



WESTFORD NEWSLETTER

March 2014

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Town Office Notes

Property Tax Installment

The third property tax installment is due Monday, March 17th. Payments will be considered timely if they are received by this date, have a March 17th postmark (postal, FedEx and UPS), or are in the drop box located to the left of the Town Office door before the office opens at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 18th.

Town Meeting

- **March 3rd (Monday)** – Town Meeting (voting on non-Australian ballot questions) and public hearing for Australian ballot questions (including town and school budgets), 7pm, at the Westford School in the gym.
- **March 4th (Tuesday)** – Voting day for Australian ballot articles. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Westford School gym.

If you have any questions concerning Town Meeting or deadlines leading up to Town Meeting, please call the town office at 878-4587.

Dog Licenses

Dog Licenses are due by April 1st. A current rabies certificate is required. If you are unsure if the current certificate is on file, please call the Town Office. For your convenience, you may mail or drop off the fee and rabies certificate along with a S.A.S.E. and your license will be mailed to you. The fee until April 1st is \$10.00 for spayed or neutered dogs and \$12.00 for dogs that are not spayed or neutered. Dog licenses obtained **after April 1st are subject to a late fee.** We encourage all dog owners to register their dogs before April 1st.



Rabies Clinic

Dr. Janine Vrba (Tamarack Veterinary Hospital) and the Town of Westford are holding a rabies clinic on **Saturday, March 8th** from 10am to 12pm at the town garage on Cambridge Road. Please bring your pet(s) on a leash or in a carrier. Dog licenses will be available as well.

Senior Luncheons

The Senior Luncheons start back up on Monday, March 10th at noon at the Brick Meeting House. Anyone that is 55+ may join us in having a home cooked meal, great conversation, and getting to know others in town that are this age and above. If you need a ride or have questions, please call me at 878-3090. We've been having a great turn-out and I hope this continues. You might not think of yourself as a senior yet, (most of us don't) but don't let that stop you from coming. A lot of us remember our kids in school and working together on the Parent Teachers Group or at school in some other way. It's a great time to catch up with news and anything else that might pop up for information. I hope to see you there! Carol Howrigan, President

Income Tax Booklets

The Vermont Tax Department is no longer sending income tax booklets to the town office. There are 3 ways you can get your state income tax forms:

- Print forms from the Vermont Tax website (www.tax.vermont.gov). Click on the "Individual Income Tax Resource Area" tab to access forms.
- Order forms by email (taxforms@state.vt.us)
- Order forms by phone (802-828-2515)

You can also access the Federal forms online at <http://www.irs.gov/Forms-&-Pubs>.

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the April Newsletter is 12:00 noon, Monday, March 24th.

Town Office Closed

The Town office will be closed Tuesday, March 4th.

*****IMPORTANT*****

CHANGES TO TOWN NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION ACTION REQUIRED

In an effort to save taxpayers money, the Selectboard has decided to change the way the newsletter is distributed. Given today's technology, the newsletter is available electronically by email and on the Town's website, therefore mailing of hard copies will be limited to those who contact the Town Office to request to be put on the mailing list. This change goes into effect for the July Newsletter.

If you currently receive your newsletter in the mail and would like to continue to, please contact the Town Office at 878-4587.

Zoning FAQs: I didn't know I needed a Certificate of Occupancy for my woodshed!

Yes, it's true. Under Westford Zoning regulations a Certificate of Occupancy is required for **every permit issued**. Common oversights include accessory structures (fences, pools, sheds, etc.), and exterior alterations and conversions (deck to a porch, unfinished basement to additional living area, etc.).

The real estate market is rebounding and borrowing rates are very competitive. If you plan to sell or refinance your property be aware that most banks, title attorneys and mortgage brokers now require borrowers to verify their property is in zoning compliance. Discovering your property is not compliant can be an unpleasant (and sometimes costly) surprise and can impact the timing of your property closing.

Before you refinance or sell please check on your zoning status with Westford Zoning Administrator Kate Lalley. She can help you resolve any outstanding zoning requirements that may exist before you close. You can reach Kate at zoning_admin@westfordvt.us or 878-4587.

Getting into zoning compliance takes time! Depending on the situation, it can take 30 days or longer to achieve zoning compliance. Only afterwards can the ZA certify the full zoning compliance most purchasers and lenders now expect. Plan ahead!

