



# WESTFORD NEWSLETTER

January 2015

Town Office Notes

*Happy New Year!*

## Joint Selectboard and School Board Budget Meeting

The Selectboard and School Board will hold an informational meeting **Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** at the Westford School in the Common Area to present the proposed town and school budgets. This is an excellent opportunity for residents to provide feedback prior to finalization of the budgets before being voted on in March 2015.

## Petitions for Local Offices and Town Meeting Articles

**Petitions for articles** to be considered for inclusion in the warning for Town Meeting are due by 5:00 p.m. Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. Petitions must be signed by at least 5% of the registered voters (a minimum of 78). Please be sure that the person signing the petition is a registered voter and that their name is legible.

**Petitions for local offices** (e.g. Selectboard, School Board, etc.) can be picked up at the Town Office and must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Petitions must be signed by a minimum of 15 registered voters. Please contact the Town Office for a list of offices with terms expiring in March 2015.

## Time Table to Town Meeting

- **January 7<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)** – Selectboard and School Board joint budget informational meeting 7pm at the Westford School in the common area.
- **January 16<sup>th</sup> (Friday)** – 5:00 p.m. deadline to file petitions signed by at least 5% of the registered voters (a minimum of 78) with the Town Clerk for articles to be considered for inclusion in the warning for Town Meeting. Be sure that the person who signs the petition is a registered voter and signs their name as it appears on the checklist and is legible. It could mean the difference of a petition brought in at the last minute not being acceptable.
- **January 26<sup>th</sup> (Monday)** – 5:00 p.m. deadline for filing with the Town Clerk nominating petitions and consent forms for local offices to be filled by Australian ballot. Please make sure your name is as it appears on the voter checklist (new requirement) and to fill in the office you are running for (including length of term) before circulating your petition. Please call the Town Office for information regarding available offices.
- **February 25<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)** – 5:00 p.m. deadline to submit an application for addition to the checklist, or to file a written notice of intent to apply for those who are not eligible to register to vote but will be by Town Meeting.
- **March 2<sup>nd</sup> (Monday)** – Town Meeting and public hearing for Australian ballot questions (including town and school budgets), 7:00 p.m., at the Westford School in the gym.
- **March 3<sup>rd</sup> (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, please call or email the Town Office.

### **Westford Town Office**

1713 Vermont Route 128, Westford, Vermont 05494

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### **Senior Luncheon**

Senior Luncheon: There will be no luncheons for the months of January and February. The next one will be on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015. I hope all have a wonderful Christmas and a Very Happy and Healthy New Year. Carol Howrigan, President

### **Holiday Food Baskets**

The Town was able to help 26 Westford families during the holidays due to the overwhelming generosity of townspeople. Thank you to everyone who made a donation to make this possible!

### **Winter Reminders**

- Plowing snow from your driveway across town roads is prohibited. This could cause damage to the town road equipment and also poses a hazard to vehicles traveling on the road.
- Please do not park vehicles on the road. This makes it very difficult for the road crew to plow and sand. Vehicles parked on the road may be towed at the owner's expense.
- Snowmobile travel on roads is prohibited unless the Selectboard has granted permission for a specific area.

### **Newsletter Deadline**

The deadline for the February Newsletter is 12:00 noon on Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.

## **PRESCHOOL INFORMATION NEEDED**

Dear Westford Families,

Westford School is requesting information on Pre-school age students living in the Westford Community. If you have a child that was born in 2009, 2010, 2011, or 2012, we are asking you contact the school and provide some information to assist in our planning appropriate Pre-school and kindergarten programming.

This information (listed below) may be submitted by phone to Pauline Perry, Westford School Office Manager at 802-878-5932 or via this Google Form ([click here](#)).

