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May 23 at Town Hall

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Hearing begins at 7:30 p.m.

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Community Yard Sale Day 2007

Saturday, May 12

By Jeanne Wilson

Are you looking for great yard sale finds? Or are you looking for an opportunity to clean out the attic and unload some of those unwanted items? Is your organization looking for a great fund-raising opportunity?

Then Saturday, May 12 is a date to mark on your calendar. The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association (HBPA) will sponsor the 10th Annual Hinesburg Community Yard Sale on Saturday, May 12, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The community sale site will again be at the Hinesburg Fire Hall. The HBPA will offer spaces and tables for anyone wishing to rent sale space.

In addition, the HBPA is encouraging Hinesburg residents to hold sales at their homes or businesses on the same day, making May 12 a yard sale extravaganza. The HBPA will distribute maps with the various sale sites throughout town listed. There is no charge for being included on the sale site map.

This event has been incredibly successful for the past eight years, and the HBPA expects even more bargain hunters this year. Take advantage of this community event, and help put Hinesburg on the map!

For further information on renting sale space, attending the sale, or having your location included on the map, contact HBPA Treasurer Jeanne Wilson at 482-3767 or email jwilson@gmavt.net.

Saturday May 5 is Green Up Day



By Phil Pouech

Every year the spring season brings a bright green color to our town. The leaves on our trees and shrubs, along with our lawns and fields, turn green to signify our warmer seasons. Every year Hinesburg residents turn out for Green Up Day. This also brings out the colors of our natural surrounds which brings a warm feeling of community spirit.

Green Up's mission is to promote the stewardship of our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising public awareness about the benefits of a litter-free environment.

Green Up Day begins Saturday, May 5. This year is the 37th anniversary of this unique Vermont tradition. Green-up bags will be available after Friday, April 27 at both the Town Hall and Carpenter-Carse Library.

On Green Up Day, come to the Town Hall any time after 8:00 a.m. to get more bags, let us know where you will be doing your work, join a work group, meet up with your community organization or just grab a quick donut.

Green-up trash, metal and discarded tires (no household trash please!) will be collected at the town truck shed which is located next to the CSWD facility. Collected trash can be dropped off on Green Up Day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

If you begin your green up work before May 5, please let us

know what roads you will be doing so we can better coordinate our volunteers. If you need to leave the green-up bags along the roadside, please call us so we can insure they get picked up.

If you want to help out further we have a number of supporting activities that need volunteers. These include:

- Help with BBQ lunch (11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)
- Drivers with trucks to help with final pickup of roadside bags (2:00 to 4:00 p.m.)
- Tree and shrub planting and maintenance (9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.)
- Bring a dish or dessert to share with your neighbors
- Musicians to entertain at lunch

All ages and community groups are welcome. Just stop in to the Town Hall. We encourage everyone to wear gloves and boots. You'll also need sunscreen because it never rains on Green Up Day. You'll want to work hard to build up an appetite for the community BBQ lunch at the Town Hall at noon. It's a chance to catch your breath and share the special feeling of being part of this community.

If you have any questions, want to suggest or work on a special project, or just need to get more information, you can call Phil Pouech at 482-2060 or Rocky Martin at 482-2096.

"Better To Light One Candle than Curse the Darkness"

By Stewart Pierson

When Sarah Teasdale wrote the poem with this beloved advice in the early 1900s, candles were still in regular use. But by the year 2007, we light electric lights instead. And in times of ecological stress and fears of global warming, darkness may be preferable than lighting with incandescent bulbs.

However, if we change to florescent bulbs, far less energy is used (one quarter) by far longer lived bulbs (three times). Another benefit not to be ignored is a lower light bill.

Hinesburg Light Switch, a project of Hinesburg's Sustainability Task Force, is working with Efficiency Vermont and Estey's Hardware to make it easy and very affordable for Hinesburg residents to replace our old inefficient short lived incandescent bulbs for new long lasting energy efficient compact florescent bulbs (CFLs).

These replacements will be sold at a reduced price because Efficiency Vermont is helping. A selection of three wattages: 60W, 75W and 100W equivalents will be available for 99 cents each. A variety of specialty compact fluorescents (three-way, floods, decorative) will be available but more costly.

The kick-off date for this Hinesburg Light Switch project is Saturday, May 5 during GREEN UP DAY.

Information about the bulbs and other energy saving tips will be available at Town Hall, but the focus will be at Estey's store on Commerce Street from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream and Green Mountain Coffee Roasters

packets will be available (for free) and demonstrations of these bulbs will be on site.

This "LIGHT SWITCH" program is sponsoring a community challenge for residents to replace 6,000 Hinesburg residential bulbs starting on May 5 and continuing through the spring and early summer. This will benefit 1,600 Hinesburg households, and very important is the positive environmental impact. Each old incandescent bulb results in about 90 pounds of carbon emissions into the atmosphere. When we replace 1,600 bulbs, Hinesburg is saving 144,000 pounds—that's 72 tons—of greenhouse gas pollution!

During the days preceding May 5, Hinesburg neighbors will be walking the dirt roads and the paved roads distributing information about the advantages to making this switch. If you are away, the information will be found hanging on your front door. If you are home, your neighbor will present you the information leaflet and perhaps discuss the weather or the Red Sox. Or perhaps, your neighbor will answer your questions about changing your bulbs.

This is the first of many projects being undertaken by the Hinesburg Task Force on Sustainability.

If our goal of 6,000 florescent bulbs is achieved, not many arctic polar bears will cheer. But "better to light one candle than curse the darkness."

LETTERS

T O T H E E D I T O R



LaPlatte Headwaters Initiative Correction

The Hinesburg Land Trust wants to thank the *Hinesburg Record* for its coverage of the LaPlatte Headwaters Initiative as part of the article on Hinesburg Annual Town Meeting but wanted to offer a correction to some of the information included in the article.

The \$100,000 as voted on at town meeting was in support of the acquisition of land and conservation restrictions with a total project budget of \$3,675,000. The town's financial support enables the project to secure grants from public agencies and private foundations. Conservation restrictions will be placed on approximately 570 acres and 300 acres will be donated to the town for public recreation.

The Hinesburg Land Trust is grateful to the community for its strong support at town meeting and looks forward to completing this ambitious conservation project.

— Andrea Morgante, for the Hinesburg Land Trust.

Thank You From Giroux Family

The family of Ernest Giroux would like to express their gratitude for the numerous kindnesses extended to us during the recent loss of our husband and father, Ernie. We are grateful for the many thoughts and sympathy cards, food and friendship. They have been a great comfort to us.

— Theresa Giroux and Family

Animal Hospital There at Every Stage

As I stood in the lobby of the Animal Hospital of Hinesburg with my beautiful, newly-adopted Husky-mix almost four months to the day our beloved 13-year-old lab Moses died of cancer, I was aware of what a special moment it was to come full circle. But the joy of the moment was made all the more so by Dr. Jen Elliott's spontaneous exclamation of delight upon seeing our new girl, Lexi.

Dr. Jen and all of the staff could not have been kinder or more understanding when Moses passed—nor could they have been more genuinely happy for us at Lexi's starting point. We are lucky indeed to have such caring doctors with us at every stage of our pets' lives. Thank you.

— Jen Bradford, Moses, Tyrus, and Lexi

Reflections on a Presidential Classroom

The days from Sunday, March 18 through Saturday, March 24 can easily be classified as some of the best days of my life. I was fortunate enough to be granted the opportunity of traveling to Washington, D.C. for a week long excursion behind the scenes of our nation's capitol. It was by way of the Leadership Through Learning Program, called Presidential Classroom, that I was given this inside view.

It's difficult to pinpoint even just a couple events of my trip as favorites, since so many stand out on top together. The number of activities that I took part in was extensive, and

looking back it seems impossible that I could have done so much in so little time. However, there were some highlights.

We began with a 6:00 a.m. wake-up to prepare ourselves, in our professional attire, for the day ahead (which wouldn't end until 11:00 p.m.). On average, there would be three seminars a day by various influential figures. Some that really had an impact were Ralph Nader, U.S. Representative Todd Akin (on the Floor of the House of Representatives), Michael A. Mason (member of the FBI), and Lieutenant Colonel Chris Garver with some soldiers from Iraq whom we spoke to live from Baghdad.

We also spent an entire day at Capitol Hill where I had the opportunity to meet Vermont Senators Patrick Leahy and Bernie Sanders and Vermont Representative Peter Welch (I also walked within feet of Al Gore and Nancy Pelosi).

Following Capitol Hill Day, Presidential Classroom conducted our own Model Congress which displayed the true excitement of lawmaking. The week finished with a trip to Arlington National Cemetery on Friday where I watched the breathtaking and inspiring Changing of the Guards and Wreath Laying Ceremony. Interspersed throughout all these amazing activities were trips to some sites full of U.S. history. We were able to see the Jefferson, Lincoln, and Washington Monuments, the World War II, Vietnam, and Korean Memorials, and the White House.

Every moment of my trip has had a positive effect on me in some way. If not for the worry of passing out from sleep deprivation, I would have loved for Presidential Classroom to be at least a week longer. I left with a greater appreciation for our nation's inner workings and all the people dedicated to keeping our country running. I also took home unforgettable memories and new friends from Wisconsin, Minnesota, Tennessee, and numerous places in between.

I owe enormous thanks to my HCS 7th and 8th grade teachers, Suzanne Gruending and Barb Spaulding, for thinking of me for this program, to Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom (WCVT) for nominating me, to FRED (Foundation for Rural Education and Development) and OPATSCO (Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunications Companies) for sponsoring me, and to NECA (National Exchange Carrier Association) for selecting me and providing the funds for me to go on this trip. Without all of them I would never have had this life changing experience.

— Robin Hart

Nora Lost in Hinesburg

My name is Nora and I am a Norwegian Buhund. I live on Texas Hill Road in Hinesburg, VT. I am wearing a blue collar with sailboats on it. Also I have two tags on my collar, one is my rabies tag and the other is my nametag. I am about 18 inches tall and weigh about 30 pounds. I last saw my owners on Monday March 5th when I was let out.



If you see me, please call my owners, Fred, Cheryl or Sonia at 482-4113. Thanking you in advance for helping me get back home.

— Cheryl Pileggi

Burning Wood in Vermont

I am very concerned about the adoption of Rule 5-205, ANR Air Pollution Control Division's regulation for emissions from Outdoor Wood Boilers (OWBs). There is a current Air Quality Regulation that governs OWBs and Vermont has everything it needs to govern the siting for an installation of such a unit. This new rule is an overreaction to a few complaints and sets stricter emission regulations for these units than on any other wood burning appliance currently in use including indoor woodstoves.

In the U.S., the EPA estimates that there are 16 million fireplaces, 10 million indoor wood stoves (75-80% in use are not EPA certified), other completely unregulated wood burning devices such as indoor wood furnaces and barrel

stoves, and millions more recreational wood burning devices such as fire pits and chimneys. OWBs make up approximately 0.02% of the devices being used nationwide.

On January 29, 2007, the US EPA began implementing an "Incentivized Voluntary Program" that would encourage OWB manufacturers on a nationwide basis to reduce emissions from newly manufactured OWBs. This program involves multiple phases of implementation with increasingly more stringent particulate emission goals. For phase one, the guideline selected by USEPA is: 0.6 pounds per million BTUs (lbs/MMBTU) of heat input. The phase II standard as yet is undetermined.

Vermont's Rule 5-205 is also a two phase emission regulating program yet it sets the first phase to have a lower emission level than the EPA at 0.44 lbs/MMBTU, phase two establishes an emission limit of 0.32 lbs/MMBTU.

The US EPA report 600/SR-98/017 found that particulate emissions from a properly operated outdoor wood furnace are similar to indoor wood stoves, basing its findings on a Central Boiler OWB. As a point of reference, the wood chip burning boilers that the Statehouse and the ANR use to heat their facilities and the 27 schools statewide (including CVU) that have switched to wood chips have an emission of over 0.7 lbs/MMBTU and there has been no regulation for those units yet.

Both the EPA and the Vermont Air Pollution Control Division use the NESCAUM Model Rule as a basis for their regulations. Many of the "facts" presented in this report are not accurate, and the report is full of misinformation and manipulated data. The Vermont ANR continually says they are not trying to ban the burning of wood in Vermont but in Section 6.1.5 of the NESCAUM Rule there is a suggestion for policy makers to have "No Burn Days" which would prohibit the use of ANY wood burning appliance including indoor woodstoves.

Vermonters are a self-sufficient breed of people by nature and have long strived to reduce their dependency on fossil fuels either for economic or other reasons such as responsible forest management. Keeping money in our state by purchasing a renewable heating resource from locals strengthens our economy. My choice to burn wood as a heat source is also because of the environmental advantages wood has over fossil fuels because heating with wood is "carbon neutral" and doesn't contribute to global warming. As an organic vegetable farmer striving to keep our land green by continuing to farm in Chittenden County where tax rates make it almost impossible not to resist development pressures, our use of an outdoor wood furnace to heat our nearly 8000 SF greenhouse operation over the last seven years has reduced our consumption of propane from nearly 50,000 gallons to zero gallons. I would have a difficult time producing a local food product that would be affordable to anyone. Timber stand improvement and responsible management of our woodlot also creates a healthy forest for wildlife habitat and actually improves the air quality in our area.

We need to find fuels that are renewable and best suited to the different areas nationwide. The best choice for my area and my business is wood. Outdoor wood furnaces have had an increase of sales in the last few years, meeting the demand of people who have searched out ways to decrease their costs associated with home heating. With the increased cost of fossil fuels, the crisis in the Middle East, and with the federal government's support of using renewable fuel, I think that regulations should be fair to the consumers while protecting the air quality of our state. Rule 5-205 should be heavily modified before it serves the people and state of Vermont effectively.

— Lisa Dillon Beliveau, Goose Creek Farm, St. George

Letter Policy

The Hinesburg Record welcomes letters from local residents and from others who are involved in issues that affect our town.

Letters should be brief. We do not have precise guidelines for length but reserve the right to edit based on available space.

All letters must be signed. To the extent possible, letters should focus on local issues. Other forums exist for discussion of statewide, national, and international issues.

With these cautions, please keep those letters rolling in. Mail them to The Hinesburg Record, P. O. Box 340 or to 327 Charlotte Road, Hinesburg, VT 05461, deliver them to the Record drop-box on Charlotte Road, or send via email to therecord@gmavt.net.

HINESBURG SELECT BOARD

Come Celebrate New Town Hall Floor!

By Jeanne Wilson

You are cordially invited to an open house on Thursday, May 24 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Hinesburg Town Hall to celebrate the completion of the Town Hall flooring project.

This project has been truly amazing, and is an example of our community's support for local businesses and sustainability, as well as a testament to the vision of local community leaders.

The beautiful wood flooring was harvested from ash trees in the Hinesburg Town Forest. Working with the Town Forest Committee, Chittenden County Forester Mike Snyder marked the trees to be harvested. The logging was completed by Bill Torrey from Huntington. The logs were transported to Lathrop's Maple Supply in Bristol, where they were rough sawn, kiln dried and milled into flooring. The flooring was then trucked to the Town Hall, where it was installed by Danaher Custom Services of South Burlington.

It is likely that the original flooring that was installed in 1901 came from local trees. In 2007, with large-scale production the norm, this use of a local resource is uncommon. So, let's celebrate our community's dedication and commitment to local resources! Join the festivities on May 24.



The crew from Danaher Custom Services removes the 1901 flooring from the main hall of Town Hall, to reveal the original sub-floor and 106 years worth of dirt. PHOTO BY JEANNE WILSON

Buy Local/ Specialty Farming Task Force Underway

By James Donegan

The Buy Local/Specialty Farming task force was formed over the winter through the community visit process facilitated by the Council on Rural Development.

The mission of this task force is to help create a culture within our community that values the importance of supporting local producers of goods and services. In particular, we will focus on the key role that agricultural producers play in the local economy and in continuing the rural traditions that are so highly valued within Hinesburg.

The task force divided into subcommittees to focus on three principal objectives. Those objectives are to showcase what Hinesburg already has to offer, educate residents to consume local foods and produce food, and to lessen our environmental impact by promoting farming practices that build topsoil.

1. The group will acknowledge the goods and services that are produced in town, make the people who provide those goods and services better known and easier to find, and to celebrate and take pride in Hinesburg's offerings. The group

intends to work on the Hinesburg Farmers' Market, compile a database of local goods and services, and help with the Harvest Festival. The Hinesburg Lions Club organizes a local farmers' market. The market is an opportunity for local producers to sell directly to their customers. The group will work with the Lions to enhance the market, to bring in more vendors and more customers. A database of local goods and services, both online and in paper form, will allow Hinesburg customers the opportunity to choose a local producer or service person to meet their needs. Hinesburg held its first Harvest festival last year. It included a farmers' market, a full day of musical entertainment, a dance, art show, and dinner. The group wishes to build upon this celebration, and include more of the community.

2. The objective of the second subcommittee is to increase community awareness and learning about gardening, agriculture, and the link between land, local food production, and quality food in our community and schools. Hinesburg residents consume thousands of pounds of food each day. Most of this food is from far away, but it doesn't have to be. There is plenty of agricultural land in Hinesburg, and many people who grow food for themselves and to sell. The intention of this group is to work to include local food and farm education in the schools, include more local food in school lunches, and make space for growing and raising food more accessible to residents. The intention is that this space will include both community gardens and an incubator farm. The incubator farm would be a way for young beginning farmers to gain experience. These beginning farmers could use land for a period of a few years for a very low cost with some assistance from an experienced farmer.

3. The third objective overlaps with goals of the Hinesburg Farm Conservation and Energy and Sustainability task forces. The group acknowledges global warming through carbon dioxide emission as one of the most prominent environmental problems and understands that specialized farming practices can sequester carbon dioxide through the creation of topsoil. The group intends to promote the ideas and methods of the Carbon Farmers of America.

The task force purposes to address many areas, but believes that it will be necessary to be comprehensive in order to make a real change. Please join us in this effort. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., top floor of Town Hall. Contact Bill Schubart (bill@schubart.com 482-3287) or James Donegan (doneganmaple@hotmail.com 482-3245) with questions.

Listers Updating Grand List

By Holly Russell

The Hinesburg Listers have begun to update the Grand List for the year 2007-2008 by conducting site visits to properties. As usual we will follow the procedure of notification and landowner grievances per State Statute. We plan to compete and lodge the Abstract of the Grand List on May 25. At that time, we will also mail out Change of Appraisal Notices.

Landowners who have received a building permit or whose property has changed in size due to a map correction or subdivision will receive notice under Certificate of Mailing that the appraised value of their property has changed. Notification will also be sent to property owners of any change to their homestead (separating residential and commercial) or housesite; which is the house, up to two acres of land and any other residential improvements to the property.

At this same time, property owners that have Land Use contracts with the State of Vermont will receive notification of the use value of their property and the amount on which they will be paying taxes.

If those landowners, or any other property owners, wish to grieve the appraised value of their property in Hinesburg, the Listers must receive notification in WRITING by 5:00 p.m. on June 8, 2007. The Listers will then hear grievances on Thursday, Friday, and if necessary, Saturday; June 14 through 16. This notice of grievance must be in writing and must include a phone number so that Holly can set up an appointment for the hearing. These hearings are 15 minutes in length and will be held in the Town Hall.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact Holly Russell in the Listers' Office at 482-3619 or write to the Board of Listers at PO Box 133, Hinesburg, VT 05461.

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May 7	May 26
June 4	June 23
August 6	August 25
September 10	September 29
October 8	October 27
November 12	December 8

Advertising Deadline

The deadline for submitting advertising for the next issue of *The Hinesburg Record* is Monday, April 9, 2007. For advertising information, contact Lisa Beliveau at 482-2540 or email: hrsales@gmavt.net.

Articles Deadline

The news and calendar deadline for the next issue of *The Hinesburg Record* is Monday, April 9, 2007.