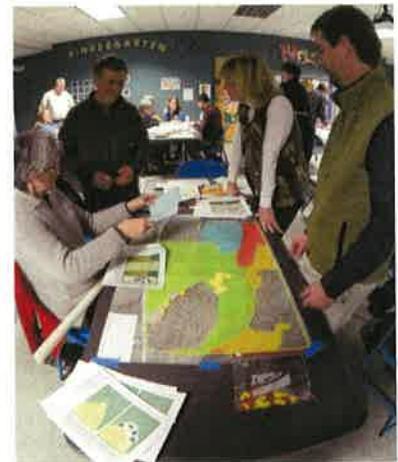
35TH GMAA KAYNOR'S 10K SAP RUN

The 35th GMAA Kaynor's Sap Run 10K is being held Sunday March 23rd at 11:00 am at the Westford School. Enjoy the muddy, hilly, country roads. The certified 10K is out and back from the school south on Brookside and Pettingill roads. For race info please call Tom Kelly (324-0919) email saprun@gmaa.net, or visit <http://www.gmaa.net/schedule.php>

Cost is \$10 for pre-registration or \$15 race day.

WESTFORD PLANNING COMMISSION NEWS!

The Westford Planning Commission continues to work with the community to incorporate “form based” standards into Westford’s zoning and subdivision regulations. While traditional zoning focuses on the “use” of building or piece of land (whether a building is a single family home, retail store, office), form based codes focus more on how the building is laid out on a lot and in relation to the neighborhood or landscape. Ideally, form based code provides more flexibility for property owners regarding use of their property, and more predictability in the permitting process. We began looking at the town center area (area around the town common), and held a public meeting in September of 2013.



The Planning Commission has now begun exploring how this concept could be applied to areas immediately surrounding Westford’s paved roads (the AFR II Zoning District). On February 19th, the Planning Commission hosted a public meeting attended by over thirty three residents. Attendees spent most of the meeting envisioning how new development could be fit on hypothetical pieces of land. Following the meeting, the PC will be using this input to shape potential development standards for these areas of town.

Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the downstairs meeting room of the Westford Town Office. Agendas, minutes, and other planning information can be found on the Town Website at www.westfordvt.us. Your involvement is very much welcome and appreciated.

United Church of Westford Music Series Featuring

O’hAnleigh

Sunday, March 9th, 4-5pm at the UCW White Church

O’hAnleigh returns to the Westford Music Series on Sunday, March 9th from 4-5 pm at the white church on the common. The Middlebury based Irish-American band of Tom Hanley, daughter Becca Hanley, Cindy Hill and Doug Riley will play toe tapping tunes, rousing pub favorites, familiar old time sing-a-longs in the Irish American tradition. Included will be award winning original songs about Celtic myths and legends and traditional favorites.

As a special feature, the group will be joined this St. Patrick’s season, by Steve Bentley, bodhran player/vocalist of the UK’s festival band, “Greenman Rising”. It will be a rare opportunity to celebrate St. Patrick’s season while warming up with the O’hAnleigh band and their guest, as they display their high spirits and great energy. Appropriate for the entire family.

Refreshments. Free will donation. Call 879-4028 for more information.

United Church of Westford March Schedule

March 2, 8:30am – Traditional Service with retired chaplain Michael Hechmer

March 9, 8:30am – Alternative Service with Rev. Katherine Arthaud

SCHOOL BOARD NOTES

February has been a busy month for the school board. With the hiring of the superintendent and the discussions regarding the proposed school budget, it indeed has been a busy month for the school board and the residents as well.

With the hiring of Ms. Judy Denova as the new superintendent, that action brings a close to the hiring process. In retrospect, the committee did a good job on bringing forward viable candidates and ultimately forwarding the two finalists for the CCSU board to interview and ultimately make a decision from the interview process. It is worth mentioning that the CCSU board is comprised of 3 members from each school district that is a member of the CCSU. The three members from Westford are Mark Drapa, Martha Heath and Andre Roy. The town of Westford is well served by the fact that there is representation on this board.

With the last meeting that was held on February 20, 2014, the school board made final preparations for the upcoming town meeting that will be held on March 3, 2014. The school board would like to take this time to thank everyone who has participated in the various discussions that have taken place regarding the proposed school budget as well as the various participation in the petition concerning the school. Your participation in budget discussions and petition discussion is greatly appreciated and acknowledged.

