

Annual Report  
of the  
Town Officers  
of  
**Arlington, Vermont**  
For the year ending  
December 31, 2014



**Oldest Arlington School, District 2.**

Chartered July 28, 1761

## **Town of Arlington Directory**

### **EMERGENCY CALLS (AMBULANCE, FIRE & POLICE)**

**911**

#### **A**

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER – TRACY MULLIGAN ..... (802) 375-6121  
ARLINGTON FOOD SHELF – JACK GUNTHER ..... (802) 375-6328  
Hours: 1:30-4:00, 1st Tuesday of each month and 3:30-6:30, 3rd Tuesday of each month  
ARLINGTON MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL ..... (802) 375-2589  
ARLINGTON POST OFFICE ..... (802) 375-6904  
ARLINGTON WATER CO. – OFFICE ..... (802) 375-9531  
ARLINGTON WATER CO. – BURR SNOW ..... (802) 375-3622

#### **B**

BENNINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING ..... (802) 442-0713  
BURDETT COMMONS ..... (802) 375-6700

#### **C**

CASELLA LANDFILL ..... (802) 362-4082  
Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 7:00-2:00; Sat., 7:30-11:30; CLOSED WED., SUN., & HOLIDAYS Buy sticker at site. Free recycling  
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER – NATHALIE CALER ..... (802) 375-6135  
COMMUNITY HOUSE SCHEDULING – LYNN WILLIAMS ..... (802) 375-6119

#### **D**

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR – LINDA CROSBY ..... (802) 375-1260

#### **E**

EAST ARLINGTON POST OFFICE ..... (802) 375-6695

#### **F**

FIRE DEPARTMENT (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY) ..... (802) 375-2323  
FIRE BURN PERMIT – JAMIE PAUSTIAN 375-1072, BRIAN HAWLEY 375-6926, VINCE THOMPSON 375-6014  
FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ..... (802) 375-6409

#### **H**

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT ..... (802) 375-6712  
HEALTH OFFICER - AL GODREAU ..... (802) 375-1008

#### **L**

LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR - AL GODREAU ..... (802) 375-1008  
LISTERS OFFICE ..... (802) 375-9022

#### **M**

MARTHA CANFIELD LIBRARY – PHYLLIS SKIDMORE ..... (802) 375-6153  
Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:00-8:00, Wed. 9:00-5:00, Fri. 2:00-6:00, and Sat. 10:00-3:00

#### **R**

RECREATION & PARK SCHEDULING ..... (802) 375-9564  
RESCUE SQUAD (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY) ..... (802) 375-6589  
RUSSELL VERMONTIANA COLLECTION – BILL BUDDE ..... (802) 375-6153  
Tuesday only 9:00-5:00, or by appointment

#### **S**

SELECTMEN OFFICE ..... (802) 375-6474  
SIGN ADMINISTRATOR – AL GODREAU ..... (802) 375-1008  
STATE POLICE (OTHER THAN EMERGENCY) ..... (802) 442-5421  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS ..... (802) 375-9744

#### **T**

TOWN CLERK OFFICE – ROBIN WILCOX ..... (802) 375-2332  
TOWN SERVICE AGENT – NATHALIE CALER ..... (802) 375-6135  
TREASURER OFFICE – LINDA CROSBY ..... (802) 375-1260

# **ARLINGTON, VERMONT**

P.O. Box 268  
3828 Vermont Route 7A  
Arlington, VT 05250-0268

Chartered – July 28, 1761  
Area – 26,668 Acres  
Population: 2,413

## **HOURS OF TOWN & SCHOOL MEETING**

**Monday, March 2, 2015**

**7:00 p.m.**

**At**

**ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM**

### **Hours of Balloting:**

**Tuesday, March 3, 2015**

**10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

**At**

**ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM**

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## **Warning**

March 2, 2015

The inhabitants of the Town of Arlington, Vermont qualified to vote in Town Meeting, are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Arlington High School Gymnasium in said Arlington on Monday evening, March 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of acting upon and deciding the following Articles 1 through 8, specified below. After completion of these articles, the meeting will stand recessed until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday March 3, 2015 to act upon Articles 9 through 38. The polls will be open at the Arlington High School Gymnasium on March 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m.

- Article 1.        To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.
- Article 2.        To see what compensation will be paid to the several Town Officers.
- Article 3.        To see if the Town will vote to have all taxes paid to the Town Treasurer, as provided by law, tax bills to be posted by September 4, 2015, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer on or before November 4, 2015.
- Article 4.        To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes such sum or sums of money as is necessary for properly financing the affairs of the Town until the next annual Town Meeting.
- Article 5.        To see if the Town will vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town.
- Article 6.        To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the revenue necessary to fund the approved budget, inclusive of Appropriations to be determined and voted.
- Article 7.        To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus funds from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year.
- Article 8.        To transact any further business found necessary and proper when met. After any further business under Article 8, said meeting will recess until Tuesday, March 3, 2015.

- Article 9. To Elect the following Town Officers:
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|--------------------------|--------------|
| Moderator                | 1 year term  |
| Selectman                | 2 year term  |
| Selectman                | 3 year term  |
| Lister                   | 3 year term  |
| Delinquent Tax Collector | 1 year term  |
| Auditor                  | 3 year term  |
| Cemetery Commissioner    | 3 year term  |
| Grand Jurors, Two        | 1 year terms |
| Town Agent               | 1 year term  |
| Trustee of Public Funds  | 3 year term  |
- Article 10. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$45,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks.
- Article 11. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$40,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks.
- Article 12. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$9,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington's backhoe, excavator, and loader.
- Article 13. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$5,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual replacement and/or repair of the Town grader.
- Article 14. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$6,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment.
- Article 15. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$15,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the resurfacing of Town roads.
- Article 16. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance of Town owned buildings.
- Article 17. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of computers.
- Article 18. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$32,500.00 toward the support of the Arlington Rescue Squad.
- Article 19. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare, Inc.

- Article 20. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,250.00 toward the support of the Arlington Community Club.
- Article 21. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service for the year ensuing.
- Article 22. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$16,000.00 toward the support of the Martha Canfield Library.
- Article 23. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless.
- Article 24. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County Conservation District.
- Article 25. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare Service.
- Article 26. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont (formerly 'Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council').
- Article 27. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for Restorative Justice.
- Article 28. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc. (PAVE).
- Article 29. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,025.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.).
- Article 30. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center.
- Article 31. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern Vt. Council on Aging.
- Article 32. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center.
- Article 33. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.



- Article 34. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living.
- Article 35. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program.
- Article 36. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity.
- Article 37. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,250.00 toward the support of Burdett Commons.
- Article 38. To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,000.00 towards the support of Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT-TV) to help support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the Arlington Select Board, Arlington School Board and other public and municipal meetings.

Dated this January 26, 2015

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Keith Squires

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Reginald Jennings, Jr.

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Daniel Harvey

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Kenneth John Smith

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Cynthia Browning

## Town Officers - Elected

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2015	John L. Whalen II
Town Clerk	3 year	3/2016	Robin S. Wilcox
Town Treasurer	3 year	3/2016	Linda P. Crosby
Selectman	3 year	3/2017	Keith Squires *
	2 year	3/2015	Kenneth "K.John" Smith
	2 years	3/2016	Cynthia Browning
	3 year	3/2016	Reginald Jennings
	3 year	3/2015	Daniel Harvey
Listers	3 year	3/2016	Earl LaBatt
	3 year	3/2015	Joseph Garger
	3 year	3/2017	Lee Cross
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year	3/2015	Linda P. Crosby
Auditors	3 year	3/2015	Bill Budde
	3 year	3/2016	Mary Ann Schaefer
	3 year	3/2017	Patricia Williams
Cemetery Commissioner	3 year	3/2015	John Wilcox
	3 year	3/2016	Nathalie Caler
	3 year	3/2017	William J. Bryan
Grand Jurors	1 year	3/2015	Al McAllister
	1 year	3/2015	Darlene Young
Town Agent	1 year	3/2015	Kevin P. Dailey
Trustees of Public Funds	3 year	2/2016	R. Drew Hill
	3 year	3/2015	Diane Jennings
	3 year	3/2017	Vacant
Town Representative	2 year	11/2016	Cynthia Browning
Justice of the Peace	2 year	2/2017	Maryann Carlson
			Lawrence Molloy
			Kenneth "K.John" Smith
			John Wilcox
			Gerald Woodard
			Darlene Young

\* Denotes Chairperson

## Town Officers – Appointed

Term expires in year shown.

Health Officer	3 year	4/2017	Al Godreau
Deputy Health Officer	3 year	2/2015	Traci Mulligan
Tree Warden	2 year	4/2016	Keith Squires
Inspector of Lumber	3 year	4/2017	Dan Harvey
Town Service Officer	1 year	4/2015	Nathalie Caler
Fence Viewers	3 year	4/2017	Gerald Woodard
	3 year	4/2017	Alan Hess
	3 year	4/2017	Dan Harvey
Land Use Administrator	3 year	4/2017	Al Godreau
Fire Chief	1 year	12/2015	Jamie Paustian
First Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2015	Brian John Hawley
Second Asst. Fire Chief	1 year	12/2015	Doug Hyde
Town Planning Commission	3 year	4/2017	John Williams
	3 year	4/2016	Elliott Nachwalter
	2 year	4/2016	Michael Murno
	3 year	4/2017	Thomas Williams
	4 year	4/2018	Chris Heins
	3 year	4/2017	Dan Barber *
	2 year	4/2015	Vacant
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2 year	4/2016	Marc Colety
	2 year	4/2015	Ron Weber *
	2 year	4/2015	Susan Jennings
	3 year	4/2015	Maureen Harvey
	3 year	4/2017	Todd Gamble
	3 year	4/2015	Elizabeth Waters
	4 year	4/2017	Cynthia Browning
Emergency Mgt. Director	2 year	4/2016	Keith Squires
BCRC Representative	3 year	4/2015	Keith Squires
	2 year	4/2015	Reginald Jennings
Town Energy Coordinator	1 year	4/2015	Reginald Jennings
Sign Administrator	3 year	4/2016	Al Godreau
Animal Control Officer	Indefinite		Traci Mulligan

\*Denotes Chairperson

## Town School District Officers

Term expires in year shown.

Moderator	1 year	3/2015	John L. Whalen II
School District Clerk	3 year	3/2016	Robin S. Wilcox
School District Treasurer	3 year	3/2016	Linda P.Crosby
School Directors	1 year	3/2015	Glen Gross
	3 year	3/2017	Kenneth “K. John” Smith
	2 year	3/2016	Kevin Smith
	3 year	3/2016	Nicol Whalen
	3 year	3/2015	Dawn Hoyt *

\*Denotes Chairperson



**South District School move to Arlington Memorial School site as Music Room. Currently the Superintendent's Office below the Martha Canfield Library. Noted as the school house that has traveled the greatest distance in Arlington.**



**1936 Arlington Memorial School Girls Basketball team. (Names on page 89)**



**1930 Arlington Memorial School Boys Basketball team. (Names on page 89)**

**Schedule of Salaries, Wages, and Allowable Expenses  
2014  
Town of Arlington**

CLERK	\$16,045.00	+ FEES ANNUALLY
TREASURER	\$13,091.00	ANNUALLY
SELECTMEN: CHAIRMAN	\$1,800.00	ANNUALLY
SELECTMEN: PER MEMBER	\$1,800.00	ANNUALLY
INTERIM SUPERVISOR	\$20.00	PER HOUR
LISTERS	\$12.10	PER HOUR
MODERATOR	\$100.00	ANNUALLY
MILEAGE	\$0.56	PER MILE

BY DISCRETION OF SELECTMEN

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	\$15.72	PER HOUR
AUDITORS	\$11.19	PER HOUR
ROAD FOREMAN	\$21.68	PER HOUR
FIRST HELPER	\$17.74	PER HOUR
SECOND HELPER	\$16.13	PER HOUR
LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR	\$15.40	PER HOUR
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	\$5,040.00	ANNUALLY

BY DISCRETION OF BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY MEMBERS	MINIMUM WAGE	PER HOUR
BALLOT CLERKS	MINIMUM WAGE	PER HOUR

SCHOOL

SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN	\$2,500.00	ANNUALLY
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER	\$1,500.00	ANNUALLY
CLERK	\$500.00	ANNUALLY
TREASURER	\$11,032.00	ANNUALLY
MODERATOR	\$50.00	ANNUALLY

BATTENKILL VALLEY SUPERVISORY UNION

TREASURER	\$2,244.00	ANNUALLY
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## Section One: Financial Reports of Elected Town Officials

### Town Treasurer's Report

#### General Town Account – Ending December 31, 2014

<b>Cash on Hand 01/01/14</b>			<b>\$ 86,128.71</b>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>			
2014 Property Taxes Collected			4,349,222.34
State of Vermont – Schedule I			426,607.15
Fire Protection	Sunderland/Sandgate		56,351.00
Miscellaneous Income			1,723.35
Rents			540.00
Cemetery Receipts			600.00
US Treasury – PILOT			10,803.00
Town Clerk – Fees and Licenses			17,301.00
LUA & ZBA Fees			3,650.00
ASD-FY13/14 Final VT Education Tax Reconciliation			68,919.00
Arlington SD & Sandgate SD Fuel Reimbursement			37,099.34
Insurance Reimbursements			783.00
Arlington Recreation & Park Receipts			24,276.48
Delinquent Tax Collector:			
	Delinquent Taxes	263,597.44	
	Interest	10,060.03	
	Penalties	<u>12,825.57</u>	286,483.04
Interest			2,740.28
Borrowed Money			<u>255,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS:</b>			<b>5,628,227.69</b>
<u>DISBURSEMENTS:</u>			
Paid 2014 Appropriations – Capital Reserve			119,000.00
Orders #1 through #29 Operating & ER FTD Share			1,121,641.71
Orders #1 through #52 Payroll			318,096.88
Borrowed Money			255,000.00
Refund - Tax Over Payments			17,609.53
Bank Charges			36.00
Taxes Paid to School District			<u>3,698,628.33</u>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:</b>			<b>5,530,012.45</b>
Cash Balance on Hand 12/31/14			<u>98,215.24</u>
<b>Receipts Total:</b>			<b>5,628,227.69</b>
<b>Cash Accounts</b>			
The Bank of Bennington – Operating Now			98,092.24
Petty Cash			<u>123.00</u>
Cash on Hand			98,215.24

<b>SCHEDULE I</b>		
<b>State of Vermont Income</b>		
Aid to Highway		\$73,356.60
Share of Local Fines		5,843.13
Misc.		10.00
R.R. Tax		159.02
Current Use Program		25,147.00
PILOT-FP & FW		1,717.26
Sidewalk Study Grant		1,579.74
Structures Grants		311,059.40
2014 Municipal Planning		<u>7,735.00</u>
	Total	\$426,607.15
<b>Treasurer's Reconciliation</b>		
<b>With Delinquent Tax Collector</b>		
Uncollected Taxes 1/1/14		\$192,135.47
2014 Taxes to Collector		333,852.03
Total Uncollected		525,987.50
Less 2014 Receipts from Delinquent Tax Collector		-263,597.44
Less Abated Taxes		<u>-496.30</u>
12/31/14 Un-remitted Taxes		261,893.76
Less received from DTC – JAN 2015 (For payments received 12/20/14-1/26/15)		<u>-46,663.54</u>
Adjusted Un-remitted Taxes		\$215,230.22
<b>BORROWED MONEY</b>		
From Capital Reserve Funds in anticipation of taxes - \$255,000.00		
Principal borrowed:		
02/25/14 from Grader Fund	100,000.00	
04/07/14 from Backhoe/Loader Fund	50,000.00	
06/17/14 from Special Highway Fund	75,000.00	
07/01/14 from Sidewalk Maintenance	30,000.00	
Principal & Interest repayment:		
10/01/14 to Grader Fund	100,381.30	
10/01/14 to Backhoe/Loader Fund	50,181.28	
10/01/14 to Special Highway Fund	75,161.70	
10/01/14 to Sidewalk Maintenance	30,057.04	
12/31/14 Bal Due CRF	0.00	



<b>REAPPRAISAL FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/01/14		\$135,614.65
Interest Received		1,539.22
From State of Vermont		<u>13,972.79</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		151,126.66
Evidenced by Now #2988 @ Bank of Bennington		15,007.61
CD #201924 @ Bank of Bennington due 10/1/2016		136,119.05
<b>AUDIT FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$7,916.73
2014 Voted Appropriation		3,000.00
Interest Received		<u>51.60</u>
	Sub-Total	10,968.33
Paid Audit Orders 24-3/4		<u>-10,000.00</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		968.33
Evidenced by NOW Account #0546 @ Bank of Bennington		968.33
<b>DISCRETIONARY FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$5,789.85
Interest Received		<u>43.52</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		5,833.37
Evidenced by NOW Account #0554 @ Bank of Bennington		5,833.37
<b>BATTENKILL DREDGING FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$6,571.14
Interest Received		<u>3.43</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		6,574.57
Evidenced by NOW Account #3900917 @ Berkshire Bank		6,574.57
<b>FEMA – IRENE FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$58,868.23
Received from Old Mill Wall Fund		38,510.86
Interest Received		<u>334.27</u>
	Sub-Total	97,713.36
Paid FEMA Orders 20/21		<u>40,134.59</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		57,578.77
Evidenced by Now Account #654101213 @ Bank of Bennington		57,578.77

<b>COMBINED CAPITAL RESERVE FUND MONIES</b>		
<b>12/31/14 Fund Balance</b>		<b>\$707,899.04</b>
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE CHECKING ACCOUNT</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$239.27
Interest Received		<u>30.39</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		269.66
Evidenced by NOW #1405 @ TBOB		269.66
<b>TOWN BACKHOE AND LOADER FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$75,119.57
2014Voted Appropriation		9,000.00
Gen. Fund BM Principal & Interest Reimb.		50,181.28
Interest Received		<u>389.07</u>
	Sub-Total	134,689.92
Loan to General Fund		<u>-50,000.00</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		84,689.92
Evidenced by NOW #1464 @TBOB		84,689.92
<b>TOWN BRIDGES FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$28,301.50
Grant Reimbursement		28,000.00
Interest Received		<u>105.31</u>
	Sub-Total	56,406.81
Paid Orders CRF 2014-2 & 6		<u>-55,812.32</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		594.49
Evidenced by NOW #1504 @TBOB		594.49
<b>BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$14,983.90
2014Voted Appropriation		2,500.00
Interest Received		<u>114.47</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		17,598.37
Evidenced by NOW #1510 @ TBOB		17,598.37

<b>COMPUTER FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$11,751.90
2014Voted Appropriation		2,500.00
Interest Received		<u>90.08</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		14,341.98
Evidenced by NOW #1421 @ TBOB		14,341.98
<b>FIRE TRUCK FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$26,789.25
2014 Voted Appropriation		40,000.00
Fire Dept. Calls Reimbursement		400.00
Interest Received		<u>229.31</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		67,418.56
Evidenced by NOW # 1448 @ TBOB		67,418.56
<b>GENERATOR FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$5,170.18
Interest Received		<u>38.98</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		5,209.16
Evidenced by NOW #2147 @ TBOB		5,209.16
<b>GRADER FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$127,557.72
2014Voted Appropriation		5,000.00
General Fund BM Principal & Interest Repay		100,381.30
Old Mill Rd Wall BM Principal & Int Repay		25,051.00
Interest Received		<u>462.88</u>
	Sub-Total	258,452.90
Loan to General Fund		-100,000.00
Loan to Old Mill Rd Wall		<u>-25,000.00</u>
Balance in fund 12/31/14		133,452.90
Evidenced by NOW #1472 @ TBOB		133,452.90