We prefer electronic submissions if possible. Please send your article as an attached file (Word document preferred; .jpg files for images) to: therecord@gmavt.net.

You may also use the drop box at the Giroux home at 327 Charlotte Road to drop off hard copy articles and photographs.

Contact June Giroux, 327 Charlotte Road, Hinesburg 05461 (junegiroux@aol.com) if you have questions. You may call her at 482-2350.

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Planning News

Village Growth Re-Zoning Forum

By Alex Weinlagen,
Director of Planning and Zoning

Come one, come all! The Planning Commission will hold its first public forum on the village growth re-zoning proposal at the Town Hall on May 23. The formal presentation and public feedback session will begin at 7:30 p.m. Drinks, refreshments, and casual conversation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Come by ahead of the formal presentation to catch up with friends, neighbors, Planning Commissioners, and Town staff while browsing informational poster displays and munching on sweet treats.

This is the culmination of approximately one-and-a-half years of work on the part of the community and the Planning Commission to lay the foundation for a larger and more vibrant village area that can accommodate concentrated future growth as outlined in the Town Plan. These zoning changes will help define how and where that future growth can occur.

These are NOT minor or technical changes. This proposal represents a bold step forward in the growth center planning that Hinesburg has been considering and involved in for over 15 years (since Mud Season forums and growth center pilot project in early 1990s). Changes include major modifications to existing zoning districts and the creation of a number of new "expansion area" zoning districts.

These changes are based on the long view of village growth for the foreseeable future. The new districts encompass most of the greater village area, with the understanding that the development of neighborhoods, shops, public spaces, roads, businesses and employment will be completed over a long but indeterminate period of time (e.g., 20+ years). Lacking a crystal ball showing future economic cycles and market forces, the Planning Commission's focus to date has been on how this could happen, not necessarily when it will happen.

For all the details on the proposed changes, see the Planning/Zoning page of the Town website (www.hinesburg.org), or contact the Planning/Zoning office (482-3619). The website also includes a lot of valuable background information on the Town Plan and the 2006 public discussion sessions that helped shape and set the stage for these zoning changes.

New Concepts

Setting minimum requirements and maximizing incentives to serve the public good:

1. Affordable Housing – requiring some, incentives for more.
2. Energy and Sustainability – energy use, home size, LEED certification, etc.
3. Design Standards – site planning and architecture for connectivity and a pedestrian focus.
4. Village Area Water Resources Overlay District – variable stream/river buffers rather than the current one-size fits all provision
5. More Mixed Use – expanding the existing village's pattern of mixed residential, industrial, public, and commercial uses into new areas.

Outstanding Issues and Questions

1. Expanding municipal wastewater treatment capacity
2. Phasing and pace of new growth
3. Coordinating public spaces (e.g., town green, recreation fields, parks, trails)
4. Connection to rural area densities – next up on the Planning Commission's work plate.

The Planning Commission and I want your feedback on

all of these items and more! Please come to the May 23 forum to learn more and to share your thoughts on the proposal. The Planning Commission will use feedback from this forum to refine the proposal before delivering it to the Selectboard for action. We will also use this forum to gauge whether additional information and public feedback are necessary before moving forward. See you there!

Town of Hinesburg Planning Commission

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Hinesburg Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at Hinesburg Town Hall on Wednesday, May 23 at 7:30 p.m. to receive public comment on proposed changes to the following regulations: Zoning Regulations, Town of Hinesburg, adopted November 7, 1972, as amended September 19, 2005; Subdivision Regulations, Town of Hinesburg, adopted September 4, 1979, as amended September 19, 2005.

The purpose of these changes is to lay the foundation for a larger and more vibrant village area that can accommodate concentrated future growth as outlined in the Town Plan. Changes include major modifications to existing zoning districts and allowed uses in the greater village area, including the creation of a number of new zoning districts. The geographic area affected is primarily the greater village area (as described in the Town Plan); however, some general changes may affect all of Hinesburg.

Copies of the proposed changes, as well as a report on how the proposed changes comply with the Town Plan, are available for review on the Town website (www.hinesburg.org) and at the Town Offices located on the corner of Route 116 and the Charlotte Road in Hinesburg. The Town Offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. For information please contact the Town Planning/Zoning Office at 482-3619.

A list of the section headings for both regulations follows, as required pursuant to Title 24, Chapter 117 V.S.A Section 4444 (b):

Zoning Regulations

- Article 1: Establishment of Districts
- Article 2: Uses, Area, Density and Dimensional Requirements
- Article 3: Zoning Districts
- Article 4: Permits and Approvals
- Article 5: General Provisions
- Article 6: Flood Hazard Area
- Article 7: Administration and Enforcement
- Article 8: Amendments, Interpretation
- Article 9: Definitions

Subdivision Regulations

- Article 1: Title, Policy, and Purpose
- Article 2: Definitions
- Article 3: Procedure for Conveyances Not Constituting a Subdivision
- Article 4: Subdivision Review Process
- Article 5: Application Submission Requirements for Major Subdivisions
- Article 6: Planning Standards
- Article 7: Required Improvements and Design Standards
- Article 8: General Application Requirements
- Article 9: Administration and Enforcement



Hinesburg Woman Charged With Stolen Credit Card

Laura A. Mansfield, 21, of Hinesburg, has been charged by Deputy Chief Silber with Uttering a Forged Instrument. The charge was the conclusion of an investigation into the theft of a credit card from a local nursery school on March 9. Silber tracked the card to where it was used by Mansfield at a drug store in Essex.

Mansfield was taken into custody and turned over to the Department of Corrections for a return to jail on previous charges.

Drifting Snow Causes Multiple Crashes

On Sunday evening, March 18, drifting snow caused four crashes, two injuries and damage to a barn. Problems began when winds blew snow across Vermont Route 116 near Place Road. First one car slid off the road and was removed. Then Hinesburg Community Police received a second report of a car off the road at the same location, and while officers were taking this call, the caller reported, "There goes another one, they just went off and hit the barn."

Chief Morrell and Officer Conant responded to these crashes. The operator of one car, Wendy Shepard, 47, of Starksboro suffered a minor arm injury, but did not require medical attention. Shepard reported she had been southbound on Vermont 116 and when she passed the point where the first car had gone off the road, she lost control and slid off the opposite side and struck a barn.

As soon as fire and police cleared this crash and returned to their respective stations, Hinesburg resident Patricia Clark, 52, of Hinesburg lost control of her pickup truck, ran off the road and overturned. She was treated at the scene by Hinesburg Fire Department and transported to Fletcher Allen hospital for treatment.

Officers attributed the cause of all crashes to the particularly slippery driving conditions caused by the drifting snow.

Silver Street Crash Sends Two to Hospital

Two people were transported to Fletcher Allen Hospital following a rear-end collision on Silver Street just north of Mead Farm Road. Officer Michael Wharton reported that on Saturday afternoon, March 31, a car operated by Janice Rougier, 77, of Eagle Bridge, New York, was struck in the rear by a pickup truck operated by Donald Pease, 71, of Dade City, Florida.

Rougier reported she had slowed on a downhill slope for a car ahead of her that was making a right turn into a driveway, when she was struck. She and the passenger in her car, Eugene Rougier, 41, were transported to Fletcher Allen Health Care by St. Michaels and Charlotte Ambulances.

Hinesburg Fire Department responded and treated the injured. It was necessary to close Silver Street for a short period of time to remove the injured and the wrecked vehicles.

Woman Averts Head-On Crash

Fast action by Tonia Bouchard, 37, of Hinesburg, averted a head-on crash on Richmond Road, at 7:10 a.m. on Tuesday April 3. Chief Chris Morrell said Bouchard was eastbound on Richmond Road, when a car operated by Richard Rayta, 24, of Hinesburg came into her lane as he prepared to make a left turn.

Bouchard steered to the right to avoid the head-on collision, but struck a utility pole close to the edge of the travel lane. Despite Bouchard's actions, Rayta's car sideswiped the driver's side of her van.

Bouchard was treated at the scene by Hinesburg Fire

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Department and then transported by St. Michaels Ambulance to Fletcher Allen Health Care. Morrell charged Rayta with Operating While Suspended and Failure to Yield on a Left Turn.

Free

There is virtually nothing that you get for free, particularly from government. Hinesburg Community Police are happy to be the exception. Over the past several years we have been distributing free gun locks to anyone that requested them. These locks were received as part of a grant. The only requirement is that they be distributed free to any gun owner.

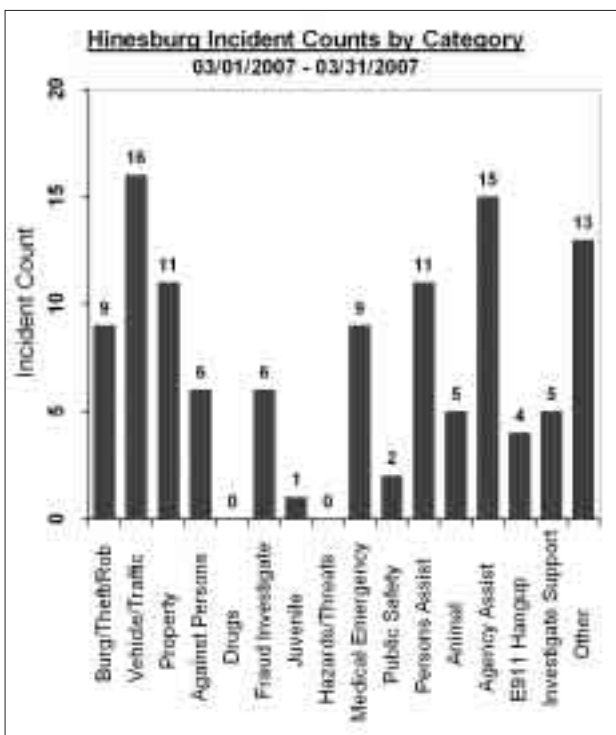
Chief Chris Morrell advises that, contrary to some rumors, the police do not record the name and address of gun owners and turn them over to federal authorities. We give the locks out without questions. Our only goal is to make sure every weapon kept in a Hinesburg home, is kept in a safe condition to prevent accidents.

If you desire a free gunlock for each of the weapons kept in your home, stop in at the station and just ask. And, if you don't own a gun, but have a relative who does, the gunlocks make good common sense gifts.

Haven't Heard From the Police?

If you haven't received any e-mail from the police lately, it is not because there is no longer any crime in Hinesburg. Instead the month-long break from e-mails from your local police has been caused by a changeover to the state computer system.

The Hinesburg Police Station has had a new high speed



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data line installed to the state Public Safety Building in Waterbury. Officers are in the process of relocating the e-mail system to that computer, and will advise residents when the move is complete. They will also provide a new e-mail address for residents to use in contacting the department.



By Chris Putnam

During the month of March, the fire department responded to a total of 32 emergency calls:

- EMS First Response (excluding motor vehicle crashes): 19
- Motor Vehicle Crashes: 8
- Structure Fires*: 2
- Fires outside of a structure: 0
- Fire or Carbon Monoxide Alarm Activations: 3

* *Structure Fires* category includes any real or potential fires within a building, such as chimney fires, and odors of smoke inside a building, but excludes alarm system activations. For this month, a large gas leak was also included in this category.

From Fire Warden Ed Waite

It's that time of year again.

It's finally spring and with spring comes outdoor burning. While burning is a great way to get rid of the downed tree branches and to clear brush, it's important to remember that there are certain rules that need to be followed:

- You need to get a burn permit. This is done by contacting the Shelburne Dispatch Center at 985-8051. Please remember to be kind and courteous as they are providing a very valuable service to the town of Hinesburg at no additional cost. Also, the determination of whether or not a permit is issued is up to the Fire Warden, not the Shelburne Dispatch Center—they are only acting as a communications point.
- You need to know what you can and cannot burn. Any natural vegetation (trees, brush, and grass) is fine. You are also allowed to burn untreated wood product, which means wood that has no paint or wood that is not pressure treated. Household trash is not permitted for burning under the state of Vermont clean air act

(Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 2201).

- All fires should be in an open area away from houses and other structures and should not be placed next to roadways as they can be a distraction to passing drivers.
- It is very important to never leave a burn unattended as it can spread very quickly and damage both yours and your neighbors' property.

Any one found to be violating these rules for burning may have their permits revoked and be refused future permits. There could also be a fine issued of up to \$500 under State Clean Air act (Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 2201).

The rules laid out above apply to both day and night burns. There are a couple of additional restrictions for nighttime fires:

- You need to call for the nighttime permit before 8:00 p.m.
- The fire must be completely put out when retiring for the night.

Anyone burning without a permit or having a burn that is deemed unsafe even with a permit will be asked to put the fire out. If the fire is not put out the Hinesburg Fire Department will send a truck to put the fire out and the responsible party may have future permits refused.

If a fire gets out of control, do not hesitate to call 911 sooner rather than later. We would rather take care of a slightly out of control fire than have a large rapidly growing incident.

Local Animal Hospital Donates Oxygen Masks for Use With Animals

EMTs Trained on Basic Pet First Aid and Restraint

What would your dog or cat do if your home were to catch fire? Even the best trained pets would most likely hide rather than follow humans outside to safety. This instinctual reaction can be deadly to the four-legged members of our families.

It is estimated that 40,000 to 50,000 pets die in house fires every year. If pets are found alive, many perish from smoke inhalation before they get the emergency care they need. The cornerstone of emergency therapy for smoke inhalation in small animals is oxygen administration.

Through a kind donation from the Animal Hospital of Hinesburg, the Hinesburg Fire Department has received and put in service specialized oxygen administration equipment

for small animals. This equipment, consisting of three sizes of masks that fit the faces of cats up to large dogs, is compatible with the oxygen tanks that HFD units carry for use in humans.

In addition to oxygen equipment, the animal hospital donated restraint devices such as leashes and muzzles. During a recent training exercise with the Department's First Response unit, Dr. Rich Armstrong, a veterinarian at the Animal Hospital of Hinesburg and an EMT with HFD, trained personnel on how to use the oxygen equipment, apply muzzles and leashes for the purpose of restraint and protection, basic bandaging techniques, and animal CPR.

"The mission of our First Response squad is still very much centered on human emergency medical care, but we have been in situations where we've found it difficult to care for a human patient because he or she is so concerned about the well-being of the pet that is still in the house or was in the vehicle when it crashed," says Armstrong. "This training gives responders an awareness of how we can protect ourselves from getting injured by a stressed pet and also possibly provide initial basic emergency care, assuming all human patients at the scene are already getting the care they need."

The equipment is carried on HFD's heavy rescue truck, which responds to all traffic accidents, house fires, and other calls involving hazardous situations.

Propane Tank Leaks Causing Evacuation

On the afternoon of Tuesday, March 27, HFD handled a large incident at Orchard Hill apartments. A propane tank became dislodged from its mounts due to soft, thawing ground, and in the process of slipping it broke its piping, causing a significant gas leak.

The incident required evacuations of a large area including the apartments and the school. HFD was assisted by the Hinesburg Community Police, Charlotte Fire Department, and had ambulances on standby during this incident, and the state hazardous materials response team was also called. Gas leaks can be extremely hazardous since it is difficult to contain the explosive fumes. Fortunately this incident was resolved without any significant property damage or injuries. This incident highlights the importance of periodically checking propane tank mounts to ensure that they are secure. Please take a moment to look at your tank.

Emergencies In Bitter Cold Pose Challenges

During one of the coldest weeks of this winter, HFD responded to a fire alarm activation at 2:00 a.m. on a Wednesday morning. Responding members gained access to the building, tracked down the detector that had activated, and confirmed that there was no fire. A response like this in such cold temperatures can pose difficulties with the water that is carried on our trucks (and even more difficulties when it is an actual fire and we have to use the water!). We take special precautions to keep the pumps from freezing and return apparatus to the station once it is determined that is not needed to prevent damage due to freezing water in the tanks, piping, and pumps. Of course, there are hazards to the personnel being exposed to the cold as well. Is spring here yet?

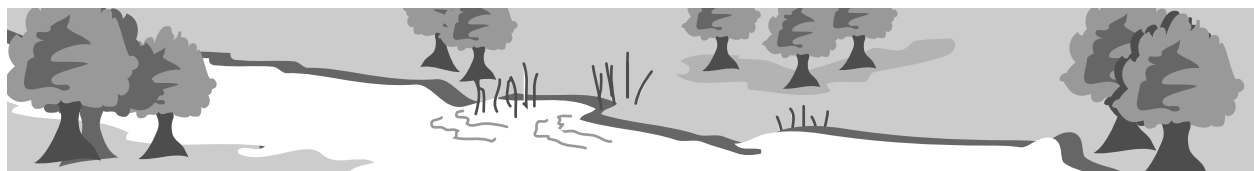
Help Us Help You

Recently HFD members responded to investigate a smoke alarm sounding in a vacant residence. Upon investigation it appeared that the detector had been alarming for a long time unreported.

Please don't hesitate to call 911 if you hear what you believe is a fire or carbon monoxide alarm sounding and you are unable to contact any occupants in the residence. Keep in mind that it may be that there is an occupant in the structure that has become incapacitated, or that there is a small fire in the structure that no one is present to report.

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Residents Participate in Step It Up

By Andrea Morgante

Hinesburg citizens and businesses participated in national Step It Up on April 14. With a hike from Town Hall to the hills above the Village and over to NRG, Hinesburg was a part of over 1400 nationwide STEP IT UP events.

Hinesburg citizens and businesses were joined by hundreds of Chittenden country residents at NRG during the day at the Carbon Diet Fair and Fun. Hybrid cars, building materials to reduce electricity and carbon use for homes and businesses, Way To Go Week and Operation Light Switch were all on display in the cafeteria of NRG as over 400 people toured the beautiful and LEED certified building.

Throughout the country people gathered to bring attention to global warming and to demand that Congress take action. Banners from hilltops to seacoasts, maple sugar bushes to palm tree beaches were unfurled with the same message Step it UP Congress! Cut Carbon 80% by 2050.

Gardens of Lewis Creek Event Returns to Benefit HLT

By Gay Regan

Stone Walls, Beautiful Gardens, and More

Imagine! Stone walls and gardens in the midst of hills and trees. Leave your car at the intersection of Lewis Creek Road and Turkey Lane. Take a walk on a dirt lane along Lewis Creek or, maybe, a horse drawn wagon ride. Hungry? How about a hamburger or hot dog next to the Pierce/McNaull "camp" and trout pond in an abundant garden setting carved out of the woods. Maybe try a salad at the Kiedaisch's or some dessert at the Regan's. Need some new gardening ideas? Come to one of the demonstrations, walks or workshops.

The Gardens of Lewis Creek is so much more than just a garden tour. Neighbors on Hinesburg's Lewis Creek Road and Turkey Lane will open their gardens on Saturday, June 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and June 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This event benefits the Hinesburg Land Trust's conservation efforts and tickets are tax deductible. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 on the days of the tour—those under 18 will be admitted free to encourage the love of gardening and nature. For more information call Marcia Pierce at (802) 482-2118, go online at www.hinesburglandtrust.org, or pick up a brochure at the Charlotte Senior Center.

The events begin on Friday night, June 22, with the film *Stone Rising*, featuring the unique stone work of Dan Snow. This hour-long production captures his philosophy, art, and techniques through interviews and beautiful photography. Come to the Hinesburg Town Hall from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. to be mesmerized by the art of dry stone walls and gardens. Enjoy the opportunity to meet Dan and the producer/director, Camilla Rockwell, and to ask questions. There will be a \$5 charge and an opportunity to buy a DVD or purchase advance garden tour tickets and enter a raffle.

Stone walls are one of the features of this year's event. On Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dan Snow will be teaching and supervising the construction of a stone wall at the trail head on Lewis Creek Road. This trail links up with trails that are part of the Laplatte Headwaters Initiative on the Bissonette Farm. Observers are welcome to watch the stone wall take shape and ask questions of Dan.