Requested Information:

- a) Child's first, middle, last name
- b) Birth date
- c) Parent Names
- d) Mailing Address
- e) Phone Number

Google Form to Submit this information URL is:

[https://docs.google.com/a/ccsuvt.org/forms/d/1eku6hleePB3KO6sEOb6aNBrCKOW7XluSSPq\\_AimWzcw/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/a/ccsuvt.org/forms/d/1eku6hleePB3KO6sEOb6aNBrCKOW7XluSSPq_AimWzcw/viewform?usp=send_form)

## **WESTFORD FRONT PORCH FORUM**

If you have not joined the Westford Front Porch Forum, please consider doing so. Everyone is invited to participate and it's free! This is a great way to connect with neighbors and the community.

Check it out at [www.FrontPorchForum.com](http://www.FrontPorchForum.com)!

*This community service is brought to you by Burlington residents Michael and Valerie Wood-Lewis.*

## **School Board Notes**

**January 2015**

Our new year begins with three important pieces of information for Westford residents:

- 1) Budgeting work is drawing to a close.
- 2) A community member is requested to serve on the Regional Education District (RED) Study Committee with Essex Town and Essex Junction.
- 3) Our Westford School Visioning Summit is January 31.

### **FY'16 Budget**

The board has completed their budgeting work and will present a draft budget at the Joint Meeting with the Selectboard on January 7 (7:00pm, Westford School Common Area).

Complete budget materials have been available online and our three budget workshops were open for all public to attend. Additionally, the board will be utilizing some new methods to inform and engage the public on our budget prior to Town Meeting. Please watch the newsletter, Front Porch Forum, and board website for details as they become available.

### **Regional Education District Study Committee representative needed**

Westford School District is entering into a Regional Education District study with the Essex Town district and the Prudential Committee (Essex Junction PreK-8). Committee representation is determined by our number of students. We will have two members serve—one school board member (by statute) and one community member.

The board is requesting volunteers for this role, with a formal announcement included in this newsletter. Anyone interested in acting as the representative for the citizens of Westford should contact a school board member for more information or submit their letter of intent as indicated in the announcement.

Although early in the process, we feel it is necessary to communicate that there will be opportunity for public engagement in several ways to help set the priorities and parameters most important for Westford in this study. These will be created as our committee forms and establishes its community engagement plan.

### **Westford Community & School Partnership: A Visioning Summit**

Save the date and ask your neighbors to join you on January 31 from 8:30-4:00. This summit is the culmination of month's worth of planning and effort by many community members. Every voice is invited share their experiences to help shape the future vision for our school.

Respectfully,

Westford School Board

Mark Drapa, Andre Roy, Martha Heath, Scott Cooledge, Kim Phinney

## **Westford, Essex Junction, and Essex Town Citizen Volunteers Needed For Regional Education District Study Committee**

A twenty member Study Committee will be formed of two Westford citizens, eight Essex Junction citizens, and ten Essex Town citizens (with at least one board member from each community seated among the twenty). Study Committee members in each community will be named by its respective school board. The Study Committee expects to commence its work in January, 2015. Past committees of this sort have met during evenings on a weekly basis; the particular schedule and frequency will be determined by the Study Committee. It is estimated that this Study Committee's work may take 6-12 months to fully complete. Study Committee members will serve in a volunteer, non-paid capacity.

Interested citizens should write a letter of interest to minimally include: name, contact information, town of residence, reasons for interest in serving on the Study Committee, and any relevant experience.

The deadline for receipt of letters of interest is **Friday, January 23, 2015**. Letters of interest should be sent to the attention of Study Committee at:

- **CCSU, 51 Park Street, Essex Jct., VT 05452** for Westford and Essex Junction community members, and
- **Essex Town School District, 58 Founders Rd. Essex Jct. VT 05452** for Essex Town community members.

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➔ **SAVE THE DATE** ←

**Westford Community & School Partnership:  
*A Visioning Summit***

**Who: Everybody over the age of 12**

**When: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Lunch will be provided)**

**Where: Westford School**

**\*Childcare will be provided by the YMCA for all PreK - 6th grade**

# **\*\*\*NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING\*\*\***

## **WESTFORD PLANNING COMMISSION 2015 TOWN PLAN PUBLIC HEARING**

The Westford Planning Commission hereby provides notice of a public hearing being held pursuant to Title 24, Sections 4384 of the Vermont State Statutes for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding: **Proposed amendments to the Westford Town Plan.**

**The public hearing has been scheduled for:** Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Red Brick Meeting House, 1685 VT Route 128, Westford, Vermont.