<b>OLD MILL ROAD – WALL</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$4,374.14
Grant Reimb.		266,059.40
Loan from Grader Fund		25,000.00
Interest Received		<u>137.38</u>
	Sub-Total	295,570.92
Repay Grader Fund		-25,000.00
Paid Order CRF		<u>-270,275.07</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		295.85
Evidenced by NOW #2155 @ TBOB		295.85
*Old Mill Wall owes Special Highway		-60,643.86
<b>SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$32,424.02
2014 Voted Appropriation		4,000.00
General Fund BM Principal & Interest		30,057.04
Interest Received		<u>189.91</u>
	Sub-Total	66,670.97
Loan to General Fund		<u>-30,000.00</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		36,670.97
Evidenced by NOW #1499 @ TBOB		36,670.97
<b>SPECIAL HIGHWAY</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$157,778.51
2014 Voted Appropriation		13,000.00
Gen. Fund BM Principal & Interest Reimb.		75,161.70
Old Mill Wall –Partial Reimb.& Interest		13,438.90
Grant Reimb.		17,000.00
Interest Received		<u>757.38</u>
	Sub-Total	277,136.49
Paid Orders CRF 2014-2/12		-25,489.00
Paid Orders for Old Mill Wall 2014-5/6/10		-74,037.12
Loan to General Fund		<u>-75,000.00</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		102,610.37
Evidenced by NOW #1480 @ TBOB		102,610.37
*Balance Due from Old Mill Wall		+60,643.86

<b>TRUCK FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$180,709.36
2014 Voted Appropriation		40,000.00
Interest Received		<u>1,385.82</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		222,095.18
Evidenced by NOW #1456 @ TBOB		222,095.18
<b>YELLOW BARN FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund 1/1/14		\$23,640.35
Interest Received		179.97
Donation/Fund raising		838.11
	Sub-Total	24,658.43
Paid Orders CRF 2014-10/11/12		<u>-2,006.80</u>
Balance in Fund 12/31/14		22,651.63
Evidenced by NOW #1413 @ TBOB		22,651.63

## 2014 TAX RATE SET – JULY 28, 2014

### Town of Arlington Taxes:

2014 Voted Municipal Budget	\$1,258,815.00
Voted Additional Articles	2,800.00
Anticipated Income	-241,151.00
Net Town Taxes to be Raised	<u>\$1,020,464.00</u>
Municipal Grand List	\$314,523,700.00
Municipal Tax Rate of \$00.3254 raises	\$1,023,460.12

### Local Agreement Rate:

Locally Voted Exemptions of \$705,400.00 x Non-Residential Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4271, amount to be raised	<u>10,066.76</u>
Voted Veterans Exemptions of \$300,000.00 x Homestead Education Rate set by VT Tax Department of \$1.4058 amount to be raised	<u>4,217.40</u>
Total to be Raised for Local Agreements	\$14,284.16
Municipal Grand List	\$314,523,700.00
Local Agreement Tax Rate of \$0.0046 raises	\$14,468.09

### Total Municipal Tax Rate Set \$00.3300

### Arlington Education Tax Rate as set by VT Tax Department:

Homestead Education Tax Rate	\$1.4058
Nonresidential Education Tax Rate	\$1.4271

Tax Rates established and duly approved by the Selectmen per authority voted at 2014 Annual Town Meeting.

<b>Total Homestead Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$1.7358</b>
<b>Total Non-Residential Rate</b>	<b>\$1.7571</b>

## Property Tax Collection – 2014

**Current Taxes:** By annual Vote – property tax bills available by September 4<sup>th</sup>. Payment due date is November 4<sup>th</sup>.

Partial payments accepted January 1<sup>st</sup> to November 4<sup>th</sup>.

Postmarks are not considered for timely payment.

**Delinquent Taxes:** Delinquency is immediately after November 4<sup>th</sup> due date.

Partial delinquent tax payments are negotiable.

**Interest:** Per Statute 32 VSA 5136, 1% interest accrues per month or portion thereof from the due date until paid.

**Penalty:** Per Statute 32 VSA 1674, 4% penalty from the due date until December 31<sup>st</sup> of the property tax year; 4% additional penalty after December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Total penalty not exceed 8%.

**Tax Sale:** When necessary.

**SELECTBOARD**

**Summary of 2014 Spending and Proposed 2015 Budget**

	<b>2014 Budget</b>	<b>2014 Actual Expenses</b>	<b>2014 Amount to Be Raised By Taxes</b>	<b>2015 Proposed Budget</b>	<b>2015 Proposed Amount to be Raised by Taxes</b>
General Fund	459,018.00	477,376.17	402,118.00	496,744.00	413,544.00
Fire Protection	152,300.00	137,716.25	95,949.00	155,539.00	97,526.00
Park	71,036.00	65,024.64	44,836.00	72,502.00	52,402.00
Highway	556,946.00	538,424.60	459,946.00	580,954.00	479,954.00
Cemetery	19,515.00	17,622.53	14,815.00	19,365.00	18,165.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,259,562.00</b>	<b>1,236,128.19</b>	<b>1,017,664.00</b>	<b>1,325,104.00</b>	<b>1,061,591.00</b>

## Town of Arlington Budget and Expenditures for 2014 and 2015

Account	Budget FY - 2014	Actual FY- 2014	Budget FY - 2015
11-6 TOTAL REVENUE			
11-6-01 DELINQUENT TAXES & INTEREST			
11-6-01-001.00 Property taxes	402,118.00	61,093.74	413,544.00
11-6-01-001.01 Prior Yr State Adjustment	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-01-002.00 Taxes, delinquent	0.00	263,597.44	0.00
11-6-01-003.00 Taxes, delinq., interest	10,000.00	10,060.03	10,000.00
11-6-01-004.00 Delinquent Taxes Penalty	0.00	12,825.57	10,000.00
 TOTAL DELINQUENT TAXES & INTEREST	 412,118.00	 347,576.78	 433,544.00
 11-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	 25,000.00	 27,489.41	 26,000.00
11-6-02-001.01 Income from Fines	5,500.00	5,387.00	5,400.00
11-6-02-002.00 School Tax Prior Year	0.00	68,919.00	0.00
11-6-02-003.00 US Treasury	9,500.00	10,803.00	10,000.00
11-6-03-001.01 Town Clerk/Fees	0.00	14,200.00	14,000.00
11-6-03-001.02 Town Clerk/Dog Licenses	1,600.00	2,176.00	2,000.00
11-6-03-001.03 Tn Cl. Liq. & Toba. Licen.	800.00	925.00	900.00
11-6-03-002.00 Animal Control	0.00	37.00	0.00
11-6-03-003.00 Rentals	500.00	540.00	500.00
11-6-03-004.00 Zoning Fees	1,500.00	3,650.00	2,000.00
11-6-05-001.00 Interest	2,500.00	2,740.28	2,400.00
11-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	1,266.56	0.00
 TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE	 459,018.00	 485,710.03	 496,744.00
 11-7 ADMINISTRATION			
11-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
11-7-10-110.01 Salaries/Chair. Select Board	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
11-7-10-110.02 Salaries/Selectmen (4)	7,200.00	7,200.00	7,200.00
11-7-10-110.03 Salaries/Town Clerk	16,045.00	16,045.00	16,540.00
11-7-10-110.04 Salaries/Treasurer	13,091.00	13,091.00	13,495.00
11-7-10-110.05 Clerical	18,500.00	17,162.57	19,100.00
11-7-10-110.06 Listing/Labor	25,000.00	25,051.64	25,800.00
11-7-10-110.07 Town Clerk Assistant	2,335.00	2,040.60	2,350.00
11-7-10-110.08 Treasurer/Assistant	3,000.00	3,050.16	3,000.00
11-7-10-110.09 Tn Elections/Poll Workers	650.00	414.68	300.00



<b>Account</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2014</b>	<b>Actual FY- 2014</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2015</b>
11-7-10-110.10 Auditor/Labor	1,500.00	1,265.58	1,550.00
11-7-10-110.11 Board of Civil Authority	200.00	0.00	200.00
11-7-10-110.12 Health Officer	300.00	300.00	300.00
11-7-10-110.13 Land Use Labor	6,000.00	5,326.42	6,000.00
11-7-10-110.14 Land Use Permits	0.00	755.00	500.00
11-7-10-110.15 ZBA/Clerical	150.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.16 Planning Clerical	500.00	0.00	300.00
11-7-10-110.17 Interim Administrator	10,000.00	10,080.00	15,000.00
11-7-10-110.18 Tax Collectors Fees/Penat.	0.00	12,818.13	10,000.00
11-7-10-110.19 Salary/Moderator	100.00	100.00	100.00
11-7-10-110.20 Town Clerk Fees	0.00	14,200.00	14,000.00
11-7-10-110.21 Town Clerk Dog Licenses	0.00	922.00	900.00
11-7-10-110.22 Town Clerk Liq. Licenses	0.00	50.00	50.00
11-7-10-210.01 Town Clerk Health Insur.	13,800.00	13,405.66	14,981.00
11-7-10-210.02 Treas. Health Insur.	8,400.00	8,471.53	9,000.00
11-7-10-210.03 Admin. Asst. Health Insur.	3,800.00	3,800.00	4,000.00
11-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	10,800.00	10,447.92	10,900.00
11-7-10-230.00 VT Employee Pension	1,850.00	1,708.77	1,750.00
11-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	335.00	336.00	418.00
11-7-10-290.00 VT Unemployment	1,754.00	1,753.10	2,114.00
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>	<b>147,110.00</b>	<b>171,595.76</b>	<b>181,748.00</b>
<b>11-7-20 OFFICE OPERATIONS</b>			
11-7-20-330.01 Repair, Pur., Train- Equip	3,000.00	2,848.91	3,000.00
11-7-20-340.00 Town Clerk/Microf/Restora	1,500.00	1,191.52	1,500.00
11-7-20-431.00 Xerox/Copier	500.00	340.49	450.00
11-7-20-530.00 Telephone	2,000.00	1,518.27	1,800.00
11-7-20-540.01 Planning Comm./Notices	300.00	660.39	500.00
11-7-20-540.02 ZBA/Legal Notices	300.00	606.60	500.00
11-7-20-550.01 Auditor/Town Report/Print	2,000.00	2,137.22	1,500.00
11-7-20-550.02 Zoning By Laws	300.00	404.08	200.00
11-7-20-580.01 Meetings & Mileage	1,500.00	1,117.39	1,500.00
11-7-20-610.01 Supplies	5,000.00	5,913.06	5,500.00
11-7-20-610.02 Town Clerk/Office Expense	2,000.00	1,165.40	2,000.00
11-7-20-610.03 Computer Expense	2,500.00	2,268.21	2,500.00
11-7-20-610.04 Listers/Office Expenses	800.00	1,064.62	800.00
11-7-20-610.05 Website	500.00	500.00	500.00
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OPERATIONS</b>	<b>22,200.00</b>	<b>21,736.16</b>	<b>22,250.00</b>

<b>Account</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2014</b>	<b>Actual FY- 2014</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2015</b>
<b>11-7-30 TOWN HALL</b>			
11-7-30-411.00 Water Service	450.00	448.36	450.00
11-7-30-421.00 Rubbish Removal	600.00	542.97	600.00
11-7-30-423.01 Janitorial	4,500.00	4,280.00	4,500.00
11-7-30-423.02 Snow Removal	450.00	360.00	450.00
11-7-30-450.00 Repairs & Services	10,000.00	3,033.95	10,000.00
11-7-30-520.00 Insurance	2,903.00	2,903.00	3,225.00
11-7-30-610.00 Equipment & Supplies	400.00	346.27	400.00
11-7-30-622.00 Electricity	3,200.00	3,358.48	3,200.00
11-7-30-624.00 Fuel	5,500.00	6,465.35	5,800.00
<b>TOTAL TOWN HALL</b>	<b>28,003.00</b>	<b>21,738.38</b>	<b>28,625.00</b>
<b>11-7-70 GENERAL EXPENSES</b>			
11-7-70-330.01 Animal Control	5,040.00	5,040.00	5,200.00
11-7-70-330.02 Arlington Green Up	600.00	363.87	600.00
11-7-70-330.03 Audit by Outside Firm	0.00	0.00	8,000.00
11-7-70-330.04 Benn. County Sheriff	32,000.00	30,675.75	32,000.00
11-7-70-330.05 B.C.R.C.	3,664.00	3,664.00	3,738.00
11-7-70-330.06 Landfill/Sold Waste/Recyc	15,000.00	18,361.92	15,000.00
11-7-70-330.07 Land Fill/Regional(ISWAP)	2,000.00	2,739.63	5,000.00
11-7-70-330.08 Hsehd Hazardous Waste	7,000.00	5,068.83	7,000.00
11-7-70-330.09 Emerg Care, Animal Ctrl	500.00	0.00	400.00
11-7-70-331.01 Water Co. Appraisal	10,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
11-7-70-333.00 Legal Fees	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
11-7-70-340.00 Tax Mapping	2,500.00	0.00	8,200.00
11-7-70-411.00 Hydrants	24,250.00	24,213.80	24,250.00
11-7-70-424.00 VT Comm. Wrk Serv/Lawn	800.00	262.50	400.00
11-7-70-490.00 Taxes/County	22,000.00	20,976.10	22,000.00
11-7-70-520.00 Insurance	11,112.00	11,112.00	9,200.00
11-7-70-540.00 Legal Notices	300.00	145.40	300.00
11-7-70-550.00 Town Elections/Ballots	5,000.00	4,946.60	3,000.00
11-7-70-560.01 Membship/Dues/VLCT/Oth	3,360.00	3,360.00	3,454.00
11-7-70-560.02 VT Assoc. Consv. Districts	100.00	0.00	100.00
11-7-70-610.00 Emergency Management	3,500.00	2,545.44	3,500.00
11-7-70-622.00 Street Lights	27,000.00	27,148.86	27,000.00
11-7-70-740.00 Forest Fire Warden	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
11-7-70-840.00 Tax Sales/Land Use/Abate	0.00	3,285.79	0.00
11-7-70-840.01 Prior Year School Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-70-990.00 Misc.	0.00	185.06	0.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>184,226.00</b>	<b>182,095.55</b>	<b>186,842.00</b>

<b>Account</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2014</b>	<b>Actual FY- 2014</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2015</b>
11-7-80 DEBT SERVICE			
11-7-80-830.00 Borrowed Money	850.00	781.32	850.00
 TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	 850.00	 781.32	 850.00
11-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
11-7-90-810.03 SinkFundMaintTnOwnBld	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11-7-90-810.04 Sinking Fund/Computer	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11-7-90-810.06 SinkFund/Audit Outsds Firm	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
 TOTAL RESERVE FUNDING	 8,000.00	 8,000.00	 5,000.00
 TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	 390,389.00	 405,947.17	 425,315.00
 11-8-95 APPROPRIATIONS			
11-8-95-950.01 Arlington Area Childcare	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00
11-8-95-950.02 Arl. Community Club, Inc.	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00
11-8-95-950.03 Arlington Comm. Nursing	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-8-95-950.04 Benn. Coalition Homeless	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.05 Benn. Cty Conserv. Dist.	360.00	360.00	360.00
11-8-95-950.06 Burdett Commons	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
11-8-95-950.07 Sunrise Fam. Resource Cntr	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.08 BROCC	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
11-8-95-950.09 Assoc. for the Blind	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-95-950.10 Martha Canfield Library	14,700.00	15,500.00	15,500.00
11-8-95-950.11 Neighbor to Neighbor	750.00	750.00	750.00
11-8-95-950.12 Project Against Violence	450.00	450.00	450.00
11-8-95-950.13 Center Restorative Justice	540.00	540.00	540.00
11-8-95-950.14 Benn. Project Independence	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
11-8-95-950.15 SWVT Council on Aging	1,530.00	1,530.00	1,530.00
11-8-95-950.16 The Tutorial Center	450.00	450.00	450.00
11-8-95-950.17 Rescue Squad	32,500.00	32,500.00	32,500.00
11-8-95-950.18 R.S.V.P.	2,025.00	2,025.00	2,025.00
11-8-95-950.19 VT Cntr Independ Living	295.00	295.00	295.00
11-8-95-950.20 Habitat For Humanity	779.00	779.00	779.00
11-8-95-950.21 GNAT-TV	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
 TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	 68,629.00	 71,429.00	 71,429.00
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 459,018.00	 477,376.17	 496,744.00
 TOTAL GENERAL FUND	 0.00	 8,333.86	 0.00

<b>Account</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2014</b>	<b>Actual FY- 2014</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2015</b>
12-6 HIGHWAY REVENUE			
12-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	459,946.00	427,360.66	479,954.00
12-6-02-001.00 Irene-FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-02-001.01 Irene-State	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-02-001.02 State of Vermont	32,000.00	32,559.18	32,000.00
12-6-02-001.03 State of Vermont	39,000.00	40,797.42	40,000.00
12-6-04-001.00 ASD Fuel Reimbursement	26,000.00	37,099.34	29,000.00
12-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	608.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY REVENUES</b>	<b>556,946.00</b>	<b>538,424.60</b>	<b>580,954.00</b>
12-7 HIGHWAY SUMMARY			
12-7-10 PAYROLL & BENEFITS			
12-7-10-110.00 Labor	115,600.00	115,004.00	118,980.00
12-7-10-130.00 Overtime	20,000.00	21,591.70	20,000.00
12-7-10-210.00 Health Insurance	32,400.00	32,738.82	34,861.00
12-7-10-220.00 Social Security	10,373.00	10,780.62	11,000.00
12-7-10-230.00 VT Municipal Pension	7,119.00	7,337.23	7,700.00
12-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	7,501.00	7,501.00	12,015.00
12-7-10-290.01 VT Unemployment	2,715.00	2,714.40	3,273.00
12-7-10-290.03 Uniforms/T Shirts	2,500.00	2,499.09	2,600.00
12-7-10-530.00 Pager Service	400.00	393.65	400.00
12-7-10-580.00 Training/Workshops	300.00	297.00	300.00
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>	<b>198,908.00</b>	<b>200,857.51</b>	<b>211,129.00</b>
12-7-30 TOWN GARAGE			
12-7-30-411.00 Water Service	450.00	448.36	450.00
12-7-30-421.01 Rubbish	600.00	641.94	600.00
12-7-30-430.00 Maintenance	2,000.00	1,588.05	2,000.00
12-7-30-490.00 Petroleum Tank Assessment	50.00	50.00	50.00
12-7-30-520.00 Insurance	2,868.00	2,868.00	3,758.00
12-7-30-610.01 Supplies	1,300.00	485.25	1,300.00
12-7-30-610.02 Equipment	500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-30-622.00 Electricity	1,200.00	1,497.98	1,200.00
12-7-30-623.00 Oxygen & Propane	300.00	220.25	300.00
12-7-30-624.00 Fuel Oil	3,200.00	4,015.96	3,700.00
12-7-30-990.00 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL TOWN GARAGE</b>	<b>12,468.00</b>	<b>11,815.79</b>	<b>13,858.00</b>