At this time, I would like to remind everyone that the budget being presented to the voters is available online as well as the ability to contact any of the board members for additional information or clarification. Your questions and discussions are always welcome and greatly valued.

In closing this submission, I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone to attend the meeting and to also vote on the proposed school budget and other relating articles regarding your school. A reminder that in order to vote on the petition, it will be necessary to attend the meeting that will be held on the 3rd of March.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the board.
Andre Roy

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

It's now time for Kindergarten Registration. If you have a child(ren) that will be 5 before September 1, 2014, please register them for Kindergarten by April 18, 2014.

Kindergarten Registration forms are available to be downloaded from the school website at www.ccsuvt.org/westford. Please return completed forms to the school office by April 18, 2014. Please be sure to include a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunization record and a copy of a current physical. Also 3 proofs of residency are required. Please refer to the website for a list of documents that are acceptable as proof of residency.

If your child is currently enrolled at Westford Elementary, the only form that needs to be completed is the Kindergarten Registration – Parent/Guardian Form.

If your child is currently attending another Childcare/Pre-School Program outside of Westford Elementary School but is enrolled at our school, then you will need to complete the “Kindergarten Registration – Parent/Guardian Form” only and also have the Childcare or Preschool that they are presently attending complete the “Childcare/Preschool Questionnaire”.

If you know of a family with a child(ren) that will be entering Kindergarten in the fall, please encourage them to go to the website.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Pauline Perry at the Westford Elementary School, 878-5932 or email pperry@ccsuvt.org.

WESTFORD STUDENT FOOD DRIVE & 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL

Westford students were featured in the Burlington Free Press recently as they collected, donated, and delivered food to the Westford food bank on the 100th day of school. Students filled their backpacks with food donations and proudly made their way to town. They connected this experience to several learning opportunities including mathematics. You can read the full article at <http://tinyurl.com/wesfoodbank>.



WESTFORD RECEIVES EXXON MOBIL EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE GRANT



John Olson, a representative of Jolley Associates, presented Kurt Sherman, Math & Science teacher of Westford Elementary School, with a \$500 grant recently. The Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance Grant will be used to support the school's science and math programs. Funding from the Exxon Mobil Corporation provides school grants across the country. Westford Elementary School is a proud recipient, and appreciates the additional support in science and math made possible through the Educational Alliance program.

Westford used funds from this grant to support an inquiry based project centered on syringe hydraulics within the 5th and 6th grade classrooms.

SAVE THE DATE!

ANNUAL ITALIAN DINNER AND CALCUTTA EXTRAVAGANZA!

It's that time of year, again! Westford School eighth graders are poised for the event of the season! Come enjoy a delicious, authentic Italian dinner on April 4th, from 6-8p.m. The evening will feature a Calcutta, with a grand prize of \$1,000.00, as well as numerous opportunities to win Calcutta and raffle items. Previous items have included a large screen TV, gas grill, vacation getaway, sporting equipment, and gift certificates from local merchants.

\$6.00 per person, \$4.00 per person under 12, \$25.00 max per family
Senior and military personal optional \$4.00 donation
Take-out available

Calcutta scheduled for 8-9:30. Come enjoy great food and service with family and friends, all in your own backyard!
Contact Lynn Zinger (Castaway13@myfairpoint.net) should you have further questions.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

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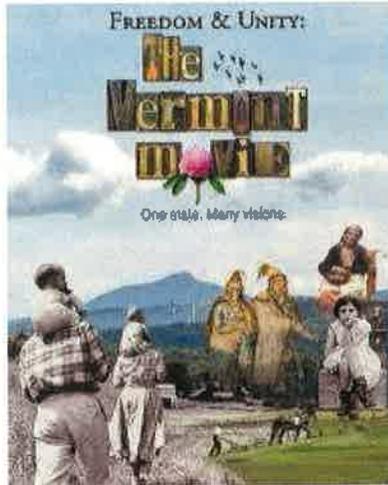
Tai Chi is back at the Westford Public Library!
Starting in March - Only two spots left!
Mondays and Wednesdays 11:15-12:15
starting Wednesday, March 12 - April 30
Teachers Suzan Juskiewicz & Georgette Huffman
Sign up at 878-5639 or westfordpubliclibrary@gmail.com

