



## WESTFORD NEWSLETTER

July 2016

### Westford Town Office

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### Town Office Notes

*Happy Independence Day!*

#### Property Tax Bills

You should receive your 2016 property tax bills no later than July 15<sup>th</sup>. If you do not receive your bill by this date, please contact the Town Office.

The first of four installments is due Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. Payments will be considered timely if they are received by this date, have an August 15<sup>th</sup> postmark (postal, FedEx, or UPS), or are in the drop box located to the left of the Town Office door before the office opens at 8:30am on Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. **If your taxes are escrowed, it is your responsibility to forward a copy of your tax bill to your mortgage company in a timely manner while retaining a copy for your records.**

**Please note** - If you pay your taxes using Bill Pay (generating a check online through your financial institution), please make sure you allow sufficient time for mailing. These envelopes do not bear a postmark therefore will be acknowledged by the date received at the Town Office not by the date on the check.

In July, the State will send notification to homeowners explaining the Education Tax Credit. If you are receiving a school tax adjustment, it will be reflected on your tax bill. You should compare the letter with the amount on your tax bill.

#### State Primary Election - Deadlines & Important Information

- **August 3<sup>rd</sup> (Wednesday)** – 5pm 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 August 9<sup>th</sup>.
- **August 8<sup>th</sup> (Monday)** – 5pm deadline to request absentee ballots.
- **August 9<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday)** – Voting day. Polls will be open from 7am to 7pm in the Westford School gym.

**Absentee Ballots** – You will receive three ballots. You can only vote on one ballot. All three ballots must be returned in the envelopes as directed. It is critical that you follow the directions on the envelopes closely to ensure your vote counts!

If you have any questions concerning the Primary, please call or email the Town Office.

\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*

**NEW TRASH & RECYCLING HAULER  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016**

Please see insert in this newsletter for detailed information.

### Town Office Hours

The Town Office will be closed **Monday, July 4<sup>rd</sup>** in observance of Independence Day.

**The Town Office will close at 1:00 p.m. on Fridays July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Normal office hours will resume after Labor Day.

### Senior Lunch

Our lunches are on a vacation until September. I hope you have a wonderful summer and I hope to see you then. Carol Howrigan, President

## **ALLEN IRISH ROAD CLOSURE JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> – AUGUST 22<sup>ND</sup>**

Allen Irish Road will be closed to thru traffic for road reconstruction July 6 - August 22 between the hours of 7:30am and 4:00pm, Monday thru Friday. The closure is from Route 15 to #146 Allen Irish Road.

Homeowners, emergency vehicles and postal service will be allowed to exit/enter the work area between these hours from the Route 104 end of Allen Irish Road.

## **BECOMING A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE**

Have you ever wondered what a Justice of the Peace (JP) does and how a person becomes one? A JP does many things such as performing marriages and working at elections. To become a JP you must be a registered voter and be nominated by a political party to run for election. Nominations by political parties are due by August 12, 2016. If you would like to be considered for nomination, please contact the chair of the Westford political party (Democrat, Republican, etc.) you are interested in.

If you would rather run as an Independent candidate you must circulate a petition to be placed on the ballot. Petitions are due by 5pm, August 12, 2016 and must be signed by a minimum of 16 registered voters. If you are interested in running as an Independent, please contact the Town Office for a petition.

For more information on JPs and the nomination/petition process, please contact the Town Office.

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

- **Burn permits** are needed prior to any burning. Burn permits are available online ([www.westfordvt.us](http://www.westfordvt.us)), from the Fire Warden (Dennis Angiono, 879-1231) or from the Town Office during regular office hours.
- **Yard waste**, such as leaves, brush and topsoil are not considered household garbage. You can compost yard waste or bring it to a participating Chittenden Solid Waste drop off center. For a list of centers please visit [www.cswd.net](http://www.cswd.net).
- **Metal items** can be put in the metal dumpster located at the town garage.
- **Hazardous waste materials** must be brought to a participating CSWD drop off center or the Rover.

## **WESTFORD CEMETERY REMINDERS**

**Artificial flowers, glass containers and items with wire are NOT allowed** in any of the Westford cemeteries. They will be removed by cemetery officials. Also **the planting of trees and shrubs is NOT permitted.** There are signs posted in each cemetery.