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<b>12-7-42 CLASS 2 ROADS</b>			
12-7-42-330.00 Striping/Sealing	9,000.00	8,192.90	9,000.00
12-7-42-450.01 Blacktopping	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-42-450.02 Guard Rails	400.00	0.00	300.00
12-7-42-450.03 Tree & Brush	1,500.00	0.00	2,000.00
12-7-42-450.04 East Arlington Wall	0.00	0.00	300.00
12-7-42-460.00 Culverts & Bridges	3,000.00	244.97	1,500.00
12-7-42-610.01 Signs	1,000.00	230.89	600.00
12-7-42-610.02 Grass Seed, etc.	600.00	127.83	400.00
12-7-42-650.01 Gravel/Stone	8,000.00	5,596.80	9,000.00
12-7-42-650.02 Salt	20,000.00	20,448.13	23,000.00
12-7-42-650.03 Sand	9,000.00	9,000.00	8,000.00
12-7-42-650.04 Chloride	3,000.00	3,901.83	3,500.00
12-7-42-650.05 Hot Mix	500.00	0.00	500.00
12-7-42-650.06 Cold Patch	300.00	414.90	400.00
12-7-42-650.07 Sidewalk Maintenance	500.00	0.00	700.00
<b>TOTAL CLASS 2 ROADS</b>	<b>56,800.00</b>	<b>48,158.25</b>	<b>59,200.00</b>
<b>12-7-43 CLASS 3 ROADS</b>			
12-7-43-330.01 Sidewalks	300.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-43-330.02 Planning	0.00	0.00	0.00
12-7-43-422.00 S. Arlington Plowing	8,000.00	7,565.00	8,000.00
12-7-43-450.01 Tree Removal	1,500.00	850.00	2,000.00
12-7-43-450.02 Guard Rails	500.00	0.00	1,500.00
12-7-43-460.01 Bridges & Culverts	3,000.00	3,144.68	3,000.00
12-7-43-460.02 Rebuilding	35,000.00	37,794.75	35,000.00
12-7-43-520.00 Bridges/Insurance	1,148.00	1,148.00	1,210.00
12-7-43-610.01 Signs	1,500.00	237.55	800.00
12-7-43-610.02 Grass Seed, etc.	500.00	231.41	500.00
12-7-43-650.01 Gravel/Stone	17,000.00	18,210.79	19,000.00
12-7-43-650.02 Salt	10,000.00	10,220.05	12,000.00
12-7-43-650.03 Sand	30,000.00	22,499.64	27,000.00
12-7-43-650.04 Chloride	3,500.00	4,506.51	4,000.00
12-7-43-650.05 Hot/Cold Mix	500.00	0.00	500.00
<b>TOTAL CLASS 3 ROADS</b>	<b>112,448.00</b>	<b>106,408.38</b>	<b>114,510.00</b>
<b>12-7-60 TRUCKS &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>			
12-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	15,000.00	10,506.40	15,000.00
12-7-60-432.02 Inspections	180.00	140.00	180.00

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12-7-60-442.00 Rental Equipment	0.00	0.00	2,800.00
12-7-60-520.00 Insurance	6,142.00	6,144.00	6,077.00
12-7-60-610.00 Supplies	17,000.00	16,065.88	17,000.00
12-7-60-610.01 Safety Equipment	1,500.00	648.36	1,000.00
12-7-60-627.00 Oil/Gas/Lubricants	4,000.00	3,188.58	4,000.00
12-7-60-627.01 Diesel	60,000.00	63,491.45	60,000.00
12-7-60-740.00 Equipment Purchase/Lease	1,500.00	0.00	1,200.00
<b>TOTAL TRUCKS &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>105,322.00</b>	<b>100,184.67</b>	<b>107,257.00</b>
<b>12-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING</b>			
12-7-90-810.01 Resurfacing	13,000.00	13,000.00	15,000.00
12-7-90-810.02 Backhoe and Loader	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
12-7-90-810.03 Sinking Fund/Grader	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
12-7-90-810.04 Sinking Fund/Town Trucks	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
12-7-90-810.05 Sink Fund Sidewalk/Maint.	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,000.00
12-7-90-810.06 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL RESERVE FUNDING</b>	<b>71,000.00</b>	<b>71,000.00</b>	<b>75,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>556,946.00</b>	<b>538,424.60</b>	<b>580,954.00</b>
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY FUND</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>13-6 FIRE DEPT REVENUE</b>			
13-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	95,949.00	84,879.08	97,526.00
13-6-04-001.00 Service to Sandgate	16,753.00	16,753.00	17,247.00
13-6-04-002.00 Town of Sunderland	39,598.00	39,598.00	40,766.00
13-6-06-001.00 Grant Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
13-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	94.79	0.00
<b>TOTAL FIRE DEPT. REVENUE</b>	<b>152,300.00</b>	<b>141,324.87</b>	<b>155,539.00</b>
<b>13-7 FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>			
13-7-10-110.00 Salaries	10,600.00	10,100.00	10,600.00
13-7-10-220.00 F.I.C.A.	811.00	688.58	811.00
13-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	3,147.00	3,533.00	4,510.00
13-7-10-290.01 Medical	1,500.00	177.50	1,000.00
13-7-10-290.02 Insurance	12,742.00	12,283.00	13,868.00
13-7-20-530.00 Telephone	3,200.00	634.87	5,500.00
13-7-20-580.00 Training School	2,500.00	1,605.95	2,500.00

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13-7-20-610.00 Off Sply/Comput Reporting	1,200.00	1,068.00	2,000.00
13-7-30-624.00 Fuel for Fire Houses	7,500.00	8,370.57	7,000.00
13-7-60-432.00 Maintenance	20,000.00	18,774.56	20,000.00
13-7-60-627.00 Oil/Gas/Lubricants	800.00	560.32	650.00
13-7-60-627.01 Diesel	4,200.00	2,650.62	3,000.00
13-7-70-441.00 Rental on Houses	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
13-7-70-500.00 S. Arl/Cambridge Agree.	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
13-7-70-740.00 New Equipment	40,000.00	34,019.28	35,000.00
13-7-70-990.00 Emergency Contingency	850.00	0.00	850.00
 13-7-90 RESERVE FUNDING			
13-7-90-810.00 Sinking Fund/New Fire Tr.	40,000.00	40,000.00	45,000.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. RESERVE FUNDING	40,000.00	40,000.00	45,000.00
 TOTAL FIRE DEPT. EXPENDITURES	152,300.00	137,716.25	155,539.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT.	0.00	3,608.62	0.00
 14-6 CEMETERY REVENUE			
14-6-01-001.00 Perpetual Care	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
14-6-01-001.01 Property Taxes	14,815.00	14,815.00	18,165.00
14-6-03-001.00 Sale of Lots	500.00	0.00	1,000.00
14-6-04-001.00 Burial Fee	100.00	600.00	100.00
14-6-04-002.00 Cremation Fee	100.00	0.00	100.00
14-6-05-001.00 Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL CEMETERY REVENUE	19,515.00	15,415.00	19,365.00
 14-7 CEMETERY EXPENDITURES			
14-7-10-110.00 Cemetery Salaries	850.00	850.00	850.00
14-7-10-220.00 FICA	65.00	65.03	65.00
14-7-20-990.00 Office Misc.	100.00	0.00	50.00
14-7-30-300.00 Operating Contract	13,000.00	12,250.00	13,000.00
14-7-30-300.01 Operating Maintenance	5,000.00	4,457.50	5,000.00
14-7-70-990.00 Perpetual Care	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.01 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
14-7-70-990.02 Veterans Memorial Flags	500.00	0.00	400.00
 TOTAL CEMETERY EXPENDITURES	19,515.00	17,622.53	19,365.00
TOTAL CEMETERY	0.00	-2,207.53	0.00

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<b>15-6 PARK REVENUE</b>			
15-6-01-001.00 Property Taxes	44,836.00	44,836.00	52,402.00
15-6-02-001.00 Irene-FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-02-002.00 Irene-State	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-001.00 Reimbursed Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-04-002.00 Town of Sandgate	3,000.00	2,500.00	3,000.00
15-6-04-003.00 Town of Sunderland	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
15-6-04-004.00 Arlington School	9,000.00	9,000.00	4,500.00
15-6-04-005.00 Arlington Lions Club	100.00	0.00	400.00
15-6-04-006.00 Golf Assoc. Membership	3,500.00	2,356.00	2,500.00
15-6-06-001.00 Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-6-09-001.00 Golf Donations	6,000.00	4,091.49	5,000.00
15-6-09-002.00 Park Donations	100.00	75.00	100.00
15-6-09-003.00 Concession	0.00	50.00	100.00
15-6-09-099.00 Misc. Income	0.00	1,703.99	0.00
<b>TOTAL PARK REVENUE</b>	<b>71,036.00</b>	<b>69,112.48</b>	<b>72,502.00</b>
<b>15-7 PARK &amp; RECREATION</b>			
<b>15-7-10 PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>			
15-7-10-110.00 Labor	33,500.00	30,754.50	34,600.00
15-7-10-130.00 Overtime	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	2,562.00	2,352.44	2,650.00
15-7-10-260.00 Workmen's Compensation	1,086.00	1,086.00	1,695.00
15-7-10-290.00 VT Unemployment	1,188.00	1,186.50	1,432.00
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL &amp; BENEFITS</b>	<b>38,336.00</b>	<b>35,379.44</b>	<b>40,377.00</b>
<b>15-7-20 ADMINISTRATION</b>			
15-7-20-520.00 Insurance	600.00	596.48	644.00
15-7-20-530.00 Telephone	0.00	0.00	0.00
15-7-20-610.01 Office Supplies	200.00	17.95	200.00
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>800.00</b>	<b>614.43</b>	<b>844.00</b>
<b>15-7-30 PARK BUILDINGS</b>			
15-7-30-411.00 Water	400.00	404.56	420.00
15-7-30-421.00 Rubbish	800.00	645.00	800.00
15-7-30-450.00 Maintenance	7,000.00	9,166.25	6,000.00
15-7-30-520.00 Insurance	600.00	596.52	800.00
15-7-30-610.00 Supplies	800.00	466.74	461.00
15-7-30-622.00 Electricity	600.00	577.67	600.00
<b>TOTAL PARK BUILDINGS</b>	<b>10,200.00</b>	<b>11,856.74</b>	<b>9,081.00</b>



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15-7-41 GOLF COURSE			
15-7-41-411.00 Water	700.00	485.76	700.00
15-7-41-610.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	1,000.00	2,585.20	2,000.00
15-7-41-610.01 Course Supplies	3,000.00	133.41	2,500.00
 TOTAL GOLF COURSE	 4,700.00	 3,204.37	 5,200.00
 15-7-42 FIELDS & GROUNDS			
15-7-42-622.00 Electric, Soccer	800.00	1,103.90	800.00
15-7-42-622.01 Electric, Softball	400.00	496.51	400.00
15-7-42-622.02 Electric, Tennis	100.00	219.79	100.00
15-7-42-650.00 Grass Seed/Fertilizer	1,500.00	840.00	1,500.00
15-7-42-650.01 Maintenance	3,000.00	3,340.91	3,300.00
 TOTAL FIELDS & GROUNDS	 5,800.00	 6,001.11	 6,100.00
 15-7-60 EQUIPMENT			
15-7-60-432.01 Maintenance	5,000.00	4,393.80	5,000.00
15-7-60-627.00 Gas/Oil/Lubricants	2,500.00	1,964.68	2,300.00
15-7-60-627.01 Diesel	500.00	260.07	400.00
15-7-60-740.00 Equipment Purchase	3,000.00	1,350.00	3,000.00
15-7-60-740.01 Equipment Lease	200.00	0.00	200.00
 TOTAL EQUIPMENT	 11,200.00	 7,968.55	 10,900.00
 TOTAL PARK & REC. EXPENDITURES	 71,036.00	 65,024.64	 72,502.00
 TOTAL RECREATION	 0.00	 4,087.84	 0.00
 21-6 REAPPRAISAL REVENUE			
21-6-02-001.00 State of Vermont	0.00	13,575.50	0.00
21-6-02-002.00 State of VT Training	0.00	397.29	0.00
21-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	1,539.22	0.00
21-6-08-001.00 Transfers In	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-6-09-990.00 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL REAPPRAISAL REVENUE	 0.00	 15,512.01	 0.00
 21-7-10-110.06 Lister Wages	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00
21-7-10-220.00 Taxes/F.I.C.A.	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-20-531.00 Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00

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21-7-20-550.00 Printing	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-20-580.00 Training/Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-20-610.00 Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-7-70-330.00 Reappraisal Contract	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL REAPPRAISAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL REAPPRAISAL</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>15,512.01</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>22-6 DISCRETIONARY REVENUE</b>			
22-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	43.52	0.00
22-6-09-099.00 Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL DISCRETIONARY REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>43.52</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>23-6 GRANTS REVENUE</b>			
23-6-02-001.01 Wastewater	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.02 Ancient Roads	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.03 Enhancement/Church St.	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.06 HSU Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.07 PL Grant Water Co. Study	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.08 Public Safety EMPG09	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.09 Public Safety EMPG10	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.10 FEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.11 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.15 VT Structures BC1496	0.00	45,000.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.16 MPG-Town Plan	0.00	7,735.00	0.00
23-6-02-001.17 VT Structures BC1414	0.00	32,106.42	0.00
23-6-05-001.04 Battenkill Dredging	0.00	3.43	0.00
23-6-05-001.10 FEMA	0.00	334.27	0.00
23-6-05-001.11 Radios EMPG'12	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.12 VT Structures BC1216	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.14 VT Structures BC1321	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-6-05-001.20 FED HGWY ER0090	0.00	233,952.98	0.00
23-6-05-001.21 7A SIDEWALK CA0374	0.00	1,579.74	0.00
<b>TOTAL GRANTS REVENUE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>320,711.84</b>	<b>0.00</b>

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<b>23-7 GRANTS EXPENDITURES</b>			
23-7-70-990.01 Wastewater	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.02 Ancient Roads	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.03 Enhancement/Church St.	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.04 Battenkill Dredging	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.05 AQ09-50 ROCKSNOT	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.06 HSU	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.07 PL Grant Water Co. Study	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.08 Public Safety EMPG09	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.09 Public Safety EMPG10	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.10 FEMA	0.00	1,623.73	0.00
23-7-70-990.11 Radios EMPG'12	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.12 VT Structures BC1216	0.00	4,420.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.13 HUD/EDI 11-7 YB	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.14 VT Structures BC1321	0.00	0.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.15 VT Structures BC1496	0.00	40,580.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.16 MPG-Town Plan	0.00	11,051.00	0.00
23-7-70-990.17 VT Structures BC1414	0.00	32,106.42	0.00
23-7-70-990.20 FED HGWY ER0090	0.00	233,952.98	0.00
23-7-70-990.21 7A SIDEWALK CA 0374	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL GRANTS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>323,734.13</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL GRANTS</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-3,022.29</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>24-6 AUDIT REVENUE</b>			
24-6-01-001.00 Appropriation	0.00	3,000.00	0.00
24-6-05-001.00 Interest Income	0.00	51.60	0.00
24-6-08-001.00 Transfer In	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL AUDIT REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,051.60</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>24-7 AUDIT EXPENDITURES</b>			
24-7-70-330.00 Contract	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL AUDIT EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL AUDIT</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-6,948.40</b>	<b>0.00</b>

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31-6 CAPITAL REVENUE			
31-6-04-001.23 Fire Truck Ins.	0.00	400.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	20.25	0.00
31-6-05-001.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	91.83	0.00
31-6-05-001.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-05-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	130.13	0.00
31-6-05-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	716.86	0.00
31-6-05-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	292.27	0.00
31-6-05-001.26 Grader	0.00	566.84	0.00
31-6-05-001.27 Spec Highway	0.00	380.62	0.00
31-6-05-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	126.91	0.00
31-6-05-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	0.53	0.00
31-6-05-001.31 Town Buildings	0.00	58.99	0.00
31-6-05-001.32 Computers	0.00	46.56	0.00
31-6-05-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	111.52	0.00
31-6-05-001.34 Generator	0.00	19.84	0.00
31-6-08-001.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	40,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	40,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	9,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.26 Grader	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.27 Spec. Highway	0.00	13,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	4,000.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.31 Town Buildings	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.32 Computers	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-08-001.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.21 Yellow Barn Donations	0.00	-778.11	0.00
31-6-09-001.23 Fire Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.24 Town Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.26 Grader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.27 Special Highway	0.00	17,000.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.29 Town Bridges	0.00	28,000.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	220,044.00	0.00
31-6-09-001.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00

<b>Account</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2014</b>	<b>Actual FY- 2014</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2015</b>
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUES	0.00	383,229.04	0.00
 31-7 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
31-7-80-700.10 CRF CKBK	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.21 Yellow Barn	0.00	2,006.80	0.00
31-7-80-700.22 Copier	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.23 Fire Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.24 Town Truck	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.25 Backhoe & Loader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.26 Grader	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.27 Spec. Highway	0.00	86,132.86	0.00
31-7-80-700.28 Sidewalk & Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.29 Town Bridges	0.00	55,812.32	0.00
31-7-80-700.31 Town Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.32 Computers	0.00	0.00	0.00
31-7-80-700.33 Old Mill Road Wall	0.00	270,275.07	0.00
31-7-80-700.34 Generator	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.00	414,227.05	0.00
 TOTAL CAPITAL	0.00	-30,998.01	0.00

<b>Account</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2014</b>	<b>Actual FY- 2014</b>	<b>Budget FY - 2015</b>
61-6 PUBLIC FUNDS REVENUE			
61-6-04-002.14 Cemetery Perpetual Care	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.01 E & E Smith	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.03 Florence Holden	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.04 Tricentennial	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-001.14 Cemetery Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-05-002.14 Cemetery Gains/Losses	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-08-002.14 Cemetery Transfer In	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-6-09-001.14 Tricentennial Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS REVENUES	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00
 61-7 PUBLIC FUNDS EXPENDITURES			
61-7-70-950.01 E & E Smith Award/Aprop	0.00	0.00	0.00
61-7-70-950.03 Florence Holden Awrdr/App	0.00	0.00	0.00
 TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS EXPENDITURES	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00
 TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	 0.00	 0.00	 0.00
 TOTAL ALL FUNDS	 0.00	 -11,590.38	 0.00

### **Trustees of Public Funds**



**North District School before addition.**

## **Section Two: Reports of Elected Officials**

### **Arlington Selectboard**

The foundation of the restroom building at the Arlington Recreation Park has been rebuilt. The Selectboard and the Park Committee are working to raise funds to resurface the basketball and tennis courts and to replace all fencing around both courts. The total cost is expected to be about \$65,000.00.

The former Dietrich Trailer Park on Rte. 7A, which has long been an eyesore and which the Selectboard has long worked to clean up, was bought by the Town at a tax sale due to nonpayment of property taxes. After some exploration of possibilities that would most benefit community members, it was determined that leasing the property for a new Battenkill Valley Health Center made the most sense. This will ensure that the health center stays in Arlington to provide convenient access for Arlington residents.

The Board is revising the junk ordinance to insure that the Town has a process in place that will provide for more effective enforcement over the long term to deal with repeat problems. This ordinance generally prohibits visible outdoor storage of trash, furniture, appliances, and unregistered vehicles.