Library Hours

Wednesday: 1-7pm
Thursday: 10am-6pm
Friday: 1-7pm
Saturday: 10am-2pm

Westford Public Library and the Westford Historical Society
proudly present a screening of

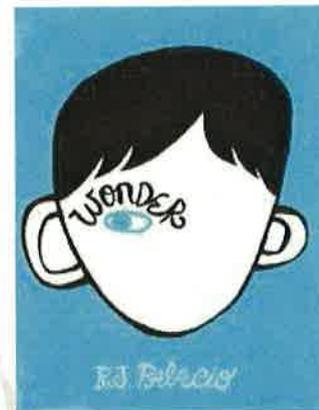
The Vermont Movie:
Freedom and Unity
Wednesday, March 12, 7-9pm



"Freedom & Unity: The Vermont Movie is the first-ever documentary series about Vermont. The six-part film is a collaboration of three dozen critically acclaimed Vermont filmmakers, led by award-winning filmmaker Nora Jacobson." We will be watching Part One "A Very New Idea" on the formation of Vermont through the Civil War. Discussion to follow. Refreshments served. This film will then be available to check out.

Thank you to a generous donor for purchasing this film for the library.

Book Group Discussion



Wednesday
March 12, 6pm

Wonder

By: R. J. Palacio

Wonder is the VT Humanities Council 2014 VT READS selection. Every Vermonter is encouraged to read this book this year.

"I won't describe what I look like. Whatever you're thinking, it's probably worse. August Pullman was born with a facial deformity that, up until now, has prevented him from going to a mainstream school. Starting 5th grade at Beecher Prep, he wants nothing more than to be treated as an ordinary kid—but his new classmates can't get past Auggie's extraordinary face." (amazon.com)

The 5/6 students at Westford Elementary will also be reading this book. We will be discussing this ourselves and then hope to have a larger community discussion/pot luck in April or May.

Extra Copies Available at the Librarian's Desk.

Pajama Storytime

Wednesday, March 26 - 6-7pm

Theme: Owls

Let's be a bunch of night owls!



Come dressed in your PJs for a good time! We'll read stories and do a craft.

Early Literacy Storytime : *Birth to Pre-School Every Thursday at 11am No registration required!*

3/6/14: Theme: Tigers

3/13/14: Theme: Green

3/20/14: Theme: Spring

3/27/14: Theme: Funny stories

Storytime consists of several stories around a theme, as well as a theme-based craft. All ages and levels of attention are encouraged to come. Don't worry if they fidget - they are still getting a lot out of it!

The WESTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY provides access to materials, technology, reference services and programs to meet the informational, educational, and recreational needs of the Westford community.

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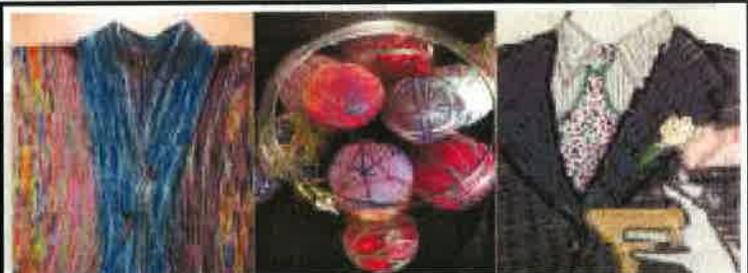
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March Library Events

- March 5 - Trustees Meeting 7-9pm**
- March 6 - "The House I Live In" Movie and discussion 7-9pm. Sponsored by Vermonters for Criminal Justice Reform. Refreshments served.**
- March 12 - Tai Chi begins 11:15-12:15 (Pre-registration required)**
- March 12 - Book discussion 6-7pm - Wonder**
- March 12 - The Vermont Movie sponsored by the Westford Historical Society 7-9pm. Refreshments served.**
- March 14 - Art Opening - fiber artist, India Tresselt 6-7pm. Refreshments served.**
- March 19 - Emotional Freedom Technique Seminar with Kim Allen 7:00-8:30pm. Refreshments served.**
- March 26 - PJ Storytime 6-7pm Theme: Owls- Wear your PJs!**
- Storytime every Thursday 11am**
- Tai Chi every Monday and Wednesday from 11:15 to 12:15 starting 3/12/14**