Thank you for your cooperation,  
Westford Cemetery Commission & Pleasant View Cemetery Association

## SCHOOL LAND TO TOWN LAND

From the Westford Planning Commission

The June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss the future of the Westford School Property was well attended. There was lively discussion of the options being considered. The majority of the people agreed that parcel #2 (15 acres) and #3 (50 acres) should go to the Town of Westford and that parcel #1(14 acres) would be retained by the Westford School with ownership to be transferred to the new Essex, Essex Junction, Westford School District in July of 2017. Although that date seems far off, there will be a public meeting **this fall** to discuss and hold a **final floor vote** on the article that the school board will present. **Stay posted for the time and date of that public meeting.**

The Planning Commission meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm downstairs at The Town Offices. Meetings are open to the public and you are encouraged to attend. For more information on current projects, or to confirm meeting times and agenda visit: <http://westfordvt.us/boards/planning-comission/>.

### WESTFORD FARMERS' MARKET

Monday afternoons 4-7PM

On the village green

Great Local Music • Mediterranean Mix cooked food • Organic Vegetables from Fresh Food Farm  
Organic home-made ice cream • Pottery and crafts from Laura Baum • Gerard's Wood Fired Bread  
And more!!

**Monday July 4 the Market will be held 10am-2pm**

Great Asian cooked food from Kabita and Laura! Coconut Curry, noodles, samosas and more! Please bring your takeout containers if possible. Let's Celebrate!!

For more information regarding shopping or selling, contact Laura Baum at [laurabaum108@yahoo.com](mailto:laurabaum108@yahoo.com).

### THE ROVER IS COMING TO TOWN!

The Rover will be accepting household hazardous waste in Westford  
**Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 9am-1pm** at the Town Garage

The Rover is a mobile household hazardous waste collection unit that stops once in each town July 9<sup>th</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please visit <http://cswd.net/hazardous-waste/rover> for the complete schedule or call the Hotline at 872-8111.

The Rover accepts paints and stains, automotive fluids, hobby supplies, pesticides, fertilizers, household cleaners and anything with the words "Danger, Caution, Warning, Poison" on the label.

### UNITED CHURCH OF WESTFORD SUMMER SCHEDULE

No Sunday services for the months of July and August. Sunday Services will resume the Sunday after Labor Day weekend, September 11<sup>th</sup>.

The church **will remain open** all summer for weddings, funerals, food shelf and community functions as needed.

Rev. Katherine Arthaud is available for phone calls, visits, weddings, baptisms, funerals etc. Call 802-233-8639 if you would like to speak with her for any reason (email: [karthaud@aol.com](mailto:karthaud@aol.com)).

During our 2 month suspension of Sunday Services, we ask for continued financial support of the church's operating expenses. Send checks to: UCW, PO Box 53, Westford, VT 05494. Thank you.

# NOTICE

## CHANGE IN TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICES

### Effective July 1, 2016

The Selectboard voted at their May 12, 2016 meeting to contract with **Myers Container Services** for trash and recycling services effective July 1, 2016. The Selectboard was faced with weighing the excellent history of the service provided by Gauthier Trucking against the quotes submitted. Myers' quote was more in line with what the Town has budgeted for these services.

#### **Most things will remain the same, such as:**

- Trash will be picked up weekly
- Town pays for up to 64 gallons of trash per week per household
- Pickup will occur at the end of your driveway, or designated area if you are part of an aggregate pickup (i.e. end of road, end of shared driveway, etc.)
- For aggregate pickup, the same sticker system applies (stickers are provided free of charge from the Town Office)
- Trash cans are the responsibility of the resident (large cans on wheels are fine)
- Recycle bins are provided free of charge and are available at the Town Office
- Bulky items such as chairs, etc., will still be picked up and do not factor into the 64 gallon threshold

#### **Changes:**

- Trash and recycling must be placed out **before 6am** on pickup day
- Trash will be picked up weekly on Tuesday or Wednesday depending on which road you live on
  - Tuesday: Route 128 and all roads west of Route 128
  - Wednesday: All roads east of Route 128
- Recycling will be picked up **every other week** on the same day your trash is picked up (please refer to the calendar in this newsletter)
  - Unshaded (Tuesday): Route 128 and all roads west of Route 128
  - Shaded (Wednesday): All roads east of Route 128
- If trash exceeds 64 gallons per week per household, Myers will bill you \$5.00 per 32 gallons exceeding the 64 gallons

#### **What will not be picked up:**

- Construction debris of any volume
- Tires
- Hazardous waste
- Electronics
- Large and small appliances
- Yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, etc.)
- All other items banned from landfills

#### **Contact Information for Myers:**

Telephone: 802-655-4312

Website: <http://theredcanfamily.com/contact.html>

If you have any questions with regard to these changes, please contact the  
Town Office at 878-4587 or [townclerk@westfordvt.us](mailto:townclerk@westfordvt.us).

