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BIG CHECK RECEIVED

IT'S OFFICIAL, SHUTESBURY IS A GREEN COMMUNITY Four signs will go up at gateways to Shutesbury, West Pelham Road at the Pelham town line, Leverett Road at the Leverett town line, Prescott Road at the intersection of Route 202, and Lakeview Road at the Leverett town line.



The GRANT AWARD is to fund a 10-15 kW pole-mounted solar PV system in the field behind the Fire Station; an energy audit of the Fire Station to determine appropriate energy conservation measures for the heating and hot water system and implementation of DOER-approved measures from the completed audit; and the following energy conservation measures: at the Town Hall, a HVAC upgrade; at the Elementary School, air sealing, fan controls and variable frequency drives; and an interior lighting upgrade at the Fire Station.



FULL SCALE FLOORPLAN OF THE PROPOSED NEW LIBRARY OUTLINED TO SCALE ON TOWN COMMON Bob Groves and Susi Mosher staked out the outer dimensions of the preliminary floor plan of the proposed new library on the town common. Susi then measured and marked off the spaces for specific rooms within those boundaries using multicolor landscaping tape to differentiate the rooms. The children's room, the adult room, the history nook, the community meeting room, the entry way, lobby, coatroom/bookdrop, the bathrooms, galley kitchen, young adult room, staff workroom, Director's office, circulation desk, storage, recycling, janitors closet, children's bathroom, book stacks, table/chair storage, and mechanical room, are all outlined in bright colors.

The SHUTSBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PUTS ON A DAZZLING PERFORMANCE

Road Town Review, written by Emily Samuels and Jane Urban and Beezie Reilly was the master designer of sets and costumes. Countless hours from teachers and parents were given to roll out the show. The performance covered 250 years of history with 150 actors, musicians, dancers and singers. Staging was set up in the center of the south wall with the four seasons perched above the audience, the Moose, the Owl, Winter and Fall, and Spring & Summer on stage. The second stage, normally the only stage, was set with six foot painted panels. Townspeople filled the matinee and proud parents the evening show. All were thrilled.





The backdrop was a map of Shutesbury, with roads, lake, clearings and boundaries all marked. The preschool joined the Old Home Days on the Town Common in 1937. The sixth graders boogied down at Shutesbury's Palm Garden, once a place to dance right here on Leverett Rd.

The kindergartens were leaping peepers, the first graders were swarming mosquitos, the second graders danced the ice storm, the third graders did quick step contra dance, the fourth graders became a trumpeting fire work display, and the fifth and sixth grade gave history lesson after history lesson in masterful performances.

Most remarkable was the coordination, the lighting focusing, swinging back and forth between 6 locations, with a new decade, new characters and new season at every turn.

BRAVO, to all involved in this joyful, history filled celebration. You made us all very proud.

Volunteers Needed:

On the Personnel Board, Conservation Commission and Recreation Committee

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