Emotional Freedom Technique Seminar With Kim Allen - Wed., March 19, 7-8:30pm

- In this 90 minute class, learn EFT tapping, a simple and easily
- learned energy healing tool you do on yourself to improve
- health, wealth, happiness, lower stress, physical discomfort and
- much more. This technique, a blend of ancient Chinese acupres-
- sure and modern psychology, has offered relief to veterans suf-
- fering from PTSD and helped the Sandy Hook community with
- trauma and fear. For the rest of us, it improves relationships,
- self esteem, sports performance, test anxiety, prosperity con-
- sciousness, business success, eating issues, and much, much
- more. There's a great saying "We try it on everything!", and we
- do! Participants will come away with a solid understanding
- of the technique, be able to tap on their own, and a wallet
- size reminder card of the steps.
- Claim power over negative thoughts and emotions with EFT.



India Tresselt - Art Opening March 14 6-7pm
Knitting – Temari – Embroidery

My work is motivated by the idea that practical as well as purely decorative items are all enhanced by the interplay of design, color, and materials.

Westford Welcome Baby Tea - May 10

Do you have a child born March 2013-March 2014? We want to make sure we know about you! Email Bree with all your info so we can invite you!

WE WANT TO DELIVER YOU BOOKS!

We have grant funding to provide outreach services to FIVE childcare providers in Westford. You DO NOT need to be a registered daycare - just provide care to at least 2 children that are not your own. Perfect for grandparents, friends or neighbors. Contact Bree to sign up. Hoping to start in March.



AN AWARD-WINNING DOCUMENTARY BY EUGENE JARECKI

40 years...\$1 Trillion...45 million arrests

Thursday, March 6 7-9pm

This one hour film brings you inside the War on Drugs and will be followed by a discussion lead by Suzi Wizowati, a state rep from Burlington. Sponsored by Vermonters for Criminal Justice Reform.

The Westford Public Library is now accepting **donations** of books, audiobooks, and DVDs for our annual Fourth of July Book Sale. Please make sure items are in GOOD condition - clean and free of mold. **Ask yourself - would I loan this to a friend?** We do not accept textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, VHS or cassette tapes, music CDs, or old travel guides.

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MISSION STATEMENT

March 2014

The Westford Recreation Department was created to provide recreational, educational, athletic, cultural, and entertainment activities to all Westford residents and neighbors. We strive to offer programs for a wide variety of ages, abilities and interests. We depend on community input, support and volunteers to make these programs successful.

Coordinator's Corner-

Spring is in the air, but the snow is still on the ground, so come inside to enjoy some Rec Activities! We have a great offering of adult programs; Pick up Adult Volleyball, two Yoga programs and now Zumba! (see page 2 of the newsletter for times and locations)

Thank you to all who turned out for DIY Valentine Making; 18 kids and 15 adults participated with the Rec Dept. at the Westford Public Library. We'll see you all at the Egg Hunt! Watch Front Porch Forum and LIKE our Facebook page for updates.

As always, you can contact me at (c) 338-8235 or WestfordVTRec@gmail.com.

Yours in Recreation~ Heather Armata



Our Next Committee Meeting is March 18th. Please let us know if you would like to attend, and we'll put you on the agenda! Thanks!

Westford Ice Rink Info:

With the warm temps, please continue to watch for the rink to be open or closed. There is a sign on the Common Side; Green is OPEN, red is CLOSED. Rink master Dave Adams is who determines if the rink is usable and you can email WestfordRink@gmail.com or follow the Twitter account, @Westford Rink. Thanks Dave!

LACROSSE NEWS!!



Kindergarten to Grade 2! This program will run Monday nights from 6-7pm, starting April 28th and goes until June 9th (with the Monday of Memorial Day off). Coach Brent Carpenter is ready to have a great year! Players need their own sticks and t-shirts are included in the registration fee. \$25/player and scholarships are available.

3/4 Co-ed Team: We have a coach!! Coach Brent Carpenter stepped up to the plate to keep this program running, and we are VERY grateful!

