

The Hinesburg Record

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The *Hinesburg Record* is a non-profit *all-volunteer* effort. This is very unusual; Most Chittenden County community papers are commercial enterprises, undertaken for profit. The *Record* is produced by community members who write, edit and produce the paper every month because they care about Hinesburg and the surrounding communities.

We Could Use Some Help

Reporters and copy editors are especially needed. Reporters attend meetings or events and write articles about them. Copy editors take articles that are submitted and format them to fit the paper's guidelines. Both jobs require access to a computer and a working knowledge of word processing (e.g. MS Word). They take up only a few hours an issue, 10 times a year. Training for copyediting will be provided and is easy to learn. If you think you might be willing to contribute or would like more information, please contact us at therecord@gmavt.net. The rewards, though not financial, are real.

Below are brief notes about submitting articles. For more extensive guidelines and suggestions please download the "Writing for the *Hinesburg Record*" booklet at our website: www.hinesburg-record.org

Business News

The *Record* is happy to print information about new businesses located in Hinesburg or owned by Hinesburg residents, and about changes or events at existing businesses. Submit articles to therecord@gmavt.net.

Please remember that an article is not an advertisement. We're very friendly to local businesses, but we need to be fair, so we can't publish competitive claims and overtly promotional material in articles. (Our ad rates are very reasonable—promote all you want in an ad!) Write in the third person, please—"they" and "he" and "she;" not "we" and "I."

Community, Organization and Sports News

Articles about organizations, teams and community goings-on in and around Hinesburg are welcome; please submit them to therecord@gmavt.net. It's best to write in the third person, and to follow the old five-w scheme for news writing: *Who, What, When, Where* and *Why*. Keep the important stuff near the beginning of the article, and try to be brief; we often have to edit for length. Also remember that we publish roughly once a month and the deadline is approximately a month before an issue, so articles about weekly events will be out of date. However, end-of-season summaries or previews of upcoming seasons are appropriate.

Names in the News

You are welcome to submit information about weddings, births, retirements, anniversaries, awards...just send them to therecord@gmavt.net.

Photos

We welcome your Hinesburg photos, whether connected to an article or just interesting in themselves. Remember that we need resolution of at least 220 pixels per inch *at the size the picture will be printed*. Conversely, if your image is 72 ppi, it needs to be about three times bigger than the size it will be printed, or about ten inches across for a one-column size in the paper.

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Holly Russell to Retire Farewell Reception on January 8

The Town of Hinesburg's long-time administrative assistant in the Planning, Zoning and Listing office, Holly Russell, will be retiring at the end of December. Holly started her career with the Town of Hinesburg in November 1979, as a recording secretary for board meetings. From 1985 to 1987, Holly served as Zoning Administrator, and she began work in her current position in 1988. Holly's wealth of historical knowledge of the town, and her commitment to providing exceptional service to community members will be greatly missed.

Please join the community in saying farewell to Holly, and wishing her the best in her retirement, at an open house reception on Thursday, January 8 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Hinesburg Town Hall. For more information, contact Hinesburg Town Administrator Jeanne Wilson at 482-2096 or hinesburgtown@gmavt.net.



Holly Russell

Don't Miss the Hinesburg Community Christmas Concert!

This year's Hinesburg Community Christmas Concert will be Sunday December 14, at 4:30 p.m. at St. Jude Church. The concert will feature the South County Chorus and Orchestra performing selections from Handel's "*Messiah*", traditional carols and a Craig Courtney arrangement entitled, "*Musicological Journey*" (*Through the Twelve Days of Christmas*). Each of the twelve days is sung featuring different composers: Handel, Vivaldi, Mozart, Strauss, Tchaikovsky, Wagner and others all make musical appearances.

We are very fortunate to have renowned harpist Grace Cloutier again this year as our featured artist. She has performed throughout the United States as well as in Europe and the Middle East. Grace will be performing selections from her new Christmas CD.

The concert is presented by the Hinesburg Artist Series and is free. Donations are greatly appreciated and **everyone is encouraged to also bring a non-perishable food item for the Hinesburg Food Shelf.**



Above: An earlier Hinesburg Artist Series concert

Top photo: Grace Cloutier, harpist, will be the guest artist at the Hinesburg Community Christmas Concert

Planning for the Saputo Site – Your Ideas

By Alex Weinhausen,
Director of Planning and Zoning

The Saputo plant closure came as quite a blow to the 80-plus employees, the community at large, and our region's dairy producers. With that said, we now have a unique opportunity to help shape the future of this key 15.4-acre property smack in the middle of Hinesburg's village core. The Selectboard has decided to be proactive, and work

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Winter Parking Ban

According the parking regulations adopted by the Selectboard this past November 3, "No person shall park a vehicle on, in or adjacent to any road or street in a location that would interfere with snow removal during the months of November through March, inclusive. Such a vehicle may be towed and stored at the expense of the owner.

"No person shall park in a municipally owned or maintained parking lot after 11:00 p.m. and before 5:30 a.m. during the months of November through March inclusive. If the location of such vehicle interferes with snow removal, it may be towed and stored at the owner's expense."



Note from the Chief

I would like to thank everyone for their support - Mutual Aid Fire Departments, Hinesburg Fire Department members, Selectboard members and the community - during the September 29 fire at Saputo Foods. Because of the local VT Homeland Security exercises that we have held we were able to understand what the task was before us and the challenges that we were going to face. Because of the gallant effort put forth by the initial attack team, despite not having the proper equipment, we were nearly able to get the fire under control before the structure was totally lost or it extended into the chemical areas, but we know what the outcome was.

I want to especially thank Captain Jon Wainer of the Hinesburg Fire Department for his gallant effort and sacrifices he made in trying to stop the fire spread. Unfortunately Jon sustained injuries that will be with him for the balance of his life because we were not equipped to fight such a large industrial, commercial fire.

As a result of the chemical exposures during the fire, Hinesburg Fire as well as the surrounding mutual aid Fire departments has suffered huge losses of equipment totaling more than \$500,000. As a result of the Hazardous Material ordinance that I brought to the selectboard in 1995 for adoption, we my have a chance for recovery of the amount of the total losses. In the short term the Fire department carries its own insurance which will start the recovery process. All of our protective gear that was on scene was compromised. This includes turn-out gear, self contained breather apparatus, helmets, gloves, boots and thermal imaging cameras. Everything that was new in the past five years thanks to grants, was lost...nearly \$190,000 worth of equipment to Hinesburg alone.

Because of the experiences during the Saputo fire I have scheduled a three-hour training on December 9 from 6:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. on sheltering. This training will instruct the participant on how to open and operate a shelter and is designed to target groups such as religious and community service groups. When there is a major event in the town the fire department will not have enough people available to open a shelter and will need help from the community. The Red Cross does not open shelters. They rely on local assets to do those tasks. I hope that some community groups will undertake this task to help the Hinesburg Community. Please RSVP to me by calling me at home at 482-2687 or by emailing VT1320@aol.com .

Thank you for your support.

Chief Al Barber

A “Thank You” to the CVU Football Boosters

In September, the CVU Auditorium fundraising effort got a “boost” from the CVU Football Boosters through a collaboration on Spirit Day food and beverage concessions. This was a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness of the Auditorium renovation project as well as to raise money toward the private fundraising goal. Our sincere thanks go to the hardworking Boosters, especially Tracy Simmons and Kay Gault for their energy and organization, and also to Lori Smith for her help and for bringing such phenomenal leadership to Friends of CVU. Support like this brings us ever so much closer to ensuring a safe, accessible and functional learning and performance space for all of our students and the CSSU community as a whole.

Again, our thanks!

*The CVU Auditorium Fundraising Committee:
Jenny Blanchard, Charlotte
Nancy Boyle, Hinesburg
Ian deGroot, Charlotte
Meg Hart Smith, Williston
Joan Lenes, Shelburne
Connie Metz, Shelburne
Jonathan Milne, Williston
Elizabeth Skarie, Williston
Sandy Steingard, Charlotte
Sarah Tischler, St. George*

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

A huge Thank You for the donations to our yard sale that benefited the Vermont Respite House. This year was bigger than ever. We will be taking donations in early spring (April 1 and on). We are sorry to say we won’t be able to take TV’s or computers next year. Again, thanks everyone for all your donations.

Audrey Horton and Mary Fortin

Don’t Let Charities Suffer

Nonprofit organizations increase our communities’ well-being in countless ways. We provide critical health, education and social services. We help care for the environment and make the arts accessible to everyone. We employ thousands of people and generate millions of dollars for our local economy each year. We do all this with relatively few resources, most of which come from private donations and community support.

Even as the need for our services grows, nonprofits of all types suddenly are facing an unprecedented threat because of the financial “meltdown.” What I hear from colleagues at other Vermont and New Hampshire nonprofits coincides with what we are realizing at the Vermont Institute of Natural Science, that the economic downturn could have an enormous negative effect on the annual fundraising our organizations rely on. This effect may be especially severe in the final months of the year when nonprofits normally receive most of their contributions and could threaten many nonprofits’ ability to continue their services.

