

The Hinesburg Record

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“People often say that in a democracy, decisions are made by a majority of people. Of course, this is not true. Decisions are made by a majority of those who make themselves heard and who vote—a very different thing.”

—Walter H. Judd, from *Opinions*,
a monthly release from
Deborah Markowitz,

Vermont Secretary of State

Be in the majority who vote on November 2, 2004.

Historical Society Studies Farms

By Jean Miner, Secretary

Dairy Farms

In June of 2000 Paul Eddy told me that he and Edwin Lyman had been talking about the decline of dairy farms in Hinesburg. He asked if the Historical Society would be interested in helping to map these farms. The members invited him, Edwin and David Lyman to come to the July meeting to discuss this.

On July 20, 2000 the study of Hinesburg's farming history began; each farm that had produced milk for sale was included. With the excellent memories of our members and these three men we started to compile a written text.

We started at the St. George line and followed down to the Monkton line, researching each farm on Route 116. We began with the current or last farmer and worked back through the previous owners, ending with information on the 1820 and 1850 maps which listed the householders of the time. This was done on each road in town and we found 122 working farms since the early 1800's.

This project was finished in June 2002. Our two years of work resulted in a fifteen page report which Barbara Forrest volunteered to type for us. Each farm is numbered and Paul and I placed the numbers in the correct place on a town map so that each farm can be located. Paul wrote an introduction and the written report, and the map is on display in the Carpenter-Carse Library. Anyone having any additional information and/or corrections is encouraged to write them in the space provided in the book.

Sheep Farms

At our April 17, 2003 meeting Paul told us of finding in the town offices an old Lister's book that included the many sheep farmers in town in 1842. There were 106 farms with a total of 8,185 sheep. Thirty farms had 100 or more, with the rest ranging from 10 to 20 up to 50 to 98.

This information led to another year's work with a written text and another map to locate these sheep farms. They are also on display in the library.

Old Hinesburg Photos Are Needed

Jessie Francis has suggested that the next project of the Historical Society be to collect old photos of Hinesburg. We will have them copied and placed in an album which will be added to the other material in the library. Several other towns have done this and we all felt it would be very worthwhile. Therefore we are asking that anyone who has any pictures of Hinesburg's past please allow the use of them.

Please include an explanation of the people and or places. Please contact any of our members or me. We will be very careful with them and will give credit to the owners.

We realize that this is a very ambitious undertaking and will probably take a long time to complete. Hopefully with help from those interested we will have a record of our town's past that everyone will enjoy looking through.

Beth Sengle Resigns from Recreation Post

By Stewart Pierson

“I have loved this job. It is everyone's dream to have a job which provides meaningful work, has immediate results, and is actually good for the participants,” said outgoing Town Recreation Director Beth Sengle.

Beth began this half-time appointment in October of 2001. This was her first experience in the field of recreation and working for a municipality. After a childhood in Evanston, IL and Greenwich, CT, Beth worked for Procter and Gamble. In 1987, her husband and she decided to relocate to a “livable area”. They selected Vermont and specifically Hinesburg. Their three children attend local schools. She took a “child rearing” break



According to outgoing Recreation Director Beth Sengle, “Organized Recreation...can be something healthy for both mind and body.”

from employment before accepting the recreation position.

“This is ‘my town’ and I work with the best people both in the community and here at Town Hall,” Beth said. Even without previous recreation experience, Beth was excited with the possibility for creativity and innovation in the Recreation Director position. Three new programs tell the story of Beth's energy and imagination.

After School Enrichment Program

Now in its second year, the After School Enrichment Program provides a variety of small group experiences at the elementary school. It was as a parent herself that Beth found the need to offer something between 3:00 and 6:00 p.m., but the school alone did not have the financial resources. The partnership between the school and the Town Recreation Department has made this possible. The curriculum is both academic and recreational and now includes adults by offering a yoga class.

“The Town of Hinesburg doesn't have a Recreation Center or building, so programming must be carefully located in and around existing facilities. The After School program not only uses the school gym but also the classrooms. The instructors are paid and work with a broad spectrum of children on various topics and activities,” she said.

Ice Rink and Skateboard Park

Last winter the new Ice Rink and Skateboard Park (behind HCS) was completed, capitalizing on the need for teen recreation. It has been highly utilized by older children. “It is so wonderful to see exhausted teenagers carrying skate boards over to Good Times Cafe for a soda. They might have been sitting home watching TV or playing computer games but instead they are outside with other teens being active. Oh, there

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Past and present meet in every well kept stone wall, like this one that graces Route 116 in the village of Hinesburg.
PHOTO BY CYBELE WERTS

Police and Parking Problems

Let me start by saying that CVU did a very poor job of handling the issuance of student parking passes this Fall.

Next, I'd like to say that I do not appreciate being reprimanded by Chief Morrell in the Hinesburg Record for making a call as a concerned citizen of this town. On the night before senior parking passes were to be handed out at CVU, students began filing into the parking lot at about 7:30 p.m. By 8:00 there were over 50 students in the parking lot with more coming, all preparing to spend the night to be first in line the next morning. As a parent of two young children, and with a job to get up for each day, you bet I became concerned. I didn't call 9-1-1 to declare an emergency; I simply called Chief Morrell and explained what was going on, and asked that he monitor the situation. Chief Morrell was very rude and sarcastic, although he did make an appearance at the school. Sometime, later that evening, someone came to the school and asked the kids to relocate.

As a taxpayer in this community, I believe that I help fund the Hinesburg Police Department, and I believe that it is my right, as well as my duty, to call them when I see a problem or a situation that could become a problem. I have returned home from work in the past to find a note from Mr. Morrell in regard to my dog, who had escaped from his pen and was running loose around the neighborhood. I thought that this was potential for a much bigger problem than a loose dog.

All in all, I hope that Mr. Morrell retained the friendship that he so desired from the students involved, as he certainly lost the respect of this resident. Next year, let's hand out student passes in his front yard.

— Deanna Utter

Vote Sharp

It was with interest that I read Representative Lippert's long and impassioned "open" letter to the Hinesburg Community in the August 28, 2004 issue of The Hinesburg Record. Besides recounting what he holds to be high points of the past ten years as Hinesburg's Representative (Chittenden 1-1), he also announced a run for another term.

It's important for us at this juncture in the election cycle to see beyond the obligatory "thank you" letters and the customary endorsements to truly consider how far afield Mr. Lippert has strayed in our name.

In his open letter he states: "In 2000 I helped lead the way to create Civil Unions... I am proud to have helped craft and pass this historic legislation... I will actively oppose the recently announced effort (?) to remove Vermont Supreme Court Justices, based solely on their support for decisions that led to Act 60 and Civil Unions." He adds that he is a senior member of the House Judiciary Committee. And in effect, by the positions taken in his letter, he informs us that he doesn't care what you, you, and you think. He wants his Alamo; however, this posturing is hardly open-minded nor a representative way of thinking.

His elaborately detailed letter fails to mention his House Bill of 2003, H.366, on Transgender Equality. This bill is on the Legislative pages of the State's web site. Nor does his letter mention last year's high profile stance against Senator Doyle's sponsorship of the federal "Help America to Vote Act." This federal act was passed in response to voting problems in Florida. Even though five million dollars in federal aid was at stake, Mr. Lippert's wily concern was that the driver's license was going to become a national identification card. Seemingly we have more pressing issues closer to home base to solve than these.

Mr. Lippert has had his coup. Margery will be more representative of us all in Hinesburg when she is in Montpelier. I have known Margery for a long time and we have kept in touch over the years. Margery's life experiences as journalist, mother of three, community supporter and organizer, and ever the concerned citizen, aren't a path with a narrowing point of view. Margery's ideas are on the broad plain but with our common interests in mind. She can run a beeline but stay mainstream at the same time. We should get sharp, vote Margery Sharp, for Hinesburg Representative.

— Roger Donegan

Marge Sharp – A Voice of Reason

I am happy to support Marge Sharp our Hinesburg candidate for the Vermont House of Representatives.

Marge has the proven ability to listen to our concerns with an open mind. As a career journalist, Marge will patiently negotiate resolve across all party lines in Montpelier. She is



unafraid of addressing the controversial issues; affordable health care, prescription costs, and traffic and pedestrian safety on our state highways, to name a few. I believe Marge will communicate progress reports to Hinesburg residents regularly, relating to issues of concern, if elected.

I ask my Hinesburg neighbors to consider Marge Sharp, a voice of reason, for the Vermont House on November 2.

— Dianne Deforge

In support of Bill Lippert

Bill Lippert is a friend, neighbor and a very good Representative to the legislature for the Town of Hinesburg.

Bill has always been helpful and responsive. He assists individuals working on statewide issues that affect all of our children, for example. When working on School Quality Standards for school health services he contacted the Commissioner of Education and paved the way for me to testify at the House Committee on Education. Quality health services for children in Vermont's schools were saved. He is knowledgeable and clear when explaining how get to the right people who can help with the problem.

Bill has been helpful with matters related to our community. This summer he interceded on Town's behalf when the Agency of Transportation responded negatively to our efforts to improve pedestrian safety at a Route 116 crosswalk. He made contact with the Secretary of Transportation in regards to the conflict and arranged for the Secretary and VTrans highway engineers to meet with the Selectboard and members of the community to discuss short and long term improvements to pedestrian safety at the crosswalk. When the Town was at risk of losing funding for the recreation path, Bill interceded and secured the grant funds.

Bill is very approachable, a team player and a coalition builder, excellent qualities for our representative. Please support Bill Lippert for another term.

— Jon and Sharonlee Trefry

The Sharp Edge

Do you want someone to listen and keep you advised as to progress on the issues that concern you? You will find an efficient Vermont House Representative and friend in Marge Sharp. She has the time, the energy and ideas to make a difference.

As a single parent of three children and as a journalist, Marge has had invaluable life experiences that provide her with definite insight into problems we all face from time to time.

Keep Hinesburg proud. Let Marge carry your voice to Montpelier!

— David Lyman and Barbara Forrest

Another Side of Bill Lippert

I am writing to encourage voters to once again support Bill Lippert and reelect him to the Vermont House to represent Hinesburg. Bill has been incredibly responsive to the concerns and needs of the Town and us as residents, and I believe he will continue to serve us well and responsibly. He has been a very effective legislator, and I am proud of his voting record on a wide range of issues.

I want to highlight an issue that many may not know—Bill has always been willing to respond to our student population, both at CVU and middle school. This is important to encourage our youth to understand and participate in the electoral process, as democracy thrives when voter participation is the highest.

I know first-hand Bill's openness to work with students as he spent time with our daughter for a CVU research project seven years ago. He worked last year with two additional CVU students on their idea to encourage the purchase of hybrid cars by eliminating the VT Purchase & Use tax on those vehicles. Bill introduced a bill and the students testified in front of the House Ways & Means Committee. A study, due in January, is currently underway by the Joint Fiscal Committee of the legislature to study the fiscal impact of eliminating these taxes.

Finally, Bill has invited HCS eighth grade students to spend the day at the Statehouse to learn firsthand about the workings of our state government.

So please vote November 2 and vote for Bill Lippert.

— Carl Bohlen

Support for Bill Lippert

I'm writing this letter to express my heartfelt support for Bill Lippert in his run for re-election to the Vermont House of Representatives. I support Bill because over the last ten years I have been consistently impressed by his common sense approach to the issues that have come up at a state and local level.

In particular, he has been a consistent supporter of the Housing and Conservation Trust Fund which works to preserve open land and help make farm land affordable for young farmers. In this election he has been endorsed by the Vermont Alliance of Conservation Voters because of his consistent voting record on conservation issues.

He has been a strong supporter of education funding reform that has income-sensitivity built into it. Even though we do continue to pay a lot in property taxes here in Hinesburg, at least now we are paying high taxes for a school that is well funded. Before, we paid high taxes for a school that didn't have the resources needed to provide a quality education to Hinesburg's children.

The bottom line is that I support Bill because I pretty much agree with him on all the important issues that I've heard him speak to. And, I trust him to do the right thing even when the going gets tough. I hope you will join me in re-electing Bill Lippert.

— Marian Welch

Re-elect Lippert

Bill Lippert has been a strong advocate for Hinesburg as our legislator for the past 10 years. I have always found Bill to be supportive of and an advocate for Hinesburg issues. Bill's professional and consistent manner is an asset to Hinesburg citizens in initiating and pursuing local projects regarding transportation, education, and public works that require follow through in Montpelier. Bill has also demonstrated his commitment to all the people of Vermont through his strong support for children's programs and in promoting equity in education funding and strengthening school standards.

The voters of Hinesburg have elected Bill five times as our representative. I urge voters to once again send Bill back to Montpelier. He will work for all of us to create affordable health care policies, advocate for the educational needs of our children, preserve reproductive rights and a woman's right to choose, support environmental policies that assure high standards for today and future generations of Vermonters and to sustain civil rights for all of us.

With Bill Lippert in Montpelier Hinesburg has a strong advocate for local issues and knowledge that we have an honest and hardworking legislator who represents a community that respects diversity, supports education, and seeks to sustain the rich cultural and natural heritage of Vermont for us and future generations.

— Andrea Morgante , Hinesburg

Less school for more taxes? Vote NO for the Regional Technical Academy

I have taught at Burlington Technical Center for 16 years and have seen incredible changes during that time. When I started here, it was called vocational education. It was for students who were not college bound or had special learning needs. For the most part, students learned a job skill that they would then do for the next 45 years.

Fast forward to Technical Education in 2004: all kinds of students with all kinds of learning styles and all kinds of future goals. Some are going to work right after high school, and some are going on to two and four-year post-secondary schools. They are not training for a specific job, but are learning what it takes to be successful in a rapidly changing world.

Listen to the hype around the RTA and then listen to what is not being said: the RTA will strip away choice, it will not attract students who require AP classes in order to get into competitive post-secondary schools, it will not attract athletes or students interested in extracurricular activities. If the RTA passes, it will take technical education back to the training school days.

First and foremost, the RTA will limit options and take away choices for students. The current system offers high quality, proven, full and half day programs. In Burlington, there are 320 students who have chosen a half-day program. A majority of these students have indicated they have no desire to leave their home high schools for a whole day, let alone for two years.

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News/Calendar:

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therecord@gmavt.net.

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

Deadlines for 2004

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For advertising information, contact Lisa Beliveau at 482-3404 or email: hrrsales@gmavt.net.

News and Calendar Deadlines

We encourage you to submit news and calendar items as soon as possible. The deadline for the next issue of *The Hinesburg Record* is Thursday, November 18, 2004.

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

Please do NOT format (boxes, columns, all capital letters, etc.). We work with Apples and PCs and any formatting is lost from one computer to the next or one program to another. Feel free to send a hard copy of your design and we will try to adapt.

Articles cannot be accepted after the deadline date. However, if the subject matter is still current, such articles may be saved for the following month's issue.

To Submit News & Calendar Info

Contact June Giroux, 327 Charlotte Road, Hinesburg 05461 if you have questions. You may call or fax her at 482-2350. 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.

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RTA students will have less access to important academic and elective classes. Instead they will have “integrated” academics that will put them at a disadvantage for college admissions. Most colleges and universities don’t recognize embedded credit and integrated academics as equivalent to AP courses. Students intending to get into competitive secondary schools would be at a disadvantage if they went to the RTA.

The RTA advertising materials continue to promote a number of over 200 students that were denied access to technical education in 2004. In fact, a document recently completed by the BTC guidance coordinator states that only 43 students were actually denied a technical center education this year.

The RTA will not offer high school diplomas. Tech students will have to struggle to meet different local graduation requirements while being less connected to their home high schools.

RTA proponents emphasize that this school will have “integrated academics.” Along with our academic counterparts, technical educators have repeatedly told the RTA board this can’t be done by September 2005. Furthermore, integrated academics are not a foundation, they are an “addition to,” not an “instead of,” component of education.

The RTA Board states that if we don’t grab this money now, we will never get it again. I’m not sure as to the accuracy of that statement, but what I do know is that isn’t an argument for taking the high quality learning experience we currently have and turning it into a second-rate training school. They say it’s a bridge to a four-year school. However, no one on the RTA board is willing to put together a plan, on paper, for how we are going to proceed to accomplish this four-year vision. If the RTA board is really planning to move forward with the four-year vision, then they are obligated to let the taxpayers know what to expect in another few years when they have to go back to the table for more money.

