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Acclaimed children's author coming to LCWS

On November 4, 2013, LCWS is hosting a visit from [William Alexander](#), author of [Goblin Secrets](#) and [Ghoulish Songs](#). Alexander is the winner 2013 National Book Award for Young People's Literature. He is a young and highly acclaimed middle-grades writer in the steampunk genre, with some Vermont roots: Alexander earned his English Master's degree at UVM before turning to writing full-time.

Our school is offering a day-time event for Waldorf upper grades students around the state, who have read *Goblin Secrets* as their summer book: a reading and question-and-answer period by Alexander at 11 a.m., followed by a shared lunch, and afternoon mixed-media artistic workshops exploring steampunk elements. On Saturday, November 2, Flying Pig will host a book signing with Alexander, and the series of events may also include an evening lecture.

Sponsorship Opportunities for this Prestigious Event

William Alexander won the the National Book Award last year. This award is arguably the most prestigious prize given in American literature; in some years, the committee deems that no book is worth the honor and actually doesn't issue it. In winning this prize, *Goblin Secrets* was deemed by the committee to be the best book written in 2012 for people under 18. Having a National Book Award winner in northern Vermont is a major event, and hosting this author helps place our school as a contributor to culture and letters in our area.

There will be opportunities for businesses and individuals to become sponsors for this event. Sponsors will be recognized through print, web and live at the event. If you are interested to learn more, please contact [Lisa Espenshade](#), Director of Development. *Abigail Diehl-Noble, Upper Grades Teacher*. Photo: Matthew Aronoff

Let's name the new LCWS mini-bus

At long last, our school has leased a 14 passenger mini bus, which will proudly display "Lake Champlain Waldorf School" on its sides! The bus will be used for morning and afternoon



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student commuters from the Montpelier area, as well as other school transportation needs. Have an idea for nickname for the bus? Send to [Melinda Haselton](#).



Clothes at Rummage Sale? What do you think?

Clothes are the most labor intensive part of the Rummage Sale (Sept 21) to organize. Sort, throw out, hang, fold, refold. For that reason, we were not going to have clothes this year. We have heard from several people that they LOVE the clothes...and are listening! **BUT, in order to include clothes in the Rummage Sale, there needs to be a team of about five or six volunteers who will take ownership of the clothes room.** So, if you want to help make clothes happen, please contact [Sharon Richards](#) ASAP!



We already have gotten lots of terrific donations. It appears to be the "year of the bedframe!" So, if you want a new bed, wait until September 21. We will be holding at least one more early drop off before school starts, with an emphasis on furniture, boutique and "better" items. Then, the week leading up to the Rummage Sale will be drop-off time.

Questions? Just ask! [Lisa Espenshade](#)

Back to School Wish List

Donations of any of the following items are greatly appreciated. Please contact the teacher directly. Many thanks!

[Kindergarten: JoAnne Dennee](#)

- 2 old fashioned enamel tables with folding leaves
- rabbit hutch for two rabbits
- 2 draw knives
- 2 small hammers, sized for children's hands.
- Silverware for food events for the Nourishing Foods Initiative

[Kirsty Gourlay: Infant/Toddler](#)

- large ceramic teapot
- 2-burner hot plate
- baskets

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small, child-sized buckets and garden rakes
Waldorf parenting, whole foods cookery, craft, gardening books for lending library

[Melendy Comey: handwork program](#)

spinning wheels
Irons and Ironing boards in working condition
Sewing machines in working condition.

[Rebekah Hopkinson: first grade](#)

Wooden marble run
Birthday crown and cape
Clear plastic yogurt containers for painting water: we need 8
Silks, medium to large
Medium sized plant – geranium, aloe or other hearty plant
Big soup pot
Big pillows for cozy corner
1st grade appropriate wall art...paintings, posters of fairy tales, animals, etc.
Any musical instruments
Jump ropes

[Melisa Garlieb: third grade](#)

A rebounder (small one person trampoline-like piece of exercise equipment)

[Abigail Diehl-Noble: upper grades](#)

Manual and electronic typewriter/word processors, to demonstrate the evolution of communication. For loan or donate. Would like to have a few in the classroom all year long, for students to experience these early "modern" technologies, as they study modern history.



Student Quartet playing at Art Exhibit

Friday August 23, 7:00-9:00pm, The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Burlington.

The art exhibit "Drawn to Music," features pieces by Melissa White-Bronson and Nancy Stone, who have taken their inspiration from music and transposed it into their own brands of visual art. The artists invite the audience to view

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these products accompanied by the four-part string arrangements of your favorite classical melodies, composed by masters such as Mozart, Bach, and Purcell, to be performed by the Black & White quartet.

The B&W Quartet is a group of high school students who started playing together three years ago at Lake Champlain Waldorf School. They focus on classical music, but have enjoyed playing through a variety of genres, from folk to baroque to contemporary.

The artists showing their work at this last event honoring their exhibit, will be providing sketching materials for audience members, so listeners can have the experience of letting one art form influence and inspire another.

Tickets \$12; Students with ID/Seniors \$10; Children under 15 with adult FREE



High School students Will, Oliver, and Aidan, and alumnus Malcolm, graciously donated their time to help raise money for the Willsboro library, playing at the Willsboro, Folk Craft Fair just across the lake in NY. This was also one last gig for the students, before Malcolm went off to college.

Community News

Shelburne Craft School: Youth and Family Saturday Drop-in; 10:00am-11:30am; Cost: \$12.00 each or \$10.00 with a friend or a participating parent or guardian.; ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. NO registration required.. Clay Project need to be fired and will be ready for take home at a later date. All other projects can be taken home that day. 7 September – Clay Sun Dials; 14 September - Nature and wood Mobiles; 21 September – Wooden Paddle Boats; 28 September – Tile Art and Coasters

Addie Hall and Harry Reindel of Williston announce the engagement of their daughter Emily Hall Reindel to David Russell Usiak, son of Norman Usiak and the late Kathy Usiak of New York City. Ms. Reindel, a graduate of the Lake Champlain Waldorf School and Skidmore College, is an Epic Systems Analyst for New York University Medical Center. Mr. Usiak, a graduate of Trevor Day School in New York City and Skidmore College, is a Senior Associate at Avenue Capital in New York City. An August 2014 wedding is planned at the family home in Williston.



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Classifieds

Job: Nova Natural Toys & Crafts, a family-owned online toy and craft retailer located in Shelburne, is looking for an exemplary Customer Support representative to begin in early September. We'll also be searching for a few more cheerful and detail-oriented folks for our Customer Support team for the coming holiday season. If you enjoy helping customers, have a positive outlook, are comfortable with computers and have great communication skills, then we'd love to hear from you! Pay rate is \$12 per hour. Hours may be part-time to start, increasing to full-time as the holiday season begins, beginning at 8:45 and including some evenings and Saturdays in December. Please visit our website www.novanatural.com/jobs to download an application or call us at 860-1300.

Great condo available in Shelburne on bus line. Four bedrooms, 5 bath, drive in garage, fireplace, laundry, many new upgrades including new wood floors, pool and tennis courts. \$1,800 mo. Contact Maureen Wheeler at 238-7042.

Job: Housecleaning work: Seeking part-time help with a residential cleaning business. Happy to train you, and possible to keep hours within the school day if needed. The pay is good and my clients are all friendly. Please pass this along to anyone looking for an honest day's work. Rebecca Emerson 318-6421

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