Like other nonprofits, VINS is acting to avoid the worst consequences of a reduction in contributions. We are taking steps to allow us to continue with fewer resources to provide core services to the communities we serve. We are starting our annual appeal earlier and asking donors to renew their support even if they cannot contribute as much as in the past. We are establishing partnerships with other nonprofits with compatible missions to create joint income opportunities and share service delivery costs. And we’re proactively cutting costs through a hiring freeze and reductions in employee work hours to conserve funds and preserve the jobs of our dedicated team.

The economic crisis is affecting everyone, of course, not just nonprofits. As you and your family or organization adjust your finances to the new economic reality, I ask you to continue your charitable giving and renew your investment in the nonprofits you support. Your investment pays invaluable dividends to our communities especially during challenging times.

John Dolan

*President, Vermont Institute of Natural Science
Quechee, VT*

Letter Policy

The Hinesburg Record welcomes letters from local residents and from others who are involved in issues that affect our town. Letters should be brief. We do not have precise guidelines for length but reserve the right to edit based on available space. All letters must be signed. To the extent possible, letters should focus on local issues. Other forums exist for discussions of statewide, national and international issues.

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



Town Clerk and Treasurer

By Missy Ross

The General Election is now behind us, thankfully. It was a very busy period for us, especially with early and absentee voting being heavily promoted by the Secretary of State’s Office. We registered over 233 new voters and purged many voters who had registered in other towns. Approximately 50 percent of those voters who participated in the election voted early or absentee. This helped to alleviate the congestion at the polls, and hopefully helped with traffic to some degree as well. We had a 76 percent voter turnout for the election with 2,415 voters in Chittenden 1-1 and 110 voters in Chittenden 1-2.

For results of the election, please view the town website at www.hinesburg.org. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers who did such a wonderful job helping out at the polls on Election Day. Their careful attention to detail insured that our results were accurate and we were able to finish up our work by 8:15 p.m. They included Mary Crane, Maria Sengle, Andrea Morgante, Maggie Gordon, Ali Karmosky Douglas, Kristi McLeod, Sally Reiss, Trina Hikel, Linda Smith, Roberta Soll, Lisa Goddfrey, Marie and Lynn Gardner, Vicki Matthews, Jon Trefry, David and Diane Deforge, Mary Hurlie, and Ken Brown. Special thanks to Gill Coates, who volunteered from 7 a.m. until the end of counting at 8:15 p.m., and Cheryl Hubbard for putting in long hours including a trip to Dunkin’ Donuts at 5:30 a.m. on election morning so that all those who ventured to the polls would reap their just rewards! Forgive me if I have omitted anyone from the list of volunteers.

Dog Licenses

Dog licenses will be available beginning January 1. Vermont law requires the licensing of all dogs annually between January 1 and April 1. The fees were increased this year by the Vermont Legislature to include an additional \$1 fee for the spay and neuter program. This brings the total fee for a license to \$8 for spayed and neutered animals and \$12 for those not spayed or neutered. You must have a current rabies certificate for each animal. If you registered your pet last year and the rabies vaccine has not reached its expiration date, then you do not need to bring it with you. However, if the rabies certificate we have on file has expired, we will need a copy of the updated rabies information. A bill printout showing that a shot was administered on a certain date does not suffice. State law requires a copy of the rabies certificate. If you have any questions about whether or not your dog needs a new rabies shot, feel free to call us or call your vet. Please remember that this is a public health issue and that the purpose of the law is to insure that humans and animals are protected from the threat of rabies. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Town Meeting

This will be the only issue of *The Record* between now and when petitions are due for the Town Meeting elections in March. Therefore, I decided to publish a list of those offices that we will be voting on at that time. In order to run for office, one must file a petition with a minimum of 30 signatures of registered voters in the town. All incumbents seeking re-election to their currently held positions must file also. You can pick up petitions in the Town Clerk’s Office during normal business hours. Anyone with an interest in town functions can run for office as long as you are a registered voter in Hinesburg. Here are the positions to be voted on in March:

Cemetery Trustee: This position is responsible for overseeing the operations of the town’s cemeteries. We will be electing one new commissioner in March.

Delinquent Tax Collector: This person is responsible for collecting the delinquent taxes owed to the town and is elected annually to a one-year term.

Library Trustee: The Library Trustees are responsible for overseeing the operations of the Carpenter-Carse Library. There are nine trustees on the board, so every year at town meeting we are voting for three trustee positions.

Selectboard: The Selectboard is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the town, including creating and monitoring the annual budgets. There is one two-year term and one three-year term to be voted on in March.

Town Moderator: This person is elected annually and is responsible for running town meeting from the podium.

Town Agent and Grand Juror: These positions offer legal services to the town and both are elected annually.

Hinesburg Community School Director: This Board is responsible for overseeing the operations of the elementary school. There are five members of the school board, and two positions are up for election in March: one two-year term and one three-year term.

Peck Estate Trustees: This person is a part of a three-member board that is responsible for overseeing the Peck Estate fund. This is a fund that was established to benefit the Hinesburg Community School. There is one position up for election, and it is for a three-year term on the Board.

Anyone with an interest in getting an article on the warning for town meeting may do so by gathering signatures from five percent of the registered voters in the town. The Selectboard may also vote to include an article.

Don’t forget to register to vote if you have not done so already. Once you are on the checklist, you don’t need to register again until you move to another town or another state. You can register by coming in to the Town Clerk’s Office at any time.

Planning News

By Alex Weinhausen,
Director of Planning and Zoning

Celebrating Holly Russell – Over 25 Years of Service

Please join us at the Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. on January 8 to celebrate Holly Russell’s 25-plus years of service to the community. Holly is retiring at the end of this year, and we’re inviting community members to join us for food and drink, merriment, accolades, and a few good stories about her tenure with the Town. If there ever was a “go to” person in Town government, it is Holly Russell. Her encyclopedic knowledge of the land, the people, and the human history of this community is quite simply amazing. Combine that with a sense of humor, a desire to help, and a dash of staying power, and you’ve got someone that we’re all going to miss here at the Town Office. If you can’t make the celebration on January 8, please drop by the office in December to share a story or just say hello... and goodbye.

Village Growth Area Rezoning

In October, the Selectboard decided that final action on this comprehensive (and long-time-in-the-making) rezoning proposal should be considered in conjunction with a formal Official Map proposal to identify locations of future public facilities. In the last issue of *The Hinesburg Record*, I explained what an Official Map is and what it does – see the

October 25 issue on-line at www.hinesburg-record.org/past_issues.html. With this clear direction from the Selectboard, the Planning Commission has scheduled a formal public hearing on January 14 for feedback on the entire package, i.e., village growth rezoning and Official Map proposals. Both documents will be fined-tuned at the December 10 Planning Commission meeting, and will be available on the Town website and at the Town Office thereafter (by mid-to-late December).

Development Watch

For copies of Development Review Board (DRB) decisions or information on these or other projects, please contact the Planning and Zoning office.

Appeal of Zoning Administrator Decision Regarding Motorcycle Use at 852 Hayden Hill Rd West – Appellant: Gary and Fiona Fenwick – Rural Residential 2 Zoning District. Reviewed on August 5, August 19, and September 16 and DENIED on October 7. This decision has been appealed to the Environmental Court.

Six-lot Subdivision Preliminary Plat Review – Baldwin and Burritt Roads – Applicant/Landowner: Stephen and Joanne Hoke and Robert and Elizabeth Quackenbush – Agricultural Zoning District. Reviewed on August 19 and September 16 and APPROVED on October 21. Second of a three-step review. Next step – final plat review.

Minor Revision to Previously Approved New South Farm Subdivision (right of way and landscaping changes) – Final Plat Review – New South Farm Rd and VT Route 116 – Applicant/Landowner: VT Building Resources – Rural Residential 1 Zoning District. Reviewed and APPROVED on October 7.

Revised Stormwater Plan for 2004 Emmons Subdivision – Bittersweet Hill Rd (off CVU Rd) – Applicant: Carlene Emmons – Landowner: Robert Burritt – Rural Residential 1 Zoning District. Reviewed on October 7 and APPROVED on October 21.

Two-lot Subdivision Sketch Plan Review – North Rd (East side) – Applicant/Landowner: Maura and Richard Kelley – Rural Residential 2 Zoning District. Reviewed on October 7, and APPROVED on October 21. First step of two-step review. Next step – final plat review.

Two-lot Subdivision Final Plat Review – Leavensworth Rd (North side) – Applicant/Landowner: Landon and Allison Dennison – Agricultural Zoning District. Reviewed and APPROVED on October 21.

Larger Home Occupation, Conditional Use and Site Plan Review – Windrow Lane (off Silver Street) – Applicant/Landowner: Robert Bast and Laura Carlson – Agricultural Zoning District. Reviewed and APPROVED on October 21.

Town of Hinesburg Planning Commission Notice of Public Hearing

The Hinesburg Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at Hinesburg Town Hall on Wednesday, January 14, 2009, at 7:30 p.m. to receive public comment on proposed changes to the following regulations: Zoning Regulations, Town of Hinesburg, adopted November 7, 1972, as amended September 19, 2005; Subdivision Regulations, Town of Hinesburg, adopted September 4, 1979, as amended September 19, 2005. The purpose of these changes is to lay the foundation for a larger and more vibrant village area that can accommodate concentrated future growth as outlined in the Town Plan. Changes include major modifications to existing zoning districts and allowed uses in the greater village area, including the creation of a number of new zoning districts. The geographic area affected is primarily the greater village area (as described in the Town Plan); however, some general changes may affect all of Hinesburg.