**Purpose:** Hear public comment on the draft 2015 Westford Town Plan.

### **Table of Contents:**

1 INTRODUCTION; 1.1 Forward; 1.2 Purpose; 1.3 Vision Statement; 1.4 General Goals; 1.5 Planning Process; 1.6 Relationship to Plans for Adjacent Towns and the Region; 1.7 General Objectives; 2 HISTORIC FEATURES; 2.1 Policy; 2.2 Inventory & Discussion; 2.3 Historic Resource Objectives; 3 POPULATION, HOUSING & EXISTING LAND USE; 3.1 Policy; 3.2 Inventory & Discussion; 3.3 Population, Housing & Existing Land Use Objectives; 4 FACILITIES, UTILITIES & SERVICES; 4.1 Policy; 4.2 Inventory & Discussion; 4.3 Facilities, Utilities & Services Objectives; 5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; 5.1 Policy; 5.2 Inventory & Discussion; 5.3 Economic Objectives; 6 TRANSPORTATION; 6.1 Policy; 6.2 Inventory & Discussion; 6.3 Transportation Objectives; 7 ENERGY; 7.1 Policy; 7.2 Purpose; 7.4 Inventory & Discussion; 7.5 Energy Objectives; 8 NATURAL RESOURCES & FEATURES; 8.1 Policy; 8.2 Introduction; 8.3 Definitions; 8.4 Inventory & Discussion; 8.5 Natural Resources & Features Objectives; 9 GREENWAYS AND TRAILS; 9.1 Policy; 9.2 Inventory & Discussion; 9.3 Greenways and Trails Objectives; 10 FUTURE LAND USE; 10.1 Policy; 10.2 Inventory & Discussion; 10.3 General Land Use Objectives; 10.4 Town Center Areas; 10.5 Town Center Areas Objectives; 10.6 Form Based Zoning Overlay Area; 10.7 Form Based Zoning Overlay Objectives; 10.8 Rural Residential Area ; 10.9 Agricultural, Forestry Residential 2 Area; 10.10 Agricultural, Forestry Residential 2 Area Objectives; 10.11 Agricultural, Forestry Residential 1 Area; 10.12 Agricultural, Forestry Residential 1 Area Objectives; 10.13 Forestry Area; 10.14 Forestry Area Objectives; 10.15 Water Resource Overlay Area; 10.16 Water Resources Overlay Area Objectives; 10.17 Flood Hazard Overlay Area; 10.18 Flood Hazard Overlay Area Objectives; 10.19 Fluvial Erosion Hazard Area; 10.20 Fluvial Erosion Hazard Area Objectives; 11 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

### **Maps:**

Map 1 –Base Map (roads, streams, parcel lines); Map 2 –Forest & Agricultural Soils; Map 3 - Natural Features; Map 4 –Soil On-Site Septic Capability; Map 5 – Water Resources, Wetlands & Floodplains; Map 6 – Transportation Improvements; Map 7 –Community Facilities, Utilities, and Conserved Lands; Map 8 –Current Zoning; Map 9 –Future Land Use; Map 10 –Contiguous Forest & Wildlife Movement

**Geographic Area Affected:** Entire Town of Westford.

**Location Where Proposed Map Amendments May be Examined:** Copies of the proposed Westford Town Plan are available at the Westford Town Office, 1713 VT Route 128, Westford, Vermont or may be viewed on the Town of Westford website at [www.westfordvt.us](http://www.westfordvt.us).

