

# middle TOWN NEWS letter

April 2019

## Town Office Notes

### 1. Town Treasurer Contact Information:

Thank you in advance for using ONLY these methods of communication to contact the Town Treasurer.

**Email:** [mtstreasurer@vermontel.net](mailto:mtstreasurer@vermontel.net)

**Phone:** 235-3256

**Mail:** PO Box 1022

### 2. Questions about Homestead Declaration? Due April 15th!

Refer to <http://tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/homestead-declaration> If you require further clarification, contact the Board of Listers:

Sally Achey 235-2434

Pat Hemenway 235-2421

Randy Kniffin 235-2620

### 3. Need Property Tax information for your Income Taxes?

Use the copy of the Property Tax bill that was mailed to you in August, or, if you're a new homeowner, use the copy that was provided to you at your closing.

Helpful hint: when you receive your new property tax bill for FY19/20 in August – hang on to it to use for next year's income taxes.

### 4. Dog Licenses:

Vermont State Law (20 V.S.A. 3581) requires that ALL dogs and wolf-hybrids **six (6) months of age or older must be licensed by April 1 of each year**. Call the Town Office if you aren't sure about the status of your dog's rabies certification. A 50% penalty on the original fee will be assessed for all registrations after April 1, 2019.

### Hunting and Fishing Licenses

are available at the Town Office.

The Town receives \$1.50 for each license sold!!

Licenses expired on December 31!!



**Thank you, Middletown Springs Road Crew!**

Your efforts and commitment to keep our roads open during the worst mud in recent memory is appreciated.

## Poetry Evening

In celebration of National Poetry Month, please join us for an evening of “no-pressure” poetry, **Monday, April 22, in the Library at 7pm**. Bring a favorite poem or two, that you or somebody else wrote, to share. Give poetry a chance: it is wonderful to explore, even for those of us who think we don't/won't like it!

## Green Up Day: Oversize Trash & Metal Collection

**Saturday, May 4, 6 am - noon**, the dumpster will be located at 577 West Street (across from Parker Water Wells).

Furniture, toys, small amounts of construction and demolition items are acceptable. **NO CONTRACTORS**, please. Note: Fee of \$5 per vehicle load will be charged for large trash. Metals are collected for free.



## Memorial Day Parade

Our Parade is turning 50 this year! The ad hoc committee will be meeting soon to make plans and is open to anyone. If you are interested in being involved, please send an email to [msmemorialparade@gmail.com](mailto:msmemorialparade@gmail.com) and watch Front Porch Forum for announcements. The parade will take place on the Sunday of Memorial Weekend, **Sunday, May 26 at 3 pm**.



## Sweet Success

What a Maple Festival! The town was hopping with people from all over the northeast and as far away as Virginia!

The successful event was due to the many helping hands of this community. The list of volunteers is long, and the Historical Society is grateful to each and every one that contributed in small and big ways!

This event will help to maintain the Mineral Springs Park, the Museum, the building and the activities of the Historical Society. Our deepfelt thanks.

## Thanks for PIE!



Thank you bakers, volunteers, and pie-eating community members. The Library's 12th annual Pie For Breakfast was a scrumptious success.

We served 93 pies!! to over 230 people. Our 34 bakers outdid themselves this year. Delicious, sumptuous, and wholesome... We are grateful.

Kimberly & the Library Trustees

## New at the Library

### Fiction

*Past Tense* by Lee Child

*The Lost Man* by Jane Harper

*Black Leopard Red Wolf* by Marlon James

*Unto Us a Son Is Given* by Donna Leon

*California Girls* by Susan Mallery

*The Overstory* by Richard Powers

### Non-Fiction

*Dreaming the Future* by Kenny Ausubel

*Roads Taken, Contemporary Vermont Poetry*

edited by Sydney Lea

*Women Rowing North* by Mary Pipher

*The Salt Path* by Raynor Winn

### Children's

*Diary of a Wimpy Kid, the Meltdown* by Jeff Kinney

*Dog Man, Brawl of the Wild* by Dav Pilkey

*Hamster Princess of Mice and Magic* by Ursula Vernon

### Movies / DVDs

*Hundred-Foot Journey*

*Queen of the Desert*

*Green Book*

*The Favourite*

*Bohemian Rhapsody*

*A Star Is Born*

*Only the Brave*

## Library Seed Swap!



Spring IS coming. Stop in the Library, the Seed Swap is open for business!

## Toddler Time

Join Melissa & Martha for stories and songs on **Mondays at 10:30 am** at the Library.

*Current session:*

**April 1 - May 20 (not April 15)**

For little children and their caregivers, come to one, come to them all! Free and open to the public.

More info: 235-2435 or

[middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com)

## Library Book Sale Donations

The Library is **accepting donations** for the annual Book Sale **until May 25** (the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend). Please drop off your donations during Library Open Hours.