A variety of stone walls can be found in the Roomet, Pierce, Kiedaisch, and Spencer gardens. The Roomet's gardens feature several massive retaining walls that were built by David

"Stoney" Mason after their historic home was moved back 300 feet from the busy traffic on Silver Street onto their field to the east. They had the landscaping problems of a newly constructed home but the advantage of old plantings and materials saved from the old site. A stone path and beds planted with spring and fall perennials were laid to connect a circular brick patio with a bluestone terrace. "Stoney" Mason, winner of the Governor's Heritage Award in 2005, created a work of art using the foundation stones of their home to build distinctive stone walls that anchor their home and barns to the new topography.

The Pierce/McNaull property has a sunken, walled garden designed by Paul Wiczorek, with lush plantings and a contemplative pool to complement the handsome stonework. A stone wall and a stone bridge over a cascading watercourse connect the upper garden with the lower garden. Visitors to the extensive Pierce gardens will be treated to a great diversity of plantings, including a number of unusual conifers, as well as hostas, perennials, shrubs, woodland flowers, heather, ornamental grasses and damp-loving plants.

Walkers may discover the Kiedaisch garden and a stone wall designed and built by Terry Dinnan by walking on a woodland path from the Pierce/McNaull gardens or by following their hemlock shaded driveway lined with many woodland ferns. Enjoy their raised beds of cutting flowers and their vegetables or come to one of the two lecture/demonstrations held at their home.

Brian Gluck, owner of Rustic Cedar, will demonstrate crafting cedar garden structures at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. Peter Hope, Biology Instructor at St. Michael's College, will conduct a fern walk at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Four more gardens are available for people to enjoy. The Regan garden is the last stop for the hay wagon on Lewis Creek Road. Dessert, a classic perennial garden against a backdrop of Camel's Hump, and a barn full of exotic birds should entice the visitor to this turn-around point.

Returning to the parking area at the intersection of Lewis Creek Road and Turkey Lane gives the visitor an opportunity to walk or drive to the Fox Meadow Gardens on Turkey Lane where the Erb, Patten, and Spencer/Kielman families share a driveway and a 30-acre field with mountain views. Three distinctive gardens with vegetables, perennials, trees and shrubs, and, yes, stone walls, can be viewed near their three homes.

Several more events will happen Saturday and Sunday. At the Roomets on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. view their wildflower meadow and learn how to prepare, plant and mow a meadow of wildflowers. On Saturday make the short drive from Turkey Lane to Cobble Creek Nursery on Tyler Bridge Road for a tour at 2:30 p.m. and an opportunity to buy some of their ornamental trees and shrubs. On Sunday the Roomets will host a workshop led by Meg Foster for Hosta Leaf Casting.

Truly, the Gardens of Lewis Creek provide a two-day bonanza of sensory delights and some useful information as well.



Some of the Hinesburg residents who hiked from Town Hall to NRG for STEP IT UP. PHOTO BY JEFF CLARKE

By Jennifer McQuin

My hope is that when you are reading this article, it will be feeling a lot more like spring! It's really hard to imagine playing Tee Ball in the snow, so we'll have to hope for the best. Spring Sports start the week of April 30 and run through June 8. Cross your fingers for a dry and warm season! Hopefully everyone received the Spring/Summer Program Guide. If you didn't, you can find one online at www.hinesburg.org under Recreation or stop by the Town Hall for a copy. It's full of summer activities for children and adults. It also features the popular Nestech Summer Concert Series schedule for our Wednesday evening concerts behind Hinesburg Community School. Think Spring!

2007 Recreation Spring Sports Schedule

Spring sports start the week of April 30.

Lacrosse at Lyman Park

Boys Grades three and four on Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Boys Grades seven and eight on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Girls Grades five through eight on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Tee Ball

Kindergarten and first grade on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. CVU Upper Field

Farm League Baseball

Grades two and three on Monday and Wednesday 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Lyman Park and HCS

Fencing with Dale Rodgers

Fencing is the art/sport of skilled swordsmanship and has been practiced for centuries. Through fencing you can acquire the reflexes of a boxer, the legs of a high jumper and the concentration of a chess player. The sport develops agility, strength, speed and cunning. Because of the speed of its action, fencing is considered the fastest martial sport. But most importantly, it's fun! Students will experience effective appropriate warm up, salute, en garde, body positioning and alignment. Full protective equipment is provided. Dale Rodgers is lifetime teacher of fencing and professional physical education instructor. He is a long time member of the U.S. Fencing Association and supports the development of youth and junior fencing at the U.S. Olympic Training Centers. An incredible opportunity right after school!

Who: Third through eighth graders
When: Wednesdays – May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30

Where: HCS Cafeteria
Time: 2:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$80

Dale will also be offering a Fencing program for teens through adult.

Who: Ages 13 and up
When: Wednesday evenings – May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30

Where: HCS Cafeteria
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$80

Please register with the Rec. Dept.

Driver Education Taught By Dave Brautigam

Students must possess a Vermont Learners Permit to be eligible for the class. Students will schedule their driving time with the instructor in addition to classroom time. Classroom time consists of 30 hours. Driving time consists of six hours. Instructor is able to administer driving test when student turns 16.

Where: CVU classroom TBD

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

Dates: June 18 to July 20 (skipping July 4 for holiday)

Cost: \$675 payable to Dave Brautigam

Full payment and registration forms are due by May 11 to secure a spot in class. They can be mailed to Hinesburg Rec. Dept., P.O. Box 133, Hinesburg, VT 05461. For additional information or questions about the course please contact Dave Brautigam at davebrautigam@gmavt.net and to enroll, please contact Jennifer McCuin at the Rec. Dept. at 482-4691 or at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Golf Lessons at Cedar Knoll

Adult

PGA Golf Instructor Barry Churchill will offer this clinic for beginners through novice. In three weeks, Barry will go over the basic shots needed on the golf course, mainly tee shots with woods, full swing with irons, and the short game such as chipping and putting. He'll discuss basic golf rules and etiquette. Clubs are available to use if needed. Barry does an incredible job at explaining what to do to improve your golf game. Cedar Knoll is located on Rte. 116 south of the village.

Who: Adults eighteen years and older

When: Session One – Tuesdays, May 8, 15 and 22

Session Two – Monday, July 9, 16 and 23

Where: Cedar Knoll Golf Course

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$55 per session

Maximum: 12 participants

Please register through the Rec. Dept. at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Youth

PGA Golf Instructor Barry Churchill will instruct this one-week program that is designed to show kids the various shots they would need to know in playing a round of golf on the course, as

well as golf etiquette. Clubs can be provided for lessons. Come give this life-long sport a try, right in our own backyard!

Who: Kids ages seven to 14

When: Session One – June 25 through 29

Session Two – July 9 through 13

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Cost: \$50

Maximum: 12 participants

Driver Education Taught By Kevin Browne

Students must possess a Vermont Learners Permit to be eligible for the class. Students will schedule their driving time with the instructor in addition to classroom time. Classroom time consists of 30 hours. Driving time consists of six hours. Kevin will administer the driving test when the student turns 16. You may contact him directly and arrange a time for the test.

Where: Located in the first floor conference room in the Town Hall.

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday and Friday

Dates: June 11, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, July 2, 3, 5 and 6

Cost: \$625 payable to Kevin Browne

Full payment and registration forms are due by May 11 to secure a spot in class. They can be mailed to Hinesburg Rec. Dept., P.O. Box 133, Hinesburg, VT 05461. For additional information or questions about the course please contact Kevin Browne or at kmb1159@verizon.net. To enroll in the course, please contact Jennifer McCuin at the Rec. Dept. at 482-4691 or at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Tennis Lessons Taught By Frank Babbott

Adult

Who: Adults 18 years and older

When: Tuesdays – June 19, 17, 24 and 31 (Choose one or all four dates)

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Where: Courts behind Hinesburg Community School

Cost: \$15 per lesson

Please register with the Rec. Dept. at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net (Continued on the next page.)

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Youth

Players will focus on learning basic tennis skills, including time to work on proper mechanics and techniques for each stroke. This will be reinforced with drills to improve these skills. The seven to ten year old group will include instruction on how to hold a racquet, how to swing, when to block a shot, as well as lots of games to make it fun. The 11 to 14 year old ups will practice good tennis strokes and techniques and learn strategy to beat their parents! Frank's wonderful sense of humor and tennis knowledge will make this a rewarding and FUN experience.

Seven, eight and nine year olds - July 16 to 20
 Nine, ten and 11 year olds - July 23 to 27
 Eleven through 14 year olds - June 25 to 29 and July 30 to August 3
 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Cost: \$120 per week
 Bring water bottle, hats, sunscreen, and snack.
 Make up times will be Monday evenings.
 Please register through the Rec. Dept. 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Co-Ed Adult Pick-Up Softball at Lyman Park

Who: Adults 18 years and older
 When: Tuesdays - June 19 to August 28
 Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
 Cost: FREE
 Please register with the Rec. Dept. 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Bird and Wildflower Walks With Paul Wiczoreck

Who: Adults 18 years and older
 When: Saturday - May 12 and 19
 Time: 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
 Please register with Rec. Dept. at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net to learn of meeting place for each walk.

Dog Obedience Class - Jim Warden's College Of K-9 Knowledge

This popular and essential class is back and I'm sure that there are many dogs and their owners ready for the challenge.

Join experienced dog trainer Jim Warden for this informative and entertaining class. This class will provide many years of enjoyment from your dog. A well-trained dog benefits everyone.

When: Thursdays - May 3 to June 7 (6 weeks)
 Where: Town Hall Field
 Time: 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$65
 Please contact the Rec. Dept. at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net to register.
 Minimum enrollment: Ten dogs and their companions.
 Please leave your dog at home for the first class. Thanks!

Recreational Track and Field

This is an instructional program for ages seven to 14. Athletes will learn the basics of running, jumping, throwing and relays. Those nine years and up will have the opportunity to compete in the Hershey Track and Field Meet in addition to the Vermont State Meet. Please register by June 8. This program is combined with Hinesburg, Williston and Charlotte this year and will have a maximum of 22 participants. We would love to have a few track/running enthusiasts to help out.
 Dates: Tuesdays and Thursdays - June 19 to July 26
 Times: 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.
 Cost: \$35 includes team t-shirt
 Hershey State Meet in Essex Jct. is July 7 and Vermont State Meet is July 28 in Hartford, VT.

CVU Soccer Camp

Come play soccer with CVU's finest players. A proud tradition teaching a love for the game!
 Who: Kindergarteners through ninth grade
 Where: CVU
 When: July 9 to 13
 Time: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
 Cost: \$110
 Camp brochures are available at the Rec. Dept. Please make checks payable to "CVU Soccer School".

Vermont Voltage Soccer Camp in Hinesburg

Who: Five to 15 years
 Where: Town Hall Field and United Church Field
 When: August 6 to 10
 Time: 9:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m.
 Cost: \$100 (a second child is \$90 and further discounts are available for attending other Voltage camps)
 Each camper will receive a t-shirt, soccer ball, squeeze bottle and tickets to a Vermont Voltage soccer game. Camp applications are available at the Rec. Dept. or online at www.vermontvoltage.com. For a complete listing of all

Vermont Voltage Soccer Camps in Chittenden County, go to www.vermontvoltage.com"

Young Rembrandts Summer Art Camp

Two great themes in one morning! In the first part of the morning, students will explore the Wild West. Students will create a full scene found in the adventurous Wild West, utilizing different types of media. The second half of the morning will be spent drawing exploring the mysterious world of Egypt. Imagine digging into the world of how Egyptians lived, looking at decorative objects found in the treasured tombs including hieroglyphics and sarcophagi. Students will draw artifacts and Egyptian imagery using markers, color pencils, sharpies, and more. The final day will utilize pastel chalk in creating a large drawing worth of praise. All art material is included. Bring a snack for a break in between lessons, bring a smock for pastel work and get ready of a great adventure!

Who: Seven to 12 years
 When: July 30 to August 3
 Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
 Where: First floor conference room in Town Hall
 Cost: \$125
 Maximum: 12 students
 Please register through the Rec. Dept. at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Bolton Adventure Center Saturdays

Are you looking for something totally different to do on a Saturday? Come check out the Bolton Adventure Center (BAC), which has the latest in challenge technology. Offering a beautiful design hidden gracefully within the surrounding environment, the BAC courses provide both low and high elements. BAC Low Elements include the Mohawk Walk, Vortex, Whale Watch, 3-D Spider Web, and Wild Woozy. The BAC High Elements provide the most exhilarating challenge course available today. Set 40 feet above the ground, high elements include a Zip Line, Giant Swing, Leap of Faith, Burma Bridge, Catwalk, and Vertical Playpen. Try something totally new, that's only 20 minutes away at Bolton Valley Resort.

When: Saturdays - May 26, June 30, July 28, and August 25
 Time: Two hour time slots from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 You choose when you make your reservation.
 Cost: \$25 per person
 Please contact the Bolton Adventure Center at 434-3444 or e-mail Pete Cahn at pcahn@boltonvalley.com

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Time: 11:00 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

Cost: \$45 payable to American Red Cross

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The ABC's Of CSA's

By Roberta Nubile

Know your Food Grower - Join a Local CSA this Summer

The movement toward eating locally is creating a demand for more local food growers. Vermont is seeing an emergence of a sustainable socio-economic model of farming called Community Supported Agriculture, or CSA.

The CSA works like this: at the beginning of the growing season, sometime in March or April in this area, you sign up at a CSA and pre-pay your summer through fall food order. On a weekly basis, usually starting in mid-June through October, you pick up your share. This simple and elegant model allows small scale farmers to thrive, and you to receive fresh, local and competitively priced produce, flowers, fruits, herbs, eggs, meat and/or dairy, depending on what the CSA offers. The



James Donegan of Trillium Hill Vegetables at the summer 2006 Hinesburg Farmer's Market. PHOTO BY ROBIN REED

most common CSA types offer vegetables and fruit. The cost of a share ranges from \$300-\$500, depending on how each farm defines the share size. The farmer can tell you approximately how many adults and children a share will feed.

The advantages of CSA's are many. With minimal overhead costs, the farmer can direct their money and time to growing excellent quality food, which is usually grown using organic, ecologic or biodynamic farming methods. A CSA gives you deliciously fresh food, grown in conditions that treat the land in your community well. It allows the small scale farmer to survive in a food market that favors large-scale agribusinesses. By omitting packaging and distribution, you are reducing your dependence on oil.

Belonging to a CSA gives you the opportunity to keep your dollars local, thus keeping the local economy vibrant. Hank Bissell of Lewis Creek farm views buying local as more than economics. "Buying local is really a desire for us to feel a connection to the biosystem around us – to know we are not separate."

According to feedback given to Dave Quickel and Emma Burrous from their customers at Stony Loam Farm, a CSA serves as an excellent community gathering place, while it teaches children about how food grows and where it comes from.

The best thing about CSA's is the personal relationship you have with your food and your food grower! The newly formed joint CSA Arcadia Brook and Bloomfield Farms are excited about getting to know their customers better at this summer's gardening event days. Bissell of Lewis Creek Farm is convinced that the appeal of CSA's is not just about the fresh vegetables; says he, "the farm becomes the families' own farm in a way. I have seen child say, 'look Mom, there's our farm!'"

The biggest disadvantage to joining a CSA is that you are sharing the financial risk with the farmer. How great is that risk? It would be a rare occurrence for a farmer to have complete crop failure. It may be that a spring, summer or fall does poorly due to extreme weather conditions, but not the whole year, and the other seasons will often make up for it. The more diversified a CSA is in its crop offerings, the less likely the risk to you is. You may not get that delicious melon you had last year, but this year you will have great strawberries, for example. Many farmers will tell you it is a mystery why some crops do better some years, and some don't. But for those who are committed to supporting local farmers and keeping their dollars local, this risk is a conscious one.

CSA models are documented as far back as the 1960's in Europe and Japan, though it did not come to the U.S. until the mid 1980's. Winter CSA's are a growing trend as well, offering vegetables that have been held in root cellars, as well as an emphasis on meat, dairy and eggs.

Make this the summer for you to increase your local eating habits- call a CSA near you today!

Arcadia Brook Farm and Bloomfield Farm, Farmers David Booth, Norma Hernandez Garcia, Tanya Srolovitz and Matthew Burke, Charlotte/No.Ferrisburgh, 425-2754 www.arcadiabrookfarm.com.

Farmstand at the Cobble, Farmer Wendy Ordway, Hinesburg 482-3848.

Lewis Creek Farm, Farmer Hank Bissell, Starksboro, 453-4591 www.greenmountainaccess.net/~lcfarm/.

Stony Loam Farm, Farmers Dave Quickel and Emma Burrous, Charlotte, 238-0255 www.StonyLoamFarm.com.

Trillium Hill Vegetables, Farmer James Donegan. Hinesburg, 482-3245 doneganmaple@hotmail.com.

Resources: www.nofavt.org for a complete Vermont listing of CSA's and other farms.

www.eatlocalvt.org for information on why and how to eat locally.

www.localharvest.org a national listing of sustainably grown food.

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We Deliver

Free delivery of materials is available to Hinesburg residents who find travel or physical access to the library building difficult. The library also circulates books and tapes to seniors on the third Friday of each month at the Seniors Meal Site in the Osborne Hall behind the United Church of Hinesburg.

Trustee Meetings

Carpenter-Carse Library Board of Trustees meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month unless otherwise warned. Meetings are held at the library at 7:00 p.m. and are open to the public.

Book Discussion Group

Avid readers may join our library's book discussion group, which meets monthly in readers' homes. The May 31 book selection is *River Town: Two years of the Yangtze* by Peter Hessler. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Watch for posters or phone Earla Sue McNaull at 482-3347 for information on location or other details.

Young Adult Events

YA Book Group

Thursday, May 24, 6:30 p.m. come in to preview new additions and to review, discuss and select new titles for the library's Young Adult collection. Refreshments will be served, followed by a young adult movie. New members are welcome. Call Aaron or Tom at 482-2878.

YA Movie Night

Friday night is movie night at Carpenter-Carse for young adults. Come to the library and enjoy a great flick. Mark your calendars for May 25, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. when we will

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Preschool Storytimes

Preschoolers aged three to five can drop by the library every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. for stories, songs and games with Tom. ***Please note that there will be no preschool storytime on May 15.**

Recent Acquisitions

Adult Fiction:

Binchy, Maeve, *Whitethorn Woods*
 Brockmeier, Kevin, *The Brief History of the Dead*
 Chevalier, Tracy, *Burning Bright*
 Clinch, Jon, *Finn: a novel*
 Fforde, Katie, *Bidding for Love*
 Gallagher, Nora, *Changing Light*
 Hall, James W., *Magic City*
 Hill, Joe, *The Heart-Shaped Box*
 Hoag, Tami, *The Alibi*
 Isaacs, Susan, *Past Perfect*
 Kinsella, Sophie, *Shopaholic and Baby*
 Min, Anchee, *The Last Empress*
 Robb, J.D., *Innocent in Death*

Adult Nonfiction:

Beah, Ishmael, *A Long Way Gone: memoirs of a boy soldier*
 Furiya, Linda, *Bento Box in the Heartland: my Japanese girlhood in Whitebread America*
 Hand, Samuel B., *The Star that Set: the Vermont Republican Party 1854-1974*
 Lamott, Ann, *Grace (eventually): thoughts on faith*
 McKibben, Bill, *Deep Economy: the wealth of communities and the durable future*
 Oren, Michael B., *Power, Faith and Fantasy: America in the Middle East 1776 to the present*
 Pearl, Mariane, *A Mighty Heart: the inside story of the Al Qaeda kidnapping of Danny Pearl*
 Pierce, Charles P., *Moving the Chains: Tom Brady and the pursuit of everything*
 Trussoni, Danielle, *Falling Through the Earth: a memoir*
 Woodruff, Lee, *In an Instant: a family's journey of love and healing*

Roizen, Michael F., *You on a Diet: the owner's manual for waist management*

Sheehy, Gail, *Sex and the Seasoned Woman*

Szatmari, Peter, *A Mind Apart: understanding children with autism and Asberger syndrome*

Check out our website for listings of books on order and for new children's and young adult selections.