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

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

- Zoning Regulations Sections
Article 1: Establishment Of Districts
Article 2: Uses, Area, Density And Dimensional Requirements
Article 3: Zoning Districts
Article 4: Permits And Approvals
Article 5: General Provisions
Article 6: Flood Hazard Area
Article 7: Administration And Enforcement
Article 8: Amendments, Interpretation
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Article 1: Title, Policy, And Purpose

- Article 2: Definitions
Article 3: Procedure For Conveyances Not Constituting A Subdivision
Article 4: Subdivision Review Process
Article 5: Application Submission Requirements For Major Subdivisions
Article 6: Planning Standards
Article 7: Required Improvements And Design Standards
Article 8: General Application Requirements
Article 9: Administration And Enforcement
Alex Weinhausen
Director of Planning and Zoning
Notice Date – December 6, 2008

Lister’s Office Hires Consulting Firm

By Marie Gardner

The Lister’s Office has hired a new consulting firm to assist us with appraisals of properties in town and to advise us in all the other aspects of work in the Lister’s Office.

That firm is known as APAS, LLC and is owned by Ed Clodfelter. Ed and his staff assist many towns around the state including some others in Chittenden County such as Charlotte, Richmond, and Westford to name a few. We started working with Ed and his firm the first of September and look forward to a productive year.

On October 31, Claude Rainville, a member of Ed’s staff, started visiting properties that have gotten building permits in the past year or so. Sometimes, Ed will also be out doing visits with Claude. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this process.

Please don’t hesitate to contact us at our office in the Town Hall at our new phone number: 482-5594.

Special Farmers’ Market

The Town of Hinesburg will hold an indoor market at the Hinesburg Town Hall on Saturday, December 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Shoppers may purchase locally-grown vegetables, sample produce and baked goods, and browse through a variety of artisan-made goods, just in time for gift giving for the holiday season.

The Hinesburg Rides Program

By Karla Munson, Ed Sengle,
Dawn Morgan, and Stewart Pierson

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support of the Hinesburg Rides Program and to give you an update of what’s been happening.

Volunteer Driver Program

Since our inception, we have driven over 830 miles and spent 64 hours providing rides for various purposes. Don’t forget if you need a ride, please call SSTA, 878-1527 at least 48 hours in advance of needing a ride if possible. SSTA will then dispatch a volunteer driver and let you know who that will be. St. Jude’s church is now providing dinners twice a month. If you need a ride there, let us know. If you would like to be a volunteer driver, call Karla Munson, 482-2778.

Commuter Carpool Program

Carpool Week was held between October 6 and October 10 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. in the Town Park and Ride with free coffee and donuts. There was a great response, and we had 21 people sign up. A database is being prepared with everyone’s information, and emails are going out with potential matches for carpooling. If you want to be included in the database, send your information to Dawn Morgan at hrides@gmail.com. We may do another Carpool Week in the future at a different location, so stay tuned. It was very interesting to see where people were going and to realize that quite a few people are already carpooling. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to use the Park and Ride lot, not just Hinesburg residents.

In October, Hinesburg Rides partnered with the Town to apply for a \$40,000 federal transportation planning grant to bolster our local carpooling efforts. If we are awarded the grant, we’ll be able to get a better handle on commuting patterns, but the most exciting part is that we’ll be able to create a locally-based and viable carpool matching system—likely by adapting existing web-based technological solutions used elsewhere in the country and the database we have already created. By marrying innovative technology (Internet, email, cell phones, etc.) with Hinesburg’s small-town community spirit and connectedness, we hope to demonstrate how alternative transportation options can make a difference, e.g., reducing gas/energy usage, saving people money (especially given the current economic downturn), reducing pollution and traffic congestion, and building a sustainable community. We expect to hear about grant awards in December.

Local Employer Transportation Program

This initiative is still ongoing with the various transportation providers and employers. We will keep you informed.
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2009 Deadlines can be picked up at 327 Charlotte Road.
Material not received by deadline will be considered for the following issue.

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April 29	May 23
June 3	June 27
August 5	August 29
September 2	September 26
September 30	October 24
November 4	December 5

Advertising Deadline

The deadline for submitting advertising for the next issue of The Hinesburg Record is Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008. For advertising information, contact Lisa Beliveau at 482-2540 or email: hrrsales@gmavt.net.

Articles Deadline

The news and calendar deadline for the next issue of The Hinesburg Record is Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008. We prefer electronic submissions if possible. Please send your article as an attached file (Word document preferred; .jpg files for images) to: **therecord@gmavt.net**.

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

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

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Hinesburg Rides, as part of the Hinesburg Community Resource Center, shared a table at the Community Alliance Church Volunteer Fair on October 12. The purpose of the Fair was to acquaint their membership with the services available from the volunteer organizations in the area. Hinesburg Rides also had a table at the Fall Harvest Festival, Town Hall for Election Day, and we will have a table at all future town events. For more information, call Karla Munson at 482-2778.

Winter Highway Maintenance

By Jeanne Wilson, Town Administrator

On cold stormy nights, while most of us are still snug in bed, the Hinesburg Highway Department starts plowing in the very early morning hours to clear the roads for us to travel to work and school safely. The first pass to clear all the roads takes between four and five hours if everything goes smoothly. So next time you look out your window on a snowy day and wonder where the plow truck is, take into consideration that the crew could have been by hours before and that they will be back as soon as they can.

Bear with them during the morning and evening rush hours. They are working as quickly as they can to make the roads safe for travel. Do your part – please slow down and be patient.

Help the crew serve you even better by observing the following Vermont winter safely guidelines:

1. Do not allow children to play on or build forts or tunnels in road-side snow banks. Snow plows cannot change their speed or direction quickly enough to prevent injury to children playing in the snow banks.
2. According to Vermont State Statute (23 VSA § 1102), vehicles left in the public right-of-way that interfere with snowplowing operations may be towed without warning.
3. Keep your distance from plowing and sanding equipment. When following a plow truck, keep a distance of 200 to 300 feet between your car and the truck. Be especially cautions at night and on hills.
4. Avoid passing plow equipment. You never know what is in front of the plow, and the plow driver may not see you in his mirror or beside his truck.
5. If you meet a plow truck on a narrow road, slow down and pull over to the right slightly (but not into the ditch!).
6. Secure your mailbox properly. If your mailbox is downed by the snow from a passing plow, please try a more secure placement of your mailbox. If a Town plow makes contact with your mailbox (there will most likely be a dent in the mailbox), please call the Town Garage at 482-2635 and the crew will repair your mailbox as soon as they have cleaned up from the snow emergency.
7. It is illegal to plow snow on to a Town road. The snow can turn to ice and become a safety hazard for all motorists and difficult to plow.
8. To avoid snow damage, all fences should be at least seven feet off the traveled portion of the Town road.
9. Postpone unnecessary travel during times of poor driving conditions.
10. Remember that snow removal does not occur just during a storm. While the immediate concern during the storm is clearing the roads, afterwards the plows may well be out pushing back banks and creating storage space for the next storm.
11. Plow trucks are big! If you park along a roadway on a sunny day and leave room for a car to pass, the space is probably not adequate for a plow truck to get by. If this is the case, and the crew is doing maintenance, your car will be towed!

Drive carefully this winter and give a friendly wave when you see the big maroon Town of Hinesburg trucks (weather permitting, of course!).

* NOTICE *

Vacancies and Expiring Terms on Affordable Housing Committee, Village Steering Committee, Development Review Board, Recreation Commission, and Planning Commission

There are currently vacancies on the Hinesburg Affordable Housing Committee and Village Steering Committee. In addition, there are terms on the Development Review Board, Recreation Commission and Planning Commission which will expire in January.

Affordable Housing Committee (9 members) – An advisory group responsible for gathering, generating, and prioritizing ideas and plans which will help to increase the availability of affordable housing in the Town, as well as to assess the quality and quantity of current affordable housing, and to bring these ideas and information forward in a advisory manner to the Selectboard, Planning Commission, Development Review Board, and Town staff.

Village Steering Committee (7 members) – An advisory group responsible for gathering, generating, and prioritizing ideas and plans which will help to enhance the quality of life in the village and to bring these ideas forward to the elected officials, appointed boards and commissions, and Town staff. The Village Steering Committee serves as a voice for the residents and businesses located in the village area. Residing in the village is not a requirement for serving on this committee.