Dated at Westford, Vermont this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2014.  
Jeremy Berger, Westford Planning Commission Chair



# WESTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

http://westfordpubliclibrary.org

(802) 878-5639

westfordpubliclibrary@gmail.com

1717 VERMONT ROUTE 128, WESTFORD VT 05494



**The Library will be closed January 1 for New Year's Day. Make a resolution to read more in 2015!**



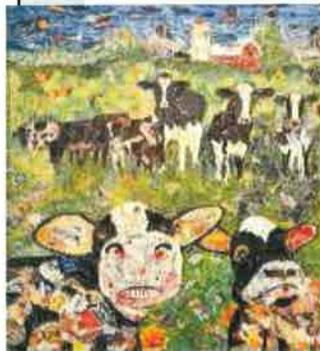
**WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS OF BOOKS, DVDs and AUDIOBOOKS for our Fourth of July Book Sale. Books need to be in good condition - ask "would you give this to a friend?"** No textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, cassettes or VHS. Thank you.



Thank you to everyone who participated in our "Be Cool at the Library" fundraiser. We are well on our way to our goal. You can still participate by sending a donation to the Library - please make checks to Westford Public Library. Thank you for your support!



**New Art at the Library - Anne Cummings - Eco Artist Art Show and Opening: Friday, Jan. 16, 6-7pm**



Anne Cummings is a Westford, Vermont "Eco Artist" creating work from recycled, reused, and repurposed materials, with the intent of making art that minimizes its impact on the environment and educates the viewer about environmental issues. Anne creates from her conviction to use **ECO ART FOR CHANGE**. (Anne will give a 10% discount on the price listed to anyone who mentions seeing the announcement in the Westford newsletter, or on her Facebook page, (AnneCummings-EcoArtist) or shows proof of being a Westford resident, and a 20% discount to anyone who agrees to have half of their discount (10%) donated to specific Eco charities.

## Library Hours

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



Did you get a new E-reader for Christmas? Want to put FREE books on it? Still don't know how to download FREE eBooks to your

iPad or Kindle from ListenUp VT?

**We can help!**

**New Device Training -**

**Friday, January 9 - Drop in anytime from 6 - 7:30pm**

Be sure to bring your charged device passwords, Apple ID, etc.

## PJ Storytime

**Wednesday, January 28**

**6:30-7:30pm**

**Theme:**

**Bear Stories**

**Stories and craft - Wear your PJ's!**



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

**1/1/15: CLOSED**

**1/8/15: Theme: New Books**

**1/15/14: Theme: Martin Luther King, Jr.**

**1/22/15: Theme: Funny Books**

**1/29/15: Theme: Rabbit 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!

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### January Library Events

January 1 - CLOSED

January 2 - Lunch and a Movie Noon-2pm - bring your own lunch and watch an animated movie

January 7 - Trustees Meeting 7-9pm

January 9 - New Device? Learn to Download Listen UP VT 6-7pm

January 16 - Art Opening: Anne Cummings 6-7pm

January 16 & 17 - Let's Pretend it's not Winter FREE Iced Tea and Iced Coffee - all day

January 28 - PJ Storytime - Theme: Bear Stories 6:30-7:30pm - Wear your PJs!

January 30 - Stuffed Animal Sleepover: Animal Drop Off

January 31 - Stuffed Animal Sleepover: Breakfast with your Animal 9:00-10am

Storytime every Thursday 11am

**Building Bright Futures Playgroup is Back!**

**Mondays 9:30-11:00am (No playgroup 1/19)**

**Westford Public Library**

**Children 0-6 are encouraged to attend!**

**Contact Janice for more info ([janice@tfish.net](mailto:janice@tfish.net))**

**Let's Pretend it's Not Winter:  
FREE ICED TEA AND ICED COFFEE  
at the Library January 16 & 17 all day!**

Winter can be a LONG season in Vermont - let's pretend it's Summer! Stop by for a free iced tea or coffee - just for the fun of it!

(You can also tell Bree "Happy Birthday!")

Thank you to all the generous folks for the coffee and tea donations!