Family Movie Night

The library is a fun place to come on a Friday night to relax and watch a great movie. Join us for the next showing on Friday, March 4, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This month's feature film is *Matilda*, rated PG. Mark your calendars now!

Pajama Party

Friday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m. Wear your pajamas and join Tom for stories, games and a whole lot of family fun.

Upcoming Special Events

Alien Invaders!

Tuesday, May 1, 7:00 p.m. Come hear about the invasive plants of Lake Champlain presented by Mike Winslow of the Lake Champlain Committee. Where did they come from? How did they get here? What can we do about them? Which invaders are next? Speaker Mike Winslow is the staff scientist for the non-profit Lake Champlain Committee. He writes a monthly column on lake natural resources and issues and has served on numerous technical bodies making important management decisions for the lake. This program is sponsored by the Green Mountain Audubon Society. It is free with refreshments served.

Hinesburg Pickin' Party

May 5 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. join your friends and neighbors for another afternoon of music and good times on the first Saturday of each month. Stop in to play or just to listen. Recommended for teens through adult. For more information call Tom Stamp at 482-2878.

Hooked Rug Show

May 7 to 12 at the Library. We are excited to have another rug show at the Library! The Hinesburg Rug Hookers will kick off the rug show with a reception on Sunday, May 6, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The local talent displayed in these rugs is truly amazing! Take a little break to visit the library and enjoy these unique and colorful creations, the product of many hours of work... or was it play? You may see the rugs during any of the library's open hours, (Continued on the next page.)



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Friends of the Library Book Sale

Weed your bookshelves now and restock them on May 12 at the Library, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Our Community Room will be chock-full of fiction and nonfiction titles for all ages. This sale may not be as large as the Independence Day Sale, but what could be better than leisurely browsing through book boxes surrounded by beautiful hooked rugs?!! Proceeds go to the Friends of the Library for special library needs and projects.

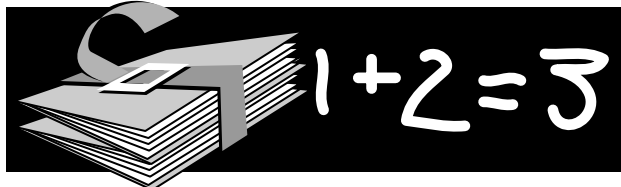
Pickin' For Friends

Saturday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hinesburg Town Hall. We are planning on a crowd, so will need the Town Hall for an evening of great entertainment featuring performances by Rik Palieri, Lyle King, Rebecca Padula and the Bring Down the House Band. Storyteller Tom Stamp will host this special evening. Admission is by donation and all proceeds will go to benefit the Hinesburg Community Resource Center and Friends of Families. For information call 482-2878.

Quotation of the Month

"The world never stops growing, becoming more complex and marvelous to one who can read."
- Anne Perry, 1938 writes Victorian mysteries

HINESBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOL



Compiled by Betsy Knox

Mark Your Calendars for these Upcoming Events at HCS!

- May**
- 4: Kindergarten registration from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 to 2:30 p.m.
 - 7: Kindergarten registration from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 to 2:30 p.m.
 - 8: *Understanding Cultures through Storytelling* presentation by O'Brien/McGuire Grade 1-2 classes at 6:30 p.m.
 - 29: CSSU Jazz Concert at 7:00 p.m. at CVU
 - 30: Performance by Lass/Hodge Grade 1-2 classes at 6:30 p.m.
 - 31: Spring Concert (A Band, Jazz Band, and 7-8 Chorus) at 1:00 p.m. for Grades 3-8 and also at 7:00 p.m.
- June**
- 5: Spring Concert (Beginner and Intermediate Bands and Grades 5/6)

HCS Community Forum: A Look to the Future

By Thom Fleury, Assistant Principal

We are pleased to report that nearly sixty people were in attendance for the Hinesburg Community School Focus Forum on April 4. After a presentation by Superintendent Elaine Pinckney about future educational and societal trends, attendees were broken into groups to discuss their visions of what makes a successful HCS student, the ways we can provide for students to assist them in preparing for the future, and the leadership experiences, characteristics, and variables that the school needs in order to carry out our vision and

successfully reach all students.

The Principal Search Committee will review this information as it goes about its work of recommending a new leader for our school. We will keep you updated as that selection process continues.

CSSU Jazz Concert Showcases Student Talent

By Betsy Knox

Each year the Jazz Ensembles within CSSU gather together for a wonderful evening of jazz music. Even if you don't have a jazz musician in your family, plan to attend this incredible evening. This year's concert is Tuesday, May 29, at 7:00 p.m. at CVU. Our own HCS Jazz Ensemble, under the leadership of Pam Miller, will be performing. Other jazz ensembles from CSSU schools will also be featured. The evening concludes with the best of the best: the CVU Jazz Ensemble. Don't miss out on a fun and memorable showcase of musical talent!

Math Is For Everyone!

By Nancy Pollack, HCS Math Coordinator

On Thursday, April 5, I was fortunate enough to watch a roomful of parents and their young children enjoying quality time together. What were they doing? Would you believe...MATH? After a dinner of yummy pizza, children and parents were designing dice, counting cotton balls, predicting patterns, sorting "stuff", and much, much more.

These families participated in the Family Math Playtime, a program at Hinesburg Community School, for parents and their children aged three to five. Approximately 25 families played games and participated in activities that can be recreated at home. It was a great time for the children and an enlightening time for the adults! Parents realized how much they can do at home to develop mathematical skills with a few resources commonly found around the house.

It is my hope that these events will foster a beginning for mathematical learning. These activities can be the initial foundation for building number sense. Preschoolers and kindergarteners love to play these types of games repeatedly and will gain more practice in mathematical concepts as they do.

If you were not able to attend this event, but are interested in receiving a copy of the "Family Math Resource Book," please contact Nancy Pollack at the Hinesburg Community School. A periodic newsletter is also published with more ideas for fun math activities you can do at home with your young children. Let me know if you'd like to be on our recipient list. Finally, I hope to see you at our next Family Math Playtime event!

Nancy Pollack may be reached at 482-2106 ext. 151.

Young HCS Mathematical Minds Stretch Through Continental League

By Nancy Pollack, HCS Math Coordinator

There are 50 marbles in pile A and 31 marbles in pile B. If marbles are moved from pile B to pile A, there will be twice as many marbles in pile A as in pile B. These are the kinds of questions that ten of our second graders at Hinesburg Community School have been challenging themselves with every Thursday since November. They've been involved with the Continental Math League, a program designed to increase problem solving skills and passion in the area of mathematics.

Kurt Van Hook, a parent volunteer, has been working with these second graders each week, practicing all kinds of challenging problems in mathematics. Three times over the course of the year, the children had to solve six problems independently. On Thursday, April 5, the students and their parents celebrated the end of the program with a pizza party lunch and award ceremony.

All participants received a personalized certificate of achievement. Special congratulations go to Cam Willsey, Tyler Marshall, and Noah VanHook, for being the top individual scorers overall.

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Girls on the Run!

By Kristi Johnson

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You do not need to be a runner yourself. Being open minded and enthusiastic are the needed qualifications for this job! Please contact Kristi Johnson at 482-3366 or kristijohnson@gmavt.net.



Girls on the run.

Persistence Pays Off

By Cynthia Fay

I have a wonderful story to share with you. At the performance of *The Jungle Book* musical, I informed the crowd that HCS was going to make DVD copies of the production available to parents. However, when the rights to perform were purchased, the school ended up not buying the rider for this purpose. Due to copyright laws we were not permitted, by the licensing company MTI, to distribute copies of the video.

This was not acceptable to second grader Natalie Meyer. In December she wrote a letter addressed to Disney Enterprises, Inc. and had it signed by her first and second grade classmates. She requested permission to copy our performance. In March she had not heard any response from Disney, so she wrote another petition and sent it along. With the help of her mother, Natalie contacted Disney in California. Disney's attorney apologized for not returning a letter to Natalie and her classmates. She promised to look into the situation.

After inquiring at MTI, Disney's representative officially responded to HCS and Natalie giving us special permission. To quote, "we have no objection to your request...the agreement specifically allows for the reproduction and distribution of such a videocassette."

We are very grateful to our young advocate. Natalie, you're awesome!

Safe Routes To School

By Pam Matthews

April showers may bring May flowers, but April snow showers bring Hinesburg kids out onto the sidewalks walking to school!

In a busy and exciting year for the Vermont Safe Routes to School Program, Hinesburg continues to cheer its children on as they develop healthy regular fitness routines, while the SR2S team gears up for a process that could bring up to \$250k in Federal grant funds, with no match required, to the Town of Hinesburg.

The following is straight from the Federal guidance for the program:

Section 1404 (f)(1)(A) of SAFTEA-LU states that the infrastructure funds may be used for the "planning, design, and construction of infrastructure-related projects" in the vicinity of schools (defined as the area within walking and bicycling distance—approximately 2 miles). Projects should clearly provide connectivity to schools or be part of an identified school walking/bicycling route.

Eligible projects include:

- Sidewalk improvements
- Traffic calming and speed reduction
- Pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements
- On Street bicycle facilities
- Shared use paths
- Secure bicycle parking

Hinesburg's kids have made it clear that they are willing and ready to walk and bike to school. Despite their enthusiasm, many safety barriers exist along our would-be school travel routes. Fortunately, we have an opportunity to address these issues.

Later this spring, we plan to offer a Safe Routes to School Community Forum. The goal is to discuss and solicit input surrounding the five E's that are the basis for the SR2S Program: Encouragement, Education, Enforcement, Engineering, and Evaluation.

The input gathered at the forum will become an integral part of our School Travel Plan, (as yet, in draft form). This school travel plan will serve as a living, working document illustrating where we are going and how we are getting there. It will also be a key element of our SR2S grant application.

Just a generation ago, over 40% of children walked and biked to school in this country. Today it is under 17%. At the same time, we are faced with obesity rates in children as have never been seen. School transportation costs nationwide are the second highest expense, after teacher salaries, and an unprecedented number of parents drive their children to school each day increasing their carbon footprints and contributing to traffic congestion in the morning rush hour.

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The Viking Voice

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In this Viking Voice, Hinesburg Community School middle school students play with the arts of poetry, photography, and fiction. (Sometimes all at once.) And, in a new feature "For the Record...", they further exercise those Viking Voices, sharing what they think and why.

Small House

By Andrea Dotolo

A small house	They will soon
Hung on a tree	Be happy and
With one small hole	Singing again
Made for the	
Wonders of the sky	As life rolls on
	They come and
	Go
Inside small seeds	Up in the sky
That feed these	They fly
Little creatures	Free
As spring comes up	The wonderful
They come out	Creatures live
More often	Their life in a
To play	Magical world
	That humans
The small animals	Will never know.
Can be harmed	
By many	
But no worries	

This photograph was taken by Andrea Dotolo, a 7th grader at HCS. The picture is of a bird house on a tree outside HCS.



"Branches of Love"

By Emma Sienkiewicz and Shelby Hanlon

Two lovers	They grow within each other
Their arms intertwined	Never leaving the others touch
Gazing at each other's	
Love struck eyes	Never falling
Under the soft silver light	Or giving up hope
Of the moon	Through snow and sleet
	And wind and rain
The breeze whipping	They stand strong
Through their hair	
Whispering to them	Free in the wind
What they wish to hear	With birds in their hair
	Stretching toward the sky
Though they grow old	With their arms intertwined
Their love is undying	Until the end of time



This picture was taken by Emma Sienkiewicz and Shelby Hanlon, 7th graders at Hinesburg Community School. This picture of two trees hugging was taken on Lewis Creek Road in Hinesburg. It represents love and happiness and how it travels through everything and everyone.

Peace Sign Pictures

By Maggie Ross and Galen Broido

Peace signs mean many different things. They can make us think of a society that is free of violence and torture. They can also mean things like a simple lake house on a quiet evening with the sun setting in the distance. To different people they mean different ideas of elaborate pictures that pop up in peoples' minds. The different peace signs like the stones, twigs, snow, dirt, and people symbolize the different ideas of peace that people can think of. Peace signs mean many different things, what that thing is, you can decide.

Keep the conversation going ...

Please email the Viking Voice Coordinator, Jen Bradford (jbradford@hcsvt.org) to share your comments and questions with our writers.

Riding the Wave

By Ashley Degree

Up and down, side to side
The salty water soaking my back and head

It's been a nice sunny day to get a surf in
Not many people are out, so it's even better with the space

Right now I'm just resting in the water
While my friends head out

I look up to the sound of my friends hollering at me,
and pointing behind me
When I look to see what they are looking at, my mind went nuts

I'm face to face with the biggest wave of the day
Here it comes gaining speed right there, in front of me

I start to paddle.
Up I go, its kind of hard to balance at first, but I get it

My face has a huge smile on it when I hear my friends cheering
And I ride in to shore

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We Are ...

By Ben Francis and Pete Levack

We are muscular and athletic
 We wonder where we will go in the future
 We hear funny things
 We see the fans in our crowd
 We want fame and fortune in sports
 We are muscular and athletic
 We pretend there is no death
 We feel happy
 We touch the ice
 We worry that something bad is going to happen
 We cry when someone we love dies
 We are muscular and athletic
 We understand that we can't always be the best
 We say untruthful things
 We dream about great things
 We try to do better
 We hope to do well in life
 We are muscular and athletic

The Benson Mystery

By Eric Palmer

The school bell had just gone off and Josh arose from his long nap, realizing the school day had finally ended. Josh was just like every high school boy. He went to school during the day and hung out with his friends during the night.

Tired from the night before, Josh threw all of his books into his bag. He blended into the mob of people as they rushed to the door and out into the hallway. They moved out the front door and the group split up. Josh walked out of the school yard and on to Jackson Street.

Later, he turned onto Benson Street on a direct route home. As he walked past the bus stop sign, he noticed something glittering in the middle of the sidewalk. It was there almost as if someone wanted him to find it. Without hesitation he picked it up. It looked like a prison key, the kind that the guards would have in the old movies. He put it into his pocket and looked around making sure no one saw him. Then he continued on his way home.

After he opened the door to his house he threw his bags to the side and took out the key. He stared at the key as he walked up the stairs. Engraved in the head was BENSON'S. Benson's was the local hardware store, where all of the old people hung out. He opened the door to his room and was surprised at what he saw. There a wooden chest sat in the middle of the room.

Josh thought this was very weird but at the same time he was curious as to what was inside the chest. Somehow he knew that the key would open it. The key fit perfectly. Josh turned the key and the chest popped open about an inch. He opened the lid and inside was a... pair of new Nike pumps. Although he was happy to get the great gift, he lifted them up and flung them against the wall, hoping that there was something else inside the chest.

There was a note in the bottom of the chest. Josh was hoping that it would explain the key, the chest and the pumps. The note read:

*To my good friend Josh
 I hope this mystery was exciting for you
 and hope that you liked the gift.
 Love You So Much,
 Grandma Jones
 XOXOXO*

Josh was so surprised. He mentioned the pumps a few weeks ago to his grandma on the phone. He didn't know she was going to get them for him. He grabbed the pumps and laced them up. As he finished lacing up his new sneakers his mom walked in with a frown on her face. She announced to Josh that his grandmother had died that day from a heartattack.

For the Record ...

In this new feature, HCS students have the opportunity to use their (viking) voices to express what is on their minds. First off, 8th grader Eric Chandler addresses a topic of concern to many of his peers.

We Want Our Hats

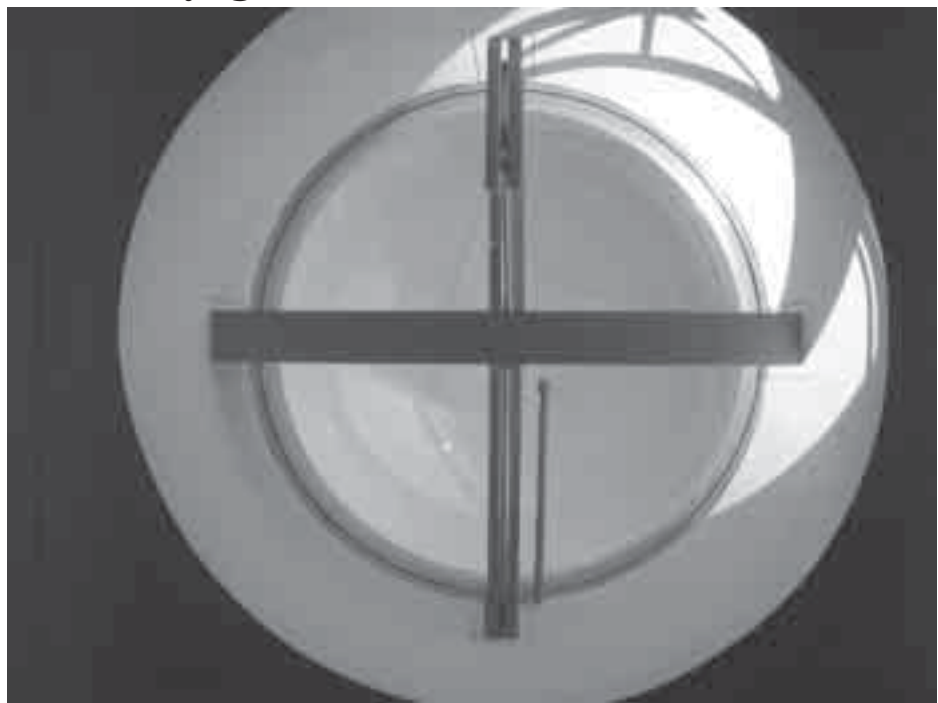
By Eric Chandler

Why do we have a hat rule? You can wear them at CVU. If we all could wear hats it would be better. Wearing a hat doesn't stop you from hearing anything.

Lots of kids think they look better in hats. Your hair doesn't stick up. Kids don't pick on you.

I don't think of wearing my hat as disrespectful because I am always wearing it. It would be good to have one less rule because it would be one less thing we have to worry about. It would also be one less thing teachers have to worry about. Parents don't take them off when they come in school and they're not being disrespectful.

The Skylight



This intriguing photograph of a skylight was taken by 8th grader Kameron Clayton

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One of the ways these problems can be addressed is through regular routine activities like walking and biking to school.

As May flowers brighten up the Hinesburg landscape, please be mindful that people too, riding bikes and afoot, have a place on our community streets and roadways. See you on the sidewalk!

Kindergarten Registration 2007-2008 Around The Corner

Hinesburg Community School will be holding registration for students entering kindergarten in the Fall of 2007 on May 4 and May 7. To register, kindergarten students must be five years old before September 1, 2007. Parents are required to bring their child, a copy of their child's birth certificate, as well as their child's immunization record. Call Stephanie Scott at Hinesburg Community School at 482-6214 to make an appointment.

State Geo-bee Tests Geography Skills to the Maximum

By Kameron Clayton

Do you know who invaded China and took over the present day city of Beijing during the 13th century?

That's easy, it was the Mongols. On Friday, March 30, I competed in the state Geo-bee at UVM. Students were divided into groups of 19 for the preliminary round. Once seated, they listened while the judge read the rules of the Geo-bee—but these students already knew the rules, they just wanted to get down to the game. After a brief practice round the battle of the brains began...

The students used knowledge, and a little bit of logic and luck, to make their way to this stage. All students had a hard road to this point; they had already battled the geographically

inclined at their own school and had come on top, and were just glad they made it to this point. Once the first question was given though, you could see the look of fierce competition on each one of their faces. It was time to take their geography skills to the top. There were eight questions and eight opportunities to fail or succeed. Many students made it out of this round with seven questions right. Those who scored high enough were eligible to move on to the final round of ten. In the end, Taylor Horn from Leland and Gray came out on top, and will represent Vermont at the national bee.