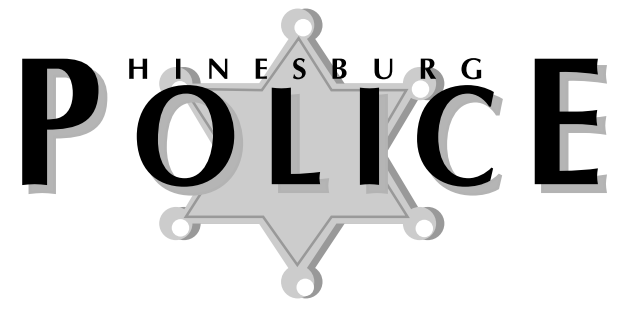
Development Review Board (7 members and 2 alternates) – The Board reviews all development proposals that require more than a simple zoning/building permit – e.g., subdivisions, business site plans, planned residential developments, conditional uses, signs, camp conversions, etc. The Board is a technical and project/application-driven group with a specific “rule book” (Zoning and Subdivision Regulations) on which to approve or deny new development. The DRB meets the on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Planning Commission (9 members) – The Commission works on updating the Town Plan, Zoning Bylaws, and Subdivision Regulations and on other projects related to land-use planning in the Town. The Planning Commission is charged with bringing a long-term perspective to day-to-day decision-making. The Commission meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Recreation Commission (7 members) – The Commission oversees the operations of the Recreation Department in an advisory fashion. The Commission assists the Recreation Coordinator in reviewing and designing programs and policies based on the needs and wants of the community and works to insure high quality recreation programs for the Town of Hinesburg. The Commission also reviews existing recreation facilities making recommendations to the Selectboard for new facilities or improvements to existing facilities. The Commission meets on the second Tuesday of each month.

As part of the Selectboard’s Policy for Appointments to Boards and Commissions, individuals interested in an appointment must express their interest in writing to the Selectboard. Selection of an applicant is at the discretion of the Selectboard, and an effort shall be made to create or maintain a balance of views that is representative of the community. The Selectboard will also consider an applicant’s qualifications, level of interest, and potential conflicts of interest as they pertain to the duties of the appointment under consideration.

To express your interest in an appointment please call Town Administrator Jeanne Wilson at 482-2096, email to hinesburgtown@gmavt.net, or write to: Hinesburg Selectboard, Attn: Jeanne Wilson, PO Box 133, Hinesburg, VT 05461.



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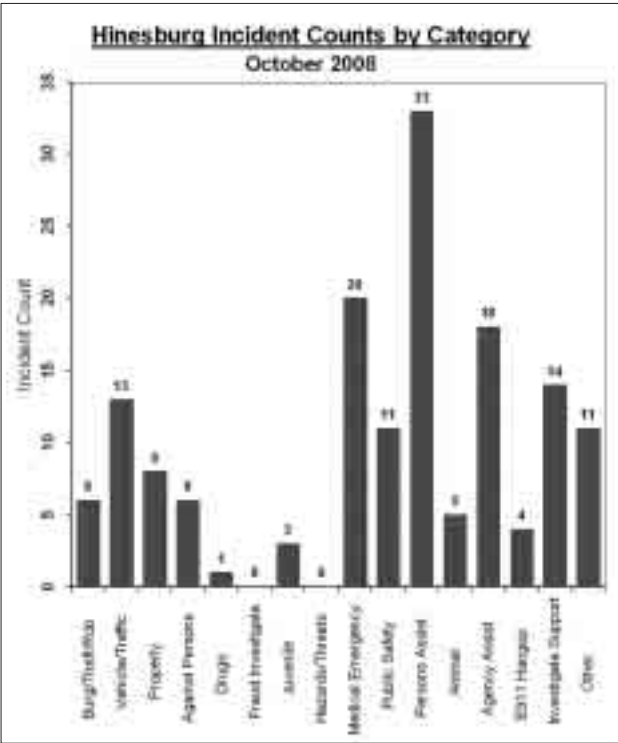
The following events represent only a sample of the services provided by the Hinesburg Community Police.

Hollow Road Crash Injures Two

A head-on crash on Hollow Road just west of the Starksboro town line injured two women on Friday, October 3 at 8:06 a.m. Chief Chris Morrell reported that a car operated by Joyce Poquette, 48, of Starksboro, was headed west on Hollow Road. As Poquette reached for her cell phone her car went into the eastbound lane.

Poquette was extricated from her car by the Hinesburg Fire Department and transported to Fletcher Allen Hospital by St. Michael’s Ambulance for multiple injuries. The operator of the other car, Melissa Allen, 36, of Vergennes was transported by private vehicle to Fletcher Allen.

Poquette was issued tickets for Failure to Keep Right, Uninsured Operation and Unlicensed Operation.



GRAPH PREPARED BY DOUG OLUFSEN

Hinesburg Man Lodged

On Friday, October 3, Chief Chris Morrell lodged Michael Peet, 27, of St. George at the Chittenden Community Correction Facility. It alleged that Peet failed to complete his community service and the court ordered him committed to the correctional facility to serve the remainder of his sentence.

Motor Vehicle Complaints Net DUIs

Hinesburg Community Police arrested two motorists on charges of operating while under the influence following complaints from citizens.

On October 3, Officer Frank Koss stopped Corey Shepard, 21, of Starksboro on Vermont Route 116, following the complaint of another motorist who observed his erratic driving. On October 11, Officer Wade Johnson charged Patricia Ryan, 66, of Bristol with DUI on Vermont Route 116 in the village after receiving a complaint from another motorist about her driving.

Police praised the assistance given them by citizens in apprehending motorists driving under the influence before they crash and injure themselves or other innocent users of the highway.

The Nose Strikes Again

Police Service Dog Buck was anticipating a quiet evening on October 19 while his chauffeur, Chief Chris Morrell, patrolled South Burlington as part of a Governor’s Highway Safety funded traffic enforcement program. But his evening of lazing in the back seat came to an end when a South Burlington Officer requested a drug detector dog respond to a residence where he was interviewing two suspected drug dealers.

On the scene Buck quickly alerted on a car parked at the home, and on witnessing Buck in action, one of the alleged dealers exclaimed, “The dog has alerted on it. You can search the car.” As a result of Buck’s search, officers were able continue their investigation and recover marijuana as well as valium, methadone, fentanyl, bupomorphine and morphine that was being diverted from a medical facility and from patients.

Crackdown Nets \$8000 in Fines

Monday, October 27 saw Hinesburg and South Burlington officers patrolling Hinesburg in full force as part of a multi-agency enforcement action funded by the Governor’s Highway Safety program. Officers using radar and lasers clocked speed throughout the town and issued tickets where appropriate.

One motorist, Justin Monteith, 27, of Ferrisburgh was clocked speeding on Pond Brook by Officer Frank Koss. When stopped, a routine inquiry of the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles showed he was criminally suspended for five previous civil violations of operating while suspended. He will answer this charge at a later date in District Court.

The reason for the unusually high amount of fines was a ticket written on Silver Street for a truck that was more than 40,000 pounds overweight. Under Vermont law vehicles that are a little overweight pay a smaller fine per thousand pounds than those that are grossly overweight. The reason for this is that the damage to roads and bridges rises exponentially with weight increases.

Charlotte Youth Nabbed With School Computers

An alert teacher is responsible for the recovery of two stolen computers from CVU. Chief Chris Morrell reported that the teacher, Jonathan Sessions, spotted the two computers in a students backpack on a school bus. It was determined the student had taken them from CVU.

The 15 year old Charlotte student has been referred to the Hinesburg Community Partners Program, which he must complete or face felony charges. The computers were recovered.

Ferrisburgh Man Faces Felony Fraud

Justine E. Sweeney, 28, of Ferrisburgh has been charged by Chief Chris Morrell with fraud for cashing a forged stolen check at a Hinesburg store. The charge is the result of a lengthy investigation starting shortly after Sweeney cashed the \$200 check in July.

Telephone Calls Earn Criminal Citation to Court

A Hinesburg woman has been cited into court on charges of Disturbing the Peace by telephone. Officer Frank Koss cited Pamela Taylor, 35, of Hinesburg following allegations of another Hinesburg resident that she had made annoying telephone calls after having been served with a “No Trespass” notice by police.

Hayden Hill Driver Critical

Hinesburg Community Police investigated a serious personal injury crash on Hayden Hill Road West on Monday, October 20. Chief Chris Morrell reported that Jared Lake, 17, of Shelburne was headed west on Hayden Hill Road when his pickup truck began fishtailing. The truck then went off the right side of the road, came back onto the road and rolled over before striking a post.



Rescue workers attend to Hayden Hill crash victim

When the truck overturned, Lake, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was thrown from the truck. A passenger, Joshua Brown, 18, who was wearing a seat belt, remained inside the truck and suffered a superficial hand injury. Hinesburg Fire Department responded to the scene and treated the injured. Brown declined transport to the hospital. Lake was transported to Fletcher Allen with traumatic injuries. On November 2 he was transferred to Boston where he was listed in critical condition at The Record's deadline.

Our Town

BY LAURA FOLDESI



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FIREHOUSE

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

By Eric Spivack

Captain Wainer Continues His Recuperation

Captain Jonathan Wainer was injured in September while fighting the fire at Saputo. Jonathan has undergone two surgeries to repair his right knee, right hand and wrist. He is now able to get around without a wheelchair. Jonathan still has a long road to recovery. We are thrilled to see him up and around. Jonathan wishes to thank the Fire Department, Community and especially his Creekside neighbors for their help and concern these past weeks.

Grades One and Two Visit Fire Station

As part of their community awareness program, the fire station was visited by the first and second graders. The students received a tour of the apparatus including some of the equipment used at fires and accidents. At the end of the tour, each class voted for the fire truck they would like to "drive."

The most popular were the engines. Do you have a group that would like a tour of the station? Please email info@hinesburgfd.org or leave a message at our station 482-2455 with your request.