### **Stuffed Animal Sleepover and Breakfast with the Animals!** **Sleepover: Drop off by 7pm Jan. 30** **Breakfast: Jan. 31 9:00-10:00am**

We're having an animal sleep over at the Library! Drop off one of your furry friends anytime the week of 1/28-1/30 and the animals will have a fun sleepover at the Library the night of January 30.

Bree will treat them to a good time and then you can pick them up and have breakfast with your animal at the Library! Breakfast will be from 9:00-10:00am - all animals should be picked up on Saturday.

Bree will have a slideshow ready of all the fun things they did at the library that night. Will they get into trouble? Be well behaved? We'll have to see!



**Friday, Jan. 2 - Noon-2pm  
Lunch and a Movie**

Get out of the house and watch something animated and newish. We'll provide popcorn, you bring a bagged lunch.

**WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS OF USED BOOKS, DVDs and AUDIOBOOKS** - The Library is accepting donations of books, audiobooks, and DVDs for our Fourth of July Book Sale. **Books need to be in good condition - ask would you give this to a friend?** No textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, cassettes or VHS. Thank you for your generosity!

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

**January 2015**

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-**

**THANK YOU** to all who attended our 3rd Annual Holiday Bazaar and Children's Craft Center....we had a great turnout! We are grateful to all the vendors and volunteers who made it a success!

Thank you to the volunteers who assisted in flooding the ice rink this past Sunday....we are appreciative of your time! Now think cold, freezing weather, so we'll be ready for broomball!

**OUR REC WEBSITE IS LIVE!** Please go to :

<http://westfordvt.us/recreation> and check us out! A downloadable PDF registration form is available (online coming soon!) and **ONLINE PAYMENT** is open! You can also link to our Facebook page and review our meeting minutes. We are excited to have the page live and are looking forward to expanding it in the future.

If you have any Rec questions/suggestions, please contact me at (c) 338-8235 or [WestfordVTRec@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com).

*Yours in Recreation~ Heather Armata*



Our Next Committee Meeting is January 13th. Please let us know if you would like to attend, and we will put you on the agenda! Thanks!

**Westford Ice Rink Info:**

Thanks to many volunteers and the Westford Volunteer Fire Dept., the rink is flooded! It will be open soon, so please review the following rules, to get ready to use the rink. The rink is free to use to anyone, but in return, we ask that you follow the rink rules and only use the ice if it is open. There is a sign on the Common Road side: Green is OPEN, red is CLOSED. Rink master Dave Adams is who determines if the rink is usable and he has set up an email address for inquiring minds: [WestfordRink@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordRink@gmail.com) or on the new Twitter account, @Westford Rink.

***Happy New Year from everyone in the Recreation Department! We wish you a safe, and wonderful 2015!!!***

**The 16th Annual Broomball Tournament REGISTRATION is OPEN!!** There is still space in the tournament!! Get your team registered by January 3rd!!!! The tournament runs January 17th and 18th on the Westford Common. Concessions provided throughout the tournament and this year they will benefit the Army National Guard Family Readiness Group. Come to play or come to watch! It is a Westford Tradition that you will be sure to enjoy, whether you are on the ice or on the sidelines! Email [WestfordVTRec@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com).



**SAVE THE DATE!! DIY Valentine's:** When: February 14th 10:30-11:30am Where: Westford Public Library Who: **All Ages Welcomed!** Come create Valentine's for all the special people in your life and leave with a few sweet treats! Co-hosted by the Rec. Dept. & Public Library

**Recreation Department Committee Members**

Heather Armata, Coordinator	338-8235	Danielle Vierling	871-9404
Maureen Carpenter	893-5096	Noel Boutin	878-3632
Martha Bennett	878-9269	Meredith Irish	373-9980

Or Email us at: [WestfordVTRec@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com)

**NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION to GET FIT? We have ALL your options right here!**

**Integral YOGA w/Tiffany** Start off your new year with yoga!  
 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](mailto:tiffshannon@gmail.com). Watch Front Porch Forum for updates/cancellations.