Another part of the deal is that Essex and Burlington school departments are to buy back the current spaces each for \$1.00. As a CVU taxpayer, I have been investing in those buildings for as long as I’ve paid taxes. Why should Burlington and Essex taxpayers receive that tax break? Why aren’t those buildings being sold at market value to offset the cost of the project?

And speaking of cost, if you read the language of the November ballot item, we will be giving the RTA board permission to make financial decisions based on estimations. The RTA ballot allows the RTA Board to go back to the bond bank without another vote, in essence giving the RTA a taxpayer funded credit card with no limit. Also, the RTA would compete heavily with local funding; an issue of such concern to 16 principals and guidance directors in the region (including CVU principal Val Gardner), that they have a signed a letter in non-support of project.

This letter states, “Costs for the new RTA will include capital expenses for the building, increased debt service over time, and annual operating expenses. Any added costs will be shifted back to local schools, because the tax base will be raised for homestead owners, not for businesses. \$44 million is only the beginning of the high cost for an RTA which would provide minimal educational change for our young people. Education issues are at the forefront of our opposition to the RTA proposal. \$44 million for a new building will not improve technical education, and it may indeed have a negative impact on many other aspects of our educational system. (For more information and documentation of the facts printed in this letter, go to www.friendsofteched.org.)

90% of staff at BTC and CTE are opposed to the RTA as it stands on the November ballot. This has been attributed to a “resistance to change,” but nothing can be further from the truth. Change is what we are all about. Outdated programs have been closed, and new programs have been created, to reflect the needs of the community and the interests of students, as well as the changing trends in education and technology. We understand the current proposal in great detail. When we compare the proposed RTA to the current system, the current system clearly serves all students better. I urge you not to take technical education backwards – Vote No for the RTA.

– JoAnn Wolter

RTA in Line With Community Goals

Amid all the rhetoric being tossed about recently regarding the proposed Regional Technical Academy (RTA), there are some important facts that, for the sake of our region’s students, must not be lost. When you listen carefully, the State Board of Education, our region’s principals and superintendents, the technical school teachers, local school boards, students and the RTA Board are all saying essentially the same thing: Our region needs a diploma-granting, four-year school with state-of-the-art facilities to enhance access and delivery of high

quality technical education for all students in our region.

The current debate is primarily over the means to achieve that common goal. Is the current project a solid step toward that goal or not? In Vermont we have a reasonable, legislatively proscribed process for developing technical education projects. The RTA Board and its predecessor planning committee have adhered scrupulously to that process over the last six years. A positive vote on November 2 is the next logical step in achieving the community’s goal and making the RTA a reality.

We have some fine technical education programs today and dedicated teachers, but overall our region lags behind the nation in providing excellent technical education opportunities to all of our students. Currently most students receive two and one-half to four hours of technical education each day. In Essex, most attend for one year only. In Burlington, most half-day students attend over two years. The limited time spent cannot permit full integration of academics into technical course work – the education model widely accepted as optimal and practiced successfully in most other states.

Classrooms are crowded with no space for expansion available at the current sites in Burlington and Essex. According to the current technical center directors, over two hundred students in our region were denied access to technical education this year alone. To have well educated, productive members of our society, we cannot afford to deny adequate technical education to so many students. All of our students need access to high quality technical education to succeed in an increasingly competitive, technical world.

The State will pay 100% of the RTA construction costs with taxpayers in the region paying the carrying costs for financing. The RTA’s tax impact will be an average regionally of 2.3 pennies on the homestead tax rate. Program offerings will be greatly expanded which cannot be done at the current sites. The needs of up to 1250 students can be met rather than the current 628 full-time equivalent students. Additional programs for adults will be offered. Students will attend the academy for two full years rather than part-time as they do now and will complete their studies with more credit than is currently possible toward college or licensure in their chosen field.

As a member of the RTA Board, I have observed first hand the thoughtful, detailed study that has been done to bring the proposed facility to a public vote. Teachers, school administrators, the community, and various State entities have worked collaboratively for six years in the planning process. Some in our community are bitterly disappointed that the originally envisioned academy is not what the Legislature has sanctioned thus far; however, the proverbial “throw the baby out with the bathwater” approach does nothing to bring us closer to the goal of improving access and delivery of technical education in our region. Unfortunately, a great deal of misinformation is being distributed regarding the proposed RTA, but no viable alternative means to meet all our students’ needs has been offered.

The RTA Board is working within Vermont’s educational system to meet our region’s needs and achieve the ultimate goal of enhanced access and delivery of technical education. Voting in favor of the RTA proposal on November 2 will bring our region a crucial step closer to that goal. I hope you will join me in supporting this much needed regional project.

– Nancy K. Port, RTA Board Member

Vote Yes on RTA

I want to encourage everyone to vote in favor of the Regional Technical Academy. Please allow the process of developing a new school for technical education to continue. Currently both the Burlington and Essex Technical schools are at capacity. A positive vote will allow the merging of the two schools into one. This will create a larger space, along with giving the region a chance to expand programs. This will allow students who need the teaching style that technical education offers more access to technical education.

Although I was not in favor of the combined technical center proposal last March., after spending the last eight months working on the project I now understand the need for expanded technical education in the region. Please join me in voting yes on Election day.

– Michael Bissonette

(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 do 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 either P.O. Box 304 or 327 Charlotte Road, Hinesburg, VT 05461, or send via email to therecord@gmavt.net, or deliver to the Record Drop Box on Charlotte Road.)

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Annual Meeting

By Sandy Lathem

Tuesday, November 9

The Annual Meeting of The Hinesburg Record, Inc. will be held Tuesday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m. at June Giroux's house, 327 Charlotte Road. All Record volunteers and community members interested in *The Record* are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

At the annual meeting, Record staff and volunteers review last year's publications and plan for the year ahead. Board members and officers are elected. Current board members are:

Sandy Lathem	President	Term ends 2004
Kevin Lewis	Vice President	Term ends 2005
Bruce Hilliker	Secretary	Term ends 2004
Mary Jo Brace	Treasurer	Term ends 2005

Volunteers Needed

The Hinesburg Record welcomes newcomers interested in supporting our community paper. Our needs include web site manager, copyeditors, photographers, writers to cover public meetings (Hinesburg Community School, for example), sports writers, and feature columnists who want to focus on events or topics of interest to Hinesburg residents. If you have ever considered volunteering for *The Record* but have not followed through on the impulse, the annual meeting is the perfect opportunity to learn about our organization and how you might be able to help.

For More Information

If you would like to learn more about *The Record* and the annual meeting, please contact Sandy Lathem, 482-2714 (slathem@gmavt.net) or June Giroux, 482-2350 (junegiroux@aol.com). We hope to see you November 9!

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Town Clerk & Treasurer's Office

By Missy Ross

The big news from our office is that the election is pending and things have been a bit crazy here! Don't forget to vote on Tuesday, November 2, at Town Hall. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

We've had many new voter registrations to process and several hundred requests for absentee ballots. This election has generated lots of interest and has precipitated a new resurgence in the democratic process. It is great to see so many people making the effort to become part of the election process, particularly those who have never voted before. It should be an exciting day for all of us.

The traffic on Election Day will most likely be an issue for those of you trying to commute through the village. Please allow extra time to get to work or to drop your kids off at school that day. If you are not planning to vote, you should seek alternate routes rather than Route 116. If you are coming to vote, parking is in the rear of the building, which is accessed from the Charlotte Road. Parking will also be available along Route 116 as long as you are completely out of the traveled roadway. Parking in front of Town Hall will be reserved for handicapped voters, so please refrain from parking there. There will also most likely be lines at the polls, so please be patient and understand we are checking people in and out as quickly as possible, while still maintaining accuracy.

There has been a lot of discussion in the media lately about electronic voting machines and whether or not they are secure and accurate. We are lucky in Vermont to have a system that includes an optical scanning machine for counting, but also leaves a paper copy so that recounts can be fair and accurate if they are needed.

Finally, we look forward to seeing everyone on Election Day. Please feel free to call our office if you have any questions.



NOTICE OF VACANCY

Hinesburg Board of Auditors

There is currently a vacancy on the Town of Hinesburg Board of Auditors. This three-person board is responsible for compiling and distributing an easy-to-understand picture of the Town's finances to its citizens annually in the form of the Town Report. The majority of the tasks completed by the Board of Auditors occur between November and February of each year, culminating with the mailing of the Town Report prior to the annual Town Meeting in March.

Members of the Board of Auditors receive an hourly stipend.

To express an interest in an appointment to the Board of Auditors, write to: Hinesburg Selectboard, PO Box 133, Hinesburg, Vermont 05461. For more information, contact Town Administrator Jeanne Wilson at 482-2096.

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Hinesburg Conservation Commission

There is currently a vacancy on the Hinesburg Conservation Commission.

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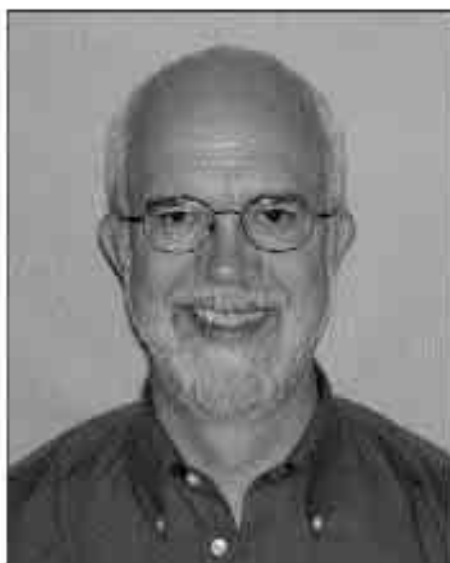
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NOTICE OF VACANCY

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Interim Recording Secretary Needed

Hinesburg Development Review Board

A recording secretary is needed for the Hinesburg Development Review Board on an interim basis. The recording secretary is responsible for attending semi-monthly DRB meetings and preparing minutes of the meeting in a timely manner. The DRB normally meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Hinesburg Town Hall.

To learn more about this employment opportunity, or to express interest, contact the Hinesburg Planning & Zoning Office at (802) 482-3619 or mail to PO Box 133, Hinesburg, Vermont 05461.

Town of Hinesburg Schedule for Meetings in Preparation of FY 2005-2006 Budget

All Meetings are in the Town Hall Ground Level Conference Room
For Additional Information, call Jeanne Kundell Wilson at 482-2096

Monday, November 1, 2004 - 8:00 PM

Budget kick-off meeting with all Department Heads and Board/Commission Chairs

Monday, November 15, 2004

Agencies & Commissions - 7:15 PM

Recreation Department
Carpenter Carse Library
Cemeteries
Lake Iroquois Recreation District
Hinesburg Land Trust
Conservation Commission
July 4th Committee
Other Agencies

Recreation Path Committee - 8:30 PM

Municipal Facilities - 8:45 PM

Municipal Buildings
Parks
Street Lights
Sidewalks

Monday, November 29, 2004

General Administration - 7:15 PM

Clerk/Treasurer
BCA
Elections
Delinquent Tax Collector
Selectboard
Town Agent
Town Administrator
Auditors
Computers
Copiers
Public Health

Monday, December 6, 2004

Public Works

Highway Department - 7:15 PM
Wastewater Treatment - 7:45 PM
Water Supply - 8:00 PM

Monday, December 6, 2004 (con't)

Public Safety

Police Department - 8:15 PM
Animal Control
E-9-1-1
Fire Department - 8:30 PM
Fire Warden

Monday, December 20, 2004

Land Use - 7:15 PM

Listers
Planning Commission
Development Review Board

Fixed Costs

Debt Service
County Tax
Retirement
Group Health Insurance
Unemployment Compensation
Liability Insurance
Recycling, Landfill Closure

Monday, January 3, 2005


Overview - 7:15 PM

Review of Capital Budget
Review of Special Articles
Expenditures
Revenues
Growth in Grand List
Municipal Tax Rate Projection

Monday, January 17, 2005

Overview - 7:15 PM

Finalize Warning & Articles
Finalize Capital Budget
Finalize Expenditure Summary
Finalize Revenue Summary
Finalize Growth in Grand List
Finalize Tax Rate Projection



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HINESBURG SELECT BOARD

September 20 - October 4

By Stewart Pierson

**The Vestry Building
– a useful facility for Hinesburg,
or a potential money sink?**



What should become of Hinesburg's 163 year old vestry building?

To frame the discussion about this 163 year old building—which is located on the east side of Route 116, just south of St. Jude's Catholic Church—Public Works Director Rocky Martin presented research about the building's use and its ownership. In 1841, Frederick Baldwin leased the land that the Vestry Building sits on to the Congregational Church for the exclusive use and benefit of the Congregational Church. In 1913, the Congregational Church and Society purchased an additional 30' x 30' piece of land, adjacent to the leased land on the east side of the parcel, for an addition to the original building.

In 1979 the Congregational Church and Society sub-leased the Vestry Building to the Town of Hinesburg. At present, the building is used as storage for the Recreation Commission, the Boy Scouts and the United Church. In addition to the building's value as storage space, there is also interest in preserving the historic window on the north side of the building.

The original lease from Frederick Baldwin specified that if the building was ever destroyed or demolished, the land would revert back to Frederick Baldwin or his heirs or assigns.

The Selectboard met with representatives of the United Church and Recreation Commission to discuss the maintenance and repair costs, as well as to evaluate the usefulness of the building.

Regional Public Transportation Initiative

The Regional Public Transportation Initiative was presented to the Selectboard at the October 4 meeting. At present, only five towns in Chittenden County have public transportation (Burlington, South Burlington, Shelburne, Winooski and Essex Junction). Public transportation in these communities is supported, for the most part, through property taxes. This initiative proposes a regional system which will reach to Middlebury, St Albans and Montpelier. Large connections can be created for commuters and perhaps even school children. Small ones are needed also for dialysis patients, elderly shoppers or those unable to afford two vehicles.

In Hinesburg, roughly 1,200 residents commute to nearby cities and almost 500 people commute daily to Hinesburg. 5% are over age 65 and 1.7% fall within poverty guidelines. 3% have no vehicles and 22.5% have only one vehicle.

To set up such a regional transportation system will require a gigantic effort at building support. Many questions remain to be answered, such as how it will be governed, how it will be financed and what area will it serve.

Following the presentation, the Selectboard members commented on the initiative. Comments included observations that the Selectboard should appoint representatives to the governance board (as opposed to elected representatives), that the initiative should be a state-wide transportation system, that there is not enough ridership to support such a system, and that the system should include transportation for school children.

As the plan develops, the Selectboard will be kept informed.

Multi-Use Path and Sidewalk Project

The grant-funded project to connect the village area with CVU and the Carpenter-Carse Library, via construction of a sidewalk on Mechanicsville Road and a multi-use path on CVU Road, continues through the design and permitting stage. The consultant will be meeting with abutting property owners to discuss the plan design and potential easements where necessary.

Update on Route 116 Scoping Study

The scoping study project, which addresses planning for pedestrian and motorist improvements along the Route 116 corridor in the village area, utilizes traffic counts to determine whether traffic control measures (such as traffic lights and roundabouts) are warranted. The original traffic data, collected several years ago, determined that there was inadequate traffic flow to permit installation of any means of traffic control. Projections suggested that traffic control devices would not be needed for many years. An update to the traffic counts has recently been completed and traffic volumes now warrant traffic control devices at certain intersections. The preferred alternatives for traffic control (including a traffic light at the Route 116 / Charlotte Road intersection) will be included in the final scoping study report and forwarded to the Vermont Agency of Transportation, which controls Route 116.

Hazard Mitigation Plan

As part of Homeland Security, towns throughout Vermont are being asked to adopt a HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN. Refusal to adopt this plan might prevent Federal funding assistance following a disaster of any kind. The plan has been prepared through the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC). The Selectboard will meet with a representative of the CCRPC at an upcoming meeting to further discuss the proposed plan.