Heavy Rescue Mutual Aid to Huntington

As part of the Hinesburg Fire Dept response area, we are first due heavy rescue to the town of Huntington. Whenever there is a car accident with possible entrapment, Hinesburg Fire is dispatched for Rescue 1 to respond. On October 1 at approximately 4:30 p.m., Hinesburg was dispatched to East Road in Huntington for a car accident. On arrival, members found a pickup truck had lost control on the road, gone down an embankment and rolled into a tree. Firefighters used the Jaws of Life, a ram (a tool which forces spaces open) and several hand tools to extricate the trapped occupant. The occupant was then transported to Fletcher Allen by ambulance. A second occupant left the scene before emergency crews arrived.

Change the Clock; Change the Battery

Did you remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors? And test your Carbon Monoxide detector? We changed the clocks in November. Batteries in all detectors should be changed and all detectors tested to be sure they are working. *Continued on the next page.*

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The Hinesburg Fire Department sponsors a 911 address sign program. Signs are double sided and coated with high visibility reflective green material and reflective numbers making address identification fast and easy for emergency services. The cost is \$25 per sign. It includes a five foot sign post if needed and installation by a Hinesburg Fire Department member. For more information about our 911 address sign program, or to place an order for a sign, please feel free to stop at the Fire Station if someone is available. Or you may contact Jeremy Steele at 482-3898 or by email at jsteelman1979@yahoo.com.

We sincerely thank you for your support. Please remember to always practice fire safety in your home, as well as always being safe and courteous while driving.

Fire Station Invaded by Ghouls, Goblins and Princesses

The annual town Halloween party was held at the fire station. We were visited by ghouls, goblins, dinosaurs and even a swamp creature. Toward the end of the evening, a mailbox, the wicked witch of the west and the scarecrow stopped by to say hello. There were some great costumes



Congratulations to the lucky winners of our door prizes. The Halloween stocking donated by Jiffy Mart was won by Holden Lalumien. Jocalyn Popke won a Good Times gift certificate and Caleb Cousino won a gallon of Vermont maple syrup donated by Tom Boivin.

The Hinesburg Fire and Community Police Departments would like to thank the Hinesburg Boy Scouts who have volunteered their time annually to help set up as well as

assisting with the games. Thanks also go to the Hinesburg 4-H group which has helped every year by skillfully carving the many pumpkins decorating the Fire Station. We would also like to thank our many local sponsors who have also donated to the party. This is what truly makes a town a community.

Woman Fell from Horse

On Sunday, November 2, EMT's and firefighters responded to Texas Hill Rd for a woman who fell from a horse. When she fell she had the wind knocked out of her and was complaining of pain in her left shoulder, side and arm. The response team carefully treated the patient, using spinal immobilization to prevent further injury. She was placed on a backboard and transported to FAHC by St. Michael's.

HFD always uses extra caution when responding to calls involving horses. We take care to approach the scene with no lights or sirens to avoid further spooking the animals.

HFD Completes Tricky Second Floor Rescue

A falling wall on Friday, October 31, injured two construction workers on Economou Road in Huntington. Hinesburg Fire Department responded to the scene and found two workman injured, one seriously, on the second floor of a home under construction. Making their removal difficult was the absence of any stairwell to the accident scene because one had not yet been constructed.

While fire and rescue personnel treated the injured, another team made arrangements to remove the two men from the second floor. Both men were placed on backboards and then tightly bound into a Stokes litter before the two teams lowered them down ladders to the ground.

Once on the ground, both victims were taken to Fletcher Allen Health Care by Richmond Rescue and Shelburne Rescue. Also participating in the rescue operation with Hinesburg Fire Department were Huntington First Response, Huntington Fire Department and Hinesburg Police.

Trailer Fire Quickly Extinguished

At 11:47 p.m. November 4, Hinesburg Fire was dispatched to a report of a fire in a trailer at 65 Birch Rd, St George. Dispatch advised that all occupants were leaving the trailer. Hinesburg arrived to find flames coming out of the windows at one end of the trailer. An aggressive attack using the Compressed Air Foam System (C.A.F.S.) held the fire to the room of origin. The rest of the trailer sustained smoke damage and is a total loss. Firefighters were on scene approximately two hours checking for hot spots. The cause is under investigation.

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Copies of the 2009 Deadlines can be picked up at 327 Charlotte Road

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



Brookside Family Health Center Opens

Local native Roger Giroux, MD, has returned to practice Family Medicine in his hometown of Hinesburg. His solo practice, the Brookside Family Health Center, is located at 206 Commerce St. next to the Hinesburg Post Office.

The Brookside Family Health Center is a comprehensive clinic providing services such as routine physicals and well child exams, injury management, laboratory services, chronic care management, minor surgery and wound repair among others. After-hour calls are taken by Dr. Giroux himself, thus ensuring the same familiar face and continuity of care as during scheduled visits. This avoids the need to travel to other towns or busy emergency rooms for after-hour injuries or sudden illnesses.

Dr. Giroux believes in practicing modern medicine with old-fashioned ideals. He has equipped the office with state of the art technologies including an electronic medical records system in each exam room with the goal of improving the practice of medicine. For example, patient safety is augmented with the use of automated safeguards, alerts and reminders. Efficiency is increased, allowing for more face to face time with the physician. Patient education and communication are improved with the use of comprehensive information and instruction sheets. No longer do you have to remember what the doctor said, as you'll have written instructions to take with you when you leave.

Brookside Family Health Center is considered a "micro-practice" as Dr. Giroux and his wife, Denise, will be the only staff. They care for patients of all ages, from newborn infants to the elderly, with the philosophy of providing the highest quality healthcare in an atmosphere of unhurried, personalized attention. They really enjoy getting to know people as individuals and keeping things at a slower, small town pace.

Dr. Giroux and Denise will host an open house on Thursday, December 11th, from 4:00 until 7 p.m. Please stop by to tour the facility and visit with them.

To make an appointment with the doctor, call 482-3900.

Thistle Hill Neighborhood

By Kate Frisbie

Thistle Hill, Hinesburg's newest neighborhood, broke ground in March. Many have been intrigued by the activity off of Mechanicsville Road—road construction, installing utilities, and blasting—now almost complete. The hillside site required extensive blasting, which resulted in 19,000 cubic yards of blasted ledge. Thorn Bush Drive neighbor Patti Drew and her family were eye and ear witnesses to it all. "My family found it exciting," she said. When the siren sounded, her two young girls would rush to the window to watch the explosions. "They thought it was great," Drew said.

Most of the ledge has been crushed for gravel to use in road bases or housing drainage. The remaining boulders will be used for rock walls and to help change grades in sloped yards.

Bart Frisbie, president of builder Sterling Construction, said his company is noted for making its neighborhoods work with the land, utilizing the hills and grades to create unique home settings. "In addition to the special rock walls, we have preserved most of the woods for nature and walking trails," he said. The clustered homes have allowed much of the wooded landscape to remain intact and by building into the slopes, homes work with the terrain.

As part of phase one, the company plans to build seven single family garden homes and four duplexes. Thorn Bush Road has been rebuilt and paved up the hill and Thistle Hill Drive has been constructed across the hillside. Three homes are presently completed or under construction.

After phase one homes are finished, the second and third



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A stormwater pond and new landscaping mark the entrance to the new Thistle Hill neighborhood off Mechanicsville Road.

phases will begin. More single family garden homes and an adult community for residents 55 and over make up the remainder of the neighborhood. “There is considerable interest in the Adult Community Condominiums, but we still need to finalize details before that portion the neighborhood can get started,” Frisbie said. All homes will be part of associations that will manage snow removal and landscaping.

The neighborhood boasts 14 acres of open space with hiking trails that connect to the Russell Trails and ultimately the center of town. The storm pond that greets visitors at the entrance has been landscaped with hundreds of shrubs, trees and flowers. “It’s turning into a wildlife habitat before our eyes,” Frisbie said. “Tadpoles and frogs are there already and the neighbors saw a heron feeding in the pond last weekend.”

Brown Dog Books and Gifts Opens In Hinesburg

By Jean Isham, HBPA

Natacha Liuzzi realizes a long held dream with the forthcoming opening of her new store, Brown Dog Books and Gifts.

The recent opportunity to occupy space at Firehouse Plaza, formerly occupied by Show Time Video, was the final catalyst to realizing her dream. With the goal, as of this writing, of an opening date prior to Thanksgiving, Natacha is busy making some minor changes to the space and acquiring inventory.



Barbara Lehman’s design for the Brown Dog Books and Gifts logo

There will be books for adults and children, and everyone in between, including special orders for books not currently in stock. Many different lines of greeting cards will be available including some by Vermont artists. You will find a wide range of gift items and many unique gifts ranging from affordable to some higher end merchandise. Natacha said she will endeavor to support Vermont vendors and Vermont products as much as possible. The store will offer crafts and artwork by Hinesburg artisans. Rental of newly released videos will also be available.

Plans include networking with the local schools and Carpenter Carse Library to bring noted authors to the area with proceeds used to benefit the local library and literacy programs. Barbara Lehman, illustrator of *The Red Book* and designer of the store logo, has asked to be the first on the list

of author events.

