

Richford

A newsletter from the selectboard: Chair Linda Collins, Tim Green, Wayne Hurtubise, Chris Martel and Norris Tillotson Adm. Asst Laura Ovitt 802 848 7751

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Animal Control

The town has a new animal control officer. Tracy Ovitt has taken over the position and she can be reached at 848-3301 or 582-9215.

Charge for duplicates

There will be a \$1 charge for duplicate tax bills, so please hold on to the original.



Selectboard meets the first and third Mondays of every month at 7 p.m Town Hall is closed on 4th of July.

Old Home Days and parade route.



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Water

Water bills are due on June 25. Please pay on time an avoid a penalty or possible shut off.

Corpus Christie

Procession will take place on June 25 at 12:30 and will last an hour down Main St.



Selectboard News

The Richford Selectboard opened bids for repairs at the water intake needed as a result of the tropical storm Irene. Dirt Tech was awarded the bid at \$78,650. Other bids were from GW Tatro at \$110,778 and DCS for \$112,000. Ninety per cent of the cost will be paid by FEMA. The board held a

Marianne receives Golden Apple Award Richford



Hall the Apple from the

Beautification Committee for all the work she does in the community. See page 2.

special meeting to visit the Sheltra home and view damage done earlier during heavy rains and a water main break.. The board also held a

special meeting with Simon Operating Service concerning water shut offs. The board also discussed damage caused to the South Richford Road by a skidder . The damages are over \$30,000 and a lawyer has been contacted to proceed with an order. Two sand filters at the plant have new sand. The board will discuss priority paving at the next meeting. The town clerk is looking into insurance from the VLCT which would be better for employees .



River Fest

The 2014 Richford River Fest will be held Saturday, June 21 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Davis Park. There will be free workshops on fly fishing, canoeing, birding, wild edibles nature, photography, water insects river and rail trail. In addition to workshops and activities there will also be live music, a barbecue, bake sale, 50/50 raffle, water flume, river clean up and flotilla.

Join canoeing and kayaking to Berkshire at 2 p.m.

Children's activities include face painting, fish, gutter boat races and a story hour from 11-12. There will also be bird watching along the river, bug works and drawing from nature as well as identifying species along the river.

The event is sponsored by the Richford Conservation Commission (richfordconservation@gmail.com) or 848-3993. Vendor tables include: Arvin A. Brown Library, Northern Forest Canoe Trail, REAC, Montgomery Ventures.



Fourth of July

Pictured above is the first place winning float at the 2013 annual Fourth of July Parade. The winning float was made by residents of Stevens Mills Slide and proved to be very popular with parade goers.

This year the parade will take a shorter route and will not return back down Main St. It will be held Saturday, July 5 and will begin at 11 a.m. at the high school. Participants should arrive at the school at 10 a.m. The parade will include the usual, floats, bands, bagpipers and Shriners. In addition there will be the usual chicken barbecue and auction as well as fireworks.

The Richford Historical Society will be open as well as St. Anne's Church. The historical society is helping restore the historic church and is taking donations toward the repair of the foundation. The church will be open from 1-3. Parade Committee, Marianne Hall, Sue Martel, Rowena Brown, Linda Greenwood, Paulette Legault, Ken Lavalla and Arkie Pond.



Golden Apple Award

Marianne Hall was the recipient of the Golden Apple Service Award presented annually by the Richford Beautification Committee. The award was presented at a gathering at the home of President John Libbey.

Hall acts as town moderator, has served on the school board and is vice president of the Richford Historical Society. She is also the emcee for the annual variety show which benefits the Richford Meal Site.

She is also chairwoman for the Fourth of July Parade and organizes the annual quilt show at the Methodist Church which benefits the historical society and the beautification committee. She is also involved in the restoration of St. Anne's Episcopal Church. The first recipient of the award was Libbey who according to Sonia Holmes was so touched by the award he thought it should be given each year. Other recipients are: Marcia and Al Perry, Paulette Legault, Neil Lovelette, Rowena Brown and Hayden Janes.