Routine business

- Warrants and minutes approved through September 20, 2004
- 2005 Municipal Planning Grant Resolution signed
- Reserve Funds from FY 03 – 04 approved
- Wastewater capacity allocation for George and Karla Munson on Buck Hill Road West for the existing house and four new single family homes approved
- Protocol for bids on 1998 Police Jeep Cherokee approved
- Changes to the Lodged Grand list approved
- Request to warn a new public hearing on the Tourville canine "Hannibal" denied
- Plan to include funding in the FY 05 – 06 budget to paint white fog lines on some Town roads discussed and approved
- Sale of 1998 Police Jeep Cherokee to Tara Brown as the highest bidder at \$2,502 approved
- Trail balance for Water & Wastewater and General Fund Accounts accepted
- Resignation of David Wagner from the Conservation Commission accepted
- Reappointment of Melissa Levy to the Conservation Commission approved
- Donation of unclaimed bicycles to Green Mountain Returned Peace Corps Volunteers approved
- Request to serve alcohol at a private reception at the fire station on October 16 approved
- Road cut permit for Richard Francis on Hayden Hill Road West approved

Listers' Office

By Holly Russell

If you live on the east side of Hinesburg, you may have come home and found a bright green slip in your door. This is from M.P. Bailey Associates, the firm that is conducting the

town-wide reappraisal for the Listers. Hinesburg has not conducted a reappraisal where we visited all the houses in town since 1991, although we may have visited your property since then because each year the Listers update the Grand List for any properties that had been built or received a building permit for additional construction.

The State of Vermont has found that the Common Level of Appraisal (ratio to fair market value) for Hinesburg is 75% and has penalized the Town with an increase in our school tax rate.

Therefore we have hired Bailey Associates to assist with this task and it is the Listers' plan to complete this project by 2006. We will also be entering data under a new computer system.

To get back to the green slips! If you find one please give us a call in the office at 482-3619 and Holly will set up an appointment for you. It is very important that we do an interior visit to every house so that we can be accurate and fair in appraising your property and the other homes in town.

We have completed most of the properties around the two lakes and are working on the hill roads before winter. We will then start this process with those homes on the western side of town. If you have any questions, please give Holly a call at 482-3619.

Planning News

By Alex Weinhausen, Town Planner

Hinesburg on the Move

Hinesburg never ceases to amaze me with its energy and community spirit! This commitment to forward progress and positive change is also reflected in your municipal government through the multitude of planning projects in which we are engaged.

Limiting factors are always time and money, but thankfully, we've been able to tackle a whole suite of transportation projects with little impact on the Town budget, due to funding from the Chittenden County Metropolitan Planning Organization (CCMPO – our regional transportation planning group) and a variety of successful State and Federal grant applications. Here are some of the recent or ongoing transportation planning projects to help improve Hinesburg. For more information on any particular project, check the Town website at www.hinesburg.org or give me a call at the Town Office.

Village Crosswalk Assessment (completed September 2004)

With grant funding from the CCMPO, the Town worked with a consulting firm (RSG, Inc.) to study the best locations for pedestrian crossing locations along Route 116 in the village. The assessment prioritized existing and future crosswalk locations as well as important places to expand the sidewalk network. The report suggested improvements to the Route 116 crosswalk near Lantman's Best Yet Market (e.g., curbing, bulbouts or a raised island) as well as the Charlotte Road crossing. It also confirmed as high priorities, new sidewalks along Route 116 from the Town Hall to the Cheese Factory and from Mechanicsville Road to Firehouse Plaza.

West Side Road Feasibility Study (completed February 2004)

The Town utilized CCMPO funds to hire a consulting firm (Dufresne-Henry) to analyze the feasibility of creating a new road on the west side of Route 116 to support development on this side of the village and help alleviate congestion at the Charlotte Road-Route 116 intersection. The primary segments of such a West Side Road would extend from Charlotte Road to Shelburne Falls Road with a connection to Route 116 in the middle to make a four-way intersection with Commerce Street. The study provided information on possible permitting and implementation hurdles (e.g., wetland and floodplain). The report concluded that such a road was possible with careful planning and appropriate funding.

Route 116 Village Corridor Scoping Study (ongoing)

Initially paid for with CCMPO funding, this comprehensive study is currently being finalized by the Town Administrator. The study utilized two consulting groups (Dubois & King and Dufresne-Henry) to analyze the Route 116 corridor from Shelburne Falls Road to Friendship Lane. This involved the acquisition of up-to-date traffic count data as well as a thorough design review of each of the major intersections. Deficiencies were documented and improvement options were suggested in each case. The study also makes

recommendations to improve the overall corridor in order to recapture a more functional, pedestrian-friendly, and attractive "Main Street". Thanks to this study, we can now demonstrate to the Agency of Transportation that problematic intersections like Charlotte Road and Silver Street DO in fact have enough traffic to warrant the installation of a traffic signals! The study also encourages serious consideration of roundabouts at both the Silver Street and Commerce Street intersections.

Sidewalk and Multi-use Path (ongoing)

The combination sidewalk and multi-use path from the Post Office to CVU and on to the Town Library continues to move forward with the help of State and Federal bike/pedestrian grants. Final engineering is coming together, and landscape architects are reviewing the plans for possible tree and shrub plantings along certain portions of the path. Discussions with neighboring landowners are ongoing, as are the final permitting steps. The Town is committed to seeing this important project come to fruition, and would like to see construction commence in late 2005 if possible.

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- **Helping Hinesburg Police Chief and Canine Officer** — Bill passed legislation giving all service dogs legal rights to public accommodations!
- **Supporting Hinesburg Community School** — Bill extended the state deadline for a new school addition and saved taxpayers over \$1 million in school bond taxes!
- **Securing Hinesburg property tax relief** — Bill worked successfully for property tax reform and fairness!
- **Seeking state money for Hinesburg water system** — Bill secured over \$600,000 for extending Hinesburg's water system!
- **Assuring Hinesburg bike path money** — Bill worked with the Agency of Transportation to make sure Hinesburg did not lose money because of planning delays!

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Bill LIPPERT

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- **Civil Unions / Civil Rights** — 2001 VT Elected Official of the Year — VT Democratic Party for legislative leadership on Civil Unions.
- **School Safety/ Anti-harassment Law** — successfully negotiated compromise that passed House & Senate intact.
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Safe Routes to School Project (ongoing)

The Hinesburg Community School was recently selected by the CCMPO to participate in a pilot project to help communities make it safer and easier for kids to walk to school. The project will help fund educational campaigns about the value of walking to school, and will help plan and potentially leverage funds to make pedestrian improvements in the village area. This project has come along at a very opportune time, given the Town's commitment to making the village area Hinesburg's primary growth center. More houses and apartments mean more people, which means more kids within walking distance of school.

Silver Street Scoping Study (ongoing)

Just last year we began a comprehensive study of improvement options for Silver Street. Sections of Silver Street are clearly in need of resurfacing, but thanks to funding from the CCMPO, we are analyzing reconstruction remedies and improvements that could prove more cost effective in the long term. After getting public input at a well-attended "local concerns" meeting, the consultants (VHB Inc.) started work on design options. The goal is to balance improvements with the community's concern about excessive speeds. Accommodations for safer bike/pedestrian use will also be considered.


Town Hall Site Plan (ongoing)

Phase 1 of the Town Hall site improvements included the new access from Stella Road, the closure of the Route 116 access, new sidewalk to get from the parking area into the building, and completion of the new recreation field. Plans for significant landscaping next to (on old Miner lot) and in front of Town Hall (Route 116 side) are in place, with work scheduled to begin next summer on some of these improvements. Although the bulk of this project will be paid for out of the Town budget, we continue to seek grants to help offset the cost.

Rt. 116 Sidewalk Project (future)

One serious gap in our Village sidewalk network is along the west side of Route 116. The segment from the Town Hall to the Cheese Factory is particularly important as indicated in the Village Crosswalk Assessment Study mentioned above. Although the Town is committed to sidewalks here, budget constraints make it difficult to get this project done right away. Thankfully, the Selectboard and Town Administrator have applied for a federal transportation enhancement grant to make this a reality sooner rather than later. Keep your fingers crossed that we get it!

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By Peter Erb

I was recently reappointed as Zoning Administrator here in Hinesburg for another three year term and want to thank not only those who supported me but also everyone who supports our efforts to insure that development in the town gets thorough, fair reviews and results in projects that enhance the town, meet its needs and provide homes, jobs and services appropriate for Hinesburg.

The growth of any town is never easy, as we all have different visions and needs and they frequently appear to be in conflict. The pressures on our town resulting from the growth in Chittenden County and the remarkable rise in the value of land will only make the decisions that we face more difficult as the landscape that surrounds us evolves.

There are increasingly better tools available to enable towns to better visualize and assess the benefits and losses that result from development and we should be sure that they are available to the various boards that need them. What is most needed, however, is your input.

When we consolidated the review process several years ago and formed the Development Review Board, it freed up the Planning Commission to work much more quickly on changes to the Town Plan and accompanying ordinances. Many changes are being proposed, the results of which we will live with for years to come. There is a new plan that is in its final stages of review before the Selectboard and this is your last chance to review it before it is adopted.

The most frustrating part of my job is to hear complaints from townspeople, frequently "NIMBY," and know full well how little participation there actually is in the formulation and adoption of the by-laws that guide and permit the growth that surrounds us. Read the new plan, get involved in the zoning changes that will be proposed to implement it, join the various boards, and participate in the hearings – because it is possible to have an impact if you want to.

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Halloween Party

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Youngsters play games in a safe environment to win prizes and candy. Come join your neighbors in a fun filled evening that includes light refreshments for adults and youngsters.

Minor Injuries in Route 116 and Charlotte Road Crash

Officer Lisa Primo of the Hinesburg Community Police reported one woman suffered minor injuries in a two car rear end collision that occurred on Wednesday, October 6 at Vermont Route 116 and Charlotte Road.

Primo reported that Nancy Boyle, 41, of Hinesburg, had been traveling northbound on Vermont Route 116. She stopped to make a left turn onto Charlotte Road and was struck from behind by a car operated by Slade Smith, 17, of Hinesburg.

Boyle declined medical treatment at the scene and later consulted her own doctor.

One Injured in Car Bike Crash

A bicyclist suffered injuries when he collided with a car in the driveway of the Good Times Restaurant on Sunday, October 10 about 3:30 p.m. in the afternoon. Officer Lisa Primo reported that Jamie Bove, 32, of Monkton was riding his bicycle southbound on the sidewalk in front of the Good Times when Lauren Berrizbeitia, 57, of Bolton, attempted to drive out the driveway on to Vermont Route 116.

The two collided and Bove was thrown onto the hood of the car. He was treated at the scene by the Hinesburg Fire Department and declined transport to the hospital.

Bove reported he rode on the sidewalk because it was too hazardous to ride a bike on Route 116.

Starksboro Woman Injured in Crash

Lorrie Jenkins, 35, of Starksboro was transported to Fletcher Allen hospital following a single car crash that left her in a brook on the Hollow Road. Chief Chris Morrell reported that Gorton was westbound on Hollow Road shortly after 9:00 a.m. in the morning on Thursday, September 29, when she fell asleep. Her Chevrolet Blazer ran off the right side of the road, down a creek bank and into the water by the old Abby farm.

Jenkins was able to get out of her wrecked vehicle. She was treated by members of the Hinesburg Fire Department and transported to Fletcher Allen hospital for treatment by Charlotte Rescue.

Chief Morrell charged Jenkins with operating while her driver's license was suspended and operating a vehicle without insurance.

Richmond Man Charged with Domestic Assault

On Saturday, September 24, Officer Barbara Brisson arrested George E. Perry, 28, of Richmond, for Domestic Assault. The arrest was the result of a call from a Hinesburg resident for an altercation that occurred shortly after 10:00 p.m. at night at the Lyman Meadows apartments.

Three Charged in Burglary

Officer Barbara Brisson has charged three men with burglary for breaking into a home in Triple L Trailer Park on Thursday, September 22. During the burglary a large quantity of cash and some video games were stolen.

Charged with burglary are: Daniel Isham, 18, of Hinesburg, Paul Gorton, 18, of Williston and Nicholas Kavanaugh, 17, of Hinesburg.

The video games were recovered.

Safety Tip

The leaves have fallen and shortly we will have snow. This becomes a particularly busy time of year for Hinesburg Community Police officers. As the first few snowfalls stick to the roads, we will be overwhelmed with crashes.

The bulk of these calls are loss of control accidents. They involve vehicles losing traction and sliding into the oncoming lane, or sliding off the road and into fixed objects.

For years we have been checking this type of accident and find that ninety percent have one thing in common. The vehicles are not equipped with winter tires. Instead they sport worn tires, summer tires and all weather tires.

Several years ago the scientific studies by highway safety groups confirmed the Hinesburg Community Police observations.

The bottom line is: northern Vermont winters demand winter tires for safe highway travel. Look for the winter rating on the tire.



Help Us to Help You

By Kathy K. Gutierrez, Captain

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Classes meet Monday and Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 p.m., starting November 1 in the Main Hall of the Hinesburg Town Hall. Twelve classes for \$55. Call the Recreation Department for more information or to register at 482-4691.

The Winter Carnival Needs YOU

Planning is underway for the 2005 Hinesburg Winter Carnival.

The Winter Carnival Committee is seeking new members to add new thoughts and ideas or to just help out with regularly scheduled events. This is not a time consuming position, and it is a fun event to plan and coordinate.

Please consider donating your time to this community event. For more information call Lori Hennessey at 482-2580.

7th Annual Turkey Lane Turkey Trot Sunday, November 28, 2004 Proceeds to Benefit Hinesburg Land Trust

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Race time is 1:00 p.m. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. No rain date. Race starts at the Turkey Lane Bridge, Hinesburg.

Directions to start: Exit Lantman's Market in Hinesburg, go south on Silver Street (Monkton Road) and turn left on Lewis Creek Road. Continue east for .25 miles for registration, parking, and race start. Internet location is junction of Turkey Lane and Lewis Creek Road, Hinesburg, Vermont, 05461.

Donations to the Hinesburg Land Trust: \$10.00 for individuals, \$15.00 for Couples, and \$20.00 for families.

There will be eight prize categories for runners. Men and Women Age Groups are: under 29, 30 to 39, 40 to 49, and over 50. Fastest Man and Fastest Woman will also be recognized.

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Vergennes Boy Scouts and Lewis Creek Association Complete Community Service Project

By Marty Illick, Executive Director,
 Lewis Creek Association

Ryan Selleck is a student at Middlebury Union High School and he is all of 14 years old. Ryan recently completed an ambitious Eagle Scout project by creating and implementing a community conservation project.



Eagle Scout Ryan Selleck has been instrumental in a project that benefits both the natural and human community.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF LEWIS CREEK ASSOCIATION

Ryan wanted great fishing holes and wildlife to remain a strong part of Vermont's future, so Lewis Creek Association, a local conservation organization, worked closely with Ryan to create a project that would benefit both the natural and human community. Ryan decided to help with habitat and river corridor restoration on public lands owned by the Town of Starksboro. Many hours were spent speaking with the area conservation leaders to create a plan. Many aspects were important to Ryan such as stream stability, water quality, wildlife habitat, natural plant communities, native plant species, and recreation for the Starksboro community.

Ryan worked with Lewis Creek Association, Starksboro Conservation Commission, US Fish and Wildlife Service's Partners for Wildlife Program, and USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service to accomplish his river corridor reforestation project. Area businesses were enthused about Ryan's conservation project and generously offered delicious lunch materials for the work day. The businesses included Gregg's Market, McDonalds Restaurant, Neil & Otto's Pizza, Green Peppers, Middlebury Bagel & Deli, Subway, Otter Creek Bakery, Shaw's Supermarket, Hannaford's Supermarket and Ben & Jerry's. Thirty-two volunteers enjoyed a sunny Saturday workday and contributed some 200 hours to this Eagle Scout project.

One hundred young native trees—including red maples, silver maples, swamp white oaks and black willows—were provided by Chris Smith at Partners for Wildlife to restore the natural communities of the river valley. Vermont's own Intervale Nursery had planted the trees from locally gathered seeds for riparian restoration projects in Vermont.

Lewis Creek Association was inspired by the Vergennes Boy Scout community, their love of the outdoors, and their desire to give back to their communities and to help keep Vermont's river and forests in their natural state.