**ZUMBA FITNESS!**  
**Tuesdays** at the RBMH from 5:30-6:30pm  
 Fee: \$5/Class and your **First class is FREE!**

Heather Sanders will 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! Heather offers a 5-class punch card for \$20, giving you one class free and a 10-class punch card for \$40, giving you 2 classes free!

**OPEN GYM is BACK!!!!!!**  
 When: Sundays in January & February  
 Starting January 4th!!!  
 Where: Westford Elem. School  
 Time: 10:30am-12:00pm  
 Ages: Birth to 4th Grade  
 Come shoot hoops, hula hoop or jump loop-d-loops! Whatever you do, get your energy out on those cold winter days! Bring your own trikes, scooters, or bikes (no marking tires, please). **NEW THIS YEAR.....** We will have open Nordic Skiing offered during open gym. Use our new equipment on the awesome school trails! Sized for Grade 3-Adult.



**YOGA with Cat... A New 6 Week Series!**  
 Cat Earisman, E-RYT will be coming to the RBMH on **THURSDAY** evenings in January & February to teach Flow Yoga! Breathe, stretch, strengthen and laugh in this athletic style of yoga---all abilities welcome. Class dates; 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5 & 2/12. Time; 6:15-7:30, and we need 5 people to pre-register/prepay before it is open to drop ins. Fee is \$66/6 classes and drop in will be \$12. Please call Cat directly at 324-8363 or email [cearisman@gmail.com](mailto:cearisman@gmail.com).



**NEW ADULT PROGRAM ALERT!!!!** Pick up **Co-Ed Adult Basketball** is **HERE!** Wednesday evenings, resuming January 7th, from 8:00 to 9:30pm at the Westford Elementary School Gym. This is a free activity but if you would like to make a donation to the Rec dept. we certainly appreciate it. Open to everyone 18+...Bring friends from other towns! (Please note that our 5/6 Girls basketball team will be ending practice or a game at 8pm, so give them time to leave the court.)



**Time to Sign up for NORDIC SKIING!!!!**

When: January 9, 2015 to March 13, 2015  
 Time: Fridays from 3:00pm until 4:45pm  
 Where: Westford Elementary School Trails  
 Who: **Kindergarten to 8th Grade**  
 Fee: K-2: \$15/Child \$25/Family, 3-8: \$40/Child \$70/Family  
**Early Bird Fees above due by 12/30** (add \$10 to K-2 and \$15 to 3-8 reg. fees Received after 12/30)

Details: 3rd-8th Graders can use the schools equipment or bring your own. Fee includes your rental of school equipment. Kindergarten-Grade 2 must bring your own equipment and be accompanied by an adult (no fee for adult). Kids will be grouped by ability and age. All groups will learn new skills through games, instruction, and touring. This is a great time to **TRY SOMETHING NEW** and scholarships are available! Come enjoy the new equipment purchased last year!! Contact Coach Rosemary Shea-Cobb at [sheacobb19@gmail.com](mailto:sheacobb19@gmail.com) or call 343-3347. You can also email [WestfordVTRec@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com) for registration forms or go online to <http://westfordvt.us/recreation> and download form and **PAY ONLINE!**



**Westford Recreation Department**  
**After School Programs!!!**

**Art Club!**

**With Amanda Feller**

In this class, students will and explore the exciting world of art through many different mediums.

Who: Students in 3rd & 4th Grades

When: Mondays, January 26th– March 9th

Where: Westford School Art Room

Time: 3:00-4:30m

Minimum; 6 Kids, Maximum 12 Kids

Fee: \$60Child

**Exploring the Recreation Trails & Warm up with Bread Making!**

**With Sally Conant**

Students will enjoy hiking and snowshoeing on the recreations trails along with healthy snacks and then return inside to warm up by making bread.

Who: Students in Grades 5-7

When: Tuesdays, January 27th-March 10th

Where: TBD

Time: 3:00-5:30pm

Minimum; TBD, Maximum 12 kids

Fee; \$60 Child

**World Culture Course**

**With Rebecca Nowak**

Students will learn about language and culture from all over the world, with Ms. Nowak's first-hand travel experiences in Spain, Germany, Philippines and more! Songs, dance, pictures stories and recipes, along with learning the language of basic phrases and sayings.