In her search for a name, Natacha received many suggestions and had nearly selected one but it didn’t quite fit. Her partner, Joe Tomko has a chocolate Labrador named Hunter. They were discussing the name with Hunter in the room when Joe suggested Brown Dog Books. Hunter, who Natacha described as having a very sincere face, fit the bill not only for the name but as a mascot. Hunter’s picture which inspired the logo was taken by Hinesburg photographer Janice Bauch.

Natacha commences her new business with what can only be described as an ideal background. She attended Trinity College, received her library certification from the State of Vermont in 2001, was children’s librarian at the Carpenter Carse Library for eight years, and has worked at local book stores for several years. Natacha said that whether working at the library or in a book store, her goal was to suit the taste of the consumer and to match the books to the reader. Providing this more personal approach has always been at the core of her work.

Natacha grew up in Connecticut and moved to Hinesburg in 1986. She has three children, all of whom live and work in Hinesburg. Zachary, 26, and Emma, 22, are both employed by Good Times Café. Ezra, 15, attends Champlain Valley Union High School and also works at the Café.

Anticipated store hours are Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Brown Dog Books & Gifts offers another opportunity to buy local whether for a book, gift, or rental of a video, and an opportunity to support local artisans.

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association is pleased to welcome Brown Dog Books and Gifts to Hinesburg.

Educating Vermonters for the Future:

VTC and NRG Advance Study of Renewable Energy

It’s easy to feel pessimistic about the economy these days, but one bright spot globally, nationally, and in Vermont is renewable energy. Last year, the wind and solar industries grew by 45% and 57% respectively in the U.S. And here in Vermont, two renewable energy companies, GroSolar and NRG Systems, recently received Vermont Business Magazine’s 5x5x5 growth awards in the technology category.

But with that growth come new challenges. In a poll conducted by NRG Systems at the WindPower 2008 conference in Houston, competition for skilled labor was seen as the greatest barrier to company growth. Ramping up to meet demand is a strategic priority for all firms in the industry, which requires bringing in new talent and getting them up to speed quickly.

Until recently, institutions of higher education weren’t preparing young people for this type of work, so renewable energy firms were recruiting from outside the industry.

“We’d love more candidates who can walk in the door knowing the industry from day one,” says Jan Blittersdorf, CEO of NRG Systems.

With the creation of the Center for Sustainable Practices at Vermont Technical College (VTC), that’s now possible. The Center for Sustainable Practices is comprised of a growing number of faculty, students and community members who are dedicated to applying emerging green and sustainable technologies and practices in the areas of energy, building, land use and agriculture.

In 2007 NRG Systems granted VTC a two-year expendable scholarship for students studying renewable energy and sustainability. The first scholarships were awarded this fall to eight students, including: Kyle Baitz from East Fairfield, VT; Sonja Foster from Newport Ctr., VT; Craig Fullerton from Plymouth, NH; Jason Jones from Warren, VT; Tim Macke from Calais, VT; Justin Mercer from Clinton, MA; Erik Mueller from Berlin, VT; and Jeff Thompson from

Kirkville, NY. Scholarship awards, ranging from \$2,500 to \$6,000 were based on financial need or academic standing.

“Many of our employees hail from Vermont Tech,” says Blittersdorf. “They arrive with excellent technical skills to manufacture the electronic components of our wind measurement systems. This grant is our way of giving back to an institution that has served our business well. It’s nice to see Vermont Tech take a leadership position in preparing Vermonters for well-paying, green jobs.”

“It is equally nice to have a partnership with one of the leading and most innovative companies in the state,” says Vermont Tech president Ty Handy. “NRG Systems has been a real supporter of Vermont Tech, and it’s extremely gratifying not only to see our students put their education to work in the real world, but to know—with NRG’s help—that we’re building and contributing to the Vermont workforce.”

About NRG Systems

Last year, NRG Systems marked 25 years in the wind energy industry. Its wind measurement systems can be found in 125 countries, serving electric utilities, wind farm developers, research institutes, government agencies, and universities. According to CEO/President Jan Blittersdorf, NRG Systems recently expanded its 46,000-square-foot manufacturing facility to accommodate the company’s growth due to the increasing worldwide demand for wind energy

About Vermont Technical College

Vermont Tech is the only public institution of higher learning in Vermont whose mission is technical education. One of the five Vermont State Colleges, Vermont Tech serves a unique demographic: 86% of its students come from Vermont. Vermont Tech’s technical programs encompass a wide range of engineering, agricultural, and business fields that are vital to understanding and applying the cross-disciplinary solutions required to achieve energy independence and sustainability.

Introducing National Bank of Middlebury and Its Staff

By Jean Isham, HBPA

The National Bank of Middlebury was established 177 years ago. Since that time it has expanded to seven branches in five towns, including its most recent branch in Hinesburg. It’s a community bank offering a full range of services including checking accounts, savings accounts, certificates of deposit, commercial and residential lending and access to an affiliated investment company. Safe deposit boxes are also available at the Hinesburg branch. The NBM is very actively involved in the communities in which it operates. Its Board of Directors consists largely of small business people from those communities and its employees participate in a variety of community activities and work with community organizations.

I recently had occasion to meet with the staff at the Hinesburg branch.

Phillip (Phil) Martin is Vice President of Commercial Lending. Phil is a native of Indiana who has lived in New England for the last twenty years. He graduated from the University of Indianapolis with a bachelor’s degree in business administration, and obtained a master in business administration degree from Northeastern University. He is also a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking. Phil has been a commercial banker since 1990. During that time he has worked for banks ranging in size from large, multinational corporations to smaller community banks such as the National Bank of Middlebury. He really enjoys community banks because they recognize the direct impact they have on the communities they serve and understand the importance of being good citizens in those communities. *(Continued on the next page.)*

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Phil said he likes the fact that Hinesburg is a growing, vibrant community. He feels it is a very active community with the potential for future growth.

Phil and his wife, Kate, have resided in Williston since 2001. They have a son, Jack, a sophomore at CVU and a daughter, Sara, in the fourth grade at Williston Central School. In his leisure time, he likes to run and play sports with his children.

Sharon Brown is the Residential Loan Officer who splits her time between the Hinesburg and Vergennes branches. Sharon has worked in the banking industry for twenty years, fourteen of which have been at the NBM. She started out in the proof area, has worked in customer service, as a credit analyst in the commercial loan department and then as a residential loan officer. Sharon finds Hinesburg to be a really close-knit community with a lot of residents involved in community functions. She feels that development in Hinesburg has been well thought out and planned.

Sharon and her husband, Bill, reside in Vergennes. Bill works for the State of Vermont and volunteers at the Vergennes Fire Department. They have two daughters, Nicole, 15, and Danielle, 12. Sharon spends most of her free time involved with her children’s activities.



Julie Davis, Phillip Martin, Sharon Brown, Joanne Gilson, Marlene Saunders, Margaret Spivack, Emily Haskins

Margaret Spivack is the Office Manager. Margaret lives in Hinesburg within walking distance of the bank. She grew up in Burlington, graduated from Burlington High School and from Champlain College with a degree in retail and fashion merchandising. Before joining the NBM, she worked in banking for two and a half years and prior to that worked in retail. She enjoys providing customer service and working for the bank. She particularly enjoys the friendly working atmosphere and the fact that the bank is very customer oriented.

Margaret’s husband, Eric, is employed at Kaycan, Ltd. in Williston. He is a volunteer and Medical Lieutenant with the Hinesburg Fire Department. They have two sons, Ronald, 3, and Evan, 1. Margaret is a volunteer with Lyric Theatre where she has acted in various productions and worked on the costume crew. She enjoys reading and is avid about scrapbooking.

Joanne Gilson is a Customer Service Representative. She had twelve years of previous banking experience before joining the NBM with the opening of its Hinesburg branch. Joanne, a resident of Hinesburg, said she found the bank “a perfect fit and a perfect location.” Her previous daily commute of a half hour has been reduced to less than ten minutes. Joanne says she loves the interaction with the people that come into the bank. Because she worked out of town previously she did not have the opportunity to meet a lot of people in Hinesburg. Now she finds she is getting to know and

meet Hinesburg residents every day.

Joanne shares her home with her daughter, Rebecca, a CVU graduate who is currently away at college, as well as two rescue dogs and a cat. She enjoys gardening, hiking and reading.

Julie Davis is a Teller who started her employment with the bank at Hinesburg. She is a part-time employee who will continue working part-time when she returns to college in January. Julie is majoring in accounting and finance. Her background includes work in retail, customer service and call centers, all of which has been part-time while she attends college.

Julie lives in Bristol. She enjoys four-wheeling and another part-time business, selling jewelry.

Emily Haskins is a full-time Teller. Emily is a native Vermonter, grew up in Huntington where she still resides, graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School (2004) and Saint Michael’s College (2008) with a degree in the classics. This is her first job after college. She said she likes working in a small town community and interacting with its residents.

In her spare time, Emily enjoys reading, photography, scrapbooking as well as her dog and cats.

Marlene Saunders is a full-time teller. She is a graduate of Trinity College with a degree in business administration. Prior to joining the NBM she worked for twenty-two years as a dispatcher for Federal Express. Marlene considers her position with the Bank her “retirement job.” She enjoys working with the people at the Hinesburg branch. Marlene added that she appreciates the management philosophy of the bank which she finds supportive, understanding, friendly and professional.