We will most likely have a player/parent meeting, to discuss the season and answer any questions you have. The date will be in April and will be emailed to already registered players, as well as posted on FPF and in the April newsletter. Practices are at the Westford Elementary School Thursday nights from 6:30 until 7:30/8:00pm. The practice and game schedule will be published at a later date. Registration fees are \$40 per players and you need your own sticks, and padding, but helmets are available to rent from the Rec Dept. for \$15/season. Please fill in on the regular registration form, and indicate that you need to rent a helmet, so we can set one aside. Let your friends, co-workers, and family from other towns know, as we are open to any player wishing to join our team!! The more the merrier!

NO 5/6 LACROSSE TEAM THIS YEAR. Unfortunately after many months of polling Westford families, and searching for a coach, we were not able to get enough interested players or a coach for the 5/6 co-ed team. If you have a 5/6 player interested in lacrosse, you can contact established programs such as Essex or Milton to see if they have openings. Fairfax has started a new lacrosse club, and they are an option as well. If you have any questions, feel free to email WestfordVTRec@gmail.com. Here's hoping that we can bring our 5/6 program back next year!

Recreation Department Committee Members

Heather Armata, Coordinator	338-8235	George Lamphere	879-6488
Maureen Carpenter	893-5096	Randy Aiken	872-0841
Noel Boutin	878-3632	Meredith Irish	373-9980

Or Email us at: WestfordVTRec@gmail.com

KEEPING YOUR ACTIVITIES LOCAL AND AFFORDABLE!!!



Integral YOGA w/ Tiffany @ RBMH
Every **WEDNESDAY** evening, now

from 6:30-8pm at the Red Brick Meeting House. \$13 drop-in fee; \$100 for 10-class punch card.

Contact Tiffany at tiffshannon@gmail.com.
Watch Front Porch Forum for updates/cancellations.



Pick-up Adult Volleyball is BACK!!!

When: **Monday** evenings
Where: The Westford Elementary School
Time: 8:00-10:00pm
Fee: \$2 donation per player suggested
Contact: Tammy Brown 872-8333



YOGA with Cat Earisman @ RBMH

Cat Earisman, E-RYT will be coming to the RBMH on **THURSDAY** evenings to teach Flow Yoga! Breathe, stretch, strengthen and laugh in this athletic style of yoga---all abilities welcome, because everyone is encouraged to work at their own level. Class will be held from 6:15-7:30, and you can prepay for the month for \$40, or drop in for \$12.



ZUMBA
fitness

ZUMBA FITNESS CLASSES are HERE!

Tuesdays at the RBMH from 6-7:00pm
Fee: \$5/Class and your **First class is FREE!**

Zumba fitness is the Latin inspired dance fitness class that has taken the world by storm. No fitness or dance experience required. Let Stephanie take you through great music & fun moves that will get your heart moving. Modifications available for all fitness levels. Drop-in class...no pre-registration required!

Spectrum Student Sleepout- Westford Kids Helping Homeless Youth in Vermont

On Saturday, March 29th, please join Team Westford to raise money and show your support for homeless teens in Vermont! Westford families are invited to sleep out on The Westford Common (or in your own back yard if you'd prefer) as part of the Spectrum Student Sleepout. The Student Sleepout was inspired by a Westford student who slept out on her own last year, so we'd love to have a strong showing from Westford this year! The intent is to raise money for Spectrum and show solidarity with homeless youth, who sleep on the street every night.

We'll be gathering on the common after dinner on March 29th. To sign up, please go to http://www.facebook.com/l/5AQH43xQXAQEeOiB0wVsundzu1TmEWMNpxFL1SH6_VoLfvQ/www.spectrumvt.org/events/spectrum-student-sleep-out/ and click Register Now. Make sure to click "Join a Team" to sign on as part of Team Westford! This should be a fun and inspiring event- we hope you can join us!

Please NOTE: This is NOT a drop off event; parents are required to stay with their children at all times. Waivers will need to be completed the night of the event for all adults and children who attend. Thank you!!

Week Long Summer Soccer Camp...July 7th to July 11th!! The Rec Dept. is hosting a summer soccer camp for 5 days, from 8:30 until 11:30am, for Boys and Girls in Grades 3-6. Coach Asa Hoover is back and excited for this program! Registration fee is \$55 for the week. Start sending in your registration forms now to secure your child's spot!!! Drop off at town office or scan and email it to WestfordVTRec@gmail.com!! We are also hoping to also host a basketball camp for the same ages in the afternoon, but are waiting on confirmation of gym availability. We also NEED parent volunteers to stay during the sessions, as supervisors, not coaches. If you are parent, and can supervise a morning, or afternoon session (or a couple), email me ASAP. It will only run if we can get parent volunteers!! Email Heather at WestfordVTRec@gmail.com or call 338-8235



EGG HUNT!!