# 2016 Trash & Recycling Schedule

Effective July 1, 2016

**Trash:** Tuesday - weekly pickup on Route 128 and all roads west of Route 128 (beginning July 5th)  
 Wednesday - weekly pickup on all roads east of Route 128 (beginning July 6th)

**Recycling:** UNSHADED weeks - Tuesday pickup on Route 128 and all roads west of Route 128 (beginning July 5th)  
 SHADED weeks - Wednesday pickup on all roads east of Route 128 (beginning July 13th)

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## Westford Public Library's Fourth of July Book Sale 9am-1pm

Last Day to donate items: Sat. June 25  
\$5 per bag of books!

Shop early and then come back for more!  
Regular Library services will not be offered on the Fourth of July  
- we will be open 9-1 for the Book Sale only.

### Helpers needed!

Book Sale Setup and Cleanup Volunteers Needed:  
Setup: 7/3 and Cleanup 7/4 starting at 1pm until it's done.  
All helpers get a FREE bag of books! Let Bree know if you can help.

### Ride the Library Float!

Sign up by July 1 - only 20 kids!  
Must be age 6 or up.  
Meet at the town garage at 10:30am, wear sports clothes.  
All riders get a goodie bag.



## Summer Reading Program Kick Off Event Friday, July 8 - 5-7pm on the Common The Big Blue Trunk is Coming!

Join us for a night of BIG family fun. Interactive games, huge stunts and obstacles - you name it - it's in the trunk! Join us the whole time or stop by for a bit - it's going to be so much fun!

Brought to you by a grant from the Vermont Department of Libraries.

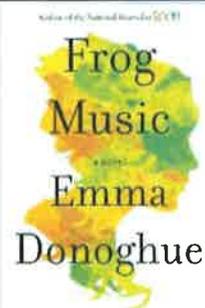


# the Big Blue Trunk

## Library Hours

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

**Adult Book Group**  
**Wed. July 20**  
**7:30-8:30pm**  
**(note later time)**  
**Pick up your books at the front desk!**  
**We will be reading Frog Music**  
**by: Emma Donoghue**



Summer of 1876: San Francisco is in the fierce grip of a record-breaking heat wave and a smallpox epidemic. Through the window of a railroad saloon, a young woman named Jenny Bonnet is shot dead. The survivor, her friend Blanche Beunon, is a French burlesque dancer. Over the next three days, she will risk everything to bring Jenny's murderer to justice--if he doesn't track her down first. The story Blanche struggles to piece together is one of free-love bohemians, desperate paupers, and arrogant millionaires; of jealous men, icy women, and damaged children. It's the secret life of Jenny herself, a notorious character who breaks the law every morning by getting dressed: a charmer as slippery as the frogs she hunts. In thrilling, cinematic style, FROG MUSIC digs up a long-forgotten, never-solved crime. Full of songs that migrated across the world, Emma Donoghue's lyrical tale of love and bloodshed among lowlifes captures the pulse of a boomtown like no other.  
(from Amazon.com)

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

7/7/16: Theme: Old Time Games

7/14/16: Theme: International Games

7/21/16: Theme: Race Cars

7/28/16: Theme: Water Play

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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## July Library Events

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  - July 4 - Book Sale 9am-1pm
  - July 4 - Parade 11am - meet at 10:30am at the town garage - need to have pre-registered
  - July 6 - Art in Action w/MC Baker: Body Art Mural 4:30-6pm
  - July 7 - Read to Reese 5:30-6:30pm
  - July 8 - Kick Off event: Big Blue Trunk on the Common 5-7pm
  - July 13 - Sports Exploratory: Biathlon 5:00-6:30pm
  - July 14 - Ready, Set, Cook! 7-8:30pm
  - July 15 - DIY Pinwheels 4:30-6pm
  - July 16 - DIY Pinwheels 10:30-Noon
  - July 20 - Sports Exploratory: Dog Sledding 6:00-7:30pm
  - July 21 - Read to Reese 5:30-6:30pm
  - July 22 - Obstacle Course on the Common 4:30-6pm, also DIY Boomerangs
  - July 23 - DIY Boomerangs 10:30-Noon
  - July 24 - Concert on the Common: The Starline Rhythm Boys 7-8pm
  - July 27 - Sports Exploratory: Fencing 4:30-6pm
  - July 28 - Read to Reese 5:30-6:30pm
  - July 29 - Art in Action w/MC Baker: Wire Sculptures 4:30-6pm
  - July 30 - Ready, Set, Roar! Dinosaur crafts and story time 10:30am
- Storytime every Thursday 11am**

## FREE SUMMER FUN!

Passes are available for a 3 day check out  
Passes may not be reserved - passes are on a first come first served basis.