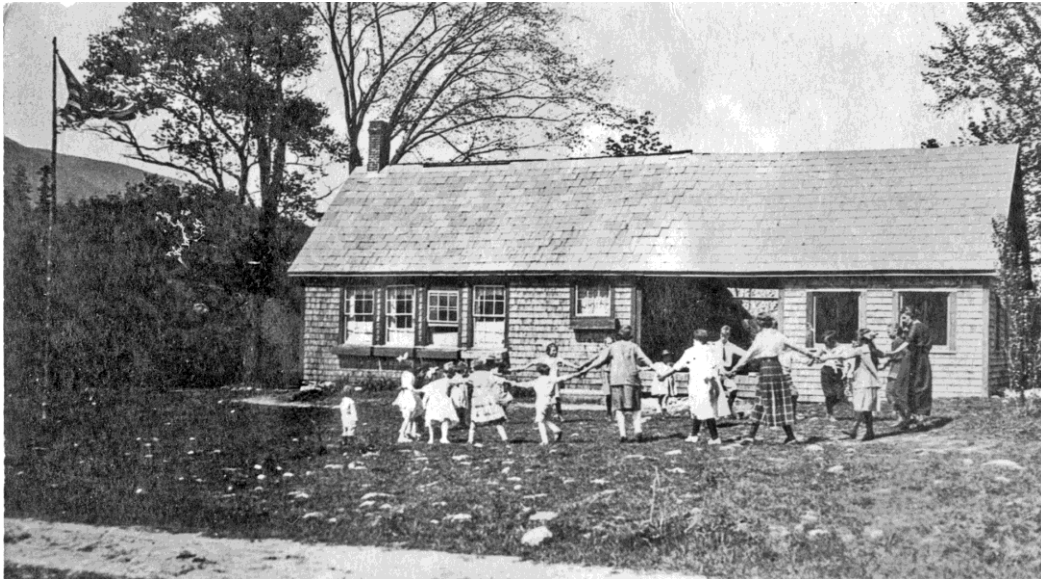
Using grant funds from the Federal Highway System and Vermont highway programs the Town was able to replace the retaining wall on Old Mill Road and to install a box culvert on Old West Road. For 2015 Sandgate Road will have another section rebuilt and repaved.

The Selectboard is in the discussion stage with the Arlington Water Company about the Town of Arlington purchasing the system. A study of the system was completed in

2012 and Arlington contracted with an independent appraiser in 214 for a reliable assessment of the value of the water system.

The Arlington Selectboard

Keith Squires, Dan Harvey, K. John Smith, Reggie Jennings, Cynthia Browning.



**North District School after addition.**



## **Town of Arlington Capital Plan**

**PURPOSE:** The Arlington Capital Plan provides an outline of future proposed capital expenses and funding in a way that maintains a level municipal budget.

**GOAL:** Planning for future projects and equipment purchases that are significant costs - in a way that will prevent large increases in single year budgets.

### **PROCEDURE:**

1. A Capital Plan will outline projects and equipment purchases in a 5 to 10 year schedule with proposed date and estimated cost for each purchase.
2. A yearly expenditure for each item will be included.
3. The Capital Plan will be updated each year for approval by the Selectboard, and included in the annual Town Report.

### **PROJECT QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. A project that will be a significant loss to the Town if it is not repaired or replaced;
2. A project for which the estimated future cost will be \$25,000.00 or more.
3. A project that - if it is not repaired or replaced would cost \$25,000.00 or more in the future.
4. A project that would require debt obligation or borrowing.
5. A project that requires purchases of land for future municipal buildings or highways.
6. Construction of new municipal buildings or rehabilitation of existing buildings.
7. A project purchasing major equipment or vehicles with a life expectancy of five years or more and a cost of \$25,000.00 or more.

### **FUNDING:**

1. Capital projects and funding requests will be presented as individual articles to be voted by Australian ballot each year at the annual Town Meeting.

### **EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS:**

1. Capital funds shall be commingled for investment and expenditure purposes.
2. Capital funds shall only be used for listed capital projects or be used in lieu of short-term borrowing by the Town of Arlington in anticipation of taxes.
3. Capital funds that are used by the Town in lieu of borrowing in anticipation of taxes shall be repaid to the Capital fund in the same fiscal year that funds are borrowed, and within twenty (20) days after the due date of collection of taxes. The amount repaid shall include lost interest on the borrowed money.
4. A separate and complete accounting of all capital funds shall be included in the annual Town Report.

Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
			<b>Projected</b>					
<b>Town Highway Trucks</b>			<b>Life</b>					
2011 Ford 550 Plow/Sander	2021	TH-1	9 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2000 International Plow/Sander	2014	TH-2	12 Yrs	160,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2006 International Plow/Sander	2018	TH-3	12 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	200,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Replacement Cost</b>				160,000.00	0.00	0.00	200,000.00	0.00
<b>Payment to CRF (Projected)</b>				40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
<b>Balance CRF Trucks as of 12/31</b>			222,095.18	102,095.18	142,095.18	182,095.18	22,095.18	62,095.18
<b>Town Highway Equipment</b>								
2001 New Holland Loader	2026	TH-101	25 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1995 Galion Grader	2019	TH-102	25 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	190,000.00
1985 Ford Backhoe/Loader	2020	TH-103	35 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1998 Caterpillar Excavator	2038	TH-104	30 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2000 John Deere 4400 Tractor	2015	TH-105	10 Yrs	40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Replacement Cost</b>				40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	190,000.00
<b>Payment to CRF (Projected)</b>				18,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	25,000.00
<b>Balance CRF Equipment as of 12/31</b>			254,813.79	232,813.79	255,813.79	278,813.79	301,813.79	136,813.79
<b>Option A (7 Year rotation)</b>								
Capital Asset Description	Replace	Asset #	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Town Fire Trucks</b>								
2004 Rescue/Pumper	2032	FD-74	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1990 Pumper	2020	FD-75	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2013 Pumper	2041	FD-76	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1999 Pumper	2027	FD-77	28 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2004 Brush Truck	2034	FD-78	30 Yrs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Replacement Cost</b>				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Payment to CRF (Projected)</b>				45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	50,000.00
<b>Balance CRF Firetrucks as of 12/31</b>			67,418.56	112,418.56	157,418.56	202,418.56	247,418.56	297,418.56

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
90,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	185,000.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
90,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	185,000.00	0.00	0.00
40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
12,095.18	52,095.18	92,095.18	132,095.18	172,095.18	212,095.18	252,095.18	107,095.18	147,095.18	187,095.18
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,000.00	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
111,813.79	136,813.79	161,813.79	186,813.79	211,813.79	176,813.79	56,813.79	86,813.79	116,813.79	146,813.79
2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
350,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	365,000.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
350,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	365,000.00	0.00	0.00
50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00
(2,581.44)	47,418.56	97,418.56	147,418.56	197,418.56	252,418.56	307,418.56	(2,581.44)	52,418.56	107,418.56

## **Town Auditor's Report**

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Arlington as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with 24 V.S.A. 1681-1684, which, among other things, require that we examine the accounts of all town officers and all other persons authorized by law to draw orders on the town treasurer.

Our objectives were to 1) validate the correctness of the town accounts, 2) detect fraud or errors in these accounts, and 3) verify the financial condition and results of operations of the town as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014.

To accomplish these objectives, we obtained an understanding of the operation of the town's government, including internal controls over financial transactions. We interviewed town officials to gain an understanding of town operations. We reviewed the town's accounting system, cash handling procedures, and segregation of duties. To verify the existence and year-end balance of cash accounts, we confirmed the year-end balance with the banks. In addition, we performed a cash proof for all accounts. To verify the amount of delinquent taxes at year-end, we performed a reconciliation of taxes billed, tax adjustments, tax payments and interest and penalty billed and collected.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Arlington as of December 31, 2014 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

The financial records of the town of Arlington for the years 2010, 2011, and 2012 were audited by the outside firm of Sullivan, Powers & Co. during the calendar year 2014. They did not find any material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Among the suggestions they made, however, was to have an inventory performed and maintained in the Parks and Recreation Department and the Fire Department. We concur with these findings.

Respectfully submitted  
Bill Budde  
Patricia Williams  
Mary Ann Schaefer

# Delinquent Tax Collector's Report

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## **Listers Annual Report**

This year's CLA (Common Level of Appraisal) for Arlington has been determined by the state to be 108.15, increased from 106.13 last year. This indicates that properties are still selling for less than appraised value, and the real estate recovery is slow. The rate of values dropping is decreasing, and hopefully a turnaround is coming soon.

We wish to remind all properties owners to file their Homestead Declaration (HS-122) on a timely basis. This is required every year, if you own and occupy your property as your prime residence as of April 1. It will determine what tax rate you are subject to and calculate your prebate, if eligible. If your tax returns are done by a service, make sure your HS-122 is included.

The Listers will be doing the field inspections in March and April to set the values for the 2015 Grand List. Should your parcel have undergone any changes in value, up or down, please notify us so we can make the appropriate adjustments.

Our office is officially open Tuesday to Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and usually also on Monday and Friday. Our phone number and fax number is 802-375-9022.

Arlington Listers,  
Joseph Garger; Earl LaBatt; Lee Cross

## **Arlington Recreation Park**

### **Town Clerk's Report**

2014 seemed to fly by with all of the activity in the clerk's office. We had 4 elections; Town Meeting in March, Special School Election in May, State Primary in August, and the General Election in November. The participation has been very good, and it's fair to say that Arlington voters pay attention and make the effort to exercise their right to vote.

The State of Vermont requires that all dog owners license their dogs and that all dogs have a current rabies vaccination. The Town of Arlington licenses over 450 dogs each year. The 2015 dog licenses and tags are now available; therefore, we encourage dog owners to renew as soon as possible. You can renew by mail or in person.

As always, please call the Town Clerk's office with any questions or concerns you may have: 802-375-2332.

Sincerely,  
Robin Wilcox

## **Arlington Town Representatives Report**



**West Arlington School**

## **Section Three: Reports of Appointed Officials**

### **Animal Control Officer's Report**

The most remarkable thing about animal control work in 2014 would be to say that it was unremarkable. In this case that is a good thing as there were no horrific accidents or tragedies and no repeat of the huge number of unclaimed dogs entering the Luckydog Adoption Program as was the case only a few years ago. We can also be grateful that reported incidents of animal bite cases did not rebound to previous numbers seen in 2013. There were only 2 bite cases in 2014, both involving owned, vaccinated dogs. A word of caution here: please do not attempt to handle wild/feral cats. I have had numerous cases in both towns of well-meaning people ending up scratched and/or bitten and sometimes requiring hospitalization. This can be a very serious health risk and the risk can be further compounded in cases where the cat disappears and cannot be observed for the 10-day period necessary to clear it of having been capable of transmitting the rabies virus at the time of the contact. The hope is to be able to monitor the animal in the area and observe that it appears healthy for those 10 days. Capturing and containing it presents many dangers and risks to not only those handling the animal but to the wild cat finding itself confined.

Of the seven dogs impounded and claimed by owners, one was a third time offender who has not since been reported or picked up. Another had been hunting with its owner and, after crossing Route 7A, was held for pick up by a concerned resident who was unaware that an owner was nearby and searching. In addition to the physical impoundment of nuisance dogs, a much larger number of situations and complaints were addressed through written and verbal warnings, and I continue to offer my professional advice and suggestions to alleviate problems.

Monies were collected and forwarded to veterinarians for three of the above dogs who were not current on rabies vaccination and license fees were also collected for two of these, the third being a new dog, still within the allowed 30 days to obtain a license.

Mandatory unlicensed fines as well as for running at large were also collected and other owners were given warnings in cases where they had not filed lost reports prior to impoundment.

Another scared dog was the subject of a number of reports over many weeks by those fearing for its safety in traffic in Death Valley. Many attempted to capture it and I was frustrated to never find the dog when responding to reports. Apparently kids were the key to security for this dog as she was finally rescued when she jumped into a car that stopped and she then heard and saw the kids. I felt it was quite likely her previous owner had abandoned her at the shelter and they agreed to take her into their facility for better exposure to prospective homes. This was a happy ending to what could very easily have been a tragic accident on such a dangerous stretch of road.

As always, I can be reached at my home phone, 375-6121. An answering machine is always on to insure that you are able to reach me as soon as possible. Lost & found pet reports and complaint messages may be left, however you **must** leave your name and number when filing a complaint for it to be acted on and to enable me to contact you for any further necessary information.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Traci Mulligan,  
Animal Control Officer

## **Arlington Fire Department Annual Report**

### **Fire Warden's Report**

### **Health Administrator's Report**

On July 1, 2007 the Arlington Health Ordinance was superceded by the state's new septic regulations. Arlington does not have the authority to issue permits for systems initiated after that date.

State permits are required for new septic systems and repairs to old ones. For more information please call the state permit specialist at (802) 786-5907 in Rutland or a licensed site technician or engineer.

Please call me at 375-1008 to report a failed septic system or a violation of the Vermont Rental Housing Health Code.

Respectfully submitted,  
Albert P. Godreau



## **Land Use Administrator's Report**

A total of 32 building permits were issued in 2014 compared to 23 in 2013 and 22 in 2012. Permits issued in 2014 involved the following:

Health Center	1
New Residences	3
Additions	9
Accessory buildings	17
Pool	1
Subdivisions	1

The Zoning Board of Adjustment approved the following in connection with some of the above permits:

Conditional uses	2
Variances	2

In addition, there were three boundary line adjustments made.

My office hours at Town Hall are from 10:00 am to noon on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. If these times are not convenient, please call me at 375-1008 and leave a message. I will respond promptly.

Respectfully submitted,  
Albert P. Godreau

## **Planning Commission Report**

The Planning Commission meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. These meetings are open to the public and community participation is welcome. We need one more new member to make a complete seven-member board. If you are interested in becoming a board member, please contact Al Godreau at 375-1008.

In the past year, the board has reviewed a number of applications for new and expanded businesses, home occupations, residential additions, and residential subdivision. The new Battenkill Health Center application was the largest site plan and was approved after two meetings. A draft of a revised Town Plan was completed and sent out for review by adjacent towns, BCRC, the state, and the public. This draft was approved by the Planning Commission for submission to the Select Board for their review in 2015.

I would like to thank my fellow commission members, the Land Use Administrator, and the Select Board for their time, support, concern, and expertise throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dan Barber



**First West Arlington Green School.**

## **Section Four: Arlington Community Agency Reports**

### **Arlington Area Childcare, Happy Days Playschool**

In our 30th year of providing quality early care and education, Arlington Area Childcare continues to focus on the family centered approach to providing an early care and education program for the community. Happy Days has successfully achieved 5 STAR Accreditation with the State of Vermont.

In 2013-2014, 119 children attended Happy Days Playschool and Camp Adventure. Sixty-eight of these children were from Arlington, 4 from Sandgate, 27 from Sunderland, and 20 from other nearby towns. The community members from the Town of Arlington continued to support our program with town funds. We greatly appreciate the town's continued support, despite the tough economic climate.

Accomplishments:

*Achieving 5 STARS with the State of Vermont* - In March 2014, Happy Days Playschool achieved 5 STARS accreditation with the State of Vermont. STARS (Step Ahead Recognition System) is Vermont's system for recognizing quality licensed early childhood programs throughout the state. Five stars indicate an outstanding rating above and beyond regular licensing requirements and provides benefits for both providers and

families. By maintaining 5 STAR accreditation we are eligible to partner with school districts for Pre-K services, (currently our partnerships include Sunderland, Sandgate, Shaftsbury and Bennington), receive higher state subsidies rates for eligible children, and apply for additional grants from the state.

*Arts Program* - Happy Days has provided an Arts Enrichment program for the last sixteen years, having a significant impact on our curriculum. This year the focus was music/creative movement. Alexandra Langstaff provided a Hullabaloo residency, which included weekly creative movement sessions for children ages 8 months - 5 years. Her residency was funded by Russ Housman, Geoff Camp, Wuerslin-Stuecklen, an Arts Grant Award, and donations to the annual fund drive. Ralph Thomas, a musician with the Vermont Symphony Orchestra, visited for a center-wide assembly and brought his harp, bassoon, triangle, and tuba. He entertained the children, ages 8 months - 5 years while teaching them about musical instruments.

*Parent and Family Involvement* - The Parents Association continued to grow, with many parents helping to organize and work on fundraisers and events. The Second Annual Fall Festival planned by the parents and staff provided a hayride, story time, art project, snacks, and costume parade. Parent volunteers helped to plan fundraising events for the year, which included the Battenkill River Duck Run, Cabot Cheese Sales, Little Caesar's Pizza Sales, and the Battenkill Duck Derby. Their support with fundraisers allows us to have successful events and keep our tuition costs affordable.

*Staff Growth* - The Happy Days' Board voted to offer their staff the T.E.A.C.H. program, a project of the Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children. The T.E.A.C.H. program for early education staff development was initiated by the State of Vermont to support the attainment of degrees by early childhood staff in partnership with their center. Its components include partial tuition and book support, release time for studying, compensation after attaining a degree, a travel stipend, and commitment of the employee to remain employed at the center for a specified period of time. Happy Days agrees to provide and pay for release time, pay, 10% of tuition costs, and provide a bonus each year to the employee. One employee began the program this summer, with another employee joining this fall. Both will complete their A.A. degrees during the upcoming year.

Thank you again to the area communities for continuing to support our programs, special events, and fund raisers. We could not keep the program running without this support.

## **Arlington Community Club**

The Arlington Community House at 3854 Main Street is a Federal Style house built in 1829 in the Dutch tradition. The house is managed and maintained by the Arlington Community Club, an established 501 (c)(3) non-profit consisting of a volunteer board of trustees and members comprised of local residents. After inheriting the house from her aunt, Martha Canfield, noted author Dorothy Canfield Fisher founded the Arlington Community Club in 1947 and deeded the house to them, charging them with its care. A condition of the gift was that the house be used as a meeting place for the citizens of Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland as well as space for the Martha Canfield Library. A

further condition was that the rooms be used at no charge. Two rental apartments on the second and third floor contribute to the cost of fuel and maintenance.

Renovations and repairs on this historic house are a continuing need. The board and members participate in fundraising at Norman's Attic and Christmas tree sales as well as grant writing. Fundraising has been difficult in these times but the club managed to accomplish quite a bit this past year. With the generous help of R.K. Miles, the club managed to replace all the windows in the addition. Mack Moldings' generosity allowed us to replace the entire (formerly asbestos and wood) siding on the addition with Vinyl siding. The entire trim of the addition was then painted. This portion of the Community House, as well as some of the main building and grounds, is mostly used by Burdett Commons for their ongoing youth, craft, and other programs. Our heating maintenance company, GSK, after fall maintenance and replacing many parts on the old boiler, discovered late this year that our main chimney was in great need of a liner and of masonry repair. This has been accomplished but the other three chimneys must also be mended and protected from future deterioration.

Our prioritized list of needed repairs is still quite long, but we persevere. Arlington Memorial High School students have helped us each year with grounds cleanup and walk repair. Our members also spend time with attic and basement clean-up as needed. This past year the Community House usage was increased. At least 23 organizations and businesses have used it for a total of about 304 times. Attic and basement space are also used for their storage. The Arlington Garden Club, Battenkill Runners, Bible Study, Arlington Caners, and Lions are a few of the groups who meet there. Donations are encouraged and these groups have helped defray the maintenance costs.