On the Common!
Rain or Shine!

April 19th at
10:00am

Bring a Basket to collect eggs, turn them in and get a goodie bag full of treats!

Save the Dates!!

5/10/14— Welcome Baby Tea for all babies born in Westford between April 2013 & March 2014

6/15/14—Father's Day Hike on the Schultz Trail



Westford Summer Camp

@ The Westford Elementary School

Theme: Nature and Outdoor Activities

JUNE 23—27, 2014

Daily 8:30-4:30pm

Ages: 5-12

\$165/5 Days & 10% sibling discount per each additional child
minimum 6 kids to run program
registration due April 15th

Tentative Daily Schedule:

- 8:30-9:00 Welcome Time
- 9:00-10:00 Daily meeting to explore themes
- 10-10:30 Healthy Snack (provided)
- 10:30-12:00 Outside exploration
- 12-12:30 Lunch
- 12:30– 1:00 Reading of Themed materials
- 1:00-3:00 Outdoor games & free play
- 3:00-3:30 Healthy Snack (provided)
- 3:30-4:30 Craft & Free Choice
- 4:30 pick up

Daily Themes; Morning/Afternoon:

- Meadow Exploration/Water Games
- Predator & Prey/Olympic Games
- Birds/Obstacle Courses
- River Exploration/Soccer, Kickball
- Nature Art/Native American Games

Policies:

- * Healthy snacks include carrots and hummus, crackers and cheese, homemade muffins, nuts and berries, juice and water
- * \$25 non-refundable deposit due at time of registration and is applied toward your full week tuition
- * Registration is on a first come, first served basis
- * Full registration is due one week before the start of camp, or your space will be forfeited and given to the next person on the waitlist
- * If enrollment is less than minimum amount allowed, and the camp is cancelled, you will be reimbursed your deposit and any monies paid toward tuition.

About your Instructor:

Naturalist and educator Sarah Stein M.Ed. creates experiences that allow your children to use their senses within nature, developing a relationship with their local environment. Nature serves as a tool, to achieve passionate enjoyment, creativity and engagement, which are a springboard for life.



Mail your registration form to; Westford Recreation Dept., 1173 VT Route 128, Westford, VT 05494 with checks made payable to the Westford Recreation Dept. Questions?? Call Heather at 338-8235 or email WestfordVTRec@gmail.com

WESTFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT – REGISTRATION FORM

NAME (Parents) _____

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (only to be used for WRD mailings) _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL/WORK PHONE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PHONE _____

DOCTOR'S NAME _____ PHONE _____

Please list **medical conditions**, physical limitations, allergies, or restrictions WRD should be aware of:

NAME	PROGRAM	GRADE	T-SHIRT SIZE	FEE
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

TOTAL: _____

How did you hear about this program? Please circle: Front Porch Forum Town Newsletter
 Parent/Neighbor Westford Elementary School VTGrandpa.com Rec Dept. Member Other _____

*****Please contact a Recreation Department member if your financial situation is preventing you from signing yourself, or your child, up for a program. Scholarships are available.*****

RELEASE/WAVIER AGREEMENT:

I am fully aware of the inherent risk, and give my consent for the above named applicant(s) to participate in the program(s) listed above. I hold harmless the Town of Westford, Westford School, their employees, elected officials, and/or any volunteers or instructors from any and all liability from any injury, claim, costs or loss of services which may be incurred by me, or us, or our minor children on account of participation in said program(s). Permission is hereby granted for me or us, or my child(ren) to receive emergency treatment if needed and I authorize the attending physician to administer any needed medical attention. Furthermore, I certify that I, or we, or my child(ren) are in good health and that there are no limitations to my/our participation except in writing above. I have read this document carefully and sign it voluntarily with full knowledge of its significance.

Signature _____ Date _____

**Send registration with check payable to:
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 Town of Westford, 1713 VT Rt.128, Westford, VT 05494**