- Vermont State Parks - day use (2 passes)
- Vermont Historic Sites
- Shelburne Farms (2 passes)
- Shelburne Museum
- ECHO Center (\$4/person)
- Birds of Vermont Museum
- American Precision Museum (Windsor, VT)

## Sports Exploratory! - Wednesday Nights

Learn about lesser known sports from experts in the field. All events have a hands on portion. Open to all ages - most events are held on the Common.

- 7/13 - Biathlon 5:00-6:30pm
  - 7/20 - Dog Sledding 6:00-7:30pm
  - 7/27 - Fencing 4:30-6:00pm
  - 8/3 - Tai Chi and Yoga 5-6pm
  - 8/10 - Archery 5:30-6:30pm
- (pre-registration is required to shoot arrows - must be age 7 or above)

For more information see the Summer Reading Brochure included in this newsletter or check out our website.



## On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE IN THE WESTFORD TOWN NEWSLETTER AND ON OUR WEBSITE  
[WESTFORDPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG](http://WESTFORDPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG)

The Building Bright Futures Playgroup does not meet at the library during the summer. For summer info, contact Danielle Brown at [bbfwestford@gmail.com](mailto:bbfwestford@gmail.com)

There is also no CVAA Tai Chi at the Library during the summer. The class will hopefully return in the Fall.

The Library is no longer accepting donations of books, audiobooks, and DVDs at this time for our annual Fourth of July Book Sale. We will begin accepting donations in the spring of 2017. Thank you to community for supporting our annual Fourth of July Book Sale.

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**Raffles and Prizes** Everyone receives a \$5 gift card to Spare Time and a water bottle!

**Summer Reading at a Glance**

- June 15 - Registration for SRP begins
- June 23 - LIBRARY CLOSED
- June 26 - Concert on the Common: The Front Porch Foursome 7-8pm
- July 1 - Float Building 3-6pm (Last day to sign up to ride the float)
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- August 3 - Sports Exploratory: Tai Chi and Yoga 5-6pm
- August 4 - Ready, Set, Cook! 7-8:30pm
- August 5 - Deconstruction Day 4-6pm
- August 6 - Super Sand Art 10:30-Noon
- \*August 10 - Sports Exploratory: Archery 5:30-6:30pm
- August 12 - Ice Cream Party and Raffle drawing 4:30-6pm
- \*August 18 - Read to Reese 5:30-6:30pm
- August 19 - Art in Action w/MC Baker: Book Mark making project 4:30-6pm

**Storytime every Thursday at 11am**  
All events marked (\*) require pre-registration



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@  
**Westford Public Library!**  
June 15-August 12



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Bree Drapa, Librarian

**Kid's Raffle (0-8years old)**  
Raffle tickets given for coming to Library events and for every ten books recorded on reading log!  
Prizes: Essex Cinemas, Turner Toy and Hobby, T-shirts, and lots more!

**Tween Raffle (9-12 years old)**  
Raffle tickets given for coming to Library events and for every three books recorded on your reading log!  
Prizes: Essex Cinemas, T-shirts, and more!

**Teen Raffle (13-18 years old)**  
Raffle tickets given for coming to Library events and for every book read.  
Prizes: Essex Cinemas, \$25 UMall gift card, City Market gift basket

**Adult Raffle (19 and older)**  
Raffle tickets given for every book read during the summer.  
Prize: \$25 City Market gift card

# ON YOUR MARK, GET SET... READ!



Visit the library beginning June 15 to sign up for the Summer Reading Program! List the books you read (or your family reads) on your reading log, come to programs and be eligible for prizes at the Ice Cream Party (8/12). **New this year: Everyone who turns in a reading log gets a \$5 gift card to Spare Time and a water bottle!**

**Find the Trophy!** Find the trophy and win a prize! Visit weekly as the trophy makes its way throughout the library.

Children 9+ may attend all these events without an adult; younger children need to bring an adult. For more information see the Library's Unattended Minor Policy and Behavior Guidelines.

## Summer Reading Program Events

July 1 - Float Building 3-6pm Help create our **WINNING float! Sign up at the library required to ride the float by this date.** Ages 6 and up are welcome to ride the float and goodie bags will be given to all riders. You do not need to attend this event to ride the float.