I had a great time at the bee, although I did not make it out of the first round. Thanks to Mr. Hyde for organizing the school competition. It was great to represent HCS.

A Lesson of Trust

By Morgante Pell

When you see a flag of the United States, what do you think of? Patriotism? Freedom? Liberty?

However, these values are increasingly being tossed aside in the name of security and safety. For adults, it is evident in the Patriot Act. However, the situation is far worse in our public schools. Students using the school computers are required to log in under a personal account so that all activity can be tracked and placed in a log file.

If students do log in under a general "workstation" account, they are liable to be punished. Additionally, the school has installed filters which ban numerous popular, useful websites including Google's Gmail.

Students are given limited, tracked access to computers.

I believe that the public school system is a representation of our country as a whole. In school, we learn far more than the lessons. We learn how the lessons are taught. School is a person's first impression of society. In school, we learn numerous moral lessons which will stay with us throughout our life.

That is why schools have been the chosen battleground for numerous debates throughout history including racial integration and sexism. School teaches people what to expect of society.

Currently, the lesson we are being taught in school is that someone is always watching you. Like in George Orwell's 1984, all of our records are tracked without choice or compromise. We learn to place absolute trust in the authorities and never question them. We learn that everything we do is being watched and tracked. We learn to beware change and distrust anything innovative.

Is this the lesson society wants to teach?

Shadow Day

By Colden Golann and Michael Tucker

On March 23 the eighth graders at Hinesburg Community School participated in a school event called Shadow Day. Shadow Day gives students a chance to visit a

business of their choice and learn about a certain career.

Many different businesses participated; including WOKO the country music station and the U.S. Attorney's office. This may have been fun for the students and teachers but it was also academic. This was a chance for students to find out about a job that they might like to do when they grow up, and what it takes to get there, and how hard it can be.

You Can Have Fun at Work

My name is Colden Golann and I visited SkiRack in downtown Burlington: SkiRack is an outdoor supply store. I went there with one other person and we shadowed a great guy named John Smith. John showed us everything: he showed us the main retail part of the store; he showed us the service and repair section; and he showed us all of the back stock rooms and how they are organized.

He also told us about he got into the business and that he had been working on bikes since he was 14 years old. The last part of the day he let us ride bikes around the store. I loved the atmosphere at the store. Almost all of the people that work there are all kids inside and love to play with the things that they are selling.

He told us the all of the good things about working there and about the very few bad things about it. Every single person that works for SkiRack participates in at least one of the sports that they are marketing to their customers. It was a great experience. It really gave me a good feeling about the store; and I will go back and visit them again.

So That's How It Works

My name is Michael Tucker and I went to Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom. For me Shadow Day was a good experience and a chance to learn about technology. I learned about how they run their business and what it takes to have a job there.

I also learned about fiber optics and how much better they are than copper wire. We learned a little bit about computers and their parts. The thing I learned the most about was the internet. I learned how they get your telephone signal from one place to another. There was a lot of machinery there and it was all big, so I asked how much it all cost—the guy said around three million dollars. That was my Shadow Day experience.

Everybody who participated in Shadow Day enjoyed their experiences. People enjoyed it for many different reasons. Some liked it because they got out of class and some liked the opportunity to see a new place and discover what they might like to do when they get older. They only thing that I think would have made it better would've been if it had been longer. We only got an hour and a half at the business and I would have liked at least two and a half hours.

We would thank Mr. Hyde for organizing it and all of the drivers who transported us to and from the places that we visited. We would also like to thank all of the businesses that hosted us. Shadow Day was a great experience for all.

A Thrill to All

Reflections from "Belle" in Beauty and the Beast

By Georgina Gelineau-Boyle

Flowers blossoming are the images I think about when looking back on this amazing experience. From the nerve wracking auditions to the exhilarating performances, this production did not only instill courage, but strengthened young performers from around Hinesburg.

More than 60 fifth through eighth graders tried out for *Beauty and the Beast* on January 12. They all looked forward to being in one of the famous HCS school plays. When parts were announced, some seemed quite confused when hearing that they would be a napkin or a plate, thinking these parts were nothing more than chorus, but as they came on stage to start "Be Our Guest" you could tell that they were not only the most amazingly dressed characters but the hit of the show.

The final performance of this play put many happy faces on some, and many sad faces on others. The fact that this was the last show for the eighth graders who are leaving HCS put lots of tears in eyes.

Realizing that this was indeed the last show that we would be doing again at HCS was a gut-shattering feeling.

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Images from *Beauty and the Beast* performed at HCS on March 29, 30 and 31. PHOTOS BY BRAD PARKER

The time and effort put into these performances by Joann Frymire and Pam Miller has been amazing and to leave this sort of community is chilling to me.

Coming from being the non-talkative participant, even not being able to begin to know how to step on to a stage without totally collapsing from weak knees, to then getting a role that I love, but that I have had to spend such hard determination to work at, has made me think about how much I have learned over these four years, and how much I have yet to learn in CVU.

For such a small town, the dedication, skills and talents of those who help us grow and develop in the theater arts is astounding. Nine-hour tech rehearsals, two months of everyday preparation, and a week of performances are worth every second of learning, crafting and thrilling to the HCS dramatic experience.

Beauty and the Beast Review

By Alyssa Lasher, Kindergarten Teacher

Beauty and the Beast was by far the best performance I have seen in my seven years as a teacher at HCS. Matt Shepardson (the Beast) and Georgina Gelineau-Boyle (Belle) were perfect for their roles, with their strong voices and acting talent galore.

Greg Zengilowski (Lumiere) displayed a perfect French accent, while Katie Parker was the perfect "mother" as Mrs. Potts. In this performance you noticed everyone! The costumes were amazing...Mrs. Potts, Lumiere, and even cute little Chip!

I was amazed at how many talented actors and singers we

have here at HCS. What an amazing job by all. Something else that was a true sign of how phenomenal this play was: not once did I hear from my kindergarteners, "When is this going to be over?" Now that is a true sign of entertainment! WOW! Great job to all!

Root Beer Floats Anyone?

By Betsy Knox

An important part of any two and a half hour performance is the intermission! During the intermission for the play *Beauty and the Beast*, guests had a chance to stretch their legs, and grab some light refreshment. This year Root Beer Floats were available to wet your whistle.

Thank you to Brian Busier at Lantman's for donating the supplies needed for this tasty drink. To accompany the beverage there were many delicious homemade goodies to enjoy. All of the proceeds supported the HCS Drama Department. Thank you to Brian and the other supporters of the HCS Drama Department.

Flynn Center Helps Words Come Alive for HCS Students



Maureen Fleming and Chris Odo performed for the K-6 students. The performance was part of a National Performance Network Community Fund residency sponsored by the Flynn Center for the Performing Arts. Children were chosen from the audience to demonstrate the different elements of dance. The Flynn Center has worked in partnership with primary teachers at Hinesburg Community School through its Words Come Alive! project for three years with funds from the Vermont Arts Council. The goal has been to integrate more movement and drama into the school day by integrating the arts forms with classroom curricula, art and music.



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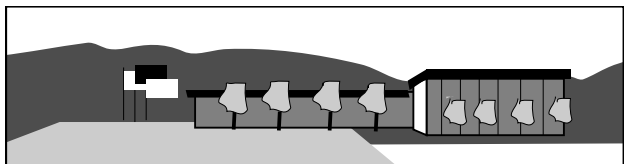
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- 4: ACT Registration Deadline
- 5: Junior Prom
- 5: SAT Test Date
- 7: Grad Challenge Second Paper Reading
- 9-12: All State Music Festival
- 9: CSSU Board Meeting, 5:00 p.m., Room 105
- 9: CVU & Local School Board Meeting., 7:00 p.m.
- 11: Coffeehouse, 7:00 p.m.
- 16: Extended Advisory for Graduation Challenge
- 17: Tangible Product Fair
- 18: Graduation Challenge Presentation Day
- 21: CVU Board Meeting, Room 104
- 22: NECAP Science Testing for Grade 11
- 22: Concert, 7:30 p.m.
- 24: 1/2 Day Inservice. School Dismissed at 12:30 p.m.

Accreditation Organization 'Blown Away' by CVU Visit

By Rosalyn Graham

Principal Sean McMannon was happy to share the comments of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, the accreditation organization who spent a week touring Champlain Valley Union High School, talking to students, faculty, staff, parents and community members as they compile their assessment of the school. "Bill Fitzgerald, leader of the team, was blown away by everything he saw and heard here," McMannon told the members of the CVU Board of Directors at their March 14 meeting.

The positive feedback, he said, was the result of the school's sense of its mission, the way that students were connected to the school, the impressive opening ceremony, and the depth and substance of the foundations of the learning programs. "He was impressed with the climate, the openness,



Chair Jeanne Jensen has made a tradition of giving a rose to each of the members of the CVU board at the reorganization meeting immediately following town meeting. At the March 14 meeting, she distributed yellow and pink roses to the board at the end of the meeting, including Hinesburg representative Ginetta Bertin.



At the meeting of representatives of all the boards in Chittenden South Supervisory Union, CSSU Superintendent Elaine Pinckney officiated as Jed Graef of Shelburne was re-elected chair of the CSSU board. PHOTOS BY ROZ GRAHAM

the culture of learning, and the friendliness," McMannon said. McMannon said it would be important to convey the team's message to the student body: "They were a huge part of the process."

Should Auditorium Project Donors Get Their Name On A Plaque?

The work of the committee that is coming up with a plan for the renovation and rehabilitation of the auditorium is continuing, with the current focus on funding. There has been a lengthy discussion of the need for the board to give direction on questions of sponsorship and fund raising to the committee that is planning to go to the community for funds to support the renovation. Faced with deep divisions in the board between those who felt that sponsorships, naming possibilities and fund-raising events were a good way to do the project without asking the community to foot the \$1.2 million bill, and those who felt that the auditorium was as integral to the school and its curriculum as the sports fields which have been funded by taxpayers. Without a policy on sponsorships in place, there was a suggestion that the auditorium project could be a learning experience on which to base a future policy. The argument against that plan was that whatever happened would set a precedent for future projects.

It was also suggested that perhaps the fund raising should

be under the auspices of the Friends of CVU. Director Lenos said from her experience in raising funds for the playground at Shelburne Community School and the Wellness Room at CVU, it would be reasonable to think that given enough time a volunteer committee could raise as much as half a million dollars through grants, community donations, the Val Gardner Trust, Friends of CVU and graduation class gifts.

The policy committee and Human Resources Director Cindy Koenemann-Warren, will bring a draft policy on sponsorships and fund raising for discussion at the meeting of the board on March 26.

Aid and Governance Discussions

The Board members commented that it was fortuitous that the voters had approved the Board asking for state aid for the final steps of the \$18.4 million renovation project, bringing \$50,000 in funding for projects including roof repairs and heating and ventilation work that otherwise might have found themselves stopped by the state moratorium on funding for capital projects. Joan Lenos who is the Shelburne-St. George representative to the legislature as well as a long-time member of the school board, said that there is no official time limit for the moratorium, but it could last from one to five years.

The board also asked for an update on the plans for reorganizing the governance of schools in the state. Lenos said that Chittenden South is being seen as a leader and model of how well governance can happen. At the Legislature, she said, there is much emotion as people are fearful of the closing of their little school or the stress of working with members of other school boards.

Chair Jeanne Jensen said she had been disappointed in the actions of Commissioner Richard Cate in changing the timeline and opportunity for public discussion of the plans for changing the structure of educational governance. "At the early public meetings, the Commissioner had planned to gather public opinion and come with a recommendation in 2009, and now it's 2008."

They also expressed concern about a proposal to have the Commissioner appointed by the Governor instead of the Board of Education. Director Lenos said, "This could make it so political ... the commissioner could be changed at the whim of the governor."

Jensen Re-elected Chair

Jeanne Jensen of Williston was re-elected Chair of the CVU Board of School Directors at the March 14 meeting of the board. As is traditional, CSSU Superintendent Elaine Pinckney officiated at the election, which was uncontested, and then handed the meeting over to Jensen for the election of the rest of the officers. Jeff Parker of Shelburne was re-elected as vice-chair, with Dick Lednický of Shelburne as clerk. Joan Lenos, the long-time clerk of the board, who is now the Shelburne-St. George representative in the legislature, will work with Dick as assistant clerk.

School Board Considers Auditorium Upgrade

By Rosalyn Graham

There don't seem to be many dissenters when the need for renovation and upgrading of the auditorium at Champlain Valley Union High School is discussed. However the best way to pay for the project brings out a wide range of opinions and has sparked considerable discussion at recent meetings.

Since last summer when the teachers of music and drama, and parents whose children are involved in theatre, band or choral music at the high school, took the members of the school board on a tour of the auditorium, from the barely accessible loft for the pit band and the tiny wings to the lack of features that would expand the opportunity for theatre technology training, there has been a steady refrain of support from the board for the idea of improvements.

The consensus is that the work on the auditorium which was taken out of the bond vote five years ago to make the price tag more attractive to the voters who had turned down the \$29 million project, is long overdue. The question of fairness to students whose area of interest is the arts when major improvements have already been made to the sports facilities is frequently raised, and the faculty members speak

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of stage craft classes that would attract students to the school.

An ad hoc committee of board members and community volunteers worked with architects last fall to sketch out the changes that would make the auditorium a more safe, flexible, useful facility, and came up with a price tag of \$1.2 million to accomplish it. The committee suggested that the board consider a blend of public fund raising and bonding for the project.

Facing the possibility of tackling a fund raising campaign that might include sponsorships with the opportunity for "naming" some part of the new facility in exchange for a gift, the board decided to put off the public vote on the project until next fall, and in the meantime to come up with a plan for the fund raising project.

One thorny subject, discussed at many board meetings, has been whether sponsorships and naming possibilities should be encouraged as a way to fund public education, and what the board policy should be. At an early March meeting of the board, the idea of using the auditorium project as a trial run for fund raising was discussed, and at the March 26 meeting there was a brief discussion of the possibility of state funding being lost because of a moratorium on school construction, but action on the policy on fund raising was delayed to the April 11 meeting.

According to a timeline for the project, presented at the last board meeting, the ad hoc auditorium committee should have final plans for the project ready for board approval at the beginning of June based on input gained at community meetings during the first half of May. Final plans, revised and refined by the Construction Manager and the Architect, would go to the School Board by mid-August, to the Department of Education for review by mid-September, and to the voters in early November. Construction for the project, if it is approved, would begin in the summer of 2008.

Graduation Challenge – May 18

Community Members Welcome

Graduation Challenge will be held on Friday, May 18th. Juniors and seniors are required to attend school that day, and parents and community members are welcome to attend. Grad Challenge Community Consultants are encouraged to attend. Senior students will know their exact presentation time in mid-April. Please contact MaryAnne with any questions, 482-7195, or email mgatos@cvuhs.org.

CVU Club Sponsors Composting

Starting in April, CVU began composting! The Environmental Action Club is undertaking this new endeavor with the help of CSWD and The Interval. In addition to reducing the amount of waste CVU contributes to landfills, the compost will be used to improve the quality of the soil in the new CVU garden. The first goal of the project is to educate students, faculty, and staff members about composting. Signs will be posted throughout the school listing what can be composted in the brown composting bins strategically placed in the cafeteria, and club members will visit advisories to discuss the composting process. The hope is to use the spring months as a trial run for the 2007/2008 school year.

CVU Band Wins Big

From March 22-25, CVU's Band II, Band III, and Jazz Ensemble went to a music festival in New York City. The students represented CVU extremely well, and played extremely well. Band II placed second in their division, with a Silver rating; Band III placed first in their division, with a Gold rating; and the Jazz Ensemble placed first in their division with a Gold rating. Band III and the Jazz Ensemble combined for the highest score from any school with two or more instrumental groups, earning them the "Sweepstakes" award, and both ensembles earned the "Adjudicator's Award," given to ensembles who score above 95 (out of 100). This award is so rarely earned that the festival didn't have two trophies to give CVU! (They'll be mailing the other one). By

earning a Gold rating, Band III and the Jazz Ensemble have earned the right to compete in higher level festivals, as well as some other performance opportunities.

Special recognition went to Grace Gaylord as the Outstanding Soloist for her work with the Jazz Ensemble. She was the only student to be so recognized in the instrumental portion of the festival.

Over 1,500 students participated in this festival (chorally and instrumentally) from all over the USA, including groups from California, Oregon, Ohio, Illinois, Florida, and Virginia, as well as states closer to home. CVU was the only representative from Vermont at this festival.

Old Cell Phones Support Baseball Program

The baseball program is collecting old cell phones in order to raise money for the program. The phones are disabled and sent for recycling. Depending on the phone, the program can raise \$5 or more per phone. If you have any unwanted cell phones at home or in your car, please bring them to CVU. There will be a box in the office to deposit the phone. The CVU baseball program thanks you for contributing and recycling at the same time!

CVU Students Join National Technical Honor Society

Fifty-three students from the Center for Technology, Essex were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) during a ceremony March 20. Among those inducted were four CVU students: *Tiffany Blair, Jake Kimball, April Siple, and Tonya Taylor.*

"These students have worked hard and model the highest standards of behavior, attendance and community service," said Kathleen Finck, Director of CTE. "We recognize and applaud their accomplishments!"

NTHS is a national organization that honors student achievement and leadership, promotes educational excellence, and enhances career opportunities. Being inducted into the NTHS is America's highest award for excellence in career and technical education.

The Center for Technology, Essex (CTE) offers career and technical education to high school students and adults throughout Chittenden County and parts of Franklin County. It boasts an enrollment of 450 students, many of whom attain industry and professional certifications while also earning high school academic credits leading to graduation. In addition, many students attend college courses as part of their CTE experience.

Congratulations Tiffany, Jake, April, and Tonya!
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Burlington Technical Center Honor Roll

The following CVU students earned an A- or better in their Burlington Technical Center programs placing them on the Burlington Technical Center Honor Roll for the third quarter:

Sara Bowser, Honors Medical & Sports Sciences
Samantha Castonguay, Design & Illustration
Kelsey Farnsworth, Design & Illustration



Amateur sleuth Toni Gillingham (Theresa Keller of Hinesburg) searches for clues in the CVU Drama murder mystery, *The Red House Mystery*, presented March 22-24 at CVU High School. The play was written, directed and produced by three CVU seniors from Williston, Noah Mease, Tyrone Greenfield and Jared Smith, for their Graduation Challenge project. PHOTOS BY STEPHEN MEASE



Meg Seaton and Matt Francis, both of Hinesburg, react to the arrival of *The Red House* ghost (played by Amanda Brooklyn of Williston) during the opening scenes of *The Red House Mystery*, presented March 22-24 at Champlain Valley Union High School. The play was written by Noah Mease, directed by Tyrone Greenfield and produced by Jared Smith for their CVU Graduation Challenge project.



Amateur sleuths Toni Gillingham (Theresa Keller of Hinesburg) and Bill Beverly (Jacob Tischler of Williston) discover a hidden passageway behind the bookshelf in the study of *The Red House*. The murder mystery was presented by CVU Drama at Champlain Valley Union High School.

CSSU Board Meeting

By Rosalyn Graham

Faced with the challenge of measuring success and improving outcomes in subjects as difficult to quantify as music and physical education, the teachers of those subjects in Chittenden South schools began to work together in 2005 to establish standards. On Wednesday, April 11 they reported on their success to the meeting of the board of Chittenden South Supervisory Union, with school board members from all the district schools attending to hear their report.

Williston Central School music teacher Andy Smith, who reported on the music teachers' study project with Kim Thompson who also teaches music at Williston, described the test applied randomly to second grade students in all the district schools to find areas of instruction that need improvement, provide a basis for professional development, identify best practices that might be shared among the teachers and evaluate their successes. Their test, which was demonstrated to the board who listened to a CD of the instructions given to the students, heard the song they were asked to sing having heard it twice, and then heard a sample of the students singing "Let us chase the squirrel, up the hickory, down the hickory" with varying degrees of success in keeping the tune, the pitch and the rhythm.

