Workforce Research Group, is designed to identify, recognize and honor the best places of employment in Vermont, benefiting the state's economy, workforce, and businesses.

Grace Cottage was ranked 4th out of 14 award recipients in the medium-size company category (100-249 employees) and once again was the only hospital to win an award this year, out of a total of 65 awardees. The awards ceremony was held on March 26 in Burlington.

Located in Townshend, Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital employs approximately 200 employees and includes a 19-bed Critical Access Hospital (24/7 emergency care, inpatient acute care, skilled rehabilitation, lab, and diagnostic imaging); an outpatient rehabilitation department (physical and occupational therapy); a Rural Health Clinic providing primary care and mental health services; a retail pharmacy; and a Community Wellness Center.

Keeping Tick-Safe

With warm weather, Tick Season is upon us! Please review the basic info about ticks and how to stay healthy when you're out working in your gardens and walking in the woods: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/disease-control/tickborne-diseases/prevent-tick-bites-tickborne-diseases>

For more information, visit gracecottage.org.

Grace Cottage’s Family-Friendly 5K

By C. J. King

It’s not too late to sign up for Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital’s 15th Annual *Spring into Health* 5K. The event begins with an 8:30 am shotgun start on Saturday, May 11, on the Townshend Common. Pre-register online at gracecottage.org/events, or come early and sign up before the event on May 11.

You can run, walk, roll, stroll, or push your baby carriage for this fun, family-friendly event!

Registration is \$20 per participant (children ages 17 and under are free with signed parent/guardian permission).

For more information, call 802-365-9109. All proceeds from this event will benefit healthcare services at Grace Cottage.

Tri-Mountain Lions Gives Back to Our Communities

By Randee Keith

Our latest donations have been: Weston Little School, \$500.00 (pictured →), Londonderry Neighbor’s Food Pantry \$1,000.00, Londonderry Rescue \$100.00, Grace Cottage \$250.00, and to each of the Townshend and Winhall Food Shelves \$250.00.



We just received a request from the Mountain School for a donation to assist students to attend The Odyssey of the Mind competition. We sent \$250.00. Please go to themountainschool.org to find out about this competition.

Don’t forget to get your tickets for our annual Lions Duck Race held on July 6th after the Londonderry Parade

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 9am – 1pm
 Flood Brook Union School
 Route 11, Londonderry

Free to households from Landgrove, Londonderry,
 Peru, Weston and Windham
 Businesses must pre-register and pay for disposal

WHAT TO BRING:

Any substance with a label that says:
 “Caustic, Toxic, Corrosive, Poison, Combustible,
 Warning, Danger or Caution”
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WHAT NOT TO BRING:

Electronics – May 18, 2024 event
 Empty Aerosol Cans – recycle with scrap metal at the
 Transfer Station
 Rechargeable and Primary Batteries (AA, AAA, C, D) –
 bring to Londonderry Hardware, Londonderry Town

Office, Transfer Station
 Automotive Batteries – exchange or give to local garages
 and auto parts stores
 Used Clean Motor Oil – bring to West River Auto or
 Hunter Excavating
 Fluorescent light tubes/bulbs – take to Londonderry
 Hardware Store or R.K.Miles
 Ammunition & Explosives – contact local police
 Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors
 Propane Tanks – exchange or refill at propene distributors
 or Londonderry Hardware
 Medical sharps (needles) – place in rigid, puncture-
 resistant container like detergent bottle, seal with duct
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 Prescription Drugs – bring to pharmacy in Manchester,
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 or visit www.londonderryvt.org

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Citizens Advisory Committee, Second Tuesday of Feb., May, Aug. & Nov. at 5:00 PM. Contact Marcia Clinton at 802-875-3531.	Planning and Zoning: Second Monday of the month at 6:30 PM via Zoom. Open meetings. Agenda posted. Contact Bill Dunkel at 802-874-4131.	Library: Wednesdays, 3-5 PM Book Club 3:30 PM, 1st Wednesdays at Meeting House. Contact Maureen Bell at 802-875-1024.	Volunteer Fire Company: First Thursday of the month at 6 PM. Contact Jan Wyman at 802-875-3373 for information.
Energy Committee: 3rd Thursday of the month, at 4:30 PM on Zoom, Contact Bill Dunkel 802-874-4131.	Conservation Committee: Third Tuesday of the month usually at 7 PM. Contact Alison Trowbridge at 802-874-7050.	Valley Bible Church: Sundays: Sunday School, 10 AM; Morning Worship, 11 AM; Followed by potluck. Wednesdays, Bible Study/Prayer, 7 PM. For more info, call 802-302-6047.	Listers: Every Wednesday, 9 AM- Noon at the Town Office. 802-874-4211
Windham Community Organization: Last Wednesday of most months at the Meeting House at 5:15 PM. Contact Ellen McDuffie at 802-874-8183.			West River Education District: Third Mondays at 7 PM at Leland & Gray. Call Leland & Gray 802-365-7355 for info.

SAVE THESE DATES! May 1 2024, Game Afternoon, 12:30-2:45 & Book Club 3:30 PM, Meeting House
May 4 2024 Green-up Day! Help clean up Windham!
May 15 2024 Game Afternoon, 12:30-2:45 PM, Meeting House
May 18 2024 Electronics Recycling, 9AM-1PM, Flood Brook Union School
May 18 2024 School Board Revote, 10AM, Meeting House
May 25 2024 Huge Tag Sale, 9AM-2PM, Meeting House
June 1 2024 Hazardous Waste Collection, 9AM-1PM, Flood Brook Union School
June 5 2024 Game Afternoon, 12:30-2:45; Book Club 3:30PM (Heaven & Earth Grocery Store), Meeting Hse