July 4 - Parade and Library Book Sale  
Meet at the Town Garage at 10:30am, parade at 11am. **All riders need to have signed a Summer Reading Program permission slip.**  
Library Book Sale 9am-1pm (\$5 per bag)

July 6 - Art in Action w/MC Baker - Body Art Mural 4:30-6pm Help us make some colorful art to decorate the library this summer. Art expert, MC Baker, will trace body parts and we'll use paint to make an interactive community mural.

July 8 - Kick Off Event: The Big Blue Trunk 5-7pm Big fun for the whole family. Interactive games, huge stunts, obstacles - you name it - it's in the trunk. Come for a couple of hours of rip, roarin' fun on the Common. Brought to you by a grant from the Vermont Department of Libraries.

July 13 - Sports Exploratory: Biathlon 5-6:30pm Join Max Cobb, a part of the US Biathlon team, as he talks about what biathlon is and even let's us try it out with some laser rifles (completely safe!).

July 14 - Ready, Set, Cook! Energy Snacks 7-8:30pm  
We will make and try several recipes. Ideal for tweens/teens. **Sponsored by Sweet Clover Market**

July 15 (4:30-6pm) and July 16 (10:30-Noon) - DIY Pinwheels Stop by anytime and make colorful pinwheels of your very own. Great for running around the yard and showing off to your friends!

July 20 - Sports Exploratory - Dog Sledding - 6-7:30pm  
Maybe you've seen them running the roads of Westford pulling an ATV? Come see these Alaskan and Siberian Huskies in action. There's no snow, but there's still plenty to see, as owner Barb Shenton explains the training involved in this sport - plus you can pet the dogs!

July 22 Obstacle Course on the Common 4:30-6pm  
Race to the finish with super coach, Danielle Vierling. Lots of obstacles and other physical challenges await you on the Common. Afterwards, you can make a DIY boomerang to take home.

July 23 - DIY Boomerangs 10:30-Noon Stop by to make your own boomerang, a popular sport in Australia.

July 27 - Sports Exploratory - Fencing 4:30-6pm Join former Olympian, Dale Rodgers, as he teaches us about the sport of fencing. Learn, explore, and *en garde!*

July 29 - Art in Action w/MC Baker - Wire Sculptures 4:30-6pm Using metal wire and colorful plastic coated wire, MC Baker will help artists create a wire figure. Will you be a dancer, an acrobat, a soccer player? Only you can decide! This project will take the whole time.

July 30 - Ready, Set, Roar! Dinosaur crafts and stories 10:30-Noon. Come by for an informal dinosaur story time and crafts. We'll do scratch art, paint dinosaurs, and have lots of dino stories on hand.

August 3 - Sports Exploratory: Tai Chi and Yoga 5-6pm  
Inspired by the book, *A Morning with Grandpa*, come learn about the quiet martial art of Tai Chi and the flowing art of yoga. We will read the story and then practice both sports.



## **Read to Reese: Thursdays 5:30-6:30**

Reese is learning to be a therapy dog, just like you're learning to read! Along with his human partner, Jenny, Reese appreciates even the most reluctant reader. Entering first graders through fourth graders. Pre-registration is required. Sign up for a 15 minute slot.



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August 4 - Ready, Set, Cook! Energy Snacks 7-8:30pm  
We will make and try several recipes. Ideal for tweens/teens. **Sponsored by Sweet Clover Market**

August 5 - Deconstruction Day 4-6pm We will take apart and learn what makes common objects work. Great for any age, especially those who like to take things apart.

August 6 - Super Sand Art 10:30-Noon Stop by anytime to make a super hero picture out of sand.

August 10 - Sports Exploratory - Archery 5:30-6:30pm  
**Pre-registration required - limited to first 15 kids ages 7 and up** Pelkey's Archery will be here to teach us all about archery, including a chance to shoot real bows and arrows. All welcome to watch, must be old enough and registered to shoot.

August 12 - End of the Summer Reading Program Ice Cream Party and Raffle Drawing 4:30-6pm  
Who doesn't love ice cream? And prizes? Help yourself to a sundae feast, and give yourself one more chance at a raffle ticket! We will pass out certificates and do all drawings (kids, tween, teen, and adult). You do not need to be present to win.

August 19 - Art in Action w/MC Baker 4:30-6pm We will be making bookmarks out of the mural we made at the beginning of the summer. Take a piece of summer reading home with you to enjoy all year long.

**Be a Mathlete!  
Add a little math to your summer with Bedtime Math's Summer of Numbers  
Pick up a math log and get started!**

**Math will never be the same!**



Ready, Set, Storytime! Thursdays 11am

For ages birth - six.