Smith explained that after the teachers had gathered their random sample of singers, they all gathered to listen to the 301 recordings, scoring them on a scale of 1 to 4, and then tabulating the results. While the students "all got a 4 on adorable," Smith said, the teachers were able to draw correlations between the scores and the teaching practices in the schools.

Their findings: children who start music classes later, or in bigger classes or have music once a week instead of twice a week, score lower. The teachers plan to expand their study into higher grades, and recognize that any change will take time.

Dick Farrell and Jen Oakes, both physical education teachers, reported on the findings of a study made by physical education teachers of the district who began by compiling information on what each school offers, frequency of classes, amount of equipment available. The goal for the teachers, Oakes said, is to instill a life-long love of physical activity, and to ensure that elementary students are prepared for the expectations of their high school experience at CVU.

Their analysis of the successes of the school programs was based on videotapes made of second graders running, fourth graders throwing forehand and seventh graders doing a forehand strike. The results they found: 88% of second graders, 78% of fourth graders and 75% of seventh graders met or exceeded the standards.

Curriculum Director Jude Newman said the process is a beginning step in establishing standards for music and physical education, and places the CSSU faculty in the forefront of assessment practice.

Hinesburg Nursery School



News from the Hinesburg Nursery School

Big Truck Day Coming Saturday, May 12

By Kate Dodge

If you have a small person in your family or neighborhood, or know someone who does, make sure they know about Big Truck Day on Saturday, May 12. This annual event is a major kid-pleaser, especially for the under six-year-old crowd. The lower parking lot at the Community School is packed for the day with big rigs of all shapes and sizes, parked so kids can come and explore from top to bottom.

If your child can tell you with utmost certainty the make and model of the truck you just met on the road, and delights in telling you why the different parts work the way they do, then you know this event is for you. I can't tell you how much I have learned about construction vehicles from my son...you know, the kid who hogs the diggers in the sandbox during outside time—yeah, he's mine.

The fee is only \$5 for children, parents are free. The fun starts at 10:00 a.m. and goes until 2:00 p.m. so don't be late. There will be barbeque items and baked goods for sale, as well as balloons, crafts, face-painting and more.

We expect to have a dump truck, a loader, a garbage truck, shipping vehicles, pumper trucks, tankers, fire engines, a school bus, rescue vehicles, a skid steer and numerous other rigs to climb on, in and over. We may even have a crane! As a grown-up even I was amazed at the view from the cockpit of some of these babies. You'll have a whole new respect as you pass these vehicles on the road.

Big Truck Day is also a great community event so all you HNS alumni out there, and folks thinking about Hinesburg Nursery School in the future, be sure to come down and talk with your neighbors and learn more about what this great school has to offer. But most of all, bring your kids and come have fun! This is an event not to be missed so tell all your friends - I'll see you there.

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Local Organization News

“Two Sisters” Sale Returns

By Margery Sharp

Two sisters from Hinesburg—Mary Fortin and Audrey Horton—have found a way to say thank you to the staff and organization at Respite House in Williston for taking care of Audrey’s husband when he was a patient there five years ago. Patients at Respite House spend their remaining days in peaceful surroundings with family members and a comforting staff near at hand.



Two sisters, Audrey Horton (left) and Mary Fortin.

“We were grateful for the care my husband received so Mary and I decided to do something to repay the organization which made my husband’s last weeks so meaningful,” Audrey said.

When the two learned of a “wish list” the House makes up to ask for “extras” for the patients, they thought they might do something to help. Such items as lip gloss, sheets and even bird seed were on the list.

Bird seed? Mary explained, “Each patient room looks out a large window at a birdfeeder and (patients) enjoy watching the antics of the birds at the feeder!”

“So we decided to hold a yard sale at Mary’s house on Route 116 (number 8002) to raise some funds to supply those extras,” Mary said. “This will be our fourth sale.”

“In 2004 we gathered a few items together but then

several family members contributed more items and joined us to help. Kim Dattilio, our cousin, took charge of the cash register and did a great job while we organized the tables and pricing and met the customers.”

She continued, “We sold all sorts of items with a lot of books and clothes and other things such as kitchen utensils and home furnishings.”

The sale has snowballed and more and more “regulars” have come to expect the sisters to be out there each May. “Our customers come to browse and buy, and some come just to visit,” Audrey said.

“The first year we made \$100, but last year we made \$860,” Mary recalled. “Three of the House television sets went dark all at once and we were able to replace all three and fulfill that immediate need.”

This year the sale will be held Friday through Sunday, May 18, 19 and 20 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There is lots of parking and anyone coming along Route 116 can’t miss the scene. It has been so successful that the two sisters have started holding a second sale in the fall (no date set for that one yet!).

Built in 1991, Respite House is a non-denominational (Continued on the next page.)

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organization and serves persons who are in the last days of an illness. There are several nurses on duty 24 hours a day and a doctor always is on call. Visitors are welcome at any time during a patient's stay.

There are 13 beds in the House and each patient room is designed around a Noah's Ark animal theme. All the rooms are on one floor, with cheery furnishings and large windows that let in lots of light.

Meals at the House are put together by volunteers and served either in the dining room or individually. Both the kitchen area and the gathering rooms are comfortable and accessible to both visitors and patients.

A Scout Is Kind Boy Scout Troop 690

By Ed Matthews

The Boy Scouts of Hinesburg Troop 690 live the "A Scout is Kind" tenet of the Scout Law in many ways. One special way they live it is by preparing and serving a meal at the Salvation Army in Burlington twice each year.

On Sunday, March 25 the boys invaded the house of Scoutmaster Mike Pelletier, each of them with three pounds of ground beef, five pounds of potatoes and a can of corn. Potato peeling was done in the backyard by a circle of boys joking, laughing and peeling. Once peeled and cooked the potato mashing commenced. Other scouts manned the skillets and browned pan after pan of ground beef. Once all the ingredients were prepared a team of scouts layered them into a meal... Shepherd's Pie.

Dinner was served on Monday, March 26. Scouts Dusty Deyette, Dillon Gover and Zach Matthews arrived at the Salvation Army in the afternoon and prepared for the meal. They set up tables, portioned desserts, poured drinks, made salad and coffee and warmed the Shepherd's Pie. The boys manned the serving line. The adult leaders served as the Scouts' "go-fers."

In one hour the boys served 92 people. They were then able to sit down and enjoy a meal they had helped prepare. Their relaxation didn't last long, however. With a full stomach and hoping for a nap, they had to clean up!!!

Boy Scout Bottle Drive

Boy Scout Troop 690 will be having a bottle drive on Saturday, May 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Proceeds will be used to support summer camping activities.

The scouts will be at the Vestry on Route 116 in front of Saint Jude's Church. Clean out the garage and drop off those returnables to support Scouting in Hinesburg.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Hinesburg Friends of Families

Submitted by Ginny Roberts

New Baby Brunch May 20

Hinesburg Friends of Families is hosting their annual brunch to welcome all babies born in the last year. The brunch will be held at the Town hall on Sunday morning, May 20 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Town Library has dedicated a new book to each baby and these books will be on hand for parents to look at. Parents will receive an invitation in the mail but can also call Ginny Roberts at 482-5625 for more information.

Weekly Playgroup Returns to Town Hall

The weekly playgroup held on Wednesday mornings will return to the Town Hall in May. The Playgroup has been meeting at the United Church while the new flooring has been worked on at the Town Hall.

The playgroup is open to parents and their toddlers and requires no registration. For more information call Brandy Thorpe at 482-6401.

Ready.. Set.. Way to Go Week May 7-11

By Janet Botula

You've heard about global warming and increased carbon emissions. Be part of the solution in addressing these environmental problems by joining others in your community participating in the 2007 Way to Go Week.

During the week of May 7 through 11 Hinesburg residents are encouraged to leave their car at home and find alternative ways of traveling to work and other activities. The organizers are encouraging everyone to try a new way of

getting there by walking, biking, carpooling, or taking the bus.

Why leave the car at home? Aside from being surprisingly easy and fun, benefits include reduced traffic congestion, improved air quality, cost savings, and improved health for those walking or biking. Prizes are another incentive to participate in the week long program.

Just for registering you will receive coupons for savings on safety gear, riding CCTA buses and health club discounts. You will also be entered into a drawing for the chance to win one of 3 iPod nanos® from Small Dog Electronics as well as a cordless electric Neuton lawn mower from Country Home Products.

Way to Go Week is an event growing in popularity. In 2006, 35 employers in Chittenden County participated in the Way to Go Workplace Commuter Challenge. The results were impressive. In just one week, 1,175 commuters saved 85,000 miles of commuting and more than 74,000 pounds of transportation pollutants. This year EVERYONE is encouraged to participate. Registration is open now. Sign up at www.waytogovt.org or call 802-660-4071 x 14.

Way To Go! Commuter Challenge is made possible through the generous support of businesses and organizations including Seven Days, Sports and Fitness Edge, Chittenden Bank, the Point and VTrans; and the Green Team partners: Chittenden County Metropolitan Planning Organization (CCMPO), Chittenden County Transportation Authority (CCTA), Lake Champlain Committee, Alliance for Climate Action, and Campus Area Transportation (CATMA).

Future Community Gardens Need Help

By Tobiah Schulman

Would you be interested in a garden plot in Hinesburg if you could have one? I would, so I decided to get involved to make that a possibility. The Local Gardening work group is a small group of community members. We are working towards establishing community gardens where local people can have access to gardening space and resources. The group is a part of the Hinesburg Buy Local Task Force. Our small group feels that Hinesburg would benefit from having community gardens, but this project is still in the planning stage.

We are trying to locate an appropriate site and are seeking suggestions. An ideal site would have access to water and at least half to two thirds of an acre of tillable space. Anyone interested in having a garden plot someday, or in working to make community gardens in Hinesburg a reality, is encouraged to contact our group and join us.

For more information, e-mail Tobiah Schulman at tobiah.schulman@gmail.com or call 482-2784.

Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary News

By Roz Graham

Happy Birthday, Sunrise Rotary

Five years ago the Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary Club was instrumental in the founding of a new Rotary Club in the area. On Friday, March 23, members of the Charlotte Shelburne club joined members of Burlington Sunrise Rotary Club as



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they celebrated their fifth birthday at their early morning meeting in UVM's Waterman Building.

In addition to reminiscing and congratulations for the good work of the Sunrise Club, Charlotte Shelburne members announced that they had made a \$500 contribution to the Rotary Foundation in the name of the new club. Among those attending were, left to right, Clinton Reichert, who was District Governor when Sunrise was founded; Tracy Stolese and John Bock, co-Presidents of the Sunrise Club; Terrell Titus and John Hammer from Charlotte-Shelburne who made the presentation; Dave Carleton, a charter member of Sunrise; and Rene Laporte of Drummondville, Quebec; current District Governor.

Applications Invited for Rotary Scholarship

Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary Club is inviting students from Shelburne, Charlotte and Hinesburg to apply for the District Ambassadorial Scholarship for study abroad during the academic year 2008-2009. The scholarship, awarded to the student chosen from those who apply throughout Rotary District 7850 (which includes northern Vermont and parts of New Hampshire and Quebec), is for a stipend of up to \$23,000.

Applicants must have completed at least two years of college level coursework or equivalent professional experience before commencing their scholarship studies.

Applications should be submitted to the Charlotte-Shelburne Club by the middle of June, and if there are multiple applications the club will have an interview process to choose which candidate will be submitted to the District level where the final choice will be made.

To receive information about the scholarship, and an application form, contact Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary President Katie Camardo at KatieC@VTBear.com.

Since 1947 nearly 37,000 men and women from 100 nations have studied abroad under the auspices of the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. Today it is the world's largest privately funded international scholarship program. Nearly 800 scholarships were awarded for study in 2005-06. Through grants totaling approximately \$500 million (US), recipients from some 70 countries studied in more than 70 nations.

The purpose of the Ambassadorial Scholarships program is to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries. The program sponsors several types of scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students as well as for qualified professionals pursuing vocational studies. While abroad, scholars serve as

ambassadors of goodwill to the people of the host country and give presentations about their homelands to Rotary clubs and other groups. Upon returning home, scholars share with Rotarians and others the experiences that led to greater understanding of their host countries.

Rotary members worldwide contribute to the scholarship fund in the belief that the students who are Ambassadorial Scholars today will be tomorrow's community and world leaders.

Looking for Host Families For Rotary Exchange Students

The Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary Club will host an international exchange student for the 2007-2008 school year. The student will arrive in late August to begin a ten-month exchange sponsored by Rotary International.

The Club is looking for families in the Charlotte, Shelburne or Hinesburg area, eager to share their homes with the student during his or her year in Vermont. The student, whose name, gender and nationality are yet unknown, will attend Champlain Valley Union High School as a junior or senior. Past students have come from Brazil, Germany, France, Ecuador, Venezuela and the Republic of Korea.

Hosting a student can be as rewarding as being one. Host families give a student much more than just a place to sleep and eat. They provide all the parental support and guidance that teenagers need. Rotary expects the student to adapt to the lifestyle of the host family and to be treated as one of their own children, not as a guest or visitor.

Rotary prefers to place students with two or three host families during the exchange year. Having multiple host families not only reduces the time commitment a family has to make, but most importantly, gives the student a broader view of our culture, makes multiple friendships, and profoundly enriches the exchange experience.

Host families need not have teenage children at home. Previous hosts have ranged from young parents with preschool children to older empty nest families.

If you think you might be interested but would like to know a little more about the program, please contact Jim Spadaccini at 985-3830 or by email at jaspad2@comcast.net. He can give you more details and even connect you with some of the past host families in our area.

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Kentucky Derby Gala

The Kentucky Derby Gala is to be held on May 5th from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at the Hampton Inn in Colchester to benefit the Champlain Valley Agency on Aging Meals on Wheels and Case Management programs. Enjoy a live Dixie band, refreshments, a silent auction, hat competition and watch the Kentucky Derby! Tickets are \$25 per person/ \$40 for a couple. For more information or tickets call 865-0360.

The Champlain Valley Agency on Aging is a private, non-profit, United Way organization serving people 60 and over in Chittenden, Addison and Grand Isle County.



Hinesburg Hookers

Show Begins May 6

By Cyndi Labelle

Hookers in Vermont?!...Hookers in Hinesburg?! What is this town coming to! Come see for yourself what the buzz around town is all about.

Back by popular demand, The Hinesburg Hookers will once again be having an amazing, wonderful, and remarkable Hooked Rug Show at the Carpenter-Carse Library. The opening reception, with rug hooking demonstrations and refreshments, will be on Sunday, May 6 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The exhibit of the group's "works in wool" will be on display during regular library hours from Sunday, May 6 through Saturday, May 12 in the library and in the adjoining community room. This year's exhibit will feature traditional hooked and punch needle rugs, miniature punch needle "works of art," penny rugs and more. The Hinesburg Rug Hookers have been busy finishing another "raffle rug" for this show. It will be on display during the reception. The proceeds from the raffle rug ticket sales goes directly to the Carpenter-Carse Library's Children's Program. (Sales from the last raffle rug totaled over \$2000!)

Please join us at the opening reception from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 6. The artists of the rugs on exhibit will be there to answer questions and demonstrate how hooked rugs are made. Try your hand at "hooking" while you relax and enjoy the beauty of the art of rug hooking all around you.

The show is free and open to the public. The annual "Hooked in the Mountains" Rug Show at the Shelburne Museum that is usually held the last week in April has been moved to November of this year. Come to the Hinesburg rug show and get a sneak preview of some of the rugs that will be on display at the Shelburne show in November.

Annual Arts Auction May 11

A Vermont community event not to be missed is coming soon. It is the Addison County Hospice Volunteer Services 21st Annual Arts Auction on Friday, May 11th, at the beautiful Basin Harbor Club on Lake Champlain in Vergennes, from 5:00 to 8:30pm.

Both the silent and live auctions will include over 200 pieces of work generously donated by very talented Vermont artists and craftpersons, plus "special auction items" donated by area businesses and individuals. Items for auction range from greeting cards to fine paintings, from baskets to pottery, from Adirondack chairs to skis and snowboards, and from gift certificates for dinner at local inns and restaurants to lift tickets at local ski areas. There will be something for everyone at this fun-filled event. Included in the price of your \$20 ticket is wonderful food—a variety of hors d'oeuvres, a hot buffet

and scrumptious desserts. A cash bar will also be available. As you stroll through the event enjoy the soothing sounds of the very talented Fed Barnes on the piano.

The silent auction will be from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 pm, the buffet from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., the live auction from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and dessert from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

One of the many artists featured at this event will be Miriam Adams, a Hinesburg resident.



Miriam Adams

Hinesburg Artist Juxtaposes Natural with Man-Made

Miriam Adams, from Hinesburg, works in graphite and watercolor. Although the drawings are realistic in style, the work is abstract in concept. There is an emphasis on line, which speaks of a love of drawing. Many of her works involve images from the natural world, such as flowers, rocks, wood and feathers. These are often in juxtaposition with "man-made" items such as ribbons or statues. From time to time, Miriam also makes constructions in mixed media.

Although Miriam and her husband, Roger Kohn, moved to Hinesburg in 1971 for only one year, they never left and have no intention of ever doing so. It has proven to be a peaceful place to live and work. Miriam says it has deepened her appreciation of the natural world as well as of human nature.

Miriam has been working as an artist for nearly forty years. Her work has been exhibited extensively in the Northeast, particularly in New York, Vermont and Boston, and is in many public and private collections.

Hospice Volunteer Services is a small, nonprofit agency dedicated to providing compassionate emotional and physical care for people facing the end of life using trained hospice volunteers. HVS asks that you come on May 11th and help support them by attending their biggest fundraiser of the year.

Hinesburg Artist Series Spring Concert

By Rufus Patrick

The Hinesburg Community Band, South County Chorus and In Accord under the direction of Rufus Patrick will perform in concert Monday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. at Champlain Valley Union High School Auditorium.

The Band will perform selections by Ralph Vaughn Williams, Robert Smith, Robert Washburn, and a Jerry Bilik composition *American Civil War Fantasy*. This composition features tunes from the mid-Nineteenth Century including *Listen to the Mockingbird*, *Dixieland*, *Camp Town Races*, *John Brown's Body*, *The Battle Cry of Freedom*, *When Johnny Comes Marching Home*, *The Yellow Rose of Texas* and *Battle Hymn of the Republic*.

The South County Chorus concert will include works by Ron Kean, Catherine Delaney, Darmon Meader, Joseph Martin and a rousing Howard Helvey arrangement of *Glory, Glory, Hallelujah*. In Accord will perform *This Little Light of Mine*, *Halle, Halle, Halle* and *Sh Boom*.

Please attend the concert and support the great musicians from Hinesburg, Chittenden County, and beyond. I know you will enjoy an evening of wonderful music. The concert is free, donations gladly accepted.

South County Chorus Perform At Saint Michael's College

By Rufus Patrick

The Saint Michael's College Department of Fine Arts will present the South County Chorus and the South Burlington Community Chorus in concert Saturday May 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the McCarthy Arts Center Recital Hall at Saint Michael's College.

The concert will feature performances by South County Chorus and South Burlington Community Chorus in the first part of the program. The finale will feature the combined 85 voice chorus with orchestra in a performance of *An American Mass* by Ron Kean. Guest soloist will be soprano Evelyn Kwanza. This contemporary missa brevis skillfully merges American hymns and spirituals with the standard liturgy.

The South County Chorus is presented by The Hinesburg Artist Series and directed by Rufus C. Patrick. The South Burlington Community Chorus is sponsored by the South Burlington Recreation Department and directed by Karleen Tepley.

Tickets are \$8.00 for adults, and \$6.00 for seniors and students (in advance), \$10.00 at the door. Tickets are available at the Hinesburg Recreation Office. You may also call for reservations at 482-4691 or send e-mail to hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Play Music with the Vermont Youth Orchestra Association

Auditions May 7 through 24

The Vermont Youth Orchestra Association will hold auditions for the 2007-08 Season from May 7-24 at the Elley-Long Music Center at Saint Michael's College in Colchester.