Thirty-two volunteers contributed some 200 hours to this Eagle Scout project. PHOTO COURTESY OF LEWIS CREEK ASSOCIATION



HBPA Launches 2005 Membership Drive

By John Buckingham

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association is asking current members to renew and invites new members to join the organization.

The HBPA is in its tenth year and is the networking association of Hinesburg's businesses and professionals. It is an organization which promotes its members through the web site of www.hinesburgbusiness.com and assists the Town through various projects for economic development and beautification to attract commerce. The Association meets on the third Tuesday of each month, September through May, at Papa Nick's Restaurant, where participation by members and non-members is encouraged.

The Association may be reached by mail at P.O. Box 77, Hinesburg, Vermont 05461 or call HBPA President Tom Mathews at 496-8537 or email Tom at tmathews@wcvf.com.

VT Artisans' and Entrepreneurs' Products Offered at Local Shops

By Jean Isham

This is the continuation of an article I wrote earlier this year highlighting some of the products of Vermont and Hinesburg's skilled craftspeople and entrepreneurs that our local shops provide. With the holiday shopping season about to start, wouldn't it be nice to do some of our shopping in Hinesburg.

For the younger children, a warm hand knit sweater with hood, and zipper in the back, makes a wonderful gift. Smitty's Originals are produced by Ann Folsom of Essex Junction and can be found at Three Generations Shoppe.

Reed Prescott, III of Lincoln has family roots going back to Monkton—in fact, he still has close family members residing in Monkton and Hinesburg. He does some wonderful oil paintings of typical Vermont scenes. His inspirations come from his landscape memories as a

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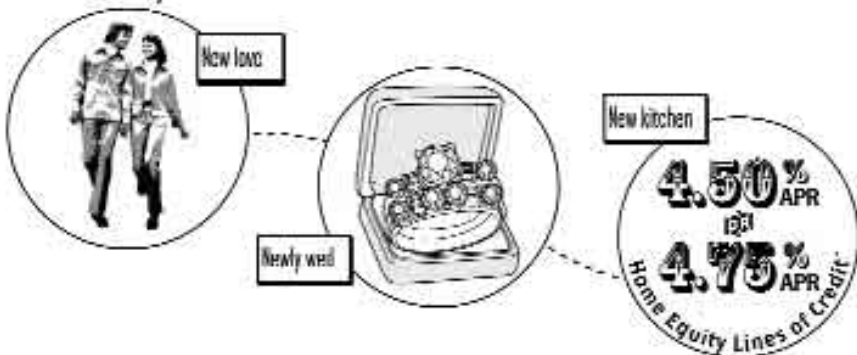


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child. He has illustrated books for Ron Rood, has won the Vermont Duck Stamp Competition, and one of his paintings was chosen by the Vermont Department of Agriculture to be the image of Vermont Agriculture. His original paintings have been sold around the country. From these paintings he produces prints and cards which can be found at The Wild Thyme Flower and Gift Shoppe. His gallery in Lincoln is open Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from May to December and other times by appointment.

Bobbie Jo Morrow of Monkton started making gel candles as a hobby. Soon friends and family were asking for her unique creations which led to the development of her business, At Wick's End. Gel candles have several advantages. They burn twice as long as paraffin candles and the gel is translucent, allowing things to be added to the candles such as jewelry, seashells, glass, candy canes, glitter, etc. as well as scents. The candles can be placed in any glass or ceramic container such as wine glasses or pie plates. Yes, she does make candles that look like pies. All gel candle containers can be reused. Any gel remaining when the candle has finished burning can be peeled out, and the container washed and used for its originally intended purpose. She does custom candles for area restaurants and for weddings. Look for the display of her candles at Three Generation Shoppe.

A great stocking stuffer for the big guy or gal on your list is hot sauce from Greene's Gourmet in Fairfax offered by The Wild Thyme Flower and Gift Shoppe.

A popular product at any time of the year is maple syrup and maple candy. Nancy Hammond of Huntington acquired her entrepreneurial inspiration from her mother and in honor of her mother, named the business, Elsie's Daughter. In February of 2000 she launched a web site for the distribution of maple syrup and maple candy. All the maple syrup and maple candy are purchased from local sugar producers. She does a lot of custom labels for weddings and businesses. Although her business is primarily a web-based business, she does do some wholesale business. Look for her products at Three Generations Shoppe.

The Wild Thyme Flower and Gift Shoppe is now carrying the very popular Honey Lights Candles made in Bristol. Robin Terricciano, one of the partners in this small company, said they started out as a wholesale company rolling bees wax candles, and from there went on to making molded candles. Their molds are made out of items from nature or carved from wood. They use only bees wax in making their candles and emphasize that all of the materials they use are made in the United States. The reason for using bees wax is that it is a natural, renewable product. It is the bees' storage container and is a by-product for bee keepers. It is a hard wax that sustains various shapes and will keep its shape while burning. A 12 inch taper which has a 100 percent cotton wick will give 24 hours of burn time and while it is burning, it does not release any chemicals. It actually releases negative ions that help clean the air. They also do special orders for companies like Simon Pearce Glass and Anichini Linens. Robin stressed that they are

definitely a green company. There is no waste in their process and the only energy used is electricity. If anyone would like a tour of the process, call them at 453-3952.

Donna Constantineau of Hinesburg makes a unique line of cards from hand made paper. Donna started making paper as a project with a group of Hinesburg home schoolers. When the project was finished and the children had gone home, Donna found herself still making paper. The paper is made from recycled old paper and blended with items from nature such as onion skins. At first she made the cards from just the paper itself and then started incorporating images and articles from nature. She has also made fine art projects from the paper. Her creations can be found at Three Generations Shoppe.

Woodworking is the specialty of Keith Galgot of Hinesburg. Check out his wooden rolling pins, holders, stoppers for wine bottles, and pens at The Wild Thyme Flower and Gift Shoppe.

For the art connoisseur on your list, you will find impressionistic paintings by Rona Cohen of Enosburg Falls at Three Generations Shoppe. Her paintings can best be described as bright, colorful and full of the spirit of nature.

A unique gift could include a CD of a narrated tour of Burlington produced by Patricia Araujo of Vermont Tours To Go. The CD is designed to be used for either a driving tour or walking tour. It can be found at The Wild Thyme Flower and Gift Shoppe.

Photographer Janice Bauch at Three Generations Shoppe specializes in photos of horses and dogs. See her for a very special gift for the animal lover on your list and be sure to check out the photo of retired police dog, Doc, while you are at the Shoppe.

Faith Neill of Hinesburg started doing serious photography quite by accident. While visiting her daughter in Arizona, the inexpensive camera she had taken with her broke. Her daughter loaned her a camera with several different lenses and a friend showed her how to use them. In Arizona she found the desert full of blooms and birds and also saw some beautiful sunsets. When she developed the pictures and saw the results, photography quickly became a fascinating hobby. She photographs nature items as well as scenes around Hinesburg and Vermont. Not only does she sell her photographs, she makes photograph book marks and photo cards. Her cards are always available at The Wild Thyme Flower and Gift Shoppe.

Building Health – One Bite at a Time

By Susan E. Miners

My name is Susan Miners. I am a Hinesburg resident who five years ago was diagnosed with malignant melanoma, which had spread to the lymph system. Thanks to skilled, compassionate surgical intervention on the part of Fletcher Allen's David Krag, MD the original site was removed, along



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with 29 lymph nodes.

Months later, a CAT scan revealed spots on my lung and liver. This propelled me into actively seeking alternative options, as the traditional medical community had informed me that chemo and radiation do not work with melanoma. A lot of study and trial and error over the past five years, along with additional training (I originally trained as a nurse), has resulted in a miracle. Not only am I free of cancer, I am filled with vigor reminiscent of childhood, enjoying playing tennis, and without effort have achieved my ideal weight. This joyous experience is as a result of discovering my unique metabolic type (which foods my body needs and in what ratio in order to maintain a healthy internal environment). Once I gave my body what it needed, it did the rest. I dream of such health for each of us, and with this dream in mind, I created a business known as A Healing Homeplace: New England.

If you are interested in discovering your own metabolic type, let me know. I am now certified as an Intermediate Metabolic Typing Advisor and am actively pursuing Comprehensive Metabolic Typing Certification. I am also offering an introductory workshop on Metabolic Typing on November 18. All workshops are scheduled from 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and include an organic lunch. I can be reached at 482-6363. If these dates and times do not work for you, just let me know what you need. Blessings on your journey!

Streeter, Gingras, Duffy Join Purofirst Disaster Response



Spring Streeter



Annette Gingras



Brennan Duffy

Spring Streeter, of Purofirst Disaster Response in Hinesburg has successfully completed all IICRC requirements to attain her Journeyman Status in both Fire and Smoke Restoration and Textile Cleaning. IICRC is a non-profit certification body founded to establish and monitor educational programs and standards for the inspection, cleaning, and restoration industry.

Annette Gingras has successfully completed IICRC certification in Upholstery & Fabric Cleaning and Carpet Cleaning.

Brennan Duffy has joined Purofirst Disaster Response as Estimator. He has prior insurance experience as a Business Development coordinator with Infinity Property & Casualty Corporation. He also gained business experience as President of Over the Edge Products, LLC.

Lake Champlain Regional Chamber, GBIC Go Live with "VOTE! 2004"

Comprehensive survey of candidates is in-depth Election Day reference piece

The Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce and GBIC have gone live on the Web with "VOTE! 2004," which contains the results of a survey of candidates running for state offices in the November 2 General Election. Results are available at www.lcrccsurvey.org/candidates.

Those surveyed include candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor as well as candidates for State Senator and State Representative from Chittenden County. With a new and exciting theme and Web-based access, the results are intended to help the business community learn more about candidates and encourage and remind them to vote on Election Day.

The Chamber and GBIC "VOTE! 2004" report contains two parts. The first is a biographical section provided by each candidate who responded, as well as a list of each candidate's top three legislative priorities. The second part consists of PDF documents as pull-out grids containing all candidates' names and, from those who responded, answers to a series of multiple choice questions relating to eight broad public policy areas.

According to A. Wayne Roberts, Chamber President, "As a leading business organization, we strive to provide information on the candidates to encourage more discussion about legislative issues and greater participation in the political process."

"VOTE! 2004 includes responses on a wide variety of public policy issues and should assist voters in making decisions at the polls on November 2," added GBIC President Frank Cioffi.

Both Cioffi and Roberts are pleased with the universally accessible, Web-based format that the piece has taken on this year.

The Chamber and GBIC produce "VOTE! 2004" as a benefit to the entire region. The report is not intended to advocate expressly or implicitly for the success or defeat of any particular candidate or party. Candidates, the media and other organizations are encouraged to link to the site or publish portions of the report in print or on the Web at no charge. To obtain permission to do such or for questions, contact Mary Sprayregen, Chamber/GBIC Director of Government Affairs at 802-863-3489 ext. 210 or mary@vermont.org.

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Horse Lovers All

Melissa Henson

On the morning of October 3rd 2004, Hinesburg Community School students Katie Dooley, Tegan Mahoney, Kenzie Mahoney, Sarah Eddy-Stewart and Melissa Henson arrived at Freedom Farm in Jericho for a horse show. Upon arrival at the show the girls registered and promptly began preparing themselves and their horses for the show. For rider Sarah Eddy-Stewart this was a first; she had never been to a show before. She was attending with Serendipity, a horse owned by Kim Johansen, owner of Livery Stables. Tegan Mahoney was riding Miss Bliss, Kenzie Mahoney attended with Peaches n' Cream and Katie Dooley rode Cricket. All three horses were from Livery Stables too. Melissa Henson rode her own horse, Amber Skies. The girls and horses were ready for a long and fun day!

Throughout the day the girls showed in many classes including: Equitation, Pleasure, Horsemanship, Jumping, Road Hack and Games on Horse Back. Equitation is a class where riders are judged on their ability to control their horse and their seat or position in the saddle. Pleasure class is a judgement mostly of the horse but also of the rider. Horses are judged as to how fun they look to ride; the riders are looked to for smiles, to show how pleasurable the horse is to ride. In order to be a pleasurable mount the horse must be under control. Horsemanship is based on the rider's equitation and knowledge of the safety and care of horses. Jumping is judged on how well the horse and rider can jump a course of jumps. Road Hack is a judgement of how well the horse can perform commands and how well the horse can perform in certain situations. The horseback games were: Musical Sacks, Egg and Spoon, Trotting Race, Sit a Buck, Mint Julep and Command Class. Through all of these classes and more the girls and horses did really well.

Everyone from HCS received 1st and 2nd placings for most of, if not all of their classes. At the end of the day riders were rewarded with Championships and Reserve Championships for each division. Sarah Eddy-Stewart received the Championship for the Beginners Division, Katie Dooley received the Championship for the Advanced Beginners division and Kenzie Mahoney received the Reserve Championship for the Advanced Beginners Division. Tegan Mahoney and Melissa Henson, showing as Juniors, had a very good day as well; they just didn't do as well as those in their division who received Champion and Reserve Championship awards. Also, they were showing less experienced horses which made it harder for them to perform at their best. They were focused on making sure that the horses had a good experience and were kept under control.

All riders had a great day and lots of fun!

School Daze

Halloween

Tim Mitchell and Taylor Giroux

For this town Halloween is a big holiday. Each year, the town has a big party at the fire station. There are a lot of fun games, people in costumes, and candy and food. The town school also has parties to celebrate the holiday. No matter their age, people still dress up and support the Halloween spirit by trick or treating.

Throughout the school, different teams and classes have their own way of celebrating Halloween. Some celebrate it by having parties with food while others show movies and many kids will wear their costumes. Many kids say Halloween is their favorite holiday.

Although many kids go trick or treating, there are some kids who think it is too childish. They feel they are being mature by not going. But, others like to break out the Halloween spirit and usually have a great time and really get into it. They show the Halloween spirit by passing out candy, going trick or treating, decorating, having a party and dressing up. So, whether you are partying or trick or treating we encourage you to go out and have fun.

Season Threatened for Boys B-team

By Nick Hart and Liam Brennan

Last Friday at practice the Hinesburg boys B-team was informed by their coach that he might have to forfeit the rest of their season. The coach was not threatening this because he wanted to, but made this decision after a team member's goalie jersey was stolen at practice earlier that week. The first question everyone had was, "Did the person lose it?" But, it wasn't lost because there was a note left in the bag, where the goalie jersey had been.

Mr. Lasher said, "If the goalie jersey was not returned to Mr. Lasher's room by the end of the school day Monday, the B-team would not play anymore games". The B-team was not only in danger of missing the last three games of the season but a chance to finish with an nearly perfect, 11-1-1 record. The kids were told that if the jersey was returned, nothing would happen to the remaining games of the season.

The B-team was obviously playing very well and this would have been an unfortunate and disappointing end to such a great season. Thankfully, the problem was resolved, the team put this event behind them and finished the season strong.

Boys Soccer

Justin LaPoint

After a long and hard day of schoolwork, the Hinesburg Boys A-team trudged over to Lyman Field Thursday, September, 30th. They waited for the opposing team for about 45 minutes before the Williston A-team arrived. Coach Lasher sent the Hinesburg team around the field for their warm up lap and then at around 4:15 the game kicked off.

The teams were fairly even throughout the game.



The HCS boys A soccer team

Near the end of the first half Williston scored the first goal of the game which gave them a one nothing lead at halftime. In the beginning of the second half "Cap Gun Eddy" (Thomas Eddy) scored the first goal for Hinesburg making the score dead even at 1 to 1. Then, towards the end of the second half, Brayden McKenna scored Hinesburg's second goal putting them in the lead.

Hinesburg's spirits were high, and then everything crumbled. Williston cleared the ball up the field, took it deep into Hinesburg's end. Williston took a shot which was blocked by keeper, Matt Mainer. Then the rebound was picked up by a Williston forward and the ball was then found in the back of the net. The score was 2-2. But wait! As the ball was being set back up, the referee blew his whistle and shouted to the Williston coach, "Coach, you had too many players on the field!" Coach Lasher from Hinesburg came onto the field and asked, "Does that goal count then?"

"I don't know" the referee replied. But apparently it did because the game ended as a 2 to 2 tie.