6/16: Father's Day

6/23 - LIBRARY

CLOSED - NO Storytime

6/30: Jump on It!

7/7: Old Time Games

7/14: Int'l Games

7/21: Race Cars

7/28: Water Play

8/4: The Olympics

8/11: Soccer Stories



## WESTFORD SCHOOL'S CLASS OF 2016

### Graduates

Kyle Robert Bolton  
Ethan Patrick Boutin  
Darielle Laura Bunney  
Meghan Elizabeth Cote  
Benjamin Isaac Dandurand  
Catherine Mary Farmer  
Samuel Thomas Frenette  
Kianna Lynn Giroux  
Kylee Nichole Giroux  
Burke Terhune Hoover  
Sasha Parker Hunt

Jackson William Huston  
Riley Keefe Huston  
Keelin Paige Irish  
Aspen Grace Lavallee  
Sydney Merriam Leach  
Grace Elizabeth Matthews  
Chloe Alyssa Melville  
Nicholas Gregory Myers  
Jackson George Parker  
Matthew Joseph Rainville  
Emmalyn May Zeppi

The Hazen Wood Award - Awarded to the students who have shown the most effort and perseverance in school work during the 7th and 8th grade: Keelin Irish, Grace Matthews

The Citizenship Award - Awarded to the students who exhibit the truest qualities of citizenship. The display of these qualities enhance the entire school climate. The individual's respect, contribution, and stewardship over school and personal issues enables positive feelings to carry on - one day to the next.: Kyle Bolton, Emmalyn Zeppi

The Academic Excellence Award - Awarded to the students who embody scholarship during their 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade years: Catherine Farmer, Samuel Frenette, Burke Hoover, Keelin Irish, Grace Matthews

The Katherine & Wilson Howrigan Award - Awarded to the student(s) who have worked the most for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class during their final year here at Westford: Keelin Irish, Grace Matthews, Emmalyn Zeppi

The Betty Fay Award/Helping Hands Award - Given to the students of grade eight who exhibit the most genuine desire to help others: Burke Hoover, Sydney Leach, Matthew Rainville

The Sportsmanship Award - Awarded to the students who evidence good sportsmanship when involved in team sports: Kianna Giroux, Burke Hoover

The Joayn Larson Award - Awarded to students who exhibit the following outstanding qualities: patience, unselfishness, and compassion for others. This award is donated by the Westford Home Dem. group in memory of Joayn Larson: Ethan Boutin, Meghan Cote

The Judith DeNova Personal Conviction Award - Awarded to the students who have learned to dig deep to find the necessary courage and self determination to persevere when things get tough: Kyle Bolton, Benjamin Dandurand, Kylee Giroux, Aspen Lavallee, Sydney Leach, Chloe Melville

Band Certificate /Pin: Darielle Bunney, Ben Dandurand, Chloe Melville, Emmalyn Zeppi

Chorus Certificate/Pin: Catherine Farmer, Keelin Irish, Aspen Lavallee, Chloe Melville, Emmalyn Zeppi

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**

July 2016

# Westford Recreation Department

## Mission Statement:

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.

## Summer Soccer

### Grades PreK - 2

Mondays beginning July 11th  
6:00pm - 7:00pm  
\$25/Player for 6 Weeks \* WES



We are looking for one more coach for grades 1/2.  
If you are interested please contact Bekah at [WestfordVTRec@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com) or (802)662-1042.

## Family Summer Geocaching Challenge!

We have hidden 5 Caches along the Westford Trails...  
Each contain a stamp, a pen, and a guest book...  
We challenge you to find all 5 by August 31st!



Here's how it works:

- Pick up a booklet at the Town Office
- It will contain information about each of the trails the caches are hidden on as well as the gps location of each of the boxes.

Feel free to use whatever app/device you are comfortable with to track down the boxes.

If you choose not to use a device, that is okay too!

- Once you find a box, sign the guest book and stamp your booklet.
- Once you have found all 5, return the back page of your booklet to the Town Office for a small gift.

If you have any questions or want more information, please email [WestfordVTRec@gmail.com](mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com).

Thank you to the Westford Conservation Commission for their support in this endeavor!

## Kids Yoga Workshop

Tuesday, July 19th \* 9:00am - 11:30am \* RBMH  
\$25/student \* Minimum 5 \* Maximum 12

Students practice yoga through playful, creative and fun poses paired with cool music, games, hula hooping, a craft and journaling.  
Students are having fun as well as learning new skills focused on keeping their mind and bodies healthy.  
A healthy morning snack will be provided.



