## Winter 2018-19 Newsletter Windham County

### Green Mountain RSVP

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THEIR TIME ON THE BATTLEFIELD IS OVER.

# NOW IT'S OUR TURN TO PROTECT OUR VETERANS FROM SCAMS.

Our veterans deserve a lot of things. Praise. Honor. Security. Respect.

Here's what they don't deserve: attempts to take advantage of their service. Yet every day, scammers attempt to defraud our veterans of their hard-earned benefits, steal their identity, or take their savings.

Together, we can fight back and take one small step to repay our veterans for the service they've given and the sacrifices they've made.

The plight of veterans when they return from service has been in the news frequently. And we are also hearing that scams are popping up everywhere now. Unfortunately, many veterans have been targeted by scams as they are transitioning back to civilian life here at home. Thankfully, with programs such as the AARP Fraud Watch Network, it is easier to stay informed.

To receive FREE fraud counseling, or to report a scam, please call the *AARP Fraud Watch Network hotline-***877-908-3360**.

By visiting their website you can also learn about scams near you-

www.aarp.com.

#### **Upcoming Events**

## Get The Word Out! Non-Profit Fair



Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>
@5:30 pm

River Garden- Main Street Brattleboro

Come say hello and learn about all the area organizations that make Windham County great!

Stuff The Bus Food Drive January 19, 2019 will be at

#### <u>Pricechopper</u>



Please come help us collect food for area food pantries. Call or email to reserve your volunteer spot today!

254-7515

#### Welcome to Our New Volunteer/ Members

Angus Davis- Friendly Visitor, Senior Solutions
Holly Fleming- Backup Driver, Valley Cares MOW

Didi Prignano- Backup Driver, Brattleboro MOW

Dale Morse- Aquatic Exercise Instructor, BMH and sr. Solutions

Wendy Collins- Friendly Visitor, Senior Solutions

Diane Heileman- Brattleboro Summer Food Program

Scott Surgner- Friendly Visitor, Senior Solutions

Betty-Jeane Walker- Loaves and Fishes Community Meals

Hal Lier- Friendly Visitor, Senior Solutions

#### Ten New Bonebuilder Instructors Are Ready to Serve!

On November 8, ten new volunteers were certified as bonebuilder instructors by Patricia Facey, Master Trainer. Everyone enjoyed the sharing of experience and the perspectives and knowledge base of the eight current instructors that also attended.

Alan Baker, Wilmington
Sarah Bedichek, Dummerston
Patricia Buck, Dover
Dorothy Clair, Londonderry
Pat Ireton, Brattleboro
Suzanne Waller, Dover
Karen Pratt, Whitingham
Suzanne Rose, Manchester
Charlene Gianakos, Manchester
Faith Schuster, Dover





#### \*NEW\* Volunteer Opportunities Available at:

AARP Tax-Aide Greeter or Scheduler
American Red Cross Blood drives
Brattleboro Senior Meals Board Member
Brattleboro Memorial Hospital
Grace Cottage Hospital
St. Michaels School
Pine Heights Resident Activities
Senior Solutions Council on Aging
Groundworks Food Pantry
Green Mountain Express Drivers

Green Mountain RSVP is sponsored by The Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging. RSVP is a member of Senior Corps, a nationwide volunteer program for people 55+ who want to give their time and experience to strengthen their communities. **Thank you for your commitment to the non-profit organizations and people of Bennington County**.





#### **Merry Christmas!**

Card created by volunteer Lena Fraga

GMRSVP office will be closed December 24- January 1

Be part of the RSVP Blood Drive Volunteer Team. We need you!



Nancy, Claire, Steve and Mildred (leader)



Brattleboro Blood Drives Fraternal Order Eagles Chickering Drive 11:30am-5pm

January 8, February 12, March 12

If you have questions or need more information contact Volunteer Coordinator Steve Ovenden 802.254.7515 sovenden@svcoa.net