Hinesburg's A-team's record was 5-5-1. The team steadily improved throughout the season. The team's last game was Thursday, October 14 against Mt. Abe which was won by Hinesburg. It was a good solid season and the eighth graders are looking forward to playing for CVU.

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Infinity Team Sleep Over

Chris Boutin, Tanner Munson, Ben Soll and Brayden McKenna

On Friday, October 1st the Infinity Team held their annual "Team Sleepover." It started at 5:30 with a softball game. The softball game was seventh graders verse eighth graders and some parents played as well. After the softball game, the family pot luck dinner started. There was a lot of good food and drinks for everyone, and the dessert was two cakes, one chocolate and one vanilla. The family pot luck dinner and softball game were a big success.



Ben Soll and Cam Breck getting their makeover

During the family dinner the teachers announced that there were going to be fun activities after dinner in the gym, the living arts room and the hallway in between. In the gym there was basketball and soccer with music going the whole time.

There was an invented game called mat surfing which used two stuffed vinyl mats to make the game. To play the game you had to stack the mats on top of each other, run and jump on them and see who could slide the farthest. The creator of the game was Peter Neu, and the person who slid the farthest was Zeke Haskins.

While the games in the gym were going on, there were kids having fun with make-up and other games. Tess Keller, Tasha Kramer-Melnick, Tegan Mahoney, Jessica Blair and Mariah Meriam put makeup and nail polish on those who wanted it. Some of the boys on the Infinity Team decided that they wanted a makeover too. The boys that got the makeover ran around looking like girls the rest of the night. Everybody got lots of laughs out of it. Others played Twister which turned into a big yoga mat, meaning that they were seeing who could bend the most. All the activities were fun and very entertaining.

The night came to an end about midnight with a movie picked and voted on by the team. This year the movie that was chosen was "Big Fish" a film by Tim Burton. After the movie students quickly fell asleep. The students woke up to the blinding lights of the gym ceiling. Each student picked up between 7:30-8:30 when everything came to an end.

One student who was at the sleepover, Jake Gevalt, said, "It is a great opportunity to meet your team and once you got around to sleeping on the gym floor it is a lot of

fun." Mrs. Miner, a team aid, said, "I think it was wonderful, a lot of fun, and a great way to start the school year." Jay Baker, a seventh grader, said, "I think that was a great idea and is worth going to again".

This Infinity tradition is a good way to kick off the school year, and the 8th graders hope that all Infinity members for years to come will get to experience this great night packed with fun for all.

Dream Team On the Hump

Leanna Muroski and Bob Pelletier

On Friday September 24, 2004 the Dream team (made up of 7th and 8th graders) hiked up the 4,083 foot Camel's Hump for a team building experience. It started out as an easy trip. We got in the cars and headed to the mountain.

Once at the Camel's Hump trailhead in Huntington, we all prepared ourselves for the nearly two mile hike. At first it was simple and fast moving, but soon we had to slow and watch our footing. Many of us experienced the thrill of tripping up a mountain over rocks and over many other unidentified objects. Once we were nearly half way up the



The Dream Team on top of Camel's Hump

mountain it became steeper and more rocks appeared; everyone slowed and carefully placed their feet. It was such an exhausting climb that most of us were overjoyed to reach the saddle. We climbed until our legs were nearly numb and till our feet were cramped, but we still made it to the top.

Making it to the top was a big relief. Most of the kids took a quick break there and the summit caretaker told us why we shouldn't step on the alpine grass that was all around us. Everyone was amazed at the spectacular views of the White Mountains of New Hampshire, Lake Champlain and Mount Washington. Some kids decided to sit and talk while others, like Dylan Harris, decided to crawl into a small cave and relax while others stared at him. Dana and Nick walked around most of outer edge and looked at the scenery.

Then it was time to go back down. We regrouped at the saddle to make new groups to go down. Again, some kids ran down while others kept a steady pace. At the bottom, we played in the creek and relaxed while the rest of

the team made its way down.

Even though some of us didn't make it all the way to the top, the important part was that we all tried which really made it a great team building experience.

Running, Running, GONE!

Lindsey DeSimone, Hillary Benoit, Christine Piper, Chelsea Beaulieu

The Hinesburg Cross-country team has had a great second season. On September 28th, the cross country team went to Charlotte to compete and then on October 6th, the team went to Underhill. Everyone on the team, both girls and boys, had a strong race. The last race of the season was Tuesday, October 12th at Sheburne Farms.

David Miller gave up his personal after school time to coach the cross-country team, and everyone appreciated it. Nancy DeSimone, a parent, said, "I love watching the kids compete, they race through the finish line with such drive. It's really nice that Mr. Miller is sharing a passion of his with the kids at HCS." Team member Hillary Benoit said, "I'm not very athletic, but I like running. And, I like that we have a cross country team because it is really fun".

Congratulations on a great season to HCS runners Christine Piper, Chelsea Beaulieu, Lindsey DeSimone, Hillary Benoit, Rebecca Paskiet, Meghan Lynn, Katie Emerson, Jeff Nevins, and Nick Bhunen. Some of the members of the team have even been running with the CVU team on Fridays. Hopefully more people will join next year for a great running opportunity!

Skate Park Concerns

Zeke Haskins and Peter Neu

In 2002 the town of Hinesburg built a skate park behind the Community School to keep skaters off the sidewalks. Well that was a great idea and many kids have really enjoyed it, but now people are trashing the skate park. There are bee's nests all over the place that are dangerous and there is trash spread out all over the place which is a hazard.

It could be made cleaner and safer by securing the trash cans so they could not be dumped out or moved. Hopefully, by keeping the park clean the bees would not want to be there and if the bees aren't there nobody will get stung; so it will be safer. It would also be safer if there was someone keeping watch over the park.

During the summer there was a summer camp at the park that I went to and it was a lot of fun. There are some really good things that go on down there and it is a great resource for kids. If we could just clean it up a bit, it would be a lot more fun for everybody.

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Recent Acquisitions

Adult Fiction

Bojhalian, Chris, *Before You Know Kindness*
Clarke, Susanna, *Jonathan Strange and Mr. Norrell*
Cornwell, Patricia, *Trace*
Dunant, Sarah, *The Birth of Venus*
Dunn, Suzannah, *Queen of Subtleties*
Isaacs, Susan, *Any Place I Hang My Hat*
Jin, Ha, *War Trash*
Kelner, Toni L.P., *Death of a Damn Yankee*
Mosher, Howard Frank, *Waiting for Teddy Williams*
Palmer, Michael, *The Society*
Parker, Robert, *Melancholy Baby*
Sheldon, Sidney, *Are You Afraid of the Dark?*
Stephenson, Neal, *Quicksilver*

Adult Nonfiction

Ansary, Tamim, *West of Kabul, East of New York: an Afghan-American Story*
Frank, Thomas, *What's the Matter with Kansas?*
Greenspan, Dorie, *Baking with Julia*
Keillor, Garrison, *Homegrown Democrat*
Lent, Patricia Adams, *The Edge of the Sugar Woods: a memoir*
Myss, Caroline, *Sacred Contracts*
Penrose, Jane, editor, *The D-Day Companion*
Rule, Ann, *Green River, Running Red*
Stewart, Jon, Ben Karlin and David Javerbaum, *America (the book): a citizen's guide to democracy inaction*
Stoller, Debbie, *Stitch 'n Bitch: the knitter's handbook*
**Visit the library to view a list of recent acquisitions of juvenile and young adult materials.

Fall Events at the Library

Tuesday, November 9 at 7:00 p.m. "Snapshots of Hinesburg" Open House. Mark your calendars now! Here is an opportunity to celebrate Hinesburg's unique character. Young and old are welcome to join us for a lively evening of local history and stories of our town way back when. Local historian Louise Roomet and Suzanne Richard will guide us through the years and help us learn more about our neighbors past and present.

Snapshots of the library's Vermont history collection will be on display with the Hinesburg quilt panels. Bring your own stories and questions to share. Refreshments will be served. This free program is made possible by a grant from the Vermont Public Library Foundation funded by the Freeman Foundation.

Thursday, November 18, 5:00-6:30 p.m. YA Book Buying Group. Review, discuss and select "teen" books for the Library's Young Adult collection. Contact Janet, 482-2878 or email janetsoutiere@yahoo.com.

Friday, November 19, 7:00-9:00 p.m. "Horses". Susan Nielson, a longtime Hinesburg breeder of the American Quarter Horse, will speak regarding horses with a special focus on the American Quarter Horse. This program is made possible by a grant from the Vermont Public Library Foundation, funded by the Freeman Foundation.

October through November. Fine Art Photography Exhibit by Local artist William Stirewalt. Visit the library's Community Room to view an ongoing exhibit of striking black-and-white and color photos by another talented Hinesburg artist. Pictures will be available for purchase just in time for the holiday season. Don't miss it!

Grant Update

Collection development is one of the 2004-2005 projects made possible by a grant from the Vermont Public Library Foundation funded by the Freeman Foundation. Over the next several months, library patrons will see expanded collections of large print, young adult books, books-on-CD, and DVD's for both children and adults. A sum of \$5,650 is dedicated to the improvement of these formats. We are excited to improve library service in this way. Later this year a list of new grant purchases will be available at the library.

ECHO Library Pass Program

The Carpenter-Carse Library has a new benefit to offer patrons. Our library is now a member of the ECHO Library Pass Program. The library has a pass to lend to registered patrons, much as we lend books and other materials. We are offering our patrons the opportunity to visit the ECHO Leahy

Trustee Meetings

The Carpenter-Carse Library's Board of Trustees meet at the library at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month; exceptions to this schedule are posted in advance at the Hinesburg Post Office and at the Town Clerk's Office. Meetings are open to the public.

Book Discussion Groups

Avid readers may join our library's book discussion group, which meets monthly. The November 30 selection is *Forever*, by Pete Hamill.

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in readers' homes. Please note that there will be no December meeting. Phone Earla Sue McNaul at 482-3347 for information on meeting locations.

Storytime News

Toddler Storytimes (up to three years of age) are held at 9:00 a.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, November 2 and November 16. Walk-ins are welcome.

Center for Lake Champlain on Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. from November to Memorial Day, 2005. The pass is valid for up to two patrons per ECHO visit.

This winter ECHO will provide a great and valuable service to CCL patrons. Thursday evenings feature fun and important programming and activities focusing on a rich array of Basin-related topics. With an eye on ECHO's changing exhibitions, these programs provide a powerful opportunity for patrons to get more involved in community discussion.

Library patrons may view ECHO's programming calendar on their web site: <http://www.echovermont.org>. The library also has an ECHO Basin Backyard Explorers brochure and 100 "dollar off" coupons. We hope that the ECHO pass will help citizens to increase their knowledge, appreciation and stewardship of Vermont and New York through our participation in this worthwhile program.

Main Street Mystery Bones

Come explore the amazing clues to Hinesburg's past! Presented at the Carpenter Carse Library on Tuesday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m.

by Louise Roomet, Suzanne Richard and a band of local historians.



HINESBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Compiled by Denise Giroux

HCS Calendar

November

- 5: In-service, Half day of school, 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- 6: Auditions for 7/8 District Band, Hunt Middle School
- 16-19: Scholastic Book Fair, Wainer Learning Center
- 22, 23: Parent Conferences, Half day of school, 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- 24, 25, 26: Thanksgiving Break, No School
- 29: School resumes

General School News

by Donna Hale, Principal

Parent Conferences

The school is holding its Fall Parent Conferences on Monday and Tuesday, November 22 and 23. In order to accommodate the number of conferences that are held, students go home at 11:30 a.m. The schedule promotes sufficient time for the number and quality of conversations that are held regarding student progress.

Supportive Classroom

The School continues to implement the Supportive Classroom curriculum which promotes the core concepts of belonging, respect, trust, sharing and responsibility. Teachers are implementing the curriculum in their classrooms; all adults are using the language and approach in their interactions with students. We feel that this school-wide focus on these concepts is having a beneficial impact on the climate for learning.

The school will focus on the concept of sharing throughout November and December. Students will participate in classroom and school-wide activities that promote this core concept.

Jennifer Prue, Hinesburg resident and co-author of the *Supportive Classroom* curriculum, did a presentation of the program to parents on Monday, October 25. We appreciated her time and willingness to teach parents more about this program.

Math Workshops

Nancy Pollack, Math Coordinator is conducting workshops on Math Methods for Parents. The meetings are being held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and focus on different content strands such as place value, fractions, etc. Problem solving is being discussed throughout each session. She is



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meeting with first and second grade parents on November 9 and January 4. She is meeting with parents of third and fourth grade students on November 16 and January 11. You may contact her at 482-2106, extension 115 to sign up.

Principal Search Committee

The Board, at its meeting on October 20, determined the committee to search for a new principal of HCS to replace retiring Principal Donna Hale. Advertisement for the position has gone to press. The community will be kept informed of its progress.

Emergency Procedures

The re-location drill on October 4 went very well. We practiced the re-location effort as if we knew from the onset that we would have to be away from the building for a significant disaster. Mrs. Stebbins tried to organize it so that traffic was stopped for short periods of time. This is the third year that we have practiced this drill and it is paying off—it goes very smoothly! Our thanks go to the community for their patience throughout the drill. We also will practice a "lock-down" this year in case everyone needs to stay securely inside.

New Cafeteria Name

HCS students have named our cafeteria "Arlo's Eatery". Students generated potential names and held an election during their lunch times. "Arlo's Eatery" overwhelmingly won over the other option. The name will both honor a long standing employee (Arlo Emmons) and bring a personal touch to this important place in our school.

CSSU Spelling Bee Champs

Congratulations go to 7th/8th graders Tegan Mahoney, Tess Keller, Jacob Gevalt, Tom Eddy, Ethan Link and Hillary Whitney for being the champion spelling team within CSSU! These students competed against spelling teams from Charlotte Central School, Shelburne Community School and Williston Central School on October 15 and they brought home the gold!

PTO News and Events**Raffle and Spaghetti Dinner**

Thanks to Sheri Hanlon and her parents Cliff and Sally Brody for the donation of the Beach Retreat home for the PTO raffle.

Teachers Jo Evelti and Carol Hinsdale won the raffle, which will give them one week at the beach home in Florida. Luckily, the home was undamaged by the hurricanes!

The raffle earned over \$2400 for the PTO. The Spaghetti Dinner, organized by Andrea White, Barbara Hicken and staffed by over 50 volunteers (parents and student waiters), earned \$1350. It was an incredibly successful evening!

Special thanks also go to Lantman's for donating spaghetti, to The Wild Thyme for donating flowers and selling raffle tickets, and to Three Generations Shoppe and the Town Hall for selling raffle tickets. Deb Lyman in the office was also a great help with the tickets.

The Spaghetti Dinner is a long standing tradition that is not only a fundraiser but more importantly a bonding experience for all. We appreciate the efforts of so many.

Scholastic Book Fair

The PTO is again sponsoring a Book Fair which will take place in the Wainer Learning Center from November 16 through November 19. The hours of operation are as follows: Tuesday, November 16 from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday, November 17 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and again from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. for family shopping time; Thursday and Friday, November 18 and 19 from 7:45 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

This presents a wonderful opportunity to get a head start on some of your holiday shopping. The PTO benefits from this event by typically raising \$1000-\$1200. In addition, the HCS

Library/Media center gets to choose an equal dollar value (in total sales) of free books for the school library. This is a great resource for our children!

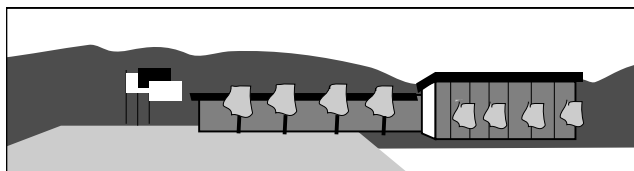
Teachers will again pre-select books for their Wish Lists to augment their classroom libraries. This is a great way to provide teachers with additional materials for teaching. Please consider granting a wish!

A note to parents: We are aware of the fact that this Fair offers certain items for sale such as pens, erasers, pencil sharpeners, etc. that are popular with the children but that parents are not excited about. If you prefer that your child not purchase these kinds of items, please discuss this with them at home before the Fair. Volunteers try to steer children toward making more educational purchases but they cannot censor their purchases. Consider coming to shop with your child.