## Restorative Yoga with Kim

Wednesday July 20th \* 7:00pm - 8:00pm\* RBMH  
\$12/Person \* Drop Ins Welcome \* Open to all levels

Join Kim for a restorative yoga class as we welcome the summer.

This class is deeply relaxing as we nourish our bodies, calm our minds and balance our nervous system.

In this class we will use bolsters, blocks, straps and blankets to support the body.  
Please bring a mat and 2 blankets.

Please e-mail Kim with questions at [Kim@annecy.us](mailto:Kim@annecy.us)

## Pick-up Pickleball

Mondays beginning July 11th for 6 weeks

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Westford Elementary School Tennis Court \* Open to all ages

We will set up a Pickleball Court on Monday Nights during Summer Soccer.

Please come out and join us to play...



### Recreation Department Committee Members

Bekah Gwozdz, Coordinator	662-1042	Danielle Vierling	871-9404
Maureen Carpenter	893-5096	Jeff LaBossiere	
Martha Bennett	878-9269	Meredith Irish	373-9980
Greg Baker	324-5537	Email: <a href="mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com">WestfordVTRec@gmail.com</a>	

# It's Time for Fall Soccer

We are currently seeking coaches for all of our teams.

This is a one day or three day per week commitment for 6 - 8 weeks depending on grade level.

- PK/K coed team
- 1/2 coed team
- 3/4 coed team

Coach's children receive free registration.

PK/K Co-ed Team

\$25/player

Typically plays Saturday Mornings

9:00am - 10:00am



1/2 Co-ed Team

\$30/player

Typically plays Saturday Mornings

9:00am - 10:00am

3/4 Co-ed Team

\$35/player

Typically practices Tues and Thurs

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Games on Saturday

Please keep in mind practice days and times are subject to change based on coaches schedules



## Westford Recreation Summer Camps

### Art Adventures

July 18 - July 22 \* 8:30am - 4:30pm

Ages 6 - 12 \* WES \* \$195/Child

Have you ever painted with a flower or tie-dyed with beets? Explore different out-of-the-box ways to create.



### Soccer Camp

August 1 - August 5

Grades 3 - 5 \* WES

\$55 each session / \$100 for both



Session A 8:30am - 12:30pm \* Coach Joe Aiken is back! Practice your soccer skills in a fun way.

12:30pm - 1:00pm Please pack a bag lunch for children staying all day.

Session B 1:00pm - 4:30pm \* Sports exploration.

This summer we are offering two sessions per day. The morning session will be spent working on soccer skills and scrimmaging. The afternoon session will be more laid back and offer a variety of sports and physical activities.

### Westford Explorers

July 25 - July 29 \* 8:30am - 4:30pm

Ages 6 - 12 \* RBMH \* \$175/Child

Using the Red Brick Meetinghouse as home base, we will discover the historical and modern town of Westford.

Who built the covered bridge?

Who keeps the town running?

What can you do to help your town?



### Vikings!

August 8 - August 12 \* 8:30am - 4:30pm

Grades 1 - 3 \* RBMH \* \$175/Child

Want to know more about these Norse explorers? This is the camp for you! Participants will explore the time period surrounding the Viking explorations through active games, hands on activities, cooking, and crafts.



**BUY  
TICKETS  
NOW!**

## Discount Attraction Tickets Available Now!

**ArborTrek TreeTop Obstacle Course/Climing Adventure** \$47 (\$13 discount)

**ArborTrek Climbing Adventure Only** \$15 (\$5 discount)

**Bromley Adventure Center** \$33 (\$12 discount for 48"+)

**Great Escape (Good Any Day)** \$41 (\$17.99 discount for 48"+ / \$5.99 discount for under 48")

**Great Escape Parking Pass** \$18 (\$2 discount)

**Killington Adventure Center** \$35 (\$34 discount age 14+ / \$24 discount ages 7-13)

**Killington Mtn Bike Trail and Lift Tickets** \$29 (\$23 discount ages 14+ / \$10 discount ages 7-13)

**Killington Mtn Bike Trail, Lift and Bike Rental Package** \$101 (\$49 discount ages 14+ / \$12 ages 7-13)

**Six Flags New England** \$41 (\$17.99 discount 48"+ / \$5.99 discount under 48")

From the Westford Recreation Department  
Re: Transfer of School Land

While the Westford School Board is deciding how much of the 65 acres of Westford School land to transfer to the new Regional Education District (RED) in 2017, we wanted to take this opportunity to express the Recreation Department's dependency on the use of this land for many of its programs.