- Books in good repair  
(no mildew, broken spines, or missing covers)
- Movies - DVD only (no VHS)
- Audiobooks - on CD (no cassette tapes)
- Jigsaw puzzles - taped closed (no missing pieces)

If the box you are donating was stored for months or even years, please go through it before you drop it off and remove mice nests and layers of dust.

The Book Sale will take place the first weekend in June. Details will be in the next edition of the newsletter.

## Library Hours

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday** 2 - 7 pm

**Friday** 10 am - 2 pm

**Saturday** 10 am - noon

235-2435

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## Friends of the Library Events

### Tell Your Library Story: Open Mic

The Friends of the Library invite you to celebrate Library Week by sharing stories of your experiences with any library that you hold near and dear to your heart, on **Sunday, April 28 at 2 pm**. This event is free and open to the public, and as always, there will be refreshments served. We look forward to hearing your stories!

### Plant & Garden Sale

With Spring officially here, and the snow melting off of your flower beds, you're probably thinking about your gardens. Please keep the Friends of the Middletown Springs Public Library in mind when you are dividing your plants. We are looking for donations of plants and starts for our Annual Plant and Garden Sale to be held **Saturday May 18, 9 am-noon**. Pots should be clearly marked. Please NO donations from gardens that have goutweed. More details to follow.

## FOL Meeting

Friends of the Library will meet at the Library on **Tuesday, April 9 at 7 pm**. All interested are welcome to attend.

For more info, call Ashley at 235-3000.

# Calendar of Events

## April

Planning Commission	Mon 1	4 pm	Town Office
Knitting Circle	Mon 1	7-9 pm	Library
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 2	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Scrabble Night	Tues 2	7 pm	Library
Wells Springs Board	Wed 3	6 pm	WES
Building Committee	Wed 3	7 pm	Library
Historical Society	Thurs 4	7 pm	MSHS
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 9	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Friends of the Library	Tues 9	7 pm	Library
Selectboard	Thurs 11	7 pm	Town Office
Scrabble Night	Mon 15	7 pm	Library
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 16	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Building Committee	Thurs 17	7 pm	Library
First Response	Sun 21	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 23	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Library Trustees	Wed 24	7 pm	Library
Auditors	Wed 24	7:30 pm	Town Office
Selectboard	Thurs 25	7 pm	Town Office
<b>Library Stories</b>	<b>Sun 28</b>	<b>2-4 pm</b>	<b>Library</b>
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 30	6:30 pm	Firehouse

## May

Wells Springs Board	Wed 1	6 pm	MSES
Building Committee	Wed 1	7 pm	Library
Historical Society	Thurs 2	7 pm	MSHS
Planning Commission	Mon 6	4 pm	Town Office
Knitting Circle	Mon 6	7 - 9 pm	Library
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 7	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Selectboard	Thurs 9	7 pm	Town Office
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 14	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Friends of the Library	Tues 14	7 pm	Library
Building Committee	Thurs 16	7 pm	Library
<b>FOL Plant Sale</b>	<b>Sat 18</b>	<b>8 am-Noon</b>	<b>MSHS</b>
First Response	Sun 19	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 21	6:30 pm	Firehouse
Library Trustees	Wed 22	7 pm	Library
Selectboard	Thurs 23	7 pm	Town Office
<b>Memorial Day Parade</b>	<b>Sun 26</b>	<b>3 pm</b>	<b>Town Green</b>
<b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>Mon 27</b>		
Fire Dept. Training	Tues 28	6:30 pm	Firehouse

*Calendar Events – subject to change.*

*When in doubt, please check with the organization for details.*

## Town Meeting Results

An unofficial tally was posted to Front Porch Forum at the time of the election. All articles passed. For further information about who's who in our town government and to see which positions still need to be filled, go to the town website.

<http://middletownsprings.vt.gov/town-government/town-officers/>

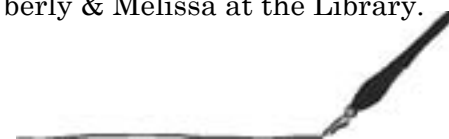
## TOWN NEWSLETTER

Lots of information in a snippet & list format, plus a Calendar of Events. No ads, articles, or minutes.

This supplements and enhances the Town website & Front Porch Forum and will serve the needs of those who don't regularly use computers.

Digital copies are available as a PDF. The PDF is posted to FPF or the Town website or is sent free via e-mail to those who sign up. It is also available in hard copy, delivered by USPS, to those who subscribe for \$6 a year postage. Copies are posted at the Town Office, Grant's Village Store, and the Library.

**Questions:** Call 235-2435, or e-mail [middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com) to reach Kimberly & Melissa at the Library.



### Submit News & Events to:

Middletown Springs Public Library  
PO Box 1206  
Middletown Springs, VT 05757  
[middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:middletownspringslibrary@gmail.com)

Deadline: 25th of the month for inclusion in upcoming issue.