Originally from New Hampshire, Marlene has resided in Vermont for thirty-one years, the last thirteen in Hinesburg. Hobbies include cooking, reading, her two cats, Motley and Aube, and, along with her husband, Architect Richard Zybura, kayaking. Their eighteen pound cat, Motley, often accompanies them in the kayak. In his spare time, Richard makes and sells Adirondack chairs.

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association is pleased to welcome the National Bank of Middlebury to Hinesburg and as a member of the Association.

HBPA Winter Social

Plans are underway for the annual Hinesburg Business and Professional Association Winter Social, which is scheduled for Tuesday, December 16th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm., location TBA. Join us for this annual wine and cheese social, and meet other business members from our community. Support our local Food Shelf by bringing a non-perishable food item or cash donation for the collection box. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for further information.

Our Town

BY LAURA FOLDESI



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Jennifer McQuin

Happy November! Can I let you in on a little secret? Well, maybe it’s not a secret anymore because it’s November 3 and I’ve already received two notes from friends who write, “Happy November, Jen. We know how much you dislike it, but don’t worry, December will be here soon!” I suspect that my disliking November has everything to do with loving October so much for its crisp weather, astounding foliage and gorgeous hikes. But it’s time now for the winter transformation as we look toward (gulp) snow, skiing, snowshoeing, iceskating, broomball, and food centered holidays. Hopefully, you received your Hinesburg Recreation Winter Brochure, but if you didn’t or your copy ended up in the recycling bin, go to www.hinesburg.org and check it out online. There are lots of activities and a few new offerings, too.

If you want to simplify some holiday shopping, consider giving the gift of Recreation with a gift certificate from the Recreation Department. Enjoy the transformation to winter. I feel better knowing that when you read this article, November will almost be over!

Registration

To register for the following Sports and Fitness Activities or one of our Classes, please contact the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or e-mail us at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Sports and Fitness

Youth Basketball

Youth Basketball starts on December 6! Our program is back for another year of fun and skill building. Getting out and playing is not only good exercise, but it helps make those long winter months more fun! This program is open to those in Kindergarten through grade six and is held in the Hinesburg Community School (HCS) gymnasium. All abilities are welcome. Children are grouped by age, not ability.

Kindergarten: Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

Grade one and two boys and girls: Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Grade three and four girls: Saturday 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Tuesday 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Grade three and four boys: Saturday 12:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Wednesday 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Grade five and six girls: Saturday 2:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Thursday 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Grade five and six boys: Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and Monday 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Dates: December 6 to February 7 for Kindergarten, first and second grades

December 6 to February 21 for third through sixth grades. There will not be any youth basketball on Saturday, February 14, due to Winter Carnival.

Cost: a fee of \$25.00 includes a t-shirt, \$20 without a shirt

Smuggler’s Notch Discounted Lift Tickets

Enjoy full-day, discounted lift tickets at Smuggler’s Notch Resort on five different Sundays in January, February, and March.

When: Sundays, January 25; February 8,15; March 1, 8. Cost for Youth (ages seven to 17): Lift Ticket, Rental, and Lesson are \$13 each.

Cost for Adults: Lift Ticket, Rental, Lesson are \$25 each. Register with the Hinesburg Recreation Department

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(HRD) for each Sunday of skiing. Make checks payable to the “Hinesburg Recreation Department” and be sure the Department receives payment for your tickets by Thursday at noon for each skiing Sunday. Lesson time is noon, unless otherwise noted.Children must be at least six years old for a lesson through this program. Renters must complete rental forms available on the table outside the Recreation Department (or forms can be e-mailed to you).Meet the Group Coordinator and pick up your purchased tickets between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. in the Village Lodge, first floor Pizzeria (look for “Hinesburg Recreation” sign). THINK SNOW!

Please contact the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net with any questions.

SPECIAL OFFER: Would you like to ski free this winter?How about being the Smuggler’s Notch Group Coordinator for the Hinesburg Recreation Department? For each of our five skiing Sundays, receive an e-mailed roster of participants from the Recreation Department. Arrive at Smuggler’s Notch Morse Mountain to pick up tickets and be available to hand tickets out from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.That’s it! Contact the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or www.hinesburgrec@gmavt.net if interested.

“Hatha Yoga”
with Sylvia Kabusk

This class follows a slow and relaxing pace. You will experience yoga postures seated, standing and reclining on your mat. Many postures will be reinforced with uplifting affirmation or visualization. Props (blocks, ties) will be used to cultivate sound alignment and ease. With repetition, yoga improves how you move through life! Welcome beginners! Please bring a mat to class. Sylvia Kabusk, your “Hatha Yoga” certified instructor, owns “Ananta Yoga”.

When: Tuesdays
Session 1: January 13, 20, 27; February 3, 10, 17
Session 2: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; April 7
Session 3: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26; June 2.
Where: Hinesburg Town Hall
Time: 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Cost: \$55 for 6 classes

Fitness Class for Mind/Body Health with
Lee Hulsebos

Exercise and strengthen core muscles that support the spine. Increase your flexibility. Balance tension areas with simple yoga, strength training, stretching and relaxation.
Who: people ages 15 years and older. Any fitness level is welcome. Not geared toward active injuries.
When: Six week sessions starting the first week of January. This class is ongoing and you may join anytime.
Times: Fridays, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and/or Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Where: Hinesburg Town Hall
Cost: \$60 for six weeks
Please register through the Recreation Department and make checks payable to Lee Hulsebos.

Men’s Intro to Stretch, Yoga & Breath
with Lee Hulsebos

Work on core muscle strength and flexibility. Address old injury sites. Not geared toward active injuries.
When: Mondays starting January 5, six week sessions
Where: Hinesburg Town Hall
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Cost: \$60 for 6 weeks
Please register through the Recreation Department and make checks payable to Lee Hulsebos.

Class Activities

Snowmobile Safety Class

Scott Johansen instructs this worthwhile class which meets Vermont State Police and Vermont Association of Snow Travelers (VAST) requirements for snowmobile safety. All persons born after July 1, 1978, who are 12 years and older must attend an approved snowmobile safety course

before operating a snowmobile on VAST snowmobile trails. Children 11 years old, who turn 12 years old before April 16, 2009, may attend an approved snowmobile safety course and receive certification.

When: December 4, 5, and 6
Times: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on December 4 and 5; 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on December 6
Where: First floor conference room at Town Hall
Cost: FREE
Maximum: 25 students
To register, contact the Recreation Department. For additional information, please contact Scott Johansen at 482-2204.

Ballet Basics with Gina

Join Gina Steen, a Hinesburg parent and ballet instructor for this introductory and intermediate level ballet class. Come learn the basics or improve on your skills. Have fun with your friends after school.
Who: Children in grades three through eight
Where: Hinesburg Community School (Classroom TBA)
When: January 20, 27; February 3, 10, 17; March 3, 10, 17
Time: 2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
Cost: \$80

Holiday Horseback Riding at Livery
Stables

Come spend time with horses and ponies at Livery Stables! You’ll ride and you’ll learn about horse care and maintenance. Create your own customized, painted wooden horse magnets. Decorate your favorite pony’s mane and stall with holiday cheer. Choose one or two of the dates below.
Who: Children six to 12 years old
When: December 22 and/or December 23
Time: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Where: Livery Stables
Cost: \$27.50 per day
Maximum: Eight participants

Arts and Crafts After School

Learn the art of silkscreening. Create your own limited-edition designs by cutting and screening images onto t-shirts, jean jackets, or other garments, old or new. Create “plushies” or “stuffies” (animals or friends) using various materials. Try creating wearable t-shirt art: snip, embellish, appliqué, embroider and fringe garments. Try t-shirt bleaching with printing options. Create custom gift cards with stamps and paints. Let your creativity flow as you create custom attire or gifts.
Who: Students grades one through eight
Where: Art Room at Hinesburg Community School
When: Fridays, January 16, 23, 30; February 6, 20; March 6, 13, 20 (8 classes)
Time: 2:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Students can take the late bus.
Cost: \$125
Maximum: 15 participants

Young Rembrandts Drawing Class

Let’s get ready to draw amazing things together! Young Rembrandts (YR’s) innovative, step-by-step drawing method teaches the technical skills of drawing while helping children improve their fine motor skills and develop attention to detail, patience, and focus. Children acquire drawing skills that will let them express their creativity for a lifetime. YR’s curriculum is developmentally based and uses a variety of subject matter. Students learn shading, color pencil, and marker techniques. One art history lesson is taught each session. All classes are taught in a positive and nurturing environment so that every child can be successful. New sessions, new lessons, never a repeat!
Who: Children six to 12 years old.
Where: Art Room, Hinesburg Community School (HCS)
When: Thursdays, January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19; March 5, 12, 19, 26 (10 classes)
Time: 2:45 p.m. to 3:45 pm
Cost: \$90

Preschool Activities

Jumpin’ Jacks Dance for Preschoolers

Come experience Jumpin’ Jacks, a developmental dance, movement, and fitness program that blends academics specifically designed for youngsters. This class offers the basics of ballet, tap, gymnastics, creative movement, and motor development skills for preschoolers. Annie Hall, who teaches this class, has a B.S. in Elementary Education and Business Administration and has taught for over 14 years throughout Chittenden County’s preschool arenas and public schools.
Who: Children ages two and a half to four years old
When: Session One: Fridays, January 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13
Session Two: Fridays, February 20; March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3
Session Three: Fridays, April 10, 17; May 1, 8, 15, 22
Where: Hinesburg Town Hall
Time: 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
Cost: \$60 per session. Checks payable to Hinesburg Recreation Department, telephone number 482-4691.