Call Lynn Williams at 375-6119 to reserve a time and space for your organization, personal function, or to become a member of the club. The Arlington Community Club appreciates the support of the community and its citizens as our mission continues to protect, manage and maintain this lovely old building so it may continue its service to our towns. For more information, visit our website at [arlingtoncommunityhousevt.webs.com](http://arlingtoncommunityhousevt.webs.com)

Ken Nicholson  
President, Arlington Community Club

## **Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service**

"To promote and improve the health of individuals and families in the Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland areas."

This is the mission statement of the Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Service. Thirty volunteer members of the community are on our board. We manage our funds that are obtained through memorial contributions, donations, and fundraising, to make select services available to all our towns' people without regard to age, race, economic or social circumstances.

Our largest financial commitment to the three town community is ensuring that all residents in need receive necessary Home Care. Through a contract with Manchester Health Services, we finance visiting nursing services to our citizens who are uninsured or unable to pay. Our Medical Assistance Fund is available to those who need emergency health or dental needs and cannot afford it.

Through a grant to our schools, we fund the Dental program. A Dental Hygienist screens all students in the Sunderland and Fisher Schools. Education on dental hygiene is provided as well as teeth cleaning for any student whose parents wish them to participate. We also have hearing and vision equipment that we use for testing in our schools.

A Scholarship Program is also in place for students who intend to pursue a health care profession. We sponsor four, \$1000 scholarships that are awarded to students of Arlington, Sandgate, or Sunderland. They are renewed each year that the student continues to make progress in their chosen course. Applications are obtained through the High School Guidance office.

When the Battenkill Valley Health Center approached us last year regarding a possible donation, they received enthusiastic and unanimous support from our Board. This comprehensive primary and preventive care facility, now federally funded, provides care to people of all ages regardless of where they live, their ability to pay or insurance status. We were pleased to have been able to make a generous contribution to the Health Center last year. The second installment of the grant was awarded to them this year after the matching funds were raised. Our mission statement was in action.

There are other community projects that we donate to that service the children of our communities, such as Summer Lunch, and the Red Stocking Project.

Our Board of Directors meet four times a year, committees meet as needed, and our meetings are open to the public. We sincerely appreciate the support of the communities of Arlington, Sandgate, and Sunderland and look forward to continuing to contribute to the good health of our citizens.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Freebern  
President

### **Arlington Food Shelf, Inc.**

Although there are positive signs that the economy is slowly recovering, the Food Shelf experienced an increase in the number of individuals and families who required assistance this past year. The good news is that thanks to the generosity of the Arlington community (as well as surrounding communities); local businesses and area organizations, the Arlington Food Shelf was able to meet those increased needs.

The Food Shelf is located in East Arlington (across from the Fire Station) and is opened on the first Tuesday of each month from 1:30 to 4:00pm and the third Tuesday from 3:30 to 6:00pm. The Food Shelf is a 100% volunteer organization, with no paid staff and are recognized by the IRS as a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization, so all cash donations are fully deductible and go directly to the clients we serve.

The Food Shelf serves individuals and families from Arlington, Sunderland, and Sandgate and also serves as the parent organization for the Helping Hand Store, the Thanksgiving Meal Program and the Red Stocking Program. We are also a major supporter of the Summer Lunch Program.

This past year we served over 160 households, which represented over 420 individuals, by providing them with nutritious and healthy foods. Our Thanksgiving Meal Program provided over 90 families with a complete turkey dinner, all made possible with

assistance from the employees and management of Mack Molding. This year, the Arlington High School Athletic Department ran the John Werner Soccer Tournament and admission was a cash or food donation to the Food Shelf. In addition, there has been no charge to attend the boys or girls basketball games with donations being made to the Food Shelf. This is just two examples of the generosity this community has shown to the Food Shelf.

We would like to once again thank the community and the many volunteers who have allowed the Arlington Food Shelf to help our neighbors, senior citizens, families, single parents with children, and those who might otherwise "fall through the cracks" of existing programs and services.

Bill Bryan, President  
Jack Gunther, Vice-President

## **Arlington Rescue Squad**

Arlington Rescue Squad would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the continued support of the residents of Arlington, the Town appropriations help us remain solvent and able to respond 24 hours a day with a highly trained staff of EMT's.

Arlington Rescue responded to 438 calls in 2014. A total of 247 calls in the Arlington area were for auto accidents and medical calls of all nature. We also responded to 73 calls in Sunderland, 31 in Shaftsbury, 25 in Sandgate, 46 in Manchester, and 16 to Bennington on mutual aid. We continually train and practice our skills to provide the highest quality care available and are dedicated to maintaining a high level of proficiency in the field of pre-hospital emergency medicine.

As with previous years, we have staffed our building with paid staff during the week, two full time and one part time employees are in the building Monday thru Friday from 6am to 6pm. We still rely on volunteers for overnight and weekend coverage. As always, if you would like to volunteer in any capacity, we would be happy to hear from you.

Finally, remember to post your house numbers on your house and mailbox. Many times we respond to emergency calls and are unable to find the right address quickly, if you have a long driveway please have your numbers by the road to facilitate finding you in an emergency. Number signs are still available at the squad building.

The Arlington Rescue non-emergency telephone number is 802-375-6589 between the hours of 6am and 6pm, Monday thru Friday or in an emergency dial 911.

Respectfully submitted  
Brenda Mattison  
President, Arlington Rescue Squad

## **Burdett Commons, Inc.**

As Burdett Commons enters its 16th year of operation, we are pleased to inform you of another successful year. We introduced a few new programs this year and continued to offer some of our already established programs. We offer various programs

for youth, adults, and combined age groups.

We continue to offer our Community Together project. Any nonprofit from the towns of Arlington, Sunderland, and Sandgate may submit events and information for us to share on our online website and calendar of events, which is also printed and shared at select locations around town. This is a one-stop place for all community members to be informed of activities happening in our area.

School age children are able to attend our school vacation camps. Due to the changing needs of families, we were able to offer our first ever summer camp. This past summer, our director spent four weeks running camps for students entering grades 2-8.

Our mid-level students enjoyed a few youth nights. We also hosted BVTI (Battenkill Valley Teen Institute) at Camp Ondawa for local 6-8th graders. During this weekend retreat, students did community service projects, played group games, and attended workshops on Conflict Resolution and Internet Safety.

We continue to have a monthly adult craft night thanks to our various volunteer craft instructors. Many of our instructors are vendors at the Summer Market and the Holiday Food and Craft Fair. We had a new adult event last spring which was an adult accessory swap and offered a community game day.

For six years, Burdett Commons has hosted a Haunted Walk or House as our big annual fundraiser. This is a special event because so many people in the community come to help in numerous ways as actors, tour guides, baking food, bringing dinner to the workers, and attending the event. This year was our best year yet! We thank the various local patrons for making this such a success.

Thank you to the various volunteers that help us throughout the year. If you are interested in volunteering with our organization, or would like to join our board, please contact us.

Thank you for the continued support of our organization.

Amy Caples  
Director

## **Martha Canfield Memorial Free Library**

Our Library continues to be a busy place. In addition to a traditional book collection we offer audio books, large print books, DVDs, games and puzzles for your entertainment and education. We have a variety of programs for adults and children, and 376 people attended this year. Our public access computers are used for a variety of tasks, including keeping in touch with distant family, checking news, research for reports, gaming, and filing government forms online.

Our Fiber and More group meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month and is a great place to share tips on knitting, crochet and other fiber arts with your neighbors. The meeting room was used by a book group, the scouts, Vermont Reading Partners and many other groups. We even had a wedding in the Reading Room!

The Board revised our Long Range Plan, and will be adding some new or expanded services over the next three years. We had some repairs to the elevator and the furnace, and created a Long Term Maintenance Fund in anticipation of major maintenance expenses in future years.

Our website, [marthacanfieldlibrary.org](http://marthacanfieldlibrary.org), offers other resources that you can access from home. With your library card barcode number, you can “borrow” audio books and e-books through ListenUp Vermont. You can also find research materials in the Vermont Online Library, learn a new language with Mango, look for back issue articles in the Bennington Banner and the Rutland Herald in NewsBank or take one of over 500 courses offered by Universal Class. All for free with your library card.

The Russell Vermontiana Collection continues to provide assistance in local history and genealogy research. Local history continues to help area residents with family, house, business, and town history through the addition of new research materials and the use of our extensive collection of original manuscripts, as far back as 1757. Local programs on genealogy and history have been popular and will continue in the coming year. Several important donations of personal papers, historic material, and family photograph collections were received in 2014. The Russell Collection staffs encourages the donation of family material, and are available to scan original material that can then be returned to the family.

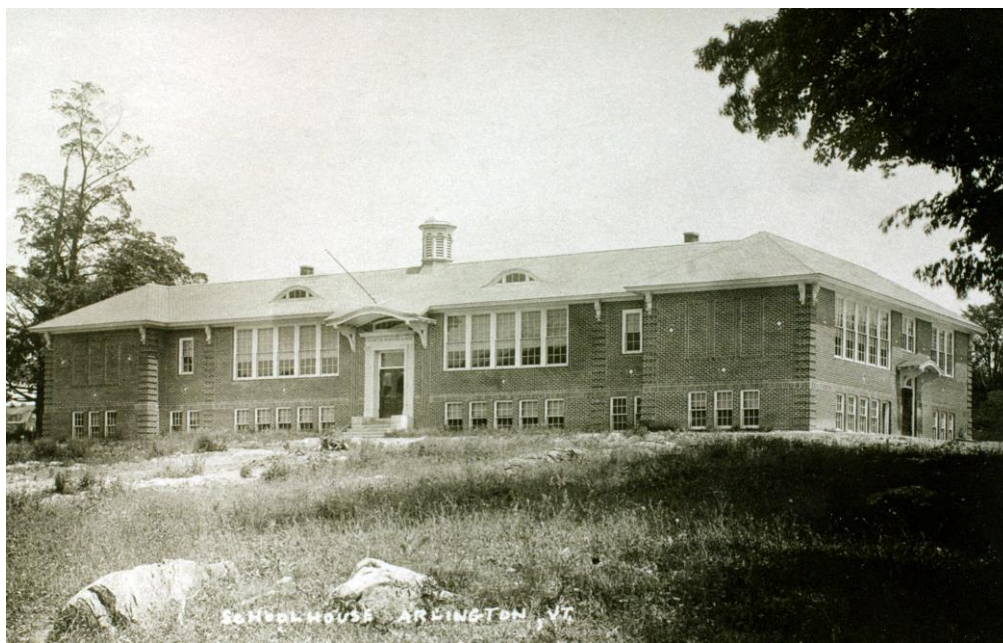
We thank our community for your support of this valuable service. And, as always, we welcome suggestions for ways we can improve the services we provide. You can connect with us through our website: [marthacanfieldlibrary.org](http://marthacanfieldlibrary.org), our email: [Martha\\_canfield\\_lib@hotmail.com](mailto:Martha_canfield_lib@hotmail.com), or by phone at 375-6153.

Respectfully submitted  
Phyllis Skidmore, Director  
Martha Folsom, Trustee Chair



**New West Arlington Green School built in 1936.**





**Arlington Memorial School.**

## **Section Five: Reports of County, Regional and State Agencies**

### **Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity**

Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity (BAHfH), is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, an organization aimed at eliminating sub-standard housing worldwide. Habitat has helped more than 1 million families to improve their living conditions. BAHfH provides safe, decent, and affordable housing in partnership with Bennington County residents who otherwise would not have access to sufficient housing. Partner homebuyers are selected based on their need for housing, their income (30-70% of the Bennington County median income), and their credit rating. Each homebuyer must pay back a 0% mortgage to Habitat (with mortgage, property tax and insurance tailored so their total housing payments are never more than 30% of their income) and each person over 18 must participate in completing the 200 sweat equity hours required per adult. The monthly mortgage payments are recycled to build more homes.

BAHfH is locally run and locally funded. With the exception of some contract services, Habitat homes are built by local volunteers. Area businesses and service providers help with building, and by donating materials and financial support. Town appropriations purchase building supplies and materials for our local projects.

Fiscal year 2014 (July 1, 2013- June 30, 2014) was a very productive year for BAHfH. We completed our 15<sup>th</sup> home, which was dedicated on March 30, 2014 and our 16<sup>th</sup> home, which was dedicated on June 22, 2014. A total of 292 different volunteers worked at least one day on these homes for a total of 6,362 hours. These homes are located in Manchester and house eleven people. In keeping with our goal of serving all parts of Bennington County, we continued our program called *A Brush with Kindness* (ABWK), enabling us to complete small repairs to improve the safety and energy

efficiency of homes owned by low-income residents. We completed three *ABWK* projects. In November 2013, we purchased land in Pownal, where we will build a home in 2015. In December 2013, we opened a ReSale Store, which is located in Manchester. The Store is selling new and gently used furniture, building supplies, appliances, housewares, tools, and home improvement products that have been donated to us. The store offers products at reasonable prices and keeps usable items out of the waste stream. The proceeds from the store provide meaningful support for our building program.

We welcome visitors to our build sites every Wednesday or Saturday, whenever we have a home/project in progress, so they can see the inspiring work being done by people from our community of all skill levels, backgrounds, races and religions. For more information about our projects, please visit our website at [www.benningtonareahabitat.com](http://www.benningtonareahabitat.com).

Two of our 16 homes are located in East Arlington, providing safe, affordable housing for two East Arlington families. Many Arlington residents helped build these and other local Habitat homes. Two of our *ABWK* projects have been in Arlington. We encourage residents of Arlington to apply for homes and *ABWK* projects and to contact us about available land purchase opportunities. We are grateful for the Town of Arlington's continued support and hope we can count on your assistance in the future. None of our homes or repair projects would be possible without the support we receive from area towns, businesses, houses of worship, and individuals. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of hard-working, lower-income area residents.

Monica Knorr,  
President, Board of Directors

## **Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless**

Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless (BCCH) gratefully acknowledges the Town of Arlington's support for Bennington County families and individuals experiencing homelessness. Serving as the only homeless services agency in Bennington County, BCCH strives to prevent and end homelessness by providing emergency overnight shelter, short term emergency housing, transitional housing, long-term intensive case management, and supportive services for all people seeking to achieve self-sufficiency and permanent housing. BCCH works cooperatively with partner agencies, local NGO's, and the faith community to coordinate services for families and individuals seeking support to transition from homelessness to sustainable housing.

During FY 2014, BCCH served over 400 families and individuals. Almost 40 percent of those served were the children of homeless parents. The drop-in center is open 7 days a week during the day for clients to prepare a meal, use the computer to search and apply for available job opportunities, have a shower, or meet with a case manager. In the evening, this same location serves as the emergency overnight shelter.

BCCH currently houses 45 people each evening in our three shelter facilities: Good Shepherd Overnight Emergency Shelter, Thatcher House short-term emergency housing units, and McCall Street transitional apartments. All three locations serve families with children as well as couples and single adults.

Less than half of the BCCH annual budget is made up of state and federal aid. The

remainder of the budget is made up of town funding appropriations, foundation grants, and donations from businesses and individuals.

We may be reached at P.O. Box 4736, Bennington, VT, 05201-4736; avaloy.lanning@bcchvt.org; or (802) 753-7205.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Avaloy Haynes Lanning,  
Executive Director

## **Bennington County Conservation District**

The mission of the BCCD is to promote rural livelihoods and protect natural resources in southwestern Vermont. Our projects in calendar year 2014 were largely focused on protecting water resources, protecting and promoting sustainable farming and forests, and educating the public regarding conservation issues. Our work included:

Serving as the project coordinator for the Bennington County Sustainable Forest Consortium (BCSFC). The Consortium sponsored five workshops this year, serving eighty-eight participants. Topics included hemlock wooly adelgid, emerald ash borer, and chain saw safety.

Assisting the Town of Bennington comply with permit requirements for the removal of a dam on the Walloomsac River.

Helping loggers comply with the state's Accepted Management Practices by renting skidder bridges to them at a low monthly cost.

Coordinating two river projects in Rupert - the removal of a post-Tropical Storm Irene berm and the stabilization of an eroding streambed.

Serving on a team seeking to conserve four parcels totaling 169 acres of water, woods and wetland near downtown Bennington. The Town will close on the properties in January 2015.

Coordinating the planting and fencing of 0.9 acres of riparian buffer along one mile of the Batten Kill.

Working closely with USFS Green Mountain National Forest, the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, our regional planning commission, many municipalities, and several local and regional non-profit organizations to further our congruent missions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shelly Stiles,  
District Manager

## **Bennington County Regional Commission**

The Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) works with and on behalf of its member municipalities to build strong, resilient, and sustainable communities, to foster economic prosperity, and to promote a high quality of life for residents of the

region.

In addition to its ongoing role in supporting the comprehensive planning work of municipal officials and volunteer boards and commissions, the BCRC serves as a regional center for work in community development, transportation, healthy community design, energy, environmental conservation, solid waste management, and emergency management. The BCRC also regularly conducts and sponsors public meetings and workshops throughout the region. More information on these programs can be found at [www.bcrct.org](http://www.bcrct.org).

The BCRC also plays an important role in coordinating work among local governments, state and federal agencies, regional public and nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and private interests. The Commission works with our member towns and villages and these other organizations to implement the ideas and projects that derive from our planning work.

During the past year, the BCRC has completed a draft of a new comprehensive regional plan that will be considered for adoption in 2015. Other important accomplishments have included: implementation of brownfield economic redevelopment plans, a workforce housing plan, local and regional economic development strategies, planning and implementing several important bicycle-pedestrian facilities, a regional rail service plan, hazard mitigation plans for several towns, and river corridor mapping to support flood resilience planning.

The BCRC will continue to provide technical planning assistance to its member municipalities in the coming year. Special initiatives to be undertaken include: completion of a 13-town solid waste implementation plan and development of a new governance structure for solid waste management, a new regional energy planning initiative aligned with Vermont's ambitious energy goals, an economic development strategy for Northshire communities, a downtown redevelopment and marketing plan for Bennington, and special projects in natural resource conservation and healthy community design.

The BCRC is governed by locally appointed commissioners from seventeen area municipalities and several elected commissioners who represent interests ranging from public health to environmental conservation. Our office, located at 111 South Street in Bennington, is open Monday through Friday. A recent expansion of the office completed this year accommodates two employees, two Americorps VISTA fellows, and special project staff working on transportation and solid waste initiatives.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Sullivan,  
Director

## **Bennington County Sheriff's Department**

It again has been our pleasure serving the residents of Bennington County and more specifically the Town of Arlington. We have purchased a new facility and moved into our new building located at 811 US Rte. 7 just south of the Apple Barn in Bennington. The facility is much larger and more modern. Please feel free to stop down and take a look.

Almost half our fleet was converted to burn propane in addition to gasoline. Despite dropping gasoline prices, propane is a cheaper and more importantly a cleaner fuel to burn. This translates into a cost savings as well as a reduction in our carbon footprint.

Once again we offered our New Years Eve safe ride program and it was a huge success. We provided safe rides to over 300 people!!