Who: Students in 3rd & 4th Grade

When: Wednesdays, February 11th & 18th and March 4, 11, 18, 25th

Where: Westford School Music Room

Time: 3:00-4:30pm

Minimum; 5 Students Maximum 20

Fee per child: \$55

**Outdoor Winter Fun & Technology Workshop**

**With Vanessa Habendank**

Students will go outside to snowshoe, hike and sled and then head inside to warm up and create comics on the computer!

Who: Students in Grades 3-5

When: Thursdays, January 29th-March 12th

Where: School Library

Time: 3:00-4:30pm

Minimum; 7 students, Maximum 15

Fee per child; \$50

To Register, Fill out Westford Rec Dept. registration form and drop at town office, along w/payment. Please have forms turned in by January 19th, so we know we have enough students to run programs.

# WESTFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S 16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ADULT BROOMBALL TOURNAMENT

January 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>  
WESTFORD ICE RINK ON THE COMMON  
\$12 per Adult player (Grade 9 and older)  
*Registration due January 3, 2015*  
*(Adult Tournament has 22 slots available)*

## *First Come First Served!!!*

This is NOT ice hockey! No skates are needed - players wear boots (your own). We'll provide the equipment. Teams can be coed. Exact times and schedules to be determined by the number of teams registered. Food and refreshments will be for sale at the Red Brick Meeting House throughout the entire tournament. Adult teams are grade 9 and older and there is NO LIMIT to the number of players on a team. We will email all teams prior to the tournament with their first game time. First Game starts at 9:00am on Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. All players (or a parent if under age of 18) **MUST** sign attached waiver, or you WILL NOT PLAY....NO EXCEPTIONS. Additional waivers are available at Westford Town Offices. For more info, call Heather Armata at 338-8235 or email [WestfordVTREC@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordVTREC@gmail.com).

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## W.R.D.'s 16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BROOMBALL TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name (Team Captain) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Team members: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_  
7. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_  
9. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to W.R.D. Send completed registration and payment to: Westford Rec Dept, 1713 VT Rt. 128, Westford, VT, 05494. Deadline: January 3, 2015 OR, go online to <http://westfordvt.us/recreation> and download a registration form and pay online (if paying online, list your Team Name in the Memo Section). Proceeds benefit RBMH restoration and the Westford Recreation Departments programs, equipment purchases and scholarships fund.

(Minimum of 5 players required for a team)



# 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:  
WESTFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
Town of Westford, 1713 VT Rt.128, Westford, VT 05494**

# *Westford Music Series*

*presents*

## **Soaked Oats**

**Sunday January 18<sup>th</sup>  
4pm @ Westford White Church (UCW)**



*Old Time Country,  
Folk, Bluegrass music  
Banjo, guitar, bass,  
vocals*

A special treat is in store for the Westford Music Series with the return of the favorite "Soaked Oats" band of Amity Baker, Jeff Fellingner and Don Jamison. This trio features old time favorite vocal harmonies and good ol' guitar, banjo and bass pickin' with a healthy dose of down-home charm. Fans often rave about their signature harmony singing everything from cowboy songs to Loretta Lynn classics to 'come to Jesus' bluegrass gospel tunes. Whatever they may sing they know how to treat a song right!

The Oats first became acquainted through their mutual penchant for choral singing and formed the group out of a desire to cultivate their alter-egos. What do you get when you cross a carpenter, composer/non-profit director and aspiring CPA? Not much until you throw in some old-time instruments and great talent... you get Soaked Oats! Concert is free. Refreshments following the concert. For information, please contact Marge Hamrell at 802-879-4028 or [mhamrell@comcast.net](mailto:mhamrell@comcast.net).

### **United Church of Westford January Schedule**

**January 4 & 11, 8:30am, Worship Services with Rev. Katherine Arthaud**