Volunteers will be needed to staff the many hours of this event. Please contact Sylvia Geiger at 482-3939 for questions or to offer your assistance. Thank you!

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Calendar**November:**

- 4:** Friends of CVU Monthly Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Learning Center
- 5:** End of Quarter 1
- 5:** Registration Deadline for December ACT
- 6:** SAT Test Date
- 8:** CVU School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 105.
- 8-12:** Holocaust Field Trip
- 11:** Annual Dessert with the Principal, 7:00-8:30 p.m., CVU Learning Center. Sponsored by Friends of CVU.
- 12-13:** District Band Festival, Colchester High School
- 12-13:** CY High School Lead Retreat
- 16:** CY Volunteer Recognition Night, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 17:** **Half day in-service**
- 18-20:** CVU Drama Production: *Into the Woods*. Show times 7:30 p.m., November 18-20; 1:30 p.m. matinee on Saturday. See article below for more information.
- 18-21:** Princeton Model Congress
- 22:** CVU School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 105.
- 22-23:** Half day school; parent conferences, 1:00-7:00 p.m.
- 24-26:** No school. Thanksgiving Break

Drama Production – *Into the Woods*

It's time to go "Into the Woods" with CVU Drama! *Into the Woods* is the fall show this year and promises beautiful music, special effects, fascinating characters, and an engrossing story.

It tells the tale of what happens when Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Rapunzel, Jack the Giant Killer, Prince Charming, and other fairy tale characters, old and new, all meet up in the woods. Together they discover the importance of community, forgiveness, and what it means to love each other. *Into the Woods* is appropriate for all ages.



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Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for students/seniors. We recommend ordering tickets in advance. Order forms are available in the CVU main office or can be downloaded from the school's web site. See you at the show!

Chris Bohjalian Visits Theater Group

By Stephen Mease

Bestselling author Chris Bohjalian of Lincoln, Vermont spoke recently with the cast and crew of the Champlain Valley Union High School's fall production of the musical *Into the Woods* to talk about character development, history of fairy tales, storytelling and musicals.

The Stephen Sondheim musical, based on Grimm's Fairy Tales, will be presented at CVU High School on November 18-20. Tickets for the evening and matinee shows are currently on sale at the high school. Adults are \$8; students and seniors are \$5.



CVU High School Musical Director Sebastian Ryder and Vermont author Chris Bohjalian take questions from cast and crew members of the fall musical, "Into the Woods" Thursday afternoon in Hinesburg. PHOTOS BY STEPHEN MEASE



Chris Bohjalian, author of several bestselling novels, talked with the cast and crew of the Champlain Union High School musical about fairy tales, storytelling and acting. PHOTOS BY STEPHEN MEASE

The play cleverly combines four of the Grimm brothers' most famous fairy tales, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, *Cinderella*, *Rapunzel*, and *Little Red Riding Hood*, and couples them with Sondheim's own fairy tale about a childless baker and his wife. The play is directed by Sebastian Ryder.

Annual Dessert with the Principal

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CVU Nordic Ski Team Silent Auction

By Jean Masseau

The CVU Nordic Ski Team will be holding its annual silent auction on November 22 and 23 from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. coinciding with the parent conferences. Plan to visit the auction tables at school during those days to support the Nordic team and find treasures for yourself and those on your holiday shopping list.

In the past, the event has featured great items such as new skis, poles, snowshoes, sleeping bags, tents, jewelry, books, art, fleece/performance clothing, restaurant gift certificates, handmade blankets, Champlain Chocolates, overnight reservations at Butternut Cabin at Sleepy Hollow and backpacks among others. Visitors have enjoyed the high quality, eclectic collection and the fun of placing bids.

Also, just in time for Thanksgiving, a two-day bake sale will accompany the auction. If you would like to donate something to the auction, we gratefully accept items and services from local stores, businesses, restaurants and artisans etc. Every effort is made to advertise your generosity and include your name with the items at the auction and in local publicity. We are very fortunate to have such tremendous support from the community. Call Jean Masseau (482-2407) or Amy Nickerson (985-9735) for questions or to make a donation.

CVU Soccer Teams Undefeated

By Matt Dattilio

Men's Varsity

The South Burlington Rebels proved to be no match for the loaded Crusaders. The 5-1 score was not indicative of CVU's dominance. CVU's reserves played with enthusiasm and held their own against the South Burlington side. Gardner Morrow tallied two goals and Hinesburg resident Nick Mead also added two goals. Tyler Clavelle scored the other CVU goal.

On Thursday, October 7, the Crusaders traveled to North Country to play the Falcons. The game featured the top two Metro-Division teams. The winner would likely be the Metro Champions. The Crusaders captured an early lead on an amazing effort by Gardner Morrow. Morrow barely gathered an errant pass and turned quickly on the ball. His momentum allowed him to rip a shot into the goal. Ashley Miller's goal, while not as spectacular, proved to be the game winner. Scott McLoughlin picked up his second win of the week in net. CVU is now alone at the top of the Metro with a 10-0-1 record.

Women's Varsity

The CVU Women's Varsity Soccer team rolled to a 10-0 slamming of North Country on October 7. The long ride seemed costly as the Falcons apparently left their "A" game in Newport. CVU scored early and often with Hinesburg residents Katlin Francis [2], Lilly Kielman, Libby Parent, and Zelig Dunn-Morrison leading the offense. In addition, Liza Bradley tallied two goals. The women's varsity is 8-0-2.

Among the team members from Hinesburg are: Paige Leenstra, Meg Patrick, Eva Pellegrino-Young, Katie Stetler, and Abbi Newton. Other contributing members include, Kelly Macnee, Emily Milbank, Christy Wolfson, Casey Geibink, Laura Sisco, Joan Gentile, Kelly Sisco, Heather Demers, Sarah Marston, Lauren Wally, Katy Shaw, and Meg Howard. The two netminders are Eliza Bradley and Nora Oliver. (Note: Matt Dattilio is a guest columnist for *The Hinesburg Record*, in support of CVU Graduation Challenge.)

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CVU Gets Students Involved in the Community



Champlain Valley Union (CVU) High School held its *5th Annual Get Involved in Your Community Fair* on Wednesday, October 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Exhibitors at the fair featured non-profit organizations with youth volunteer opportunities along with school based clubs and activity groups.

Community based exhibitors included: the Pierson Library in Shelburne; Children’s Miracle Network; Connecting Youth; The United Way Volunteer Center; American Red Cross – Northern Chapter; Ethan Allen Homestead; The Arbors; Special Olympics VT; Straight Talk Vermont; Kids on the Block – Vermont; and the YMCA.

While CVU does not have a community service requirement for all students, the school does sponsor: a community learning program; a required senior project – Graduation Challenge – with a 20–45 hour community learning experience; and a senior internship program where students spend anywhere from 100 to 200 hours in the community. In all cases, students can receive academic credit for their volunteer work. There are also several community service based clubs at school looking for organizations with which to get involved.

Anyone interested in learning more about CVU’s community service programs should contact Andrea Van Hoven at 482-7195 or andrea@cvuhs.org.

Citrus Fruit Sale

The citrus sale in support of the 2005 Classical Greece and Youth trip to Greece has begun. The citrus will be delivered in December. For an order form, contact Jen Ciardelli at jennifer@cvuhs.org or call her at 482-8939. Your support helps!

CVU Board Meeting

By Rosalyn Graham

October 11, 2004

Regional Technical Academy

Two teachers and three students with connections to both Champlain Valley Union High School and Burlington Technical Center came to the Monday, October 11 meeting of the CVU Board to voice their concerns about the proposal for a Regional Technical Academy that will be on the November 2 ballot. Their comments reflected a broad-based lack of support for the school among educators and students being expressed at the public information meetings being held in the 25 towns that would send students to the new school.

The Regional Technical Academy plan, the product of more than five years of work by an *ad hoc* board of business and industry leaders, with support from the Chamber of Commerce, would centralize technical education in a facility in Essex Junction, offering academic subjects as well as technical subjects to students in Grades 11 and 12 who would attend full-time, although they would return to their sending schools for extra-curricular activities and would receive their diploma from their sending schools. The RTA, which received strong support

from the voters of the towns at March Town Meeting when they approved the establishment of a regional district and a regional board to govern the new school, needs voter approval on November 2 to officially move on the next steps of its plan: hiring an educational leader, finalizing plans for curriculum and staffing, converting the former JogBra building to house a 900-plus student body, crafting a budget, hiring staff and being ready for a September 2005 opening day.

JoAnn Wolter of Hinesburg who teaches human services at BTC questioned the wisdom of replacing a program that is serving students well with a model that would create disincentives for students with college aspirations and those who are actively involved in sports or extra curricular activities at their home schools.

Phil Mozeika of Shelburne who teaches electronic recording arts at BTC said a basic problem for the RTA was the way it was designed, “not with the input of regional high schools, but by the regional chamber of commerce.” He suggested that a better model for Vermont technical education would be one where all schools in the region would get “a piece of the pie” with technical subjects decentralized throughout the area. The examples he cited were having CVU offer food management programs with the cooperation of local food producers; Mount Mansfield focusing on forestry and Bellows Free Academy in Fairfax offering agriculture. Transportation issues, often held up as an impediment to such a decentralized approach, will also exist with the RTA proposal, he said. “A decentralized program would strengthen all the schools.”

He also quoted a survey of students in the sending schools which indicated that only 5% of students would choose to go to the new school. “The students say they won’t go and I respect their opinion,” he said.

Two students from Chittenden South also expressed their skepticism about the proposal. Ananda Moore of Shelburne, who studied electronic recording arts at BTC and graduated from CVU in the spring, said that the combination of attending both schools had provided a strong base for her continuing education. She said that students she knew who had taken their technical education at BTC while continuing their academic studies at their sending schools had a wide choice of post-secondary paths, and that students were finding good jobs and getting into good colleges.

Izaak Lazrowski of Charlotte, in his second year of design and illustration studies at BTC, said he was enjoying the opportunity to also take Advanced Placement classes at CVU. He voiced a frequent comment of students, saying that he goes to school with friends he has had since preschool and elementary school, and “if I had to choose between staying with those friends or going to a new school with a completely new set of friends, it would deter me from signing up.”

CVU Board Chair Michael Bissonette of Hinesburg, who represents the district on the RTA Board said that the RTA Board is addressing many concerns related to program, scheduling and access and that it is essential that the vote on November 2 be ‘yes’ to allow them to continue to refine the plan. He said that one possibility being discussed is a postponement of the opening to September 2006 to give more time for planning.

Student Council Celebrates Cafeteria

The Student Council will host a celebration to mark the opening of the new cafeteria, scheduled for Monday, October 25. They promised board members that there would be cake as well as a chance to see the long-dreamed-of spacious dining facility.

Parking Permits for All

Student Council representative to the board, Isaiah Lachance, reported that all seniors who applied for a parking permit had been granted their request. The allocation of parking spaces during the construction period and with the addition of parking farther from the school building, had caused a student outcry at the beginning of the school year, but has now been resolved. Director Jeanne Jenson of Williston suggested that this year’s junior class should be sure to have a plan for student parking worked out before the end of the school year to avoid a repeat of the problem.

A Basis for Decision Making

Principal Val Gardner presented the board with a plan for communication and cooperation among faculty, administration and the board entitled “Mission and Expectations.” The plan for action, which will be fleshed out in discussions at future

board meetings, provided a framework for questions the board needs to ask itself as a basis for its consideration of everything from new programs to staffing and assessment. The essential questions are: “What is the work the school needs to complete to ensure it meets its mission?” “How will we measure our success in meeting our mission?” and “What are the roles and responsibilities in ensuring that success?”

Superintendent’s Jottings

By Brian C. O’Regan,
Superintendent of Schools

This is the first of an intended series of monthly columns addressing public education issues of interest to parents and community members residing within the Chittenden South Supervisory Union (CSSU). CSSU is the organizational structure that provides leadership and operational service support to our member school districts: Charlotte, Hinesburg, St. George, Shelburne, Williston and Champlain Valley Union High School.

During the course of the next twelve months, a range of informational topics will be addressed. These topics will focus on local, regional, state and national public education issues. Topics will include student achievement, the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law, the Chittenden County Regional Technical Academy, the national Gallop/PDK poll on public attitudes toward public schools, state and local policy issues (bullying, wellness, harassment), educational program initiatives (literacy, math, curriculum frameworks, technology, technical education and early education) and general local issues of interest.

Additional information on these topics will be available at our CSSU website (www.cssu.org). Feedback on the column is welcome and can be directed to bo'regan@cssu.org.

A former Burlingtonian and an individual considered one of the great intellects of the 20th century, John Dewey, acknowledged in the early 1900’s that “What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child, that must the community want for all its children. Any other ideal for our schools is narrow and unlovely, acted upon, it destroys our democracy.”

Public schools, or, education for all, is one of the defining promises of our American democracy—a promise our students strive to fulfill. Yet, the value and performance of public education is increasingly questioned. Michael Resnick, of the National School Boards Association, identified ten challenges facing education over the next decade:

1. **Keeping current in a changing world**—preparing students for jobs, cultural changes, and global influences—including those yet to exist.
2. **Closing the achievement gap**—raising achievement for those living in poverty, who have disabilities, belong to racial minority groups, or have limited English proficiency.
3. **Educating a diverse population.** By 2020 more than 37% of our population will be members of minority groups. In CSSU, our English Language Learners (ELL), (a.k.a. English Second Language (ESL)) have grown from less than five in 2001 to 29 in the current school year.
4. **Funding equal and adequate educational opportunity.** The Brigham decision, Act 68, facility needs, etc., will be further impacted by the requirements of No Child Left behind.
5. **Providing highly qualified teachers.** 94% of Vermont’s teachers are considered “highly qualified” under NCLB and CSSU figures are higher based on teacher assignments.
6. **Ensuring students come to school ready for learning.** Our primary grades’ (K-3) emphasis on early reading and math literacy is showing positive results. Early education programs will remain a local and state focus.
7. **Increasing parental involvement.** Engaging parents in their child’s education is critical to student achievement.
8. **Responding to parent preferences.** Schools will face demands for more options to meet specific interests in what is taught, how it’s taught and the quality. CSSU’s recently adopted Curriculum Frameworks provide a more clear statement of the “what”.
9. **Keeping the nation focused on the importance and purpose of public schools.** Serving all of the children is an important premise of public education. With that commitment comes challenges given the broad array of needs of students and families.
10. **Providing leadership for success.** School based leadership (and recruitment of able-minded community

members) along with administrative and school based leadership is critical for school success.

As all of us associated with CSSU continue to address these general challenges, our goal remains to be a school system that provides a high quality program of personal and academic growth for all of our students.

Our student achievement information over the past five years illustrates our success and areas of improvement.

More detail on student achievement and on No Child Left Behind will be addressed in next month’s column.

News & Notes

The Regional Technical Academy held an informational session with the CSSU school boards on Wednesday, October 20 at the CVU High School. Voters will be asked to decide on a \$44 million dollar bond for the purpose of creating a single Technical Academy facility in Essex. This is an important question for voters relative to the delivery of technical education to 11th and 12th grade students and the cost implications to taxpayers. The presentation will be broadcast on future nights on RETN.

Your Help Makes Happy Kids

By Deirdre Gladstone

The Hinesburg Nursery School is off to a great start, and the “settling in” process seems to be going well. The kids and teachers (Yvonne Epstein and Natalie Miller) are busy every day for the solid three hours, judging from what I bring home from my son’s cubby. I have run out of fridge space and any open wall space has been reassigned to showcase artwork.

We do have spaces open for three to five year olds—if you are interested, please call Patti Drew at 482-5354. Scholarships are available.

We have already had two fun fundraisers. The annual tag sale was a blast. Loads and loads of clothes, toys, furniture and other treasures were delivered on a Friday night and by the end of the next day all was gone and the school had benefited from your purchases—thank you! Sylvie Vidrine and Karen Cornish were the co-organizers this year and deserve a round of applause for their efforts, along with many other parents’ help.

The Calcutta at the Old Shed in Shelburne was tremendously successful. Kudos to school parent Janice Provost who was the brainchild behind this new event. Everyone had a wonderful time and several people commented that we spoiled them with excellent food and prizes.