Please be sure and utilize our prescription drug take back program. Check our website for more details. Please don't be afraid to contact our office should you need our assistance. Listed below is a report outlining our enforcement efforts from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

Sincerely,  
Chad D. Schmidt,  
Sheriff

Vermont Civil Violation Complaints		Incidents/Arrests	
Local Speed, Town Highway	66	911 Hang-up call	1
Stop / Yield Intersections	4	Traffic Accident w/ Damage	4
Basic Rule, > 50 mph	24	Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	2
Inspection of registered vehicle	24	Alarm	3
Seat Belt Violation	1	Animal Problem	4
No Registration	7	Arrest on warrant	1
Misuse of Plates	2	Agency Assistance	23
Operating Without a License	2	Assist public	3
Driving, License Suspended	6	Assist Motorist	2
Insurance Certificate	5	Building Checks	5
Person > 21 possession of marijuana	5	Directed patrol	4
Person < 21 possession of marijuana	2	Domestic Disturbance	4
Regulations in municipalities	2	Motor Vehicle Complaint	4
Defective Equipment	1	Driving - License Suspended	1
Total	151	DUI Alcohol or Drugs	1
		Fraud	1
		Juvenile problem	2
		Leaving the scene of an accident	1
		Motor Vehicle Complaint	4
		Negligent operation	1
		Obstruction of Justice	1
		Property Damage	1
		Property Watch	9
		Perjury	2
		Restraining Order	1
		Stalking	1
		Suspicious Person/Circumstance	7
		Theft	1
		Threats / Harassment	1
		Traffic Stops	418
		Trespass	1
		Unsecure Premises	1
		Vandalism	2
		Violation of Abuse Prevention Order	1
		VIN Number Inspection	4
		Total Incidents / Arrests:	522

## **Bennington Project Independence**

In 2014, we saw a 25% increase in the number of families from Arlington who participated in the innovative Adult Day Services for older individuals, younger adults with disabilities and their family caregivers available at Bennington Project Independence.

Bennington Project Independence (BPI) is a comprehensive, person-centered and cost-effective alternative to traditional nursing home care. We assist individuals to remain as independent as possible despite any life challenge that they may face and are here to help families caring for loved ones at home to "Share the Care."

BPI provides a safe, sensitive, and supportive day program for adults over 18 who either prefer not or should not be alone for extended periods during the day. We serve people who feel isolated without the support of family and friends, persons dealing with bereavement or other emotional issues, persons with delicate or chronic medical conditions that would benefit from personal care or health monitoring, persons facing end of life challenges, younger persons with acquired brain injury as well as serving persons in all stages of Alzheimer's Disease and other cognitive impairments or traumatic brain injury who need compassionate, specialized assistance.

At the Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center on Harwood Hill, we are able to provide a wide range of services including meaningful, life-enriching adult activities, educational presentations and mentally stimulating activities, nursing, wellness and personal care, social work support, delicious and healthy meals, opportunities for socialization, intergenerational experiences, pet visits, fitness groups, our nustep personal training program, as well as community trips and tours.

Bennington Project Independence is also a Medicaid Choices for Care Adult Day Service provider and a Veterans Administration Adult Day Health Center. 100% of the employees at BPI have completed the Alzheimer's Disease Association EssentiALZ Plus Dementia Advanced Care certification. The comprehensive and person-centered services provided by BPI and the innovative Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center facility are considered to be models for our State and the Nation.

Bennington Project Independence is honored to be of service to the residents of Arlington. We are also extremely grateful for the continued support and look forward to continuing to provide the highest caliber of Adult Day Services for Arlington families for many years to come.

Respectfully,  
Linda Wichlac,  
Executive Director

## **Bennington Rutland Opportunities Council (BROC)**

BROC – Community Action in Southwestern Vermont would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Arlington who have supported low-income families and our agency through the balloting process over the years. BROC continues to

experience a large number of low-income individuals and families coming through our doors each day.

Last year, BROCC helped meet the basic needs of 169 individuals in the Town of Arlington, including helping four homeless families find housing. In addition, BROCC weatherized the homes of eight individuals through our Weatherization & Energy Conservation program, worked with one resident interested in starting or expanding a small business through our Economic & Workforce Development Program and reimbursed one day care home provider for serving nutritious meals and snacks to approximately 10 children in their care. BROCC also created partnerships and collaborations throughout the year with local organizations and businesses to help raise food for our emergency food shelf; as well as to help raise much needed funds so that the needs of our neighbors continue to be met.

With your help, BROCC is able to help many families facing the difficult decisions on how to make their budgets work with economic instability and continuing rising prices. Sometimes being able to access a few meals from BROCC or having a dry, warm place to stay at night can make all the difference.

Sincerely,  
Linda G. Rooker  
Executive Director

## **Center for Restorative Justice**

Center for Restorative Justice (CRJ) would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Arlington for being our partner in providing a wide variety of alternative community justice programming to residents of Bennington County. Your funding helped support over 500 individuals to get their lives on the right track, helped empower victims to have a voice in the justice process, and helped restore and strengthen communities.

Over this past year, CRJ expanded services to people throughout Bennington County due to support such as yours. Our newest DLS diversion program helped over 35 people with suspended driver's licenses get legally back on the road and on payment plans so they can pay down their fines. Over 190 adults and 30 juveniles were given the opportunity to make amends to their victims and the community through our alternative restorative court diversion and reparative programs. Nearly 150 young people with civil underage drinking or possession of marijuana violations participated in substance abuse intervention and education programming supporting them to get the help they need and not to reoffend. And, over 110 other individuals received CRJ services through our afterschool, mentoring, skill development, truancy and home-based case management programs.

The positive impacts our programs have on the community are numerous. By supporting at-risk teens through our many skill development and prevention programs helps save communities countless dollars in the future. Cases diverted through the traditional justice system to our Court Diversion Program, Adult Reparative Program and Juvenile Restorative Panels frees up court's time allowing it to deal with offenses that are more serious and saves valuable taxpayer dollars. Young adults reentering the community from incarceration are taught the skills they need to get their lives on the right track and

become productive members of the community. Victims are empowered to have a voice in the system and receive restitution for their losses and have the harm caused to them repaired. Nearly 50 volunteers drive our community restorative justice programs taking the burden off our already stressed criminal justice system. We encourage anyone interested in learning more about our programs or various volunteer opportunities to visit our website at [www.bcrj.org](http://www.bcrj.org).

CRJ is sincerely grateful to have your support in delivering our many community justice programs. Your support helps create invaluable opportunities for people to take responsibility for repairing the harm they caused, learn skills to be productive members of society and for making our community a safer place to live. Thank you very much.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Leitha Cipriano,  
CRJ Executive Director

## **Greater Northshire Access Television**

GNAT is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization created in 1995 whose mission is to provide public access to media technologies, equipment, training, and local information for our regional community. We strive

To facilitate and foster free speech  
To promote and facilitate civic and cultural engagement  
To be the community resource for new media technology and training

GNAT-TV broadcasts local community based public, education, and government “PEG” programs on Comcast Cable channels 15, 16 & 17 for Arlington, Dorset, Manchester, Peru, Rupert, Sandgate, Sunderland, and Winhall; on channels 8, 10, and 18 for Stratton; and on channels 8 and 10 for Weston and Londonderry. All local programs are also available at [www.gnat-tv.org](http://www.gnat-tv.org).

In addition, GNAT provides opportunities for individuals and groups to produce and broadcast original, non-commercial television programs. GNAT maintains community television studio facilities, lends high quality video equipment, and provides technical training to all residents, community organizations, and schools within the eleven towns in our viewing area.

GNAT also provides video production services, television, and Internet viewing of town meetings, school board meetings, and other educational, civic, and community events. GNAT employs local citizens who videotape and process footage from the government meetings and events. In 2014, GNAT produced 260 programs of government meetings.

## **Green Mountain RSVP**

The Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program), part of the Corporation for National and Community Service- Senior Corps, is a nation-wide program for people age 55 and older who wish to make positive impacts in



the communities in which they reside. Through meaningful and significant use of their skills and knowledge, they volunteer their services to programs and non-profits in the local area. At Green Mountain RSVP we view our senior population as our most valuable asset in keeping our communities strong through volunteerism.

RSVP has been helping local non-profit and civic organizations by recruiting and placing volunteers to meet vital community needs. Our goal is to ensure that volunteers contribute their time and talents to programs that have a significant, positive impact on the quality of life in Bennington County. Our volunteers address community concerns that are vital for our senior population and their neighbors. They include supporting Healthy Futures and Aging in Place through food pantry support, meal delivery, tax assistance, supporting blood drives and transportation. For instance, in our companionship & wellness programs we offer 13 Bone Builder classes throughout Bennington County serving over 400 seniors around Southern Vermont.

Volunteers in the Arlington area have served hours at SVMC, delivering Meals on Wheels, supported the local libraries and offered hospice services to those in need. They taught two Bone Builder classes twice a week, benefiting many area residents, along with numerous other community priorities throughout Bennington County. GMRSVP volunteers from Arlington donated well over 885 hours of service over the last year. RSVP will continue to build programming around support of Aging in Place and Healthy Futures in Bennington County in the upcoming year.

You are always welcome to contact us in our Bennington office at (802) 447-1546 and speak to our coordinator Cathy Aliberti or reach me directly in the Bennington Office at (802) 447-1545 or ehaytko@svcoa.net. We are more than happy to attend a town meeting to discuss the changes in our program and answer any questions that you may have.

Thank you for your continued support of our program.

Sincerely,  
Elaine Haytko,  
GMRSVP Director

## **Green Up Vermont**

Green Up Day celebrated 44 years in 2014! Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization responsible for continuing the success of Green Up Day. Green Up Vermont is not a State Agency! The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients: one is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups volunteering to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont. New for 2015 on the Vermont Income Tax Form will be the chance to support Green Up Day by a check mark for charitable donation to Green Up Vermont!

With your town's help, we can continue Vermont's unique annual tradition of taking care of our beautiful landscape and promoting civic pride so our children grow up with Green Up. Our coordinators tell us that many of their volunteers are families with young children. Green Up Vermont focuses on education for grades K-12 with activities such as a curriculum for K-4, activity booklets, a story and drawing booklet, and the annual

poster and writing contests for grades K -12. Please visit [www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org) to learn more.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 14 percent of our budget. Last year, appropriations from cities and towns covered 18 percent of our budget. These funds pay for supplies including over 48,000 Green Up trash bags, promotion, education, and services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute because when you support Green Up Vermont you are not just supporting a program but Vermont and the people who live - and visit - here.

Mark your calendars for **the next Green Up Day, May 2, 2015**, celebrating 45 years! Get together with family and friends and clean up for Green Up Day, always the first Saturday in May.

GREEN UP VERMONT,  
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(802)229-4586, or 1-800-974-3259  
[greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)  
[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)

### **Integrated Solid Waste Application Program (Solid Waste Implementation Plan and Integrated Solid Waste Application Program)**

To comply with state requirements, the Towns of Arlington, Dorset, Glastenbury, Manchester, Pownal, Rupert, Sandgate, Shaftsbury, and Sunderland implement actions identified in their Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP). This plan was approved by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources in 2008. The Town of Stamford also has a SWIP and the towns of Bennington and Woodford jointly adopted a SWIP. In June of 2014, the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources adopted a Materials Management Plan, as required under the Universal Recycling Law. Currently the Towns of Arlington, Bennington, Dorset, Glastenbury, Manchester, Pownal, Rupert, Sandgate, Searsburg, Shaftsbury, Stamford, Sunderland, and Woodford are working together to develop a new Solid Waste Implementation Plan that must be in conformance with the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources Materials Management Plan. This plan must be adopted by the towns and approved by VT ANR by June 18, 2015.

The Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) assists these towns in implementing actions identified in their current SWIPs. One major action under this plan is the collection and proper disposal of household hazardous waste (HHW) from residents and conditionally exempt generator waste (CEG) generated from small businesses. Proper collection and disposal of these materials protects the environment and public health and safety. This year, BCRC held one event at the Arlington Memorial High School and Middle School and a second at the Dorset School. A total of 303 households from the Arlington, Dorset, Manchester, Rupert, Sandgate and Sunderland attended the events. Shaftsbury held two events at their transfer station for residents of Shaftsbury, Glastenbury, Pownal and Stamford and a total of 200 households participated. The Town of Bennington held two events for residents of Bennington and Woodford at the Bennington Transfer Station and 162 households participated. The Town of Bennington,

BCRC, and the Town of Shaftsbury are currently planning household hazardous waste events for May and for October of 2015.

BCRC continues to assist the ISWAP Towns (Arlington, Dorset, Manchester, Sandgate, and Sunderland) in managing the financial aspects of recycling at the Northshire (Dorset) and Sunderland Transfer Stations. This past year, BCRC also began assisting the Town of Bennington in financial management of recycling and solid waste collection at the Bennington Transfer Station.

The Vermont E-Cycles program, initiated in 2011, allows for free disposal of electronic devices, at sites approved by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, so these are no longer accepted at HHW events. The Vermont E-Cycling program provides for the collection of computers, monitors, printers, computer peripherals, and televisions, regardless of brand, age, or condition, for consumers, charities, school districts, and small businesses. Free collection locations exist throughout the state and operate year-round. In Bennington County, sites include the Bennington, Northshire (Dorset), Pownal, and Sunderland Transfer Stations. Other electronic devices are also accepted at these locations, though there may be a fee to dispose of those items. The Dorset School holds events in the spring and fall. Vermont residents can bring E-Waste to any of the sites listed at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/ewaste/facilitylist.aspx>.

Vermont ANR has also implemented of a plan to accept the return of fluorescent bulbs at various retail establishments throughout the county. Residents can dispose of fluorescent bulbs including compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) at several hardware stores and other retail establishments. Information on this program is available at <http://www.lamprecycle.org/vermont.shtml>.

PaintCare Inc. is a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization established to represent paint manufacturers (paint producers) to plan and operate paint stewardship programs in the United States including Vermont. Both latex and oil based paint have been collected at HHW events and a special PaintCare events, and several local hardware stores accept paint. To find a location, residents may visit <http://www.paintcare.org/drop-off-locations/>. BCRC is working with PaintCare to hold a collection event this spring, so look for notices soon.

We hope to offer compost bins for sale this spring. Visit the BCRC Solid Waste Programs website at [http://bcrcvt.org/Programs/Solid\\_Waste/](http://bcrcvt.org/Programs/Solid_Waste/) where announcements will be posted and where you can find more information on managing solid waste.

For questions, please contact Michael Batchner at BCRC at 802-442-0713 x 2 or [mbatchner@bcrcvt.org](mailto:mbatchner@bcrcvt.org).

## **Neighbor to Neighbor**

Neighbor to Neighbor is a non-profit program that brings together dedicated volunteers to help our older or disabled neighbors remain independent and in their own homes for as long as possible. Volunteers provide non-medical assistance with daily activities instrumental to independent living. In addition, we provide social programs that keep people connected to each other and the community.

In 2014 Neighbor to Neighbor assisted 86 care recipients living throughout the Northshire area. Sixty-three volunteers gave over 6,800 hours of their time helping others

in need. Twenty-three Arlington residents were assisted with transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping and other errands, food preparation, light chores, and friendly visits. We scheduled several social events, lunches, and movies and collaborated with the Arlington Middle & High School Choral. Students performed at our annual spring and holiday lunch and concert.

All of our services are offered free of charge. We have worked diligently to build financial sustainability through fundraising events, publicity, education, and private and corporate donors. We are in our 10<sup>th</sup> of operation. The success of the program shows the vital needs we are addressing in the communities we serve. On behalf of the Steering Committee, our volunteers and most especially those we serve, Neighbor to Neighbor offers a sincere thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Coss, Program Director

## **Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE)**

In 2014, PAVE continued to offer comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, dating violence, and stalking to citizens throughout Bennington County. These services include: 24 hour emergency hotline, court and social service advocacy, support groups, case management, emergency financial assistance, information and referrals, legal assistance, access to emergency and transitional housing, supervised visitation, parenting classes, and community and in-school education.

PAVE's mission is to end domestic and sexual violence. Over the past year, our dedicated employees and volunteers provided safety, support, and services to approximately 600 women, men, and children.

Our supervised visitation program, housed in the Family Time Center, provided eighty-nine children safe access to over 3,284 hours of visitation with non-custodial parents. Trained monitors supervised visits for families referred by the Department of Children and Family Services, the courts, lawyers, and probation and parole. Further, our supervised visitation program continued to offer the Nurturing Parent program to over 30 parents and children.

50% of the homeless population is due to domestic violence. Through our emergency and transitional housing programs we provided 26 adults and 19 children with 3,254 nights of shelter services. We also assisted 11 families transition to stable housing.

Over the past year, PAVE provided services to 21 Arlington residents, seven of whom initially contacted us through our 24-hour emergency hotline service. Many of these residents received long-term, ongoing case management, including safety planning, criminal justice, civil and legal advocacy.

We continue to offer our education and empowerment programs - Pre-kindergarten to college anti-violence workshops and classes; Nurturing Parenting classes; Women's Support Groups; Healthy Mind, Body and Family workshops and PAVE's Financial Literacy Program. This past year we reached over 4,100 children, teachers, and other adults through these programs. We have expanded our outreach efforts to include presentations and videos on cable access television, our website ([pavebennington.org](http://pavebennington.org)) and social media, including YouTube.

On behalf of our Board of Directors and staff, I thank you for your ongoing commitment to PAVE. We will continue to offer quality services to victims of domestic and sexual violence and respond to each town's desire for a healthy and violence free community.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Campbell,  
Executive Director

## **Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging**

This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA) provided to elders in Arlington in 2014:

***Senior Meals:*** The Council helped provide 2,326 meals that were delivered to the homes of 19 elders in your community. This service is often called "Meals on Wheels". We also supply "Blizzard Bags" containing "shelf-stable" meals to home delivered meal participants and other isolated elders for use during a weather related emergency. In addition, 73 Arlington elders came together at a luncheon site in your area to enjoy a nutritious meal and the company of others; 1,969 meals were provided.

***Case Management Assistance:*** SVCOA case management staff helped 46 elders in your community. Case managers meet with an elder privately in the elder's home or at another agreed upon location and assess the elder's situation. They will work with the elder to identify needs and talk about possible services available to address those needs. If the elder desires, the case manager will link the client to appropriate services, coordinate and monitor services as necessary, and provide information and assistance to caregivers. Case managers also help elders connect with in-home assistance programs, including a program called Choices for Care. This program is especially helpful to frail elders facing long term care placement who still wish to remain at home.

***Other Services and Support include:*** 1) "Senior Helpline" assistance at 1-800-642-5119. Our Senior Helpline staff provide telephone support to elders and others who need information on available programs and community resources; 2) Medicare and health benefit counseling information and assistance through our State Health Insurance Program; 3) Legal service assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project; 4) Information about elder issues via the "60Plus" column appearing in the Rutland Herald; 5) Nutrition education and counseling services provided by SVCOA's Registered Dietician; 6) Senior Companion support for frail, homebound elders; 7) Outreach services to elders dealing with mental health and substance abuse issues through our Elder Care Clinician and Licensed Drug and Alcohol Counselor; 8) Transportation assistance for rides to meet an elder's medical and social needs; 9) Caregiver support, information and respite to family members and others who are providing care to elders in need of assistance; 10) Money Management programs that offer either a volunteer bill payer or representative payee services to elders and younger disabled individuals.

## **Sunrise Family Resource Center**

In the past several years, our services to Arlington have focused on supporting providers of quality childcare. The four regulated early childhood programs located in your town had the opportunity to receive technical assistance and workforce development from Sunrise staff including enrichment courses, access to the annual Bennington County Child Care Association (BCCCA) conference, on-site support and consultation, and our quarterly newsletter for Bennington County early childhood programs.