Auditions are open to any young musician, currently in grades 3 – 11, who has played an orchestral instrument for at least one year. Woodwind and brass players younger than the 7th grade should have at least two years of experience on their instrument.

Auditions are heard by Music Director Troy Peters and other members of the VYOA artistic staff. All qualified students are offered placement in the appropriate VYOA group, based on skill and experience as demonstrated in the audition.

Other audition facts:

- Auditions include a scale, a prepared solo, and sight-reading.
- Auditions take approximately 10 minutes each.
- All auditions are held in the Elley-Long Music Center at Saint Michael's College in Colchester.
- Auditions for new members are by appointment only.

The VYOA serves over 500 students from Vermont, New York and New Hampshire through its programs each year. The VYOA offers five orchestras of varying skill levels, the Vermont Youth Chamber Winds and summer music camps, all overseen by Music Director Troy Peters. Special programming includes master classes with renowned musicians, music theory classes and sectionals with Vermont's finest educators. This is your chance to check out why the VYOA is no ordinary music organization!

Audition appointments for new students began on April 9. For more information, call the VYOA at 802.655.5030 or visit www.vyo.org.

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Sports

Wrestling Results

By Coach Wayne Ring

We had a awesome day at Milton. Everyone wrestled great, working the moves to get the points. As a team we achieved eight pins, 19 wins and 19 losses.

For individual finishes, we had two place in first: Corey Marshall of Hinesburg and Calvin Ring of St George.

For second place finishes, we had Kyle Lang, Paul West, Jeremy Lang, Cooper Bouchard all of Hinesburg, and Cody Lefebvre of Hanksville.

For third place finishes, we had Noah Degrechie, Scott Loftus, Ryan Grady, Joe Marshall of Hinesburg, and Devon Ploof of St George.

For fourth place finishes we had Colby Wooten.

CSSU Buccaneer Youth Football Registration

By Lori Palmer

Are you ready for some FOOTBALL? CSSU Youth Football is open to CSSU students entering grades 3 through 8 in the fall of 2007. Sign-ups for *all* ages will be held on Thursday, May 17 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Hinesburg Town Hall.

Interested players *must* sign up on May 17 or download a registration form which should be submitted by mail by May 16 from the www.cvufootball.org website.

The registration fee must be included with the form if you are registering by mail. New players only *must bring* or *mail* copies of their birth certificates.

The cost is \$85.00 per player for students playing at the 5th – 8th grade level and \$50.00 per child for Flag Team members. Checks can be made to CSSU Youth Football. Scholarships are available on request. We are looking forward to an exciting 2007 season!

Assistant coaches and referees are needed at all levels. No experience is necessary to referee and training will be provided! Please contact any of the following board members if you are interested in helping or if you have further questions.

Lori Palmer: 482-2217 or tinker482@aol.com

Joe Kropf: 985-3701 or aident@together.net

Pam Morris: 482-5079 or tmorris@madriver.com

Mike Hulvey: 985-3026 or mhulvey@us.ibm.com

**Submissions by mail should be sent to the following address: CSSU Youth Football, C/O Lori Palmer, 2778 Shelburne Falls Road, Hinesburg, VT 05461.

Hinesburg Boys Receive Trophies

By Scott Johansen

At the conclusion of the 2006 motocross championship series in Derby, Vermont, three Hinesburg boys were awarded trophies for their results. David Johansen finished 3rd in 85cc Amateur and 5th in the Supermini class. Cody Laberge finished 6th in 65cc Novice and 12th in the 60cc Open class. Cooper Bouchard finished 8th in 50cc(age 7 & under), 8th in 50cc(age 10 & under), and 9th in the 50cc Open class.

The Vermont Motocross Association (VMA) holds ten races a year at a 1.5 mile motocross track in Derby, Vermont called Rider Hill. Over 200 racers show up each weekend for the races competing for year-end championship points.

Cooper Bouchard, son of Tonia and David Bouchard is now 8 years old and in the third grade at Hinesburg Community School. This was Cooper's first year of racing in



VMA Champions David Johansen, Cody Laberge, and Cooper Bouchard get ready for the 2007 Motocross Season. PHOTO BY SCOTT JOHANSEN

the VMA. His best finish of the year was a 5th place and he did that in the muddiest race of the year.

Cody Laberge, son of Judy and Matt Laberge, is 11 years old and in the 5th grade at Hinesburg Community School. This was also Cody's first year of racing in the VMA. His best race of the year was a 3rd place podium finish.

David Johansen, son of Kim and Scott Johansen, is 14 years old and is in the 8th grade at Hinesburg Middle School. This was David's 5th year of racing in the VMA. David's best finish this year was 1st place in a 85cc Amateur race. Next year David will compete in the 125cc Amateur class.

The three Hinesburg boys extend a warm thanks to Tim Brown for his support through out the year.

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NAMES In The NEWS

Compiled by June Giroux

Welcome to Newest Resident

Jaime and Geace (Amao) Ciffo are parents of a baby boy, *Carter William Ciffo*, born March 7, 2007, at the Fletcher Allen Health Center (FAHC) in Burlington.

A baby girl, *Katherine Susanne Roberts*, was born March 21, 2007 to Keith and Heather Roberts at FAHC in Burlington.

(The Hinesburg Record is pleased to announce the birth of your baby. When you fill out a "Birth Notice to Media" following the birth, just add our name to the "Other Media" list at the bottom of the form.)

Red Cross Blood Donations

The Northern Vermont Chapter of the American Red Cross welcomes blood donations at the collection center located at 32 North Prospect Street in Burlington.

To be eligible to give blood, potential donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh over 110 pounds, and be in good health. Most medications are acceptable and there is no longer an upper age limit. Donors hours are Monday and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and the second Saturday of every month from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Donors may call 658-6400 or log on to www.newenglandblood.org to make appointments or for more information.

Gubernatorial Appointments

Governor Jim Douglas released the list of appointments made in January, February and March, 2007.

Area residents named to boards are:

Outdoor Lighting Advisory Board: *Jane Clifford*

State Emergency Response Commission: *Al Barber*

Vermont Homeland Security Advisory Council:

Matthew Vinci and F. Thomas Estey

Kellie Stoll Named Banking Officer

Kellie Stoll, Mortgage Sales Coordinator, was recently promoted to Banking Officer at Chittenden Bank. Kellie is responsible for supporting the Mortgage Sales Manager and the Mortgage Loan Originators throughout the state. Kellie assists with product knowledge and procedures training, guidance with structuring of borrower loans and creating and implementing various marketing and promotional items for the mortgage department.

She joined Chittenden in 1991 as a Mortgage Processor. Since then she has held various positions including; Supervisor of Processing and Closing Staff and Administrative Assistant for Private Banking.

Kellie is a graduate of Champlain College with an Associate Degree in Public Relations and Communications. She also holds a Certified Mortgage Professional designation. Kellie is a member of the Vermont Mortgage Bankers Association.

Kellie is an active member of her community. She is a member of the Hinesburg Affordable Housing Committee and active in the Hinesburg Scouting Programs.

Kellie resides in Hinesburg with her husband, Dave, and son, Jake.

Loudon Graduates Andover Newton Theological School

Kay Lantman Loudon, daughter of Doug and Betty Lantman will be graduating from Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre Massachusetts on Saturday, May 19. Kay will be awarded a Masters of Divinity degree with Honors. Ordination as Pastor and Teacher by the Windsor Orange Association of the Vermont Conference of the United Church of Christ will take place at a later time.

Shelburne Museum Summer Camps

For the first time, Shelburne Museum is offering summer day camps for children entering grades 1-12. Themes of the seven camps include art, gardening, history, and architecture, also included is a material culture seminar for rising high school juniors and seniors.

Detailed camp descriptions and registration information are available at www.whelbirmuseum.org or call 985-3346, ext. 3395.

Hill Hockey Camp at Leddy

Brent Hill will be coaching a week long hockey camp for beginning aspiring hockey players and Mites this summer at Leddy Park. The classes are July 30-August 3. The session for beginners is 2:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. and the Mite session is 3:00 p.m. - 4:10 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please call Leddy Park Arena at 865-7558 for more information.

Country Dances

English Country Dance is held regularly at the Elley-Long Music Center, 223 Ethan Allen Ave., Colchester, VT (in Fort Ethan Allen complex, off Rt. 15).

Dancing is from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Basic instruction is held the first half hour. The cost is \$7.00; the beginners' first dance evening is free.

The class is taught by Val Medve, Wendy Gilchrist, and friends. All dances are taught, no partner is needed. Adults and youths over 12 are welcome.

For information contact Val Medve at 802-899-2378 or send email to: valandtom@together.net or visit the web site at: www.peter.burrage.net/dance.

The dates for classes are Friday May 4; Friday May 18; Friday June 1; and Friday June 15.

Call For Photographic Entries

There will be a Spring Juried Photography Show at Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. The topic is Boats Around the World. Professional and amateur photographers are invited to submit photographs of boats from anywhere in the world except Lake Champlain in formats including color, black and white, hand-tinted, digital, or photo collage. Categories include Scenic, Action, Still Life, People, Boat Building, Shipwrecks, and Historic Vessels.

Professional photographers will judge and comment on your work. People's Choice Award is announced at the end of the exhibition.

Deliver ready-to-hang work to LCMM between May 14 - 19. Registration forms available on-line at lcm.org or call (802) 475-2022 for information. The exhibit will be on view at LCMM from June 2 - July 29.

Green Mountain Folklore Society Spring Meeting May 12 in Burlington

The Spring meeting of the Green Mountain Folklore Society will be held on Saturday, May 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 81 St. Paul Street in Burlington.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Visitors are welcome to come join us for a look at Vermont Folklore.

A chicken pie dinner will be available for \$12.00. Dinner reservations are needed by May 5. For more information call 879-1925 or email: imiinv8@yahoo.com.

Counterpoint Concert

Saint Michael's College hosts *A Spring Bouquet from Counterpoint*, the 12-voice professional vocal ensemble directed by Robert De Cormier, in a concert titled *Ancients & Moderns* in the McCarthy Arts Center at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 29.

The program includes early music of Monteverdi, Schuetz and Bach, and contemporary compositions of Morton Gould, Leonard Bernstein and Eric Banks. Tickets are available from (802) 86-FLYNN or at the door; adults \$18, seniors \$15, students \$12 (no charge for Saint Michael's students with ID).

Shelburne Museum Opens May 20

The Shelburne Museum will open for the season on May 20. Open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (8:00 p.m. on Thursdays), the \$18 tickets are half price for Vermont residents and are valid for two consecutive days. Children's tickets are \$9, younger than 6 are free.

There are many special exhibitions including Shaker designs and contemporary chandeliers. Don't miss the Audubon prints and the designs of Jason Miller. Quilt collections include patchwork quilts by Rosie Lee Tompkins, contemporary Vermont quilts, and Amish quilts.

For information call 985-3346 or try www.shelburnemuseum.org.

Other News

Spring Concert Prepares VYO for China Tour

The Vermont Youth Orchestra, led by Music Director and Conductor Troy Peters, presents "East Meets West" at the Flynn Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, May 6 at 3:00 p.m. The program will also be presented at Northfield High School on Friday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m.

In preparation for their upcoming tour of China, the VYO presents a program blending musical references from both the East and West. Alluding to the Wild West, the orchestra will perform the popular *Billy the Kid* Suite. Cowboy tunes and folk melodies form the basis of Aaron Copland's 1938 ballet, based on the tale of real-life outlaw Henry McCarty. Conductor Peters will lead the VYO in the Vermont premiere of *West*, written in 2005 by Juilliard composer Daniel Ott. A flavor of the Far East will be reflected in several selections: the traditional Chinese folk melody *Jasmine*, Lü Quiming's Red Flag Ode and the classic Spring Festival Overture.


Essex high school senior and VYO principal cellist Daniel Ramsey will present the first movement of Édouard Lalo's poignant Cello Concerto in D minor. Daniel has performed in VYOA orchestras for nine years, successfully balancing two loves - music and athletics. He is interested in all musical styles and spends much of his free time collaborating and performing with friends. In addition to his commitments to music, Daniel is one of the highest placed distance runners in Vermont.

U-32 high school senior and VYO principal flutist Jenna Cameron will present Franz Doppler's brilliant Hungarian Pastoral Fantasy. A longtime member of the VYOA, Jenna has balanced her commitment to music with her love of dance. This year, she was the principal flutist in both the All State Music Festival and the New England Music Festival orchestras. Additionally, she received the All State Scholarship and Performance award for the second year in a row. Jenna dances with the Montpelier Teen Jazz Dance, a group that performs regularly in the Central Vermont area.

This is the VYO's final public performance before departing on a two-week concert tour of China in June. Concerts are scheduled in Beijing, Shanghai, Hangzhou and Hong Kong. For more information about the tour, including a detailed concert itinerary, visit www.vyo.org.

Tickets for the concert at Northfield High School are \$8 for adults, and \$5 for seniors and students. Tickets will be available at the door on the evening of the concert. For more information call 485-8903

Tickets for the concert at the Flynn Center are \$15, \$12 and \$10 for adults and seniors, and \$12, \$10 and \$6 for students. To purchase, call 86-FLYNN or visit flynntix.org.



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COTS Walk 2007

Join other walkers on Sunday, May 6, at Battery Park in downtown Burlington for a three-mile walk and fundraiser for the Committee on Temporary Shelter. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. Follow the route a homeless person might travel to receive shelter and services for Vermonters who are homeless or at risk of losing their homes. The event is free but donations are welcome.

For more information call 864-7402 x104

Green Mountain Audubon Society's May Events

Alien Invaders

Date: May 1

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Carpenter-Carse Library, Hinesburg
(See Library Column in this issue for details)

Birds of Woodlands, Fields and Shrubs at Charlotte Park

Date: May 5

Location: Meet at the parking area at Charlotte Park
Time: 7:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Trip Leaders: Bob and Shirley Johnson

Free: All welcome

Contact: Shirley Johnson, 878-4132

Note: This area can be very wet and muddy if it rains. Be prepared – wear boots!

Red Rocks Park Wildflower Walk

Date: May 6

Location: Meet at the entrance of Red Rocks Park in Burlington.

Time: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Trip Leader: Gwen Causer

Free: All welcome

Contact: Gwen Causer, 863-5646

Note: If you have Newcomb's Wildflower Guide, please bring it.

Art Center Hosts Rubenstein Exhibition

Shelburne Art Center announces an exhibition of the work of noted Hudson Valley painter Lewis Rubenstein through May 26. Lewis Rubenstein spent the last years of his life at Wake Robin in Shelburne, and Vermont scenes figure in many of his late watercolors. Rubenstein headed the Studio Art program at Vassar for many years.

Controversy arose in 1936 when Rubenstein completed a mural painting based on the Niebelung legend at the Germanic Museum at Harvard (later renamed the Busch-Reisinger Museum). His contemporary depiction conveyed an anti-war, anti-fascist message, including a specific representation of Hitler.

Rubenstein's interest in Japanese and Chinese art inspired an innovation he called Time Painting - long, horizontal scroll-like paintings exploring a theme over a period of time. Viewers look at the images in sequence in a specially designed box.

The exhibition will also include works in watercolor and oil, some of Rubenstein's small sketches and work from the 1930s featuring workers and industrial scenes. The exhibition is sponsored by Network Chiropractic of Vermont and the reception is sponsored by Tuscan Kitchen.

For more information call 985-3648 or visit www.shelburneartcenter.org

Concert Will Benefit Hospital

The annual spring concert by the Middlebury College Community Chorus will be held at Mead Chapel on Sunday, May 6 at 2:00 p.m. The 2007 concert will benefit a special project at Porter Hospital in Middlebury, the "BJ Calhoun Memorial Garden and Courtyard" to be dedicated this summer adjacent to the hospital's new North Wing. According to hospital spokesperson, Ron Hallman, the Courtyard will be a lovely place filled with flowers, plants and trees, created for patients, visitors and staff to retreat for reflection outside of the traditional hospital waiting areas. It is being created and dedicated in memory of BJ Calhoun, a long-time and devoted volunteer of Porter.

Appropriately, the spring concert program theme is "care, hope, and remembrance." The program includes Handel's "Foundling Hospital Anthem" composed in 1749 as a benefit for a London hospital that cared for homeless children. The texts of the work reflect the desire to comfort the hospitalized children, and it ends with the spirited "Hallelujah Chorus" from the Messiah. In addition, the Chorus will perform the Vermont premier of a recently composed work by Minnesota composer Stephen Paulus. "A Place of Hope" was written for the dedication of a new building at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota in 2001. This contemporary work draws

its texts from the writings of clinic patients who reflect on hope for their lives, as well as the role of music and art in their treatment and healing.

The program will also include Minnesota composer-conductor René Clausen's "Kyrie", part of his larger work "Memorial" that commemorates victims of 9/11. The program will conclude with the Gaelic Blessing, set by noted British musician John Rutter.

The Middlebury College Community Chorus is conducted by Jeff Rehbach, now in his seventh season leading the group, and accompanied by George Matthew, Jr., who also serves as carillonneur of Middlebury College. The origins of the Community Chorus date back more than 150 years when the Middlebury Musical Institute, a choral group, was established. Today the Chorus is open to all singers, without audition, including members of the local community and students, faculty, and staff of the College.

Loans Offered For Low Income Homeowners

USDA Rural Development offers 1% loans for up to 20 years to help very low income home owners upgrade or replace heating systems, make essential improvements such as weatherization, replacement of roofs, foundations, or other structural or system upgrades such as water, electrical, or sewage. Loan amounts can be up to \$20,000. The agency does not require a mortgage for any loans of \$7,500 or less. In the last year, the average loan by the agency was approximately \$5,000 which requires a payment of only \$23 per month. This program is available throughout the state with the exception of the following communities: Burlington, South Burlington, Essex Junction and Winooski and the southeastern part of Colchester.

One condition of the program is that homeowners must have title to real estate or have a long term leasehold interest in the property that could be mortgaged to USDA. Household income eligibility is based on size of the household and county location. For a 2-person household in Chittenden, Franklin and Grand Isle County, the income eligibility range is up to \$28,200.

Rural Development can also offer grants up to \$7,500 for elderly residents if one applicant is 62 years of age or older. In all cases, the agency determines if applicants can afford a 1% loan or other affordable credit that may be available to them before approval. There may be a waiting period for the grant program, however, funds for the 1% loan program are generally available without delay.

For more information on income eligibility and field staff that can assist you, please visit our web site www.rurdev.usda.gov/vt or call Rita Weisburgh, Rural Development Specialist, in our St. Albans Office at (802) 524-6503, Ext 102.

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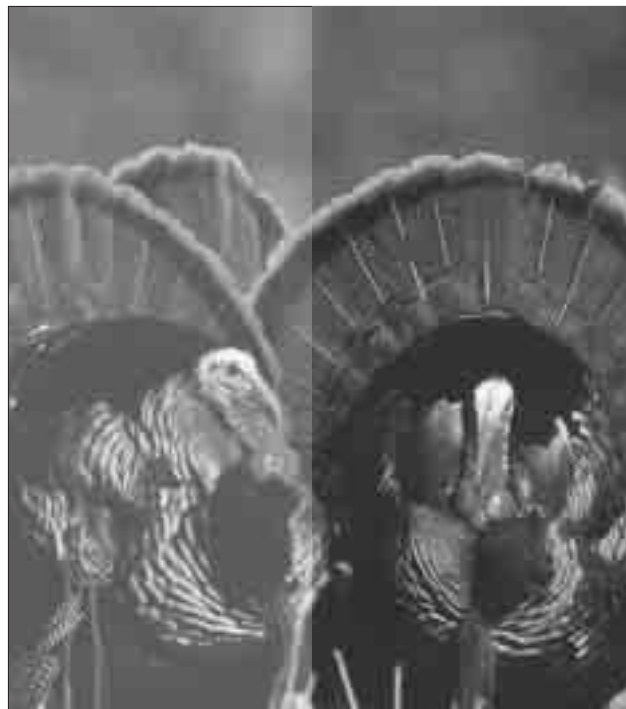
Vermont Turkey Hunting Starts May 1

Vermont has some of the best turkey hunting in New England according to the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department. Hunters took a record 4,672 turkeys in the two-day spring youth and regular May 1 to 31 seasons last year.