The 50 acre parcel of land consisting of the trails and meadowland is used to run the nordic ski program, summer camps, mini milers, nature programs, and afterschool programs. As we move forward, there is so much potential for the expansion of programs in regards to this land. Mountain Biking, Bug Club, Birdwatching, and Orienteering classes are just a few that come to mind.

The 15 acre parcel consisting of the school sports fields is home to our summer and fall soccer program, lacrosse program, summer camps, and afterschool programs. Again, the potential for future programs is just as prevalent with this parcel of land. Tennis, Wiffle Ball, Ultimate Frisbee, and Pickleball are all possibilities.

However, current and future programs will not be realized without continued access to the 65 acres in question. Not knowing how RED will choose to manage this property if it were passed to them with the 14 acres of land on which the school resides, it is the recommendation of the Recreation Department that the 65 acres of land in question be transferred to the town. The future success and growth of the Recreation Department is dependent on continued access to this land.

Sincerely,  
The Recreation Department

# Westford Recreation Department—Registration Form

NAME (Parents) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ ALT PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

Name	Grade	Program	Fee
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Total Fee:</b>			_____

**Would you be willing to coach or be a parent helper?     Yes     No**

I agree that Westford Recreation may use photographs of registrants with or without their name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web content.

**\*\*\*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 Summer Concert Series

## On the Common

Free Sunday Concerts  
Bring Blanket or Lawn Chair

Co Sponsored By:  
Westford Library  
Westford Recreation Department  
Committee for Westford Children and Families

June 26th

7pm - 8pm

Rain Location: WES Gym

The Front Porch Foursome

contemporary folk music covers ranging from the likes of Brandi Carlile, The Wailin Jenny's, and Nickel Creek to Bob Dylan and Simon and Garfunkel.



July 24th

7pm - 8pm

Rain Location: RBMH

Starline Rhythm Boys

Spirited country and juke joint sounds, echoing from the Tennessee Hills and Texas Honkytonks of the '40s and '50s



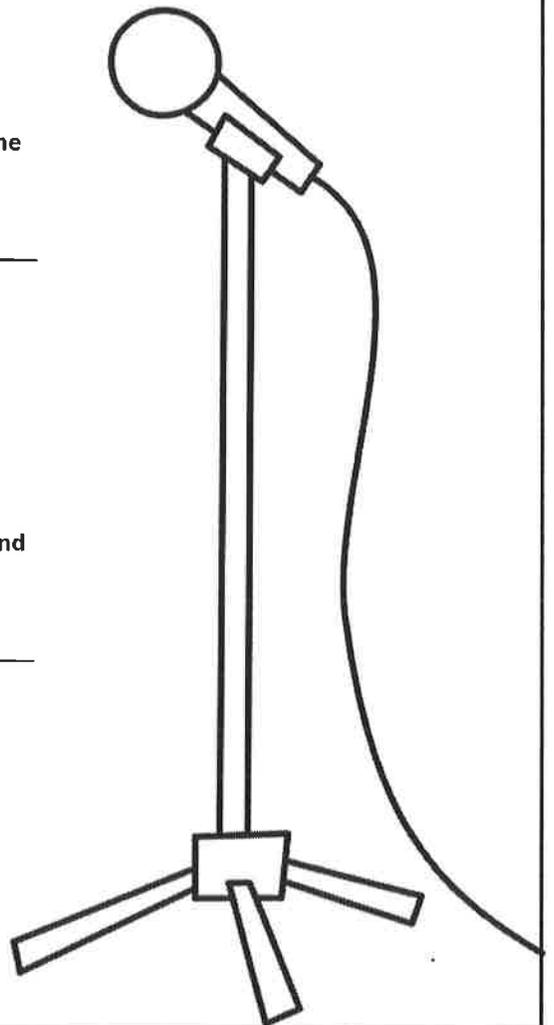
August 21st

7pm - 9pm

Rain Location: RBMH

Red Hot Juba

Blisterin' hot countrified jazz and Green Mountain swing





**Westford's**  
**4th of July**

**Westford Common**

**Parade, Fun, Food**

**11:00am - 1:30pm**

**Monday, July 4th**



**Parade line up 10:30am @ Town Garage**

**Parade Starts at 11:00am**

**Live Music : Code 11**

**Library Book Sale**

**Old Fashioned Relay Races**

**Farmer's Market**

**Strawberry Shortcake**

**Duck Races**