Throughout the course of the year, Arlington childcare professionals participated in over 40 training opportunities offered through Sunrise Community-based Childcare Support Services. Sunrise staff also were available to provide parents with childcare referral assistance, offering not only information about individual providers, but also guidance on how to select a childcare setting which is a good match to a child's and family's needs. Sunrise administers the State of Vermont's childcare financial assistance program that in 2014 assisted over 519 families (and 635 children) throughout Bennington County, of which 23 families involving 32 children were from Arlington. Childcare assistance helps families afford the necessary, but higher cost of quality childcare providing parents with peace of mind while they are working, pursuing schooling or training, or caring for a child with special needs.

One of Sunrise's areas of expertise is working with young parents and pregnant teens. We offer an alternative high school setting, workplace mentoring and outreach services to this population with the goal of enhancing their ability to provide for their families and give back to the community—both as nurturing parents and as productive employees. In 2014 Arlington families were enrolled in this comprehensive service.

Additional services available to area residents include onsite childcare, parenting classes, and outreach services to support families with young children. When money is tight, it is important to remember that investing in prevention now helps save many more dollars in the future. Thank you to the residents of Shaftsbury for helping make this work possible through your financial support in 2014.

Continuing support from the Town of Arlington is much needed, and profoundly appreciated by Sunrise. Our efforts are enhanced by town support, and we hope you will continue to value the work we do in your community.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call Amelia Silver at Sunrise, (802) 442-6934 ext.110.

Sincerely,  
Linda Dean-Farrar  
Executive Director

## **The Tutorial Center**

2015 will mark The Tutorial Center's 44th year of helping the region's children and adults achieve educational, career, and life success! Please accept our thank you for your many years of support for our work. Your support enables us to help EVERY child or adult who comes to us for help.

The Tutorial Center has long-established learning centers in Bennington and

Manchester, enabling residents up and down Bennington County to have easy access to our assistance. And in 2013, we opened our newest learning center at Smokey House Center in Danby specializing in alternative experiential high school education in a farm-and-forest setting.

Our educational support services include tutoring for all ages, adult literacy, dropout prevention, alternative high school education, English language classes for non-English speakers, the High School Completion program, GED preparation and testing, our acclaimed Bridge to College and Careers program (in partnership with CCV - Bennington), job readiness training, enrichment classes, the Northshire Digital Arts Center, and our innovative and nationally-recognized Youth Agriculture Project.

This past year saw a 16% increase in demand for tutoring services, with 251 students receiving tutoring services that supported their educational or work success. Two hundred twenty-five adults were enrolled in our free adult education services. Sixty-four of our learners earned their high school credential! One Arlington adult received free adult education services and four Arlington children received our tutoring support.

Our exciting Youth Agriculture Project (YAP) continues to excel. Just recently YAP received public recognition from the international organization World Education, which praised YAP as a U.S. program that succeeds in preparing at-risk young adults for work and further education. Twenty-two at-risk youth ages 16-21 participated in YAP this year. More than 800 pounds of organic food was grown, harvested, and distributed to the community by our youth. We also continued in 2014 to expand the YAP Food Network, our area food hub that links local farmers and food producers to customers such as the Southwest Vermont Medical Center. The YAP Food Network provides special work experiences for young adults and is one way The Tutorial Center "gives back" to our region: creating six staff jobs, employing two paid college workers, and enabling local farmers to sell over \$56,000 of food through the Network this year.

For more information on the Youth Agriculture Project and all of The Tutorial Center's educational services, you can visit [www.tutoringvermont.org](http://www.tutoringvermont.org).

High-quality educational activities that respond to community needs - and produce lasting community impacts - this is what your town funding supports. We thank you, and we look forward to your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Glade,  
Executive Director

## **Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired**

More than 10,500 Vermont residents are blind or visually impaired. Since our state has an aging population, many of them are experiencing age-related vision loss. Visual impairments can make performing daily tasks, staying mobile, and enjoying leisure activities very difficult. Additionally, Vermont's rural nature makes it less likely for those with visual impairments to encounter those facing similar challenges, thus creating feelings of isolation and depression. We counter this trend by providing the tools, services, and support necessary to help blind and visually impaired Vermonters to be independent, confident, and productive.

During Fiscal Year 2014, VABVI served 1,409 clients from all 14 counties in Vermont, including 53 adult clients and 18 students from Bennington County.

Since 1926 our nonprofit organization has diligently pursued our mission of enabling Vermonters with vision problems, whether blindness or impairment, to achieve and maintain independence. We are the only private agency in Vermont to offer a complete range of services to visually impaired residents - and at no cost to the client.

Services include Rehabilitation (adapting daily living tasks to allow those with low vision to live independently); Orientation and Mobility (providing white cane and guide dog instruction, allowing individuals to navigate through their home and community independently); Assistive Technology (adaptive aids allow clients to successfully perform most activities they desire); Social Networking (improving social skills and providing a support network); and Statewide Transportation (volunteer drivers provide rides to medical appointments, grocery stores and for personal visits).

VABVI has offices in Brattleboro, Montpelier, Rutland, and South Burlington. Contact us at (800) 639- 5861 or [general@vabvi.org](mailto:general@vabvi.org). Learn more about us at [www.vabvi.org](http://www.vabvi.org) or "like" us at [www.facebook.com/vabvi.org](https://www.facebook.com/vabvi.org) for updates.

## **The Vermont Center for Independent Living**

Since 1979, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with significant disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy, and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

Preliminary numbers for our fiscal year 2014 (10/2013-9/2014) show VCIL responded to over 2,000 requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to 244 individuals to help increase their independent living skills (including 10 peers who were served by the AgrAbility program and 16 peers who received specialized Benefits to Work Counseling). VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted 196 households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; 51 of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided 122 individuals with information on assistive technology; 36 of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. Three hundred ninety-two individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60.

VCIL's central office is located in downtown Montpelier and we have five branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Lamoille, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our Peer Advocate Counselors and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

During fiscal year 2014, 10 residents of Arlington received services from the following programs:

- Home Access Program (HAP) (one resident on waiting list for home



- modifications)
- Meals on Wheels (MOW)
- Peer Advocacy Counseling Program (PAC)
- Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) (one resident on waiting list for assistive technology)
- Information, Referral, and Assistance (I,R&A)

To learn more about VCIL, please call VCIL's toll-free I-Line at: 1-800-639-1522, or, visit our web site at [www.VCIL.org](http://www.VCIL.org).

## **Vermont League of Cities and Towns**

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that is owned by its member municipalities and directed by a 13-member Board of Directors comprised of municipal officials from across the state elected by the membership.

VLCT's mission is to serve and strengthen Vermont local government. All 246 Vermont cities and towns are members of VLCT, along with 134 other municipal entities, including villages, solid waste districts, regional planning commissions and fire districts.

Vermonters use local government services - including highways, police, fire, recreation, libraries, sewer, and water - on a daily basis. In large part, volunteer elected and appointed municipal officials lead these local governments.

VLCT provides the following services to its member cities and towns, so that they may provide their citizens with quality services at affordable costs:

*Legal, consulting, and education services.* In the past year, VLCT's Municipal Assistance Center (MAC) responded to nearly 3,500 inquiries for assistance from municipal officials. MAC also conducted 18 workshops that attracted more than 1,250 people. For example, our workshop on how to comply with the new Open Meeting Law changes and the Public Records Act drew more than 140 attendees. Additionally, we conducted 10 on-site workshops held at municipal offices on a wide range of topics, and we provided 26 municipalities with legal review of ordinances and policies, financial assistance, and other specialized consulting services. We produced new materials to help members comply with the Open Meeting Law and revised our Town Officers Handbook. These and all of our publications may be purchased or accessed free of charge on our website at our Resource Library. The Library also contains nearly 1,000 other electronic documents, including technical papers, model policies, and newsletter articles that are currently accessible to the general public. MAC has also retained the services of professionals in municipal finance, administration, and policing to provide consulting advice to towns.

*Advocacy representation before the state and national governments* to ensure that municipalities have the resources and authority they need to serve their citizens. VLCT is a leader in the education property tax debate, enhancing local voter authority in governance decisions, municipal efforts to clean up our lakes and rivers, and securing revenues for town highway and bridge maintenance programs. Municipalities will face significant challenges in the 2015 legislature as limited financial resources at the national

and state level continue to force more demand for services to the local level. We also provide a *Weekly Legislative Report* that details legislative issues affecting municipal government. It is available to all free-of-charge on the VLCT website.

*Purchasing opportunities* to provide needed services at the lowest cost. Examples include municipal unemployment, property, casualty and workers' compensation insurance coverage for town operations. The VLCT Employee Resource and Benefit (VERB) Trust continues to assist towns navigate their way to Vermont Health Connect and to help municipalities not in the exchange to secure health insurance through the marketplace. The substantial municipal damages resulting from recent weather events makes the value of VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) to all our members quite clear, as members benefit from the broad coverage, excellent reinsurance, and prompt service and claims payments. Our two Trusts are responsible in 2014 for \$24 million in municipal tax dollars spent for insurance and risk management services.

To learn more about the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, including its audited financial statements, visit the VLCT website at [www.vlct.org](http://www.vlct.org).



**Arlington Memorial School Fire, November 9, 1940.**

## Section Six: 2014 Statistics

### Births 2014

NAME	SURNAME	PARENTS	
Amelia R.	Abrams	Robert J. and	Caitlin S.
Archer S.F.	Rawson	Adam M. and	Jaimie L.
Aurora	Skinner	Austin K and	Elise
Colton H.	Greene	Caleb J. and	Lindsay M.
Dante J.	Laloy	Marcfel and	Amber L.
Hunter A.	Westervelt	Jonathan and	Loni A.
Iria	Kolbe	William P. and	Kathlena
Karrolinn I.	Millette	Dustin S. and	Bobbi J.
Kiley M.	Bentley	George H. Sr. and	Wendy H.
Madison L.	McDermott	Michael L. and	Candace L.
Maia J.	Hill-McDermott	Albert E. and	Samantha L.
Mary R.	Fischer	Gary S. and	Margretta I.
Natalie T.	Blanchard	James W. and	Cathleen M.
Otter M.	Godfrey	Wayne M. and	Nancy A.
Shane D.	Illinski	Nelson K. and	Ashley N.



New Arlington Memorial High School, ca. 1942.

## **Deaths 2014**

### **Death Certificates**

Ameden, Jesse C.  
Bianco, Anita F.  
Carpenter, Sylvia M.  
Crofut, Roy D.  
Danforth, Nicholas  
Daniels, Helen M.  
deBrun, Mary S.  
Dunbar, Charles N.  
Fischer, Dorothy A.  
Frandfors, Uno A.  
Hahn, David J.  
Houston, Neal J.  
Jennings, Howard A.  
Keller, Marion A.  
Kenny, Mathilda  
Lipshutz, Raymond  
Martins, Mary T.  
McCabe, Carol T.  
McCarthy, Theresa  
McCreery, William E., Jr.  
Rodovich, Peter L.  
Squire, John L.  
Sutton, Yvonne J.  
Walker, James H.  
Woodard, Floyd C.

### **Burial Permits Issued**

Benini, Carmela M.  
Cameron, Donald  
Daniels, Martha M.  
Flanders, David H.  
Havis, Charlie E.  
Hornick, Kelly J.  
Moody, Lorraine  
Waite, Dorothy  
Webster, Daniel T., Jr.

## Marriage Licenses 2014

### Applicant A

Chiota, Adrian T.  
Braun, Andrew S.  
Oevering, Benjamin J.  
Slentz, Benjamin J.  
McAndrew, Charles J., III  
Odenthal, Christopher A.  
Aiello, Christopher J.  
Winskowicz, Christopher W.  
Twomey, Christopher W.  
Pedersen, Conrad W.  
Kelly, Consuella E.  
Weigel, David R.  
Anderson, Devon E.  
Pirraglia, Edward A.  
Comar, Eric J.  
Doble, Gerald E.  
Johnson, Gerald J.  
Logan, Gerard D., III  
Marchant, Glenn A.  
Onorato, Gregory C.  
Lane, Harley L.  
Wright, Ian R.  
Cohen, Jacob F.  
Vanderstreet, Jason C.  
Udden, Jeremy R.  
Emery, Jerry W.  
Germain, Jessie L.  
Lemire, Joseph D.  
Iwanik, Keil J.  
Sampson, Kirt D.  
Stout, Kyle L.  
Treu, Linda L.  
Stegherr, Matthew D.  
Bannon, Michael C.  
Bane, Monique M.  
Thompson, Patrick J.  
Olkoski, Philip J.  
Fisher, Reed T., Jr.  
Scarpa, Ryan A.  
Croft, Thomas J.  
O'Brien, Thomas M., III  
Godfrey, Wayne M.  
Hand, Wesley B.  
Knight, William J.  
Kolbe, William P.

### Applicant B

Gall, Stacy V.  
Atalay, Sara K.  
Chuck, Jessica L.  
Lalonde, Karri A.  
Brodahl, Elin  
Morse, Maddison A.  
Esterquest, Sarah J.  
Comley, Caroline T.  
Webber, Melissa M.  
Scott, Katherine A.  
Prue, Donna J.  
Whitcomb, Mary G.  
Sussman, Abigail K.  
Bruno, Nicole F.  
Melville, Lindsey N.  
Flanagan, Lynne A.  
Snyder, Michelle L.  
Hurl, Mary E.  
Clark, Jane C.  
Holmes, Stephany A.  
Stroffoleno, Casey A.  
Pike, Savannah L.  
Kreiner, Jaclyn L.  
Corey, Aileen M.  
Musial-Aderer, Kazia A.  
Breton, Michele L.  
Carrier, Megan M.  
Sharrock, Penelope J.  
Himmelberger, Laura A.  
Welty, Wendy I.  
Walpert, Kirsten E.  
Stambaugh, April D.  
Payne, Clarissa R.  
Neville, Victoria A.  
Conyngham, Pamela M.  
Washburn, Chelsea R.  
Harlow, Jessica J.  
Doyle, Penny M.  
Silverhardt, Cassandra A.  
Peters, Kayla R.  
Hildebrandt, Melody J.  
Vanderbilt, Nancy A.  
Hand, Melissa R.  
Withington, Meghan E.  
Berecka, Kathlena, R.

## **Section Seven: Town Meeting Minutes and Ballot results**

### **Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting March 3, 2014**

Those present at head table:

Chairman Keith Squires

Selectman Daniel Harvey

Selectman Cynthia Browning, arrived late 8:40 pm

Selectman, Reggie Jennings

Selectman, K. John Smith

Moderator, John L. Whalen II

Town Clerk, Robin Wilcox

There were approximately 80 residents present.

Moderator John Whalen called the meeting to order at 8:15 pm

Resolutions were read aloud;

#### **RESOLUTIONS – 2014 TOWN OF ARLINGTON**

WHEREAS, Henry W. Coley, a long time resident of Arlington died on December 4, 2012, after serving his community in many capacities, which include his many years at the Arlington Park.

WHEREAS, Henry 'Hank' was also dedicated to many community organizations in Arlington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of this valuable and esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of Henry W. Coley and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 3, 2014.

#### **RESOLUTIONS – 2014 TOWN OF ARLINGTON**

WHEREAS, Roy Crofut, a life-long resident of Arlington died on January 9, 2014, after serving his community in many capacities, which include serving as a Justice of the Peace.

WHEREAS, Roy was also dedicated to many community organizations in Arlington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of this valuable and esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of Roy Crofut and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 3, 2014.

**RESOLUTIONS-2014  
TOWN OF ARLINGTON**

WHEREAS, Jamieson E. Harkins, a long time resident of Arlington died on September 2, 2013, after serving his community in many capacities, which include his serving on the Arlington Zoning Board of Adjustment.

WHEREAS, Jamieson 'Jamie' was also dedicated to many community organizations in Arlington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of this valuable and esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of Jamieson E. Harkins and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 3, 2014.

**RESOLUTIONS-2014  
TOWN OF ARLINGTON**

WHEREAS, Richard M. Keough, a life-long resident of Arlington died on June 26, 2013, after serving his community in many capacities, which include many years as Delinquent Tax Collector.

WHEREAS, Richard 'Dick' was also dedicated to many community organizations in Arlington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public note of its loss in the passing of this valuable and esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of Richard M. Keough and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 3, 2014.

**RESOLUTIONS-2014  
TOWN OF ARLINGTON**

WHEREAS, Roger G. Wood, a long time resident of Arlington died on January 10, 2013, after serving his community in many capacities, which include his many years with the Arlington Fire Department.

WHEREAS, Roger was also dedicated to many community organizations in Arlington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the community of Arlington take public notice of its loss in the passing of this valuable and. esteemed citizen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expression of sympathy be extended to the family of Roger G. Wood and that this RESOLUTION be made a permanent part of the record of this Meeting on this date of March 3, 2014.

Adopt resolutions: unanimously carried Marge Record motion, seconded by Judy Bryan

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2014 Warning:

Motion by: Kate Bryan  
Seconded by: Joyce Williams  
Motion Carried

Motion to dispense with the reading of the 2013 Annual Town Meeting Minutes:  
Motion by: Russ Record  
Seconded by: Sally McManus  
Motion Carried

**ARTICLE 1: To hear and act upon the reports of the town officers.**

Motion to accept reports by: Marge Record  
Seconded by: Jamie Paustian  
Motion Carried

**ARTICLE 2: To see what compensation will be paid to several Town Officers.**

Moderator Whalen explained that this year the Clerk and Treasurer's salaries would have a 2.5% increase, the Interim Supervisor position is being raised from \$8,900.00 to \$10,000 and all remaining members of the Selectboard would remain the same.