What makes Vermont's spring gobbler season special? Vermont's hunting is statewide during the spring season. Vermont's turkey population is one of the highest in New England. You can buy a turkey hunting license without having to go through a lottery. The turkey license comes with two spring tags for two bearded birds, and one tag for a turkey of either sex in the fall season. Plus, you get to hunt the entire weekend, because hunting is allowed on Sundays.

Vermont was the first New England state to re-establish wild turkeys when it stocked 31 birds in 1969 and 1970. Today, the Green Mountain State has an estimated 45,000 turkeys. Vermont's wild turkey restoration program is a tremendous wildlife management success story funded entirely by hunters through the sale of hunting licenses and a federal tax on hunting equipment. Now, hunters are reaping the benefits by seeing excellent turkey hunting in Vermont. And, all Vermonters are enjoying watching the big birds as they roam hillsides they had been absent from for almost a century.

To find out more about wild turkey hunting in Vermont, contact the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department, 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05601-0501. Telephone them at 241-3700 or check in at their website www.vtfishandwildlife.com. Licenses are available on their website and at more than 350 agents statewide.



Hunters took a record 4,672 turkeys in Vermont's spring turkey hunting season last year, and hunters are expected to do well again this year.

Mental Health Recovery Event

On Friday, May 18, there will be an opportunity for people who struggle with mental illness or emotional challenges to gather at ECHO at the Leahy Center for Lake Champlain at the waterfront (bottom of College St.) in Burlington. The event starts at 10:15 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m.

Admission is FREE (donations are always accepted, of course). There will be speakers to tell their successful recovery stories, a free lunch and entertainment.

The event is sponsored by the **Error! Bookmark not defined.** of Chittenden County. For more information, please contact Dana by at 985-8148 or send an email to MHEI@sover.net.

University Mall Offers Space

In an effort to give back to the local community and offer support to local non-profit organizations, University Mall is once again offering The University Mall Community Space, sponsored by 98.9 WOKO. The community space is a storefront within University Mall that is available to area non-profit groups seeking to raise funds and/or promote awareness about their organization. This space is offered on assigned Saturdays for the purpose of supporting the efforts of local non-profit organizations. Applications are currently being accepted and are available on www.umallvt.com or by calling 863-1066 x11 for more information.

Programs at Shelburne Farms Through May

Calf Open House: Sunday, April 29, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Free and open to all. Usher in the spring at the Dairy at Shelburne Farms by greeting the newborn calves, trying your hand at milking a cow and learning about our handsome Brown Swiss cows. Information: 985-8686 ext 41.

Raptor Rescue: Monday, May 7, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Free. Donations accepted. A program for adults who are interested in learning what to do and what not to do when encountering an injured hawk or owl. Outreach for Earth Stewardship shares their expertise on what to do to get them back into the wild. Registration: 985-8686 ext 41.

Forest to Furniture Exhibit: Opening Friday, May 11. An exciting hands-on exhibit features a six-sided "tree" built from various woods harvested from Shelburne Farms and nearby properties, gives children the experience of

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Shelburne Farms opens for its summer season programs on May 13. General Admission to Walking Trails, Children's Farmyard, Watch Cheesemakers. \$6 adults, \$5 seniors, \$4 children three to 17. Open daily 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Property tours 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m. \$9 adults, \$8 seniors, \$7 children three to 17.

Pasture to Palate: The Art of Cheesemaking: Monday through Wednesday, May 14 through 16. This is a residential program for foodies who love cheese, and for budding entrepreneurs who would like to try their hand at cheesemaking. With the Inn as your hub, spend three days touring Shelburne Farms Dairy and pastures, visiting regional artisanal cheesemakers and making cheese with our cheesemaking staff. Great food and expert speakers. Fee \$500 per person. Accommodations range from \$135 to \$350 a night per person. Information at www.shelburnefarms.org. Registration: 985-8686 ext 42.

Bedrock to Birds - The Natural History of Shelburne Farms' Working Landscape: Friday through Sunday, May 25 through 27. A weekend rich in discovery and friendship. Explore the natural history of the Farm's rural working landscape from bedrock to birds, forest to furniture and grass to cheese. Morning bird walks, wildflower identification, geology and wildlife. Lead by naturalists Walter Poleman and Matt Kolan. A residential program, staying in a former private residence on the lakeside. \$350 per person (double occupancy). 985-8686 ext 42

Morning Birdwalk: Wednesday, May 30, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Join field naturalist Matt Kolan in exploring shrubland, grassland, wetland and forest habitats in search of the sights and sounds of returning feathered friends. Call 985-8686 for information.

The Hinesburg Record

Advertising Deadline
May 7 for the May 26, 2007 issue.
Call 482-2540 for information.

News/Calendar Deadline
May 7 for the May 26, 2007 issue.
Call 482-2350 for information.

Copies of the 2007 Deadlines can be picked up at 327 Charlotte Road

Material not received by deadline will be considered for the next issue.



United Church of Hinesburg

Pastor: Pastor Bill Neil
Church Phone: 482-3352
Parsonage: 482-2284
E-mail: billandfaithneil@gmavt.net
Communications: Pastor Bill Neil can be contacted at 482-2284.

Website: www.TroyConference.org/unitedchurchofhinesburg
Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

Choir Practice: 9:15 a.m. Sunday mornings
Bible Zone Live! Sunday experience for children following the children's sermon.

Food Shelf: Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. (use back entrance).

WIC Clinic: First Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Osborne Parish House.

Senior Meal Site: Every Friday (except first week of each month) from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Osborne Parish House.

Community Alliance Church

Pastor: Scott Mansfield
Elders: Mike Breer, Rolly Delfausse, Jeff Glover, David Russell

Communication Coordinator: Danielle Bluteau
Phone: 482-2132
Email: dbluteau@hinesburgcma.org

Web: www.hinesburgcma.org
Address: 190 Pond Road, Hinesburg (overlooking CVU High School)

Sunday Services:
9:00 a.m., Gathering Place (classes for K-adult);
September – May

10:15 a.m., Worship (Nursery and Children's Church provided)

6:00 p.m., Middle School & High School Youth Group
Weekday Ministries:
Men's Ministry: Mondays 7:00 p.m.

Women's Group: Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. and Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.

AWANA (Pre-K-6th grade): Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m.
Small Groups: Various times and days throughout the week.

For more information on any of the ministries, please contact the church.

Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

Pastor: Reverend David Cray, S.S.E.
Pastoral Residence: 425-2253, email: dcsse@aol.com
Mailing Address: 2894 Spear Street, P.O. Box 158, Charlotte, VT 05445

Web Page: www.vermontparishes.org/StJudeHinesburg
Hinesburg Rectory: 482-2290, P.O. Box 69, 10759 Route 116, Hinesburg 05461

Parish Pastoral Assistant: Gary Payea, 482-7254, cell phone: 373-8037

Parish Secretary: Marie Cookson, 434-4782, Rectory: 482-2290, email: marietcookson@aol.com

Parish Bookkeeper: Kathy Malzac, 453-5393
Parish Council Chair: Donna Shepardson, 482-5015
Finance Council Chair: Joe Cioffi, 482-2251
Coordinator for Religious Education: Marie Cookson, 434-4782

Religious Education Classes: Grades K-8th – Classes will

resume in September.
First Year Confirmation Classes: Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - noon in the St. Jude Rectory.

Second Year Confirmation, Classes: Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - noon in the St. Jude Rectory.
Confirmation May 14

Weekend Masses:
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:30 a.m., St. Jude Church, Hinesburg.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Charlotte

Weekday Masses:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00 a.m., St. Jude Church
Tuesday, Thursday: 5:15 p.m., Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Charlotte

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Pastor for appointment.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. at St. Jude Church.

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.
Communion at Home: Please call Parish Office, 482-2290.

AA Meeting: Every Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Charlotte

Food Shelf: Parishioners are asked to be generous in bringing canned and dried food for the needy.

Lighthouse Baptist Church

Pastor: Reverend Ed Hart
Church Phone: 482-2588
Home Phone: 482-2588

E-mail: lighthousevt@netscape.net
Web Site: www.LBCvt.homestead.com

Location: Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road
Address: P. O. Box 288

Regular Services:
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Sunday Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting; Nursery provided.

All Souls Interfaith Gathering Nondenominational Service

Pastor: Rev. Mary Abele
Phone: 985-3819
Mailing Address: 371 Bostwick Farm Road, Shelburne, VT 05482

Evensong Service: Sundays at 5:00 p.m.
Spiritual Education for Children: Sundays at 5:00 p.m.

Community Outreach Groups To Discuss Affordable Housing At June 14 Forum

A St. Jude Parish gathering of community outreach groups, assembled under the banner of "Faith in Action" recently added a new group dedicated to the exploration of the topic of affordable housing in Hinesburg. The motivating force for that expansion was an early March visit by Julia Curry of Vermont Interfaith Action, a Burlington based organization working to organize Community Churches to address the practical needs of the less fortunate in Vermont.

Town-wide interest in affordable housing was first sparked during a 2006 Community Forum sponsored by the Hinesburg Selectboard. Out of that forum a Hinesburg Affordable Housing Task Force was formed. The St. Jude affordable housing group is coordinating with that Task Force as well as with Pastors of the Hinesburg United Church and the Hinesburg Community Alliance Church.

All these local elements are invited to an information meeting to be held in the St. Jude Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, 14 June.

The Vermont Interfaith Action team, led by Julia Curry, will expose attendees to the realities of affordable housing in Vermont. The evening will be one of information and

discussion. All are invited.

The St. Jude Parish Council is hosting the 14 June meeting. Light refreshments will be served. Call Jerry (482-2057) or Marie (434-4782) for information.

Vermont's First Jewish Community

Come hear a fascinating lecture by Middlebury College professor, Dr. Robert Schine speaking about his research and discoveries surrounding the first Jewish community in Poultney, Vermont. Professort Schine will speak at Temple Sinai in South Burlington on Saturday May 12 at 7:45 p.m. All are welcome. The evening begins with Havdallah with the lecture immediately following. Dessert to follow. Please RSVP to Tara at nfo@templesinaivt.org.

Gospel Coffee Hour

The Community Church of Huntington will hold a Gospel Coffee Hour in the Reception Hall on Saturday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m. Donations will be accepted at the door. For information call 453-5867.

Good News Club

By Monique Breer

Who: Kids ages K- 6
 When: Every other Tuesday through June 5 (May 8, May 22, and June 5).
 Time: 2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
 Where: Hinesburg Community School
 RSVP: Steve Milhous at 373-9975

The Good News Club is sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF), a Bible centered, world-wide organization that seeks to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with children. For information about CEF, go to www.cefonline.com.

Come to an Inventor's Party

Who: Kids ages K- 6
 When: Tuesday, May 8
 Time: 2:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
 Where: Hinesburg Community School
 RSVP: Monique Breer at 238-0727 by May 4
 For more information please email or call Steve Milhous at 373-9975 or stevekristi@pshift.com or Monique Breer at 238-0727 or mybreer1@myexcel.com.

Hinesburg Community Resource Center Foodshelf

By Doug Gunnerson, Treasurer

The Hinesburg Foodshelf is a non-profit charitable organization. All contributions are tax deductible. Remember funds raised here stays here to help our neighbors.

Please consider what you can do to help our neighbors at a crucial time, out of work, extra expenses. We need many more supporters to help. You may reach us at: Doug Gunnerson, 482-3069, or Laurie Sweeney, 482-5519. Or mail donations to: HCRC-FOODSHELF, PO Box 590, Hinesburg, VT 05461-0590.

Lastly, if we can assist you please stop in. We are open every Friday morning 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, at the rear entrance of the United Church. Thank you.

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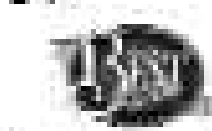
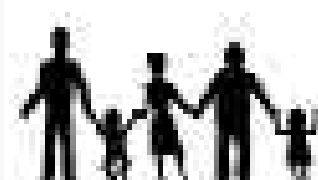
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HINESBURG CALENDAR

SATURDAY, APRIL 28:

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TUESDAY, MAY 1:

Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

THURSDAY, MAY 3:

Hinesburg Record 20th Anniversary Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m. at June's on Charlotte Road. All are welcomed to attend.

Friends of CVU meeting, 7:00 p.m., Student Center. All welcome.

Hinesburg Fire Department Medical Training, 7:30 p.m., Fire Station.

SATURDAY, MAY 5:

Green Up Day begins 8:00 a.m. at Town Hall. Barbeque lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. To learn how you can help, contact Phil Pouech at 482-2060 or Rocky Martin at 482-2096.

MONDAY, MAY 7:

Advertising and News Deadline for May 26 issue of The Hinesburg Record.

Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

Vermont Astronomical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., UVM Waterman Building, Room 413.

Lake Iroquois Recreation District meeting, 4:30 p.m., Williston Town Hall. Public invited.

TUESDAY, MAY 8:

Lion's Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick's Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information.

Recreation Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9:

HCS School Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., CVU.

Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

Land Trust meeting, 7:30 p.m., third floor Town Hall.

THURSDAY, MAY 10:

Hinesburg Fire Department Heavy Rescue training, 7:30 p.m., Fire Station.

SATURDAY, MAY 12:

HBPA Community Yard Sale, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Starts at Hinesburg Fire Station. For further information on renting sale space, attending the sale, or having your location included on the map, contact HBPA Treasurer, Jeanne Wilson at 482-3767 or email jwilson@gmavt.net.

Big Truck Day, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at HCS parking lot. Sponsored by Hinesburg Nursery School.

South County Chorus joins South Burlington Community Chorus in concert at McCarthy Arts Center Recital Hall at Saint Michael's College, 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00 and \$8.00 at Hinesburg Recreation Office or \$10.00 at the door.

SUNDAY, MAY 13:

Mother's Day.

MONDAY, MAY 14:

CVU Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 106, CVU.

Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall. Village Steering Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall. Contact George Dameron, Chair. 482-3269.

TUESDAY, MAY 15:

Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall. Hinesburg Business and Professional Association meeting. 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick's Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Tom Mathews at 496-8537 (tmathews@gmavt.net) for information or to make reservation.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16:

Hinesburg Trail Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m. Lower level or 3rd floor of Town Hall, Frank Twarog, Chair.

THURSDAY, MAY 17:

Hinesburg Fire Department Business meeting, 7:30 p.m., Fire Station.

Hinesburg Historical Society, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Mildred Aube's home on Pond Road. Call 482-2699 for information.

SATURDAY, MAY 19:

Brush clearing at Geprags Park, 9:00 a.m. at parking lot. Rain date: Sunday, May 20. Contact Rocky Martin, 482-2096 for more information.

Key To Abbreviations Used in Calendar

CCL = Carpenter Carse Library
 CSSU = Chittenden South Supervisory Union
 CVU = Champlain Valley Union High School
 HCRC = Hinesburg Community Resource Center
 HCS = Hinesburg Community School
 HFD = Hinesburg Fire Department

MONDAY, MAY 21:

Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

Hinesburg Community Band, South County Chorus, and In Accord will present a concert at 7:30 p.m. in the CVU auditorium. The concert is free, donations accepted.

TUESDAY, MAY 22:

Lion's Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick's Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23:

Public forum on Village re-zoning, sponsored by Planning Commission. Refreshments at 7:00 p.m., Hearing begins at 7:30 p.m., Town Hall. Carpenter Carse Library Trustees meeting, 7:00 p.m., CC Library

THURSDAY, MAY 24:

Town Hall Celebration of new floor, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Town Hall.

Hinesburg Fire Department Fire Training, 7:30 p.m., Fire Station

SATURDAY, MAY 26:

May 26 issue of The Hinesburg Record published.

MONDAY, MAY 28:

Memorial Day observed.

Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall. CVU Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 106, CVU.

MONDAY, JUNE 4:

Advertising and News Deadline for June 23 issue of The Hinesburg Record.

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED CALENDAR ITEMS

Town Clerk Office Hours: Mondays, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-2096. E-mail: hinesburgclerk@gmavt.net. Missy Ross, Clerk/Treasurer.

Town Administrator Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., other hours by appointment; Town Hall, 482-2096. E-mail: hinesburgtown@gmavt.net. Jeanne Kundell Wilson, Administrator.

Town Planner Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619. E-mail: hinesburgplanning@gmavt.net. Alex Weinhagen Planner.

Zoning Administrator Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and evenings as needed. Town Hall, 482-3619, E-mail, hinesburgzoning@gmavt.net. Peter Erb, Administrator.

Lister's Office Hours: Mondays through Fridays, 8:30

a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619. Hinesburg Recreation Director's Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Leave a message anytime. Jennifer McCuin, Director. 482-4691, Town Hall, P. O. Box 13. Hinesburg Trail Committee: Meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Frank Twarog, Chair.

Hinesburg Business and Professional Association: For information about the

Hinesburg Business and Professional Association and Hinesburg businesses, check out the HBPA website at <http://www.hinesburgbusiness.com>. HBPA meets the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Papa Nick's Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Tom Matthews (tmathews@gmavt.net) at 802-496-8537 for information or to make a reservation.

Village Steering Committee: Meetings on the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m., Town Hall. George Dameron, Chair.

Buy Local/Specialty Farming Task Force. Meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., top floor of Town Hall. Contact Bill Schubart (bill@schubart.com 482-3287) or James Donegan (doneganmaple@hotmail.com 482-3245) with questions.

Playgroup at Town Hall: Weekly group of parents and children, birth to age five. Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Playtimes for young children and a place for parents to connect. All welcome. Free. Sponsored by Hinesburg Friends of Families. For more information, contact Brandy at 482-6401.

Recycling & Trash Drop-Off Centers: Hinesburg: Beecher Hill Road at the Town Garage; Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; 482-4840. Williston: At the end of Redmond Road; Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; 872-8111. South Burlington: Landfill Road (off Patchen Road), Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 872-8111. CSWD website: <http://www.cswd.net>.

Environmental Depot: 1011 Airport Parkway, South Burlington. Open Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 863-0480.

Hinesburg Community Resource Center, Inc. Office Hours: Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. You may leave a message for Roberta Soll at 482-2878. Ginny Roberts (482-5025) is the contact for Friends of Families.

Hinesburg Food Shelf: Open Friday mornings, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

United States Post Office Hours: Window: Mondays through Fridays, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Lobby & TriVendor: Mondays through Fridays, 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturdays, 6:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Mail is dispatched from Hinesburg at 6:00 a.m., 2:30 p.m., and 5:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, Saturdays 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

Seniors Dinner: Fridays, 12:00 noon, Osborne Parish House, United Church. For reservations or transportation, call 482-2998 or leave a message at CVAA office, 865-0360.

Compassionate Friends: The Compassionate Friends is a support group for family members who have experienced the death of a child, sibling, or grandchild, from any cause, at any age. Meetings are held at Christ Church Presbyterian on the Redstone Campus of UVM on the third Tuesday of every month. Call 482-5319 for information.

WEB PAGES:

HCS: <http://www.hcsvt.org>. Learn about Viking newsletter, cafeteria menu, email addresses for staff, department and team web pages, calendar information etc.

CVU: <http://www.cvuhs.org>. Learn about CVU activities and programs, sports schedule, and more.

CCL: <http://www.carpentercarse.org>. Learn about library hours, services, and online resources.

Hinesburg Town: <http://www.hinesburg.org>. Official Town of Hinesburg web site.

Hinesburg Record: <http://www.hinesburg-record.org>. Contains contact information for advertising and news, publication deadlines, submissions guidelines, town calendar.