The annual amaryllis sale has begun and will continue through the second week in November, with bulbs being available after November 17. Our bulbs come in red, white and pink, are early blooming and come in attractive terra cota pots with a festive ribbon. The cost is \$15 each. A wonderful gift and for a great cause! To purchase your bulbs, see any Nursery School parent or call Jen Bradford at 482-5528.

Another way to support the mission of the school is to shop at either Learning Express location (Church Street in Burlington or Essex Junction) during the weeks of November 8-14 and December 6-12. Learning Express will donate 20% of all sales to our fundraising mission as long as people mention the nursery school by name. When you’re doing some holiday shopping, please keep this option in mind.

Hinesburg Nursery School is a non-profit, parent cooperative preschool located in the heart of Hinesburg. We are responsible for our own finances and appreciate the support our community gives us. Next month, stay tuned for more about our teachers and a few of our illustrious graduates.

Hinesburg Friends of Families Fall Update

By Stephanie Murray

Playgroups

Join us every Wednesday from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at the Hinesburg Town Hall. Playgroup is FREE and open to all children ages birth to age five accompanied by an adult.

We offer a large toy-filled space with lots of room for kids to “move and groove,” craft table, light snack, circle time and lots of laughs! A great way to meet new friends.

Playgroup follows the public school calendar. On November 17 come meet a Hinesburg Police Officer! This

special guest will be with us from 11:00 to 11:20 a.m. Questions? Please call: Stephanie Murray 453-3038.

Nurturing Parent Program

For our tenth year, Hinesburg Friends of Families will be sponsoring a 14 week parenting program. This program is for the whole family and is geared toward families with children ages five to 12. We will be meeting every Thursday from 5:45 to 8:15 p.m. starting October 28 and running through February 17, 2005. Pre-registration is required. For more information and to register call Stephanie Murray at 453-3038. This program is offered FREE of charge!

Part-time Help Needed

We are looking for someone to help with dinner prep and clean-up for our Nurturing Parent program. Hours are from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., Thursdays, from October 28 through February 17, 2005 (excluding holiday weeks). 14 sessions total. You will be paid \$20 for every Thursday worked. If you are interested call Stephanie Murray at 453-3038 for more details.

Organizations Fourth of July

The Fireworks Committee needs your help in raising \$12,000 for the July 2005 Fireworks. Any donation of any kind is welcome. We need to raise around \$8,000 for a down-payment by February, so please send your check ASAP.

Make check payable to Hinesburg 4th of July Fireworks Fund. Mail to: P.O. Box 307, Hinesburg, VT 05461, Attention: Doug.

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Social Band Presents “Songs across the Ages”

Social Band, Burlington’s lively band of a cappella singers, presents its signature mix of homegrown and international choral works spanning the last millennium, in three fall concerts: Friday, November 12, at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church in Montpelier; Saturday, November 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the Vergennes Opera House; and Sunday, November 14, at 3:00 p.m. at Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Burlington (sponsored by Cathedral Arts).

The program features medieval and early Renaissance French music, including portions of Machaut’s 14th century “Messe de Nostre Dame” and selections by 15th century composer Guillaume Dufay. In addition to the early works, this fall’s choral celebration will include European village songs, early American shape note hymns and newly composed pieces by Vermont composers.

Social Band is especially proud to present a “sneak preview” of newly-written pieces prepared for its upcoming Vermont Composers Project—a project designed to keep community singing alive and well by encouraging Vermont composers to create new choral compositions.

Admission to all concerts is \$10 suggested donation. Tickets are available at the door, or in advance from the Flynn Regional Box Office, 802-86FLYNN (863-5966), or www.flynnrtix.org. Tickets for the Burlington concert are also available in advance at Hopkins Bookshop, 802-658-6223.

Social Band was founded in 1998 by Liz Thompson and Don Jamison, based on their love of both traditional and “art” music. Now directed by Amity Baker, their repertoire continues to reflect these two styles, striking a balance between raw exuberance and a polished sound. Their debut CD, Florona, released in 2003, reflects the diversity and excitement of their repertoire, and will be available at their concerts.

For further information, call 802-658-8488, email info@socialband.org, or visit our website: www.socialband.org.

Girls! Come Join the Fun

Vermont’s Largest Girl Organization

What’s the largest organization for girls in the state? It’s the Girl Scouts, of course. Today’s Girl Scouts offer a variety of opportunities for girls to discover themselves, explore interests, develop new and lasting friendships, and JUST HAVE FUN! Today’s Girl Scouts are smart, cool and strong! Gone are the days when Girl Scouting was just cookies, camping, and crafts. Today’s Girl Scouts create safe places for girls to just be, so that they can talk about their interests and to explore what is important to them.

In Girl Scouts, girls as young as 5-years-old and as sophisticated as 17 can:

- Taste adventure with other girls their age
- Make new friends
- Try on leadership
- Be positive community activists
- Travel
- Participate in sporting events
- Enjoy art, science, technology, and theater
- Attend dance parties and sleepovers
- Best of all—be themselves

The possibilities are endless and, of course, Girl Scouting still offers great camp experiences and activities for budding entrepreneurs. Girl Scouting is “By Girls, For Girls”, and girls shape their Girl Scouting experience. If you know a girl who would like to “Join the Fun,” contact the Girl Scout Council of Vermont at (800) 639-3055 or (802) 878-7131. Visit an information and recruitment night near you.

Scot Keefe Among Top Contenders in National Fishing Competition

By Jean Isham

Fishing has been second nature to Scot Keefe since his youth. Born in Vermont, he spent most of his childhood in Quebec and spent a lot of time fishing with his uncle. He also lived for ten years on Queen Charlotte Islands, British North Columbia, 80 miles off the coast and 26 miles from Alaska. While there he did a lot of salmon fishing. An unemployment rate of 26 percent prompted him to return to Vermont in 1985.



Hinesburg Fisherman Scot Keefe is shown above at Lake Champlain with a six pound plus large mouth bass. PHOTO BY SCOT KEEFE

Since 1997 Scot has been entering bass competitions, both locally and as far away as South Carolina and Minnesota. Once he found out how exciting bass fishing was, he hasn’t done a lot of other kinds of fishing. Asked what makes it exciting, Scot replied, “It is waiting for the strike, the bass hitting the top lure and for the line to twitch.” The primary bass competition, the FLW Everstart Series, was started by the founder of Ranger boats. This series covers the United States, and Scot fishes in the Northern Division. There are four divisions with four tournaments in each division. At the end of the regular four tournament season, the top forty from each division compete for the championship. This year’s championship will be held in Kentucky.

At the present time Scot is number three in the Northern Division which guarantees him a slot in the championship tournament the first week of November. Every tournament generally has 400 competitors. There is the pro group and the

co-angler group with approximately 200 competitors in each group.

Upon returning to Vermont in 1985, Scot expanded his fishing to many species, including brook trout, pike, bass, among others. Seven years ago he started Great Scot Charters, offering all-season guiding and specializing in small and large mouth bass. He has two boats, a Lund Deep V 17 footer and a 20 foot Champion bass boat. He offers full and half-day charters seven days a week from May through November. Although the main concentration is on small mouth bass, they do catch pike, bowfin, sheep head, etc. A charter also includes delicious gourmet lunches prepared by his wife, Barbara. For more information or to reserve a charter, call 482-4286.

For his son Gabe's birthday, Scot took him and a group of his friends fishing. For some of the children it was their first experience and everyone was fortunate enough to catch fish. Based on this experience, Scott is looking forward to offering, through the Hinesburg Recreation Department, a fishing clinic for children ranging in ages from 6-12. A tentative proposal for the clinic includes instruction on basic knots, basic casting, shore time practicing and some time fishing from the boat. The plan is to offer the clinic next summer. Watch the Recreation Department's flyers for more information.

Scot and Barbara have lived in Hinesburg for the past fourteen years. Barbara is a medical tech at the Fanny Allen Campus of Fletcher Allen Health Care. They have two children, Gabe, age ten, and Catherine, age eight. Both Gabe and Catherine are avid fisherman.

We wish Scot the best of luck in the upcoming tournament.



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CVU Football Rolls to 8-0 in States



In only its second season, CVU Football is proving to be a force

The CVU Football Club continues to roll through a very successful second season, undefeated in JV games throughout the State. The team most recently defeated Middlebury 26-6, putting their record at 8-0 in the U.S. with two games to go. A hard-fought loss to a big and tough Cowansville, Quebec team was a great learning experience as well.

Club team members from Hinesburg include Jacob Sirotkin, Corey Warren, Peter Foutz, Ryan Danforth, Patrick Fortin, Nick Pileggi, Steven Campbell, Joseph Cribari, Joe Marcum, and Ryan Meunier.

CSSU Bucs Take to Field

The CSSU Buccaneers Youth Football Team played their third game last week against the Browns River team in Jericho. This is the team's first season as a "feeder team" for the CVU high school football team.

The fledgling team continues to solicit donations for support. If interested in making a contribution, please call Nancy Barnes at 425-2905.



CSSU Buccaneers Christopher Bulla, Quinn Kropf, Nick Farentino, and Michael Winget

Sign Up to Wrestle Now

It's time to sign up for our local youth wrestling program. It is open to all students in Williston, St. George, South Burlington, Charlotte, Hinesburg and Shelburne.

Sign up nights will take place on November 1, 3, 8 and 10 at the Hinesburg Community School cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The youth wrestling program emphasizes the same type of folk-style wrestling the athletes will do in high school. The program builds teamwork, balance and strength and involves participation in the statewide tournaments at the end of the season. Singlets and t-shirts are provided, as well as some shoes, so sign up early. Call Coach Wayne Ring at 482-3747 to leave a message.

NAMES In The NEWS

By June Giroux

Our Newest Residents

A baby girl, *Julia Helen CichoskiKelly*, was born October 4 to Christopher and Eileen (Kelly) CichoskiKelly at Fletcher Allen Health Center in Burlington.

Kenneth and Heather (Way) Fitzgerald are the parents of a baby boy, *Daniel Landon Way Fitzgerald* born September 26, 2004 at the Fletcher Allen Health Care (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 list of "Other Media" you wish notified.)

Bazaar and Raffle

Kelley's Field Senior Housing will have their annual Bazaar and Raffle on November 6, from 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. It will be held in the Community Room of the complex.

There will be lots of baked goods, "white elephant" items and raffle tickets for sale. There are 43 prizes for the raffle drawings thanks to the generosity of the many business owners and other people in Hinesburg that donated.

Kelley's Field residents mainly raise this money to help



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The drawing for the raffle prizes will be at 2:45 p.m. on November 6, and you do not have to be present to win.

MacHarg Attends St. Lawrence

MacKenzie A. MacHarg of Hinesburg is a member of the class of 2008 at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York. She graduated from Champlain Valley Union High School in Hinesburg.

Freshmen participate in St. Lawrence University's innovative First-Year Program, an introduction to the liberal arts curriculum taught in residence halls by faculty teams. Clear writing and speaking skills are stressed, and careful advising is provided for all freshmen. St. Lawrence, the oldest continuously degree-granting coeducational college in New York State, is a residential, liberal arts and sciences institution that encourages all faculty and students to participate in teaching and learning.

Powden of Lantman's Best Yet Market Wins Vermont Bagging Crown

Twenty-one-year-old Ben Powden of Hinesburg has bested other competitors to become the 2004 Vermont "Best Bagger." The competition took place at the Vermont Grocers' Association's annual convention at the Sheraton Hotel.

Ben, an employee of Lantman's in Hinesburg for the past six years, won the competition from a field of contestants from supermarkets around the state. Store owner Brian Busier said, "We are very proud of his performance and pleased to have him as one of our key associates."

Ben is a graduate of CVU where he was captain of the lacrosse team his senior year, and is currently a student at the University of Vermont. Ben supervises the checkout department on weekends at Lantman's. His next competition will be in Las Vegas, representing Vermont at the national contest in February which is held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the National Grocers' Association.

Fall Is Start of Community Dinners

The delicious community dinners begin with the first signs of fall. Support the various organizations as they raise funds and provide us the opportunity to meet and eat.

The 28th Annual Milton Pre-Christmas Craft Show will be held at Milton High School on Saturday, November 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Crafts, Kid's Room, lunch available. Free admission. For information call 893-2432.

Red Cross Blood Donations

The Northern Vermont Chapter of the American Red Cross (ARC) 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 first and 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.

Donors from Hinesburg who have received their gallon pins from the American Red Cross Blood Services recently include Brian Leary, fifteen gallons; Madine Churchill, eight gallons; Jennifer Perlee, eight gallons.

The Red Cross Needs You

The American Red Cross is searching for Holiday Heroes at the Red Cross Center in Burlington during the month of November. Thanksgiving starts the annual holiday season time when blood supplies are often put in jeopardy as peoples' lives get busier.

According to Susan Parmer, R.N., Senior Director for the New England Region, it is also a time when the public's generosity comes to the forefront. "People are searching for meaningful ways to help make the world a better place during

the holidays. The spirit of the season brings out the best in all of us. There's no better way to express our thankfulness than by giving the Gift of Life."

This year, taking an hour out to donate blood may reap a major time savings down the road. All presenting donors at the Burlington Red Cross Blood Center, located at 32 North Prospect Street, between November 1 and 17 can enter a raffle to win Thanksgiving dinner prepared for up to ten people. This wonderful holiday treat has been generously donated by Let's Pretend Catering of Burlington.

Patients in area hospitals are counting on volunteer blood donors to meet their need for this medicine which can only come from the heart. Blood is used to treat cancer patients, for surgery, trauma, and countless other life-threatening conditions.

The Red Cross urges all eligible donors to give blood as often as possible. Donors can give blood every eight weeks.

To make an appointment, or for more information about giving blood or specifics about the "Big Bad Turkey Raffle," call the Red Cross at 658-6400 or 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

You only die once: Preparing for the end of life with grace and gusto

Margie Jenkins, author of *You only die once: Preparing for the end of life with grace and gusto*, will present on Thursday, November 18 at Trinity Episcopal Church on Route 7 in Shelburne. This presentation is co-sponsored by the Madison-Deane Initiative of the Visiting Nurse Association of Chittenden and Grand Isle Counties and Hospice Volunteer Services of Addison County. There is no need to register and there are no fees associated with this event.

Skillfully using thoughtful prose, stories from family experiences, humor and poems, Jenkins makes an interesting and compelling case to people who read her book and attend her workshops that good preparation for death and grief is the groundwork for living a bold and rewarding life. Margie encourages presentation attendees to be honest about the pain and agony that comes with the loss of someone dear, but to learn to manage grief instead of allowing it to manage you.


Margie Jenkins is an author, social worker for over thirty years, public speaker, lecturer and newspaper columnist. She is nationally recognized for her work with end-of-life planning issues and is noted for her sensitivity, humor and clinical practicality. Her philosophy is to celebrate each day, prepare for life's final chapter before you need to, and then live with grace and gusto.

You can visit her website at www.margiejenkins.com. For more information on this presentation, call the Madison-Deane Initiative, VNA's end-of-life care education program, at 860-4419.

Purchase Your Tickets Early

Tickets for the holiday favorite *The Toys Take Over Christmas* by Patricia Clapp on are now available for purchase. In its 14th season at the Royal Tyler, the UVM Department of Theatre once again brings to life the story of the evil Toymaker, the loveable toys and of course the jolly old elf himself. Children of all ages get to meet the characters and Santa following the performances. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 12. Performances are October 30 and 5 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m..

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The UVM Theatre is also presenting as part of its 2004-2005 Season *Rumors* by Neil Simon, running November 10-21 and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare, running March 2-13. Tickets are still available but are going fast. Please call the Box Office at 656-2094 for more information.

Books Across Our Desk

Two or three books come across our desk each year. We try to review them and they are then donated to Carpenter Carse Library. The first review is from the Lake Champlain Basin Program and we were not given a copy. The other two will soon be available at the Library.

The Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP) has released a new version of its popular *Lake Champlain Basin Atlas*. Updated for 2004, the Atlas contains more than 40 full-color maps, articles, photographs, and a glossary. It is recommended for anyone curious about the Lake as well as students and educators. The Atlas has been extensively updated with current intonation on watershed issues, such as zebra mussels, blue-green algae, Eurasian water milfoil, and phosphorus. The Atlas also explores the nature of the Basin, such as climate, geology, plants and animals, and wetlands. Maps of the region's rich cultural heritage and recreation opportunities are detailed in a people and economy section. A new "Students and Educators" section contains a scavenger hunt to the Atlas and blank maps for students to create their own personalized maps of Lake Champlain and its watershed. Many additional information resources such as web site links, fact sheets, and LCBP's publications are available in the Atlas as well. Visit the Lake Champlain Basin Program website at www.lcbp.org to explore the online Atlas. A CD ROM version may be purchased for \$5 from the LCBP. For more information, contact the LCBP at 800-468-5227 (in NY and VT) or 802-372-3213, or email lcbp@lcbp.org.

The combination of *Vermont Life* magazine and authors such as Julia Alvarez, Chris Bohjalian., Howard Frank Mosher, Reeve Lindberg, Katherine Paterson and Noel Perrin can grab your attention quickly. Claiming we Vermonters know the seasons change each month, the prose and poetry of twelve writers and talented photographers (and quality Vermont Life publishing) combine to produce a "must have" book that could be considered for gifts. *The Twelve Seasons of Vermont* is available in bookstores for \$29.95 or directly by mail from Vermont Life (add \$5.75 for postage and handling.) at 6 Baldwin Street, Montpelier, VT 05602.

Stones and Bones of New England: a guide to unusual, historic, and otherwise notable cemeteries, a book by Lisa Rogak (The Globe Press, \$14.95 soft back) is a great guide to the

most interesting and unusual cemeteries in New England. The 15 Vermont cemeteries discussed include the Hope Cemetery in Barre, the Greenmount in Burlington, and Ben and Jerry's Flavor Graveyard in Waterbury. If you enjoy cemeteries as I do, this is a wealth of information for your tour around our neighboring states. Don't miss the Evergreen Cemetery in New Haven, VT, final resting place of Timothy Clark Smith whose 1893 crypt includes a window to help him escape in case he was buried alive.

Hinesburg Resident Changes Lives Through Project Chacocente

By Lisa Beliveau

In our changing world, many of us will never have to worry about things such as clean water, food, and education—yet in other countries these things are a luxury that most people cannot have.

Nicaragua, located in Central America between Honduras and Costa Rica, has a current population of five million and is filled with much beauty with its active volcanoes, craters, and Huembes, Managua's large market known for its colorful, authentic, Nicaraguan crafts. In this beauty, however, lies much sadness.

Nicaragua is the second poorest country in the Western Hemisphere and some 80% of the population lives in poverty with half of those living in extreme poverty. "La Chureca" is the dump for all of Managua's 1.2 million inhabitants and at its edge live more than 100 families, most of whom spend the day combing through the garbage for food or recyclable materials. Living amid the thick smoke that rises from the smoldering debris and hangs over the neighborhood causes a number of diseases for the residents, especially the children.

The psychological impact of living in a garbage dump is profound.

Project Chacocente, a non-profit organization, was begun in January 2003 to create a pilot project that could serve as a model for organizations working to eliminate poverty. The goal is to move ten families from the degrading and deadly environment of "La Chureca" (the dump), to a clean and healthy environment where they can learn new skills and develop a life of self-reliance. A new community is being created that offers these families a house and land on which to plant food, a basic education and an opportunity to learn skills that can lead to employment. The families help in the construction of the houses, plant and harvest food for their consumption or sale, commit to studying, and learn marketable crafts or another vocation to develop self-reliance. Families that participate for five years, therefore developing a reasonable level of self-reliance, receive the deed to their property.

Ariel Delaney, a Hinesburg resident and currently a sophomore at Castleton State College, will be traveling to Nicaragua to work with Project Chacocente during the summer of 2005. Having already completed a successful trip to Nicaragua in 2003, she helped dig over 600 holes for plantain trees, built kitchens in houses, and made lasting friendships that have encouraged her to return and make a difference in these people's lives. Project Chacocente, Ariel feels, can help direct the Nicaraguan people to an independent lifestyle without having to rely on outside sources of income in the form of handouts. The lack of international aid to Nicaragua is devastating—this project is run on donations alone and is so important to helping the families involved to grow and develop so that they can help themselves.

Good Times Café of Hinesburg is assisting Ariel in organizing a benefit concert for her work with Project Chacocente. On Monday, November 22, Kelly Joe Phelps, one of the finest acoustic guitarists and songwriters on tour today, will play at the Old Lantern in Charlotte. Showtime is at 7:30 pm and tickets are \$20. Call Good Times Café at 482-4444 for more concert information.

Racing Puts Smile on Rusty Berger's Face

By Justin Barker

A year ago, Rusty Berger took his first laps around Thunder Road during the qualifying for the Milk Bowl. For Berger, it was just a chance to feel the high turns and the fast track. One year later, Berger was racing his Number 59 car as a rookie in the Late Model Series on Milk Bowl weekend.

Berger raced in the Twin 50's competition, on Saturday, October 2. Berger finished in the middle of the pack with a 15th place. On Sunday, in the "B" Feature, Berger started off very well, but found himself in a pile up that cost him a chance of qualifying for the Milk Bowl later that day.

There was a silver lining for Berger and his crew. The Number 59 car finished the Late Model Series division with 632 points, placing him 18th. Not only that, but Berger was named Rookie of the Year for the Late Model division.



The crew that added up to a successful Rookie season for Rusty Berger.: left to right, Tom Horton, Rusty Berger, Bob Farnum, Rusty Adams and Rod Tinker. Kneeling, Scott Bachand and Kate Farnum. BERGER TEAM PHOTO

"Everything we wanted to do this season, we did; we didn't want to finish last." Many things went right for this team. Berger also escaped with very little body damage to his car.

"I came from never driving, to driving in the Renegade series for one season, to driving Thunder Road," states Berger. The road that he has traveled is not one that is easy or glamorous. Berger's accomplishments are impressive. "It is very satisfying to race and accomplish all of my goals."

Throughout the entire season Berger found himself meeting his goals, but also continuously learning. Berger notes, "We learned how the car reacts to temperature changes, how it reacts to humidity, hot and cold, how the track loosens up." He continues, "I think we had a pretty decent car."

Berger's best finish this season was an 8th place spot. Many times he found his car in the hunt for a top five, something that he hopes can be repeated next year.

Berger recalls many moments in his rookie season that earned a place on his racing mantle. The night that Berger went up against Dave Whitcomb, "an old-time Thunder Road guy," says Berger. It was a night he will always remember. Berger bought his Monte Carlo from Whitcomb last year. In a heat race, Berger was right with Whitcomb and on the last lap, Berger took the spot. "It was so cool to drive by this guy in his old car."


Through all of it, Berger knows that he has that mental edge that could one day put him in the winner's circle. "A smile," he says. "A smile is my race face because this is fun." Berger recalls a Thursday night race a few weeks back where he was taking the turn on the "Widow Maker," turn four on the quarter-mile track. He looked at all of the cars knocking each other in front of him. Berger remembers asking himself, "Why am I doing this?" Many times throughout the season Berger found himself asking those types of questions, but the love of the sport, the love of cars and the competition brought him back.

Berger attributes much of the successful season to his crew. "They put up with all of my whining, the long nights, the gravelly pits and the dirty hands." Berger stresses that racing is a team sport. Without a good crew, it would have been impossible for Berger to earn Rookie of the Year in the Late Model division.

Next year holds lots of possibilities for Berger and his crew. "We have gained a lot of respect from the veterans." He continues, "In a couple of years we could be one of the big boys." Berger will now take a rest from the track, a rest he will greatly enjoy. "By January, February and March, I will be chomping at the bit."

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Food Shelf: Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. at lower level of United Church (use back entrance). Items may also be brought to area churches or to Lantman's IGA.
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.
November:
 7: Holy Communion
 11: Wellness Study Group at the Parsonage
 16: 7:00/7:30 pm Committees and Council Meeting. All are welcome!
 20: Annual Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

United Church of Hinesburg Holiday Bazaar

November 20 – 9:00-1:00 pm

The United Church of Hinesburg will hold its annual holiday bazaar on Saturday, November 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. At the bazaar, you will find craft items (sewn, knitted, crocheted, and embroidered), Grandma's attic, fudge, food sale, ornaments. Come for soup and sandwiches at lunch beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Emma Mead Sunday

October 10 was Emma Mead Appreciation Sunday at the United Church of Hinesburg. Mrs. Mead was honored for her "forty-plus" years as the Church Organist. A wall plaque was presented to Emma. A special choir sang in tribute. A Coffee Hour was held and a beautiful stained glass artwork was presented to her. Many of her family members and special friends were able to attend. Thank you, Emma for your many years of music and worship.



Emma and Johnny Mead enjoy Emma Mead Sunday at the United Church Coffee Hour.



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Shepherding Pastor: Scott Mansfield
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Email: staff@hinesburgcma.org
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Address: 190 Pond Road, Hinesburg (overlooking CVU High School)
Sunday Services:
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 10:15 a.m., Worship (Nursery and Junior Church provided)
Weekday Ministries:
 Men's Ministry: Mondays 7:00 p.m.
 Women's Group: Tuesdays 12:30 p.m.
Cell Groups: Meet at various times and locations throughout the week.
 For locations and more information on any of the ministries, please call the church.

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Pastor: Reverend Ed Hart
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Location: Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road
Address: P. O. Box 288
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Pastor: Reverend David Cray, S.S.E.
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 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

Communion: If you or someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion but are unable to make it to the weekend masses, please call Parish Office, 482-2290.

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Pastor for appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. at St. Jude Church.

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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.

Compassionate Friends

The Compassionate Friends are a non-denominational, self-help group for parents, grandparents and siblings who have experienced the death of a child, grandchild, brother or sister. The group meets the third Tuesday each month, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Christ Church, Presbyterian, 400 Redstone Campus, UVM, Burlington. Meetings in 2004 are: November 16, and December 21. Call 482-5319 for information, or drop in to a meeting.



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Other News

Ability PLUS Receives Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation Quality of Life Grant

WATERVILLE VALLEY, NH - The Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation (CRPF) announced that AbilityPLUS Inc. of Waterville Valley, N.H. has been awarded a \$5,000 Quality of Life Grant.

The Quality of Life grants program was conceived in 1999 by Dana Reeve. Reeve, Director of the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation and founder of the Christopher and Dana Reeve Paralysis Resource Center, started the program with the goal of helping people living with disabilities in the "here and now". Grants are awarded to programs or projects that improve the well-being of people living with paralysis, particularly spinal cord injuries.

About AbilityPlus

AbilityPLUS was founded in 1997, when a small group of volunteers were inspired by the awesome achievements of disabled individuals participating in the Adaptive Skiing Program at Waterville Valley Resort in New Hampshire.

This group, along with the program's director, Kathy Chandler, decided to create a nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing access and recreational opportunities for persons with physical and mental disabilities with the aim to create freedom, promote independence, support inclusion and help individuals and their families discover their full social, mental and athletic potential.

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Sengle Resigns

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have been wrinkles. There is a serious litter issue, but no one has been hurt in this unsupervised environment. There are growing pains to this park but its high use tells the important story," Beth said.

Walking Path Program

Lastly, Beth has initiated a "Walking Path" Program, which is hoping to create a network of walking opportunities threading throughout the town and village center and providing walking connections from the center into the open country. A full speed development of this idea will require grant funding and the energy of a committed volunteer coordinator. It would identify safe Class IV roads for walking as well as existing trails and new ones as needed. A comprehensive trail map would be created and the Development Review Board would be involved so that future development would work cooperatively with the plan. The completion of this project is still some time away.

Beth's career life defines movement and change. From this community public service job, Beth is now teaming up with Allan Sirotkin to open up a café at Allan's chocolate factory in the former Springhouse Art School, next to the Post Office. While Allan creates chocolate in the rear, Beth will be serving fair trade coffee and local food tastes in the front within a café setting. The art school has left behind gallery space for local artists to display. This "Trillium Café" will have comfortable seating space for its customers. They anticipate a grand opening in early November.

"Recreation is soccer leagues and tennis lessons but it also can serve a broader human need. Organized recreation keeps young people safe and stimulated and people of all ages connected to the larger community. Recreation can be something healthy for both mind and body," Beth observed.

In Beth's three-year tenure, the activity has grown so much that the net cost to taxpayers last year was only approximately \$3.70/resident.

Well done, good and faithful friend and neighbor.

Hinesburg Artist Series Fall Concert

The Hinesburg Community Band, South County Chorus and in Accord will present their fall concert Monday November 1, 7:30 p.m. at Champlain Valley Union High School Auditorium.

The Hinesburg Community Band will perform *Americans We*, by Henry Fillmore, *Shalom*, by Philip Sparke, *First Suite in Eb*, by Gustav Holst, *River of Life* by Stephen Reniecke, and *Trombone King* by Karl King.

The South County chorus will sing *Let us Sing a Joyful Song* by Russell Robinson, *Cantate Domino*, *Song Of The Earth Spirit*, and *Of Thee I Sing* by David Brunner, *Embraceable You* by George and Ira Gershwin, and *Old Time Religion Medley* by Mark Hayes.

The Music director is Rufus Patrick with accompanist Cindy Matthews. Please join us for an wonderful evening of music featuring talented musicians from Chittenden County and beyond. The concert is free and donations are cheerfully accepted.

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Fall concert of The Hinesburg Community Band, South County Chorus and In Accord, 7:30 p.m. at CVUHS Auditorium.
Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.
Conservation Commission 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, November 2:
Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

Wednesday November 3:
Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

Thursday, November 4:
Hinesburg Fire Department Medical Training, 7:30 p.m., Fire Station.
Friends of CVU meeting, 7:00 a.m., CVU Student Center, All welcome.

Monday, November 8:
CVU School Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 105, CVU.

Tuesday, November 9:
Election Day
HCS School Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., HCS Wainer Conference Room.
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, November 10:
Land Trust meeting, 7:30 p.m., third floor Town Hall.

Thursday, November 11:
Veteran's Day
Hinesburg Fire Department Heavy Rescue training, 7:30 p.m., Fire Station.

Monday, November 15:
Advertising deadline for October 30 issue of The Hinesburg Record.
Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

HINESBURG CALENDAR

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

Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

Tuesday, November 16:
Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.
Hinesburg Business and Professional Association meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick's Restaurant.

Wednesday, November 17:
Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

Thursday, November 18:
News Deadline for October 30 issue of The Hinesburg Record
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.

Monday, November 22:
CVU School Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 105, CVU.

Tuesday, November 23:
HCS School Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., HCS Wainer Conference Room.
Lion's Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick's Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information.

Wednesday, November 24:
Carpenter Carse Library Trustees meeting, 7:00 p.m., CCL Library.

Thursday, November 25:
Thanksgiving

Wednesday December 1:
Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

Thursday, December 2:
Hinesburg Fire Department Medical Training, 7:30 p.m., Fire Station.
Friends of CVU meeting, 7:00 a.m., CVU Student Center, All welcome.

Saturday, October 30:
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Monday, December 6:
Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.
Conservation Commission 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, December 7:
Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

Wednesday, December 8:
Hanukkah
Land Trust meeting, 7:30 p.m., third floor Town Hall.

Thursday, December 9:
Hinesburg Fire Department Heavy Rescue Medical Training, 7:30 p.m. Fire Station

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, 482-2281. 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: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619. E-mail: hinesburgplanning@gmavt.net. Alex Weinlagen Planner.

Zoning Administrator Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Thursday evenings by appointment. 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. 482-4691. Town Hall, P. O. Box 13.

Hinesburg Business and Professional Association: For information about the Hinesburg Business and Professional Association and Hinesburg businesses, check out the HBPA website at www.hinesburgbusiness.com. HBPA meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Papa Nick's Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Eric Larson, 482-6373 for information or to make a reservation.

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: 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. Stephanie Murray (453-3038) is in 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, 6:00 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 p.m.

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.

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

CVU: www.cvuhs.org. Learn about CVU activities and programs, sports schedule, renovation project, and more.

CCL: www.carpentercarse.org. Learn about library hours, services, and online resources.

Hinesburg Town: www.hinesburg.org. Official Town of Hinesburg web site.

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



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