Office	2013	2014
Selectboard Chairman	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
Selectboard Members (4)	7,200.00	7,200.00
Town Clerk	15,654.00	16,045.00
Town Treasurer	12,772.00	13,091.00
Moderator	100.00	100.00
Interim Supervisor	8,900.00	10,000.00
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$48,236.00</b>

Motion to accept by: Diane Jennings  
Seconded by: John Williams  
Motion Carried

**ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to have all taxes paid to the Town Treasurer, as provided by law, tax bills to be posted by September 4, 2014, and payment to be in the hands of the Treasurer on or before November 4, 2014.**

Motion to accept by: Marge Record  
Seconded by: Kate Bryan  
Motion Carried

**ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes such sum or sums of money as is necessary for properly financing the affairs of the Town until the next annual Town Meeting.**

Motion to accept by: Reggie Jennings  
Seconded by Marge Record  
Discussion: Motion Carried



**ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town.**

Motion to accept the select board's budget as proposed by Jean Miller

Seconded by Vivian Lacy

Discussion: Total budget presented by Selectmen was \$1,258,815.00

Salaries had already been voted in the amount of \$48,236.00

Appropriations to be voted upon the next day total \$187,629.00

Total figure to be voted on at this time is \$1,022,950.00

Discussion began with Keith Squires explains the study of the Water Company that is included in the budget at a sum of \$10,000. The board feels that since the Water Company is going to be sold in the near future, the town needs some more information which is why the study is being done. He also explained the interim supervisor position line item has been increased and is a discussion that needs to begin again about that position for the near future. Maryann Carlson wants to know if it's true that the Water Company is in debt. Mr. Squires says that yes, the Water Company took a loan from the State of Vermont several years ago, upwards of one million dollars, which they have been and continue to pay off. Ms. Carlson then asks how many hours the interim supervisor puts in per week. Chairman Squires states the he works 20-30 hours per week, but only bills for 12-14 hours. Tim Williams reminds people that the Water Company rates will not impact non-users, if the town does take it over. Maryann Carlson addresses the assembly as board chair of the Battenkill Valley Health Center, letting everyone know that it has officially opened as of February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014. She touches on all of the new services they have or will have to offer. Selene Skoug speaks about the Arlington Rescue Squad, and emphasizes the importance of the volunteers that help keep the Rescue Squad available at any hour of the day or night. She encourages everyone to support Article 19 at the polls tomorrow. Bill Bryan introduces himself as the president of Project Independence, and thanks everyone for their past support, and hopes the voters will support them again tomorrow. Mr. Maginnis speaks for GNAT explaining that by voting for Article 39 tomorrow, they can continue to support the town and school by filming all of the municipal meetings. Tim Williams asks Jack Lee about the projects for the Park and Recreation this year. Jack Lee says that they are planning on upgrades to the tennis courts, and possibly the basketball courts as well, if they get enough money from their fundraiser events. He thinks next year they will work on improvements to the golf course. Representative Cynthia Browning addresses the assembly and encourages everyone to pick up her Town Meeting Report at the front table as well as filling out the Doyle poll. Her report touches on health care, public service board, school consolidation and other upcoming bills in the legislature. Keith Squires address some major projects that will be happening around town. The Town and Park Committee are working together to put new fencing around the tennis courts along with resurfacing, and hopefully the basketball courts will be included in that project. Also a new bathroom building will be constructed as the current one has foundation issues. The retaining wall on Old Mill Road will be a big project this summer, hopefully starting in June. There will be detours for up to 60 days while the construction is underway. It is a \$350,000 project with 95% paid by federal and state monies, leaving the town with about 5% of the cost. Old West Road will have a box culvert installed in July, after school is closed, so the busses won't be an

issue. The road will be closed for 3-4 days. It is about a \$100,000.00 project with about 90% being paid with state funds. He talks about the Dietrich trailer park. That property now belongs to the town of Arlington as of 3 weeks ago. The town is allowing Dietrich to come in and clean out his personal items, and then the town will start cleaning up the property. The town cannot make a profit on this property, which makes it a delicate issue. Suggestions are welcome on how the town can benefit from the property.

Motion Carried

**ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the revenue necessary to fund the approved budget, inclusive of Appropriations to be determined and voted.**

Motion to set the tax rate by: Bill Bryan

Seconded: Maryann Carlson

Motion Carried

**ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus funds from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year.**

Motion to accept by: Marge Record

Seconded: Sue Wirkki

Motion Carried

**ARTICLE 8: To Transact and further business found necessary and proper when met. After and further business under Article 8, said meeting will recess until Tuesday, March 4, 2014**

Motion to recess: Russ Record

Second: Linwood Maginniss

Meeting recessed until tomorrow morning at 10:00 am carries. Meeting is recessed at 9:10 pm

Attest: John L. Whalen III  
Moderator

Robin S. Wilcox  
Town Clerk

**Official Ballot Results  
Annual Arlington Town Meeting  
Tuesday, March 4, 2014**

For Moderator for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE		For Auditor for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
JOHN L. WHALEN II	386	PATRICIA WILLIAMS	365
Write-In	0	Write-In	0
For Selectman for 2 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Trustee of Public Funds for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
CYNTHIA BROWNING	349	VACANT	
Write-In	11	Write-in	36
For Selectman for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Cemetery Commissioner 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE	
KEITH SQUIRES	316	BILL BRYAN	374
Write-In	20	Write-in	0
For Lister for 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE		For Grand Juror for 1 Year Vote for not more than TWO	
LEE CROSS	347	AL MCALLISTER	323
Write-In	2	DARLENE M. YOUNG	347
		Write-In	3
For Delinquent Tax Collector for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE		For Town Agent for 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE	
LINDA P. CROSBY	386	KEVIN P. DAILEY	368
Write-in	2	Write-in	0

TOWN OF ARLINGTON  
ANNUAL TOWN & SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING  
CERTIFICATION OF VOTE  
MARCH 4, 2014  
TOTAL VOTERS ON CHECKLIST – 1766  
TOTAL VOTERS AT POLLS - 400  
TOTAL VOTERS VOTING ABSENTEE – 31

I HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE LEGAL  
VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON, VERMONT, AT THE ABOVE ELECTION HELD ON  
MARCH 4, 2014

ATTEST *Robin S. Wilcox*, CLERK

*Official Town Meeting Ballot Results Tuesday, March 4, 2014, continued*

Article 10.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$40,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs or refurbishing of the Town of Arlington fire trucks.	YES 353 NO 43
Article 11.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$40,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington highway trucks.	YES 347 NO 49
Article 12.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$9,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repairs of the Town of Arlington's backhoe, excavator, and loader.	YES 334 NO 58
Article 13.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$5,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual replacement and/or repair of the Town grader.	YES 329 NO 57
Article 14.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$4,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of sidewalk maintenance/equipment.	YES 317 NO 78
Article 15.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$13,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the resurfacing of Town roads.	YES 356 NO 40
Article 16.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the maintenance of Town owned buildings.	YES 351 NO 43
Article 17.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,500.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and/or repair of computers.	YES 331 NO 64
Article 18.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$3,000.00 into the Capital Reserve Fund for an audit from an outside firm.	YES 317 NO 72
Article 19.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$32,500.00 toward the support of the Arlington Rescue Squad.	YES 357 NO 37
Article 20.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,250.00 to the Arlington Area Childcare, Inc.	YES 383 NO 109
Article 21.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,250.00 toward the support of the Arlington Community Club.	YES 303 NO 92

Article 22.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$4,000.00 toward the operation of the Arlington Community Health Nursing Service for the year ensuing.	YES 339 NO 54
Article 23.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$15,500.00 toward the support of the Martha Canfield Library.	YES 331 NO 63
Article 24.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless.	YES 312 NO 81
Article 25.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$360.00 toward the support of the Bennington County Conservation District.	YES 284 NO 106
Article 26.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,800.00 toward the support of the Bennington Project Independence Adult Daycare Service.	YES 314 NO 77
Article 27.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,200.00 toward the support of the BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont (formerly 'Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council').	YES 272 NO 120
Article 28.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$540.00 toward the support of the Center for Restorative Justice.	YES 257 NO 131
Article 29.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of Project Against Violent Encounters, Inc. (PAVE).	YES 308 NO 82
Article 30.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,025.00 toward the support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.).	YES 310 NO 83
Article 31.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Sunrise Family Resource Center.	YES 236 NO 156
Article 32.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,530.00 toward the operation of the Southwestern Vt. Council on Aging.	YES 293 NO 102
Article 33.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$450.00 toward the support of the Tutorial Center.	YES 271 NO 122

Article 34.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 toward the support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.	YES 322 NO 70
Article 35.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$295.00 toward the support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living.	YES 307 NO 86
Article 36.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$750.00 toward the support of Neighbor to Neighbor, a home based care giving program.	YES 292 NO 102
Article 37.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$779.00 toward the support of Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity.	YES 268 NO 125
Article 38.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,250.00 toward the support of Burdett Commons.	YES 283 NO 106
Article 39.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote the sum of \$2,000.00 towards the support of Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT-TV) to help support & defray costs related to the videotaping and television broadcast of the Arlington Select Board, Arlington School Board and other public and municipal meetings.	YES 269 NO 126
Article 40.	To vote by ballot to see if the Town will vote to exempt the property of the Arlington Rescue Squad from property taxes for the next five years.	YES 360 NO 33
Article 41.	To vote by ballot to authorize the Town to provide notice of availability of the Town Report by mailed postcard to the voters of the Town setting forth where tangible copies of the Town Report may be acquired and where the Town Report may be accessed in electronic format.	YES 327 NO 67

## Arlington Schools

*The information on Arlington's schools was compiled by Sarah Smith in a 2003 booklet titled From Hornbook to Textbook: Where Arlington went to school before Fisher. Sarah is descendant of early Arlington settlers, the Canfield family.*

There were five "school right" lots in the original proprietors charter and by 1797, there were five districts, each with its own trustee. As the town grew, the number increased to nine. The districts were renamed in 1823: North District became District #1 (Route 7A east of Tory Lane); the Middle School, District #2 (the Village); the South Middle, District #3 (East Arlington); the South, District #4 (merged with District #8); the Eastern Down the River District was #5 (west of the Benedict Bridge on Route 313); the Middle Down the River, #6 (at Covered Bridge Green); the Western Down the River, #7 (on Route 313 at River Road); the Middle Western District was #8 (originally on Cemetery Road); and the South Western District became #9 (Black Hole Hollow).

District 1: The North District School, built about 1798, is shown at the beginning of Section Two (page 39). An addition was added in 1921 to house a kindergarten class (page 40). The school closed in 1931 and the building was converted to the Wagon Wheel Restaurant. When the restaurant closed, the building was used by the Scouts until it was burned by arsonists on Cabbage Night (the night before Halloween) in October 1978.

District 2: The first Arlington school is shown on the cover. It was built about 1796 on the Water Street side of St. James Cemetery. After the School Street School at the corner of Russell and School Streets opened in 1875 it was moved several times and used as a Grange Hall, Conroy's blacksmith shop, and finally as a private home where Mrs. Ethel Drummond opened a summer music school. Painted red, it continues as a residence on the east side of School Street. When the districts were consolidated this also became a residence. The well-known composer and painter Carl Ruggles lived here from 1925 – 1957.

District Six: There were two schools on the West Arlington Green at the Covered Bridge. The first (page 50), built about 1800, burned in 1936 and was replaced by a building designed by renowned architect Herbert W. Congdon (page 56). The building was used until 1950 when the students began to attend the consolidated school on East Arlington Road.

District 7: Also known as the Hawley School, the West Arlington School building (page 47) is now part of a residence on the north side of Route 313 and River Road.

Arlington Memorial School: The AMS (page 57) was built in 1921 and consolidated many of the one-room district schools. More importantly, Arlington high school students did not have to travel by train to North Bennington or Manchester to attend grades nine through twelve. Dedicated to the memory of Arlington's veterans, the school housed all grades. It burned on November 9, 1940 (page 74), and the community responded by holding classes in locations throughout town. The school was quickly rebuilt with a fireproof design and reopened in 1941 (page 75). Renovations and additions have created the AMHS that we recognize today.

Fisher Elementary School: As the student population grew, it became apparent a separate elementary school was needed. Fisher was opened in September 1957, and has undergone several renovation and expansion projects (page 89).



**North District School Students. Seated in front, right to left: Jim Wyman, Jim Fisher, Brace, Johnson, Prince (Collie), Carl Henning. Standing: Squiers, Johnson, Roseanne Tynan, Brace, Margaret Tynan, Adeline Burke Russell.**



**Arlington Memorial School, 1948: Seated in front, left to right: [Nellie] Lee Mattison, Dickie Keough, Linda Blair, Steve Buck, Donna White, Donna, Romero, Peter Whalen, Mary Whalen, Peter Ehrich, Jessie Ehrich, Kathleen [Lane], [unknown] Morey; Second row: Allan Knapp, Dinah Gillepsie, Frieda Lomberg, Donald Snyder, Leroy McDermott, Allen Grout, Carol, Florence Wilkinson, John Wilkinson, Bruce Jackson, Chuck Marsh, Evelyn Towne, Nancy LaBatt; third row: teacher Mrs. Marie Mattison, Ronald Parke, Allan Hess, Billy Hayden, Marie Stroffoleno, Rose Johnson, Dickie Squiers, Raymond Towsley, Howard Jennings, Paula [Brodein], James Richards, Matt [?]; fourth row: Arlene Elmer, Sharon Humphrey, Betty McDonald, Philip Sallisky, Ronald Lane.**

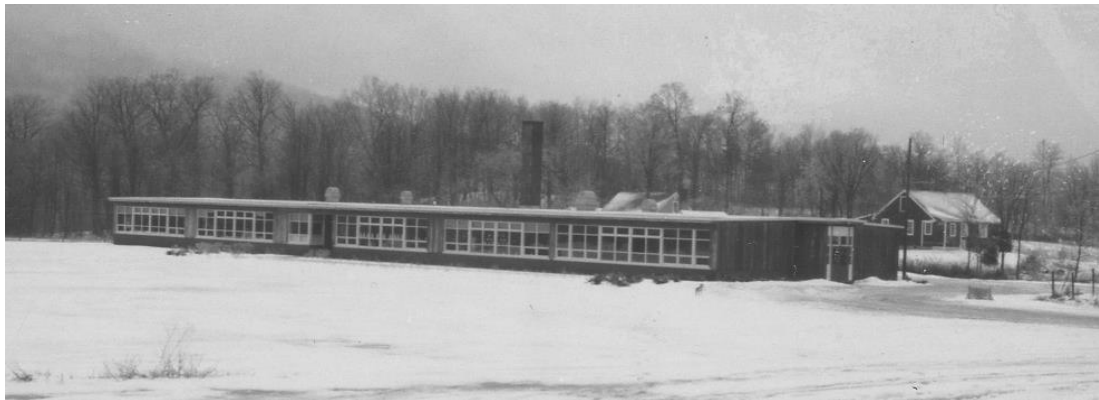


Students in sports photographs on page 13 are: Girls 1936-37 AHS team, front row: Betty Keough, Mary Doyle, Nellie Pelsue, Fran Doyle, Marion Wilcox; back row: [?] Rice, Betty Cole, [?] Henderson, Ruth Squires, [?] Henderson, Mary Henning.

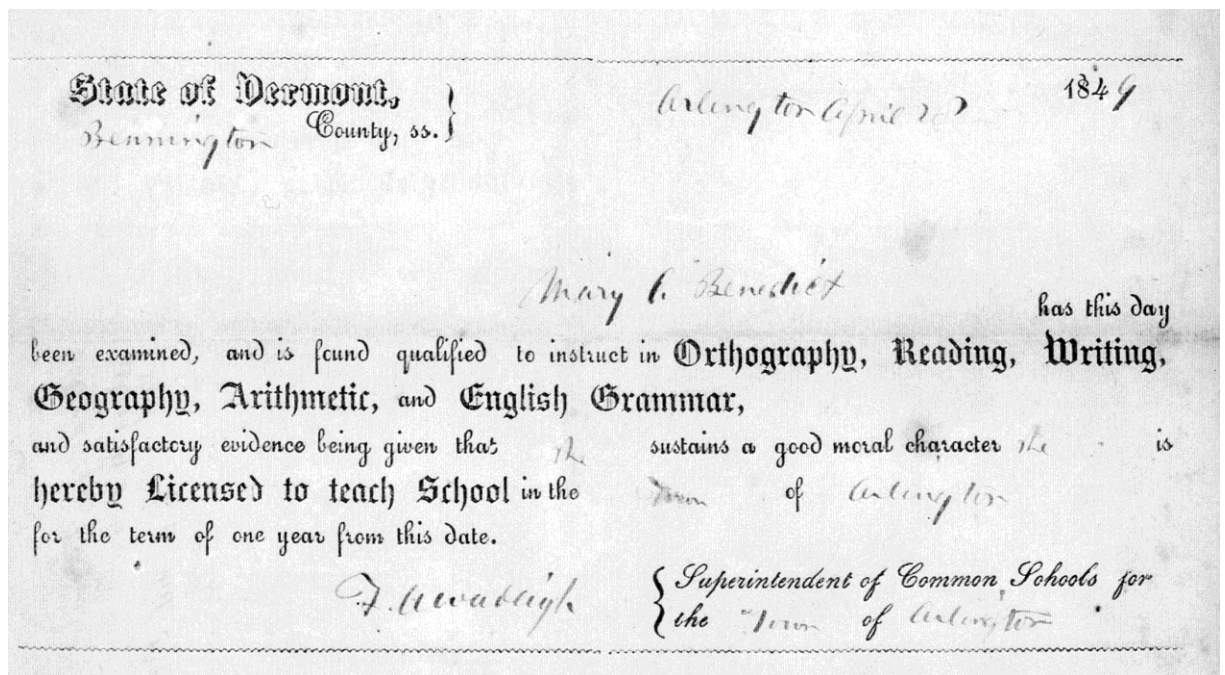
Boys: front row: Richard Hard, Ralph Sherwein, Carl Henning, Walter Kirkham, John Brush; back row: John Moore, coach, Roy Hazelton, Archie Robertson, James Thompson.



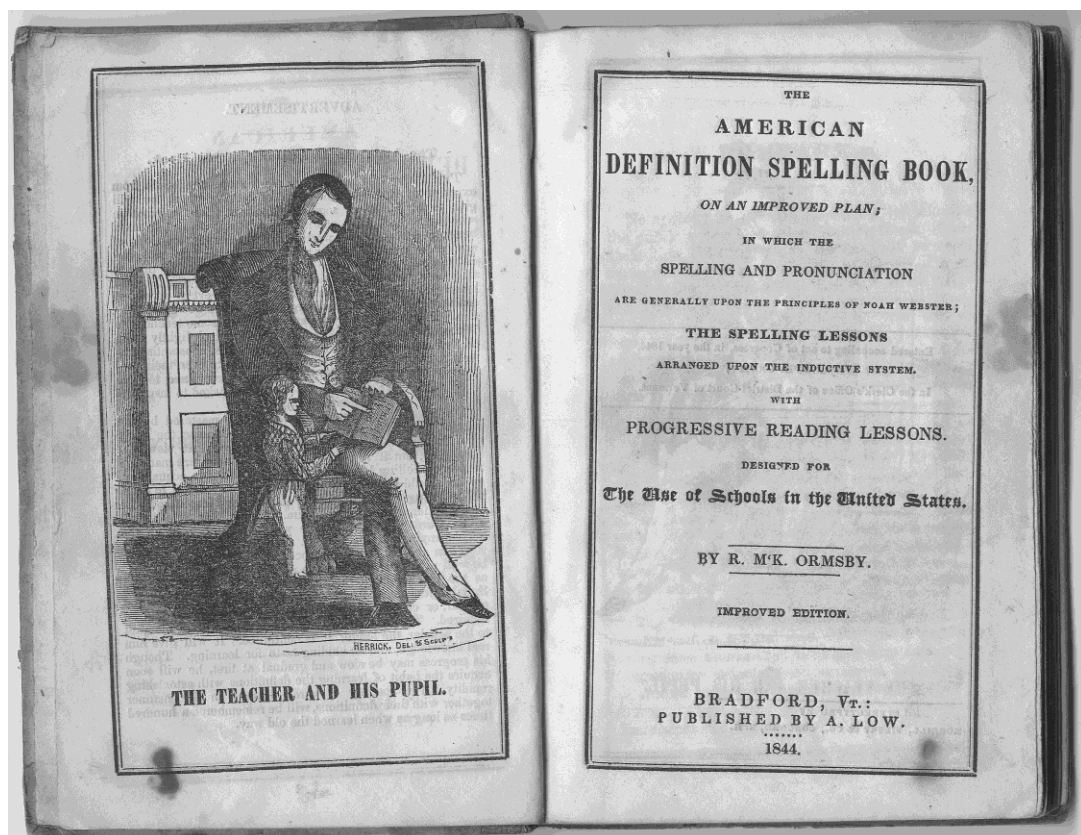
**Arlington Memorial School from Johnson Pulp Company landing. This became first a recreation park and then the site Fisher Elementary School.**



**First Fisher Elementary School.**



“In 1849, Mary Benedict received this license to teach school. Notice that science isn’t mentioned. The word “Orthography” means hand writing.”



A typical spelling book used in schools after 1844.

# Notes