Tiny Tots Creative Yoga Movement
with Sylvia Kabusk

“Swim like a dolphin! Dance like a snowflake!” These classes are a joyful approach to teaching children about themselves, each other, and the universe in which they live. The fun and engaging classes weave together yoga, creative movement, cooperative activities, songs and stories that help promote children’s self-confidence, self-expression, and mutual self-respect and support for one another. Children experience the joy of being in their body, connecting with their breath, and they learn to celebrate their individuality and uniqueness!
Who: Children three to five years old.
When: Tuesdays, January 13, 20, 27; February 3, 10, 17
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Cost: \$50

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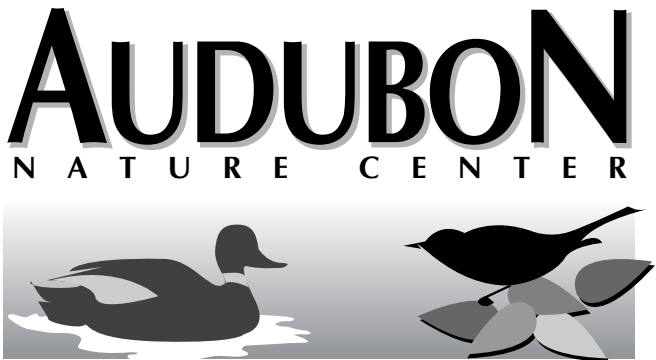
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TogetherGreen Awards Innovation Grant to Support Forest Habitats

Private Landowners Take Steps to Protect Habitat for Birds and Other Wildlife

One of 41 newly-announced TogetherGreen national Innovation Grants will engage private landowners in implementing bird-friendly land management techniques that support the health of Vermont’s Northern Forest for birds and communities. With TogetherGreen’s support, the Forest Bird Initiative has great potential to engage landowners, protect important habitat, and develop a model incorporating science and education that can be pursued across the Northern Forest and around the country.

A \$49,000 grant will allow for the expansion of the Forest Bird Initiative. This pioneering program has already conducted conservation planning for 750,000 acres of forest, through the partnership of Audubon Vermont, Vermont Coverts: Woodlands for Wildlife, and the Vermont Woodlands Association. Together, the groups will enroll the owners of 35,000 additional acres in the next year and find ways to implement similar efforts beyond Vermont.

In the 26-million acre Northern Forest, where 85 percent of the land is privately owned, individual forest management decisions can have a significant impact on birds and their habitat. Protecting this area is critical—it serves as important nesting habitat for the greatest diversity of breeding bird species in the country, many of which are experiencing dramatic population declines. In many cases, these landowners want to help protect the habitat we share with birds, but may lack the knowledge and resources to do so.

“Private landowners and conservationists are natural partners when both sides have an equal stake in the land being protected,” said Audubon Vermont Director of

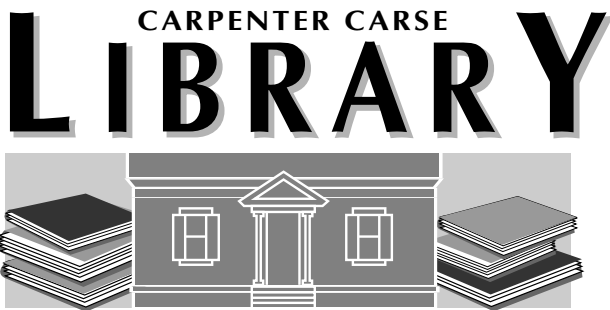
Conservation and Policy Jim Shallow. “Everyone benefits from our project—landowners, other community members, and not least of all the birds.”

“This grant enables us to work with Audubon Vermont to make a difference by reaching the landowner, the ultimate decision maker” added Lisa Sausville of Vermont Coverts. “Providing opportunities for landowners to become good forest stewards will have a positive impact on wildlife now and on into the future.”

The local grant is part of the first \$1.4 million awarded by the TogetherGreen. Announced in Spring 2008, the initiative is a national Audubon program funded by Toyota that aims to provide inspiration, leadership, and opportunities for people to take action at home, in their communities and beyond to improve the health of our environment. Grantees were selected from scores of applicants across America. Funds were awarded to local Audubon programs and chapters that demonstrated exceptional innovation in working with other groups on projects that will produce tangible benefits for environmental quality.

“We need environmental solutions that treat community members as valuable partners in achieving conservation results, and we’re happy to be giving these groups the help they need to achieve that,” said TogetherGreen Project Manager Judy Braus.

TogetherGreen will invest in both promising environmental projects and outstanding leaders that can shape a brighter tomorrow. Along with Innovation Grants to be awarded each year, TogetherGreen funds and promotes conservation leadership training and volunteer programs designed to equip and engage diverse groups and individuals to take action today to shape a healthier tomorrow. Information on other grantees, along with opportunities to get involved in conservation efforts, showcase successful initiatives, and honor those who are making a difference, can be found at www.TogetherGreen.org



LIBRARY HOURS (Fall/Winter)

Monday: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Library Staff: Susan Barden, Beth Buttles-Miller, Rosalie Carlson, Judy Curtis, Richard Pritsky, Jane Racer, Vicki Roberts, Janet Soutiere, Tom Stamp, Dustin West, Linda Weston and Courtney White

Phone: 482-2878

Address: P. O. Box 127, 69 Ballards Corner Road, Hinesburg 05461

Web Site: <http://www.carpentercarse.org>

E-mail: carpentercarselibrary@gmavt.net

We Deliver

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

Trustee Meetings

Carpenter-Carse Board of Trustees meetings will be held on December 17 and January 28. Trustee meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month unless otherwise warned. All meetings are held at the library at 7:00 p.m. and are open to the public.

Ongoing Library Programs

Storytimes for Toddlers

Join Tom at 9:00 a.m. on upcoming Tuesdays: December 16 and again on January 6 for books, songs and stories especially for children up to three years of age. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Storytimes for Preschoolers

Preschoolers aged three to five can drop by the library every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. for stories, songs and games with Tom.

Book Discussion Group

Avid readers may join our library’s book discussion group, which meets monthly in readers’ homes. Come and share in a cookie exchange and read-aloud of *A Child’s Christmas in Wales* by Dylan Thomas on Thursday, December 15. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Watch for posters or phone Earla Sue McNaul at 482-3347 for location and other information. Please note that the group does **not** meet at the library.

YA Book Group

On Thursdays, December 18 and January 3 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. catch a movie, relax with your friends, preview the latest Young Adult titles and try out the YA’s new Wii video games. Refreshments are served and new members are always welcome. Call Tom at 482-2878 for more info. And be sure to check out the YA Web Page at www.carpentercarse.org.

Movie Nights at the Library

Movie nights are back at Carpenter-Carse! Come to the library and enjoy a great flick. Watch for titles, but mark your calendars now.

Friday, December 12 – Family Movie at 6:00 p.m.

Fridays, December 26 (PG) and January 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Hinesburg Pickin’ Party

On Saturdays, December 6 and January 3 at 3:00 p.m. meet your friends and neighbors and enjoy some home-grown music at the Carpenter-Carse Library Pickin’ Party. Recommended for teens through adults. For more information call Tom Stamp at 482-2878.

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Special Programs

Dispatch from the Last Unknown: Ecology, Culture and Exploration in Papua New Guinea

On Tuesday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m. join Ethan Linck, a Hinesburg resident and a senior at CVU who spent several months in 2008 in New Guinea. He volunteered for the Research and Conservation Foundation of New Guinea doing GPS mapping of tribal boundaries as well as spending three and a half weeks in the bush completing a bird survey. He is currently applying for a National Geographic Explorer’s grant to determine the level of habitat diversity and identify potential environmental threats in an unexplored region of the Bewani Mountains in Papua New Guinea. Ethan will discuss the geography, history and culture of the world’s second largest island as well as New Guinea’s amazing biodiversity.

December Holiday Event

Come and decorate a gingerbread cookie family. Help us celebrate the holiday season with refreshments and music. Bring friends or family members to this special library event, made possible by talented baker Wendy Frink. Enjoy spending time with others and take home some creative holiday cookies. For ages six to adult. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited so please register in advance. Call the library for the date of this event.

Craft Project for a Frosty Evening

Children ages seven through 12 are invited to come to the library Tuesday, December 16, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. to create a special holiday season gift. You can greet family and friends this winter with a cheerful Welcome Winter sign personally designed by you. All craft materials will be provided and refreshments served. Space is limited, so sign up early.

Cozy Up for December and January Pajama Parties

Children ages three through six are invited to a Pajama Storytime with Janet on Tuesday, December 23 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Come in your PJ’s, bring your favorite stuffed animal friend and listen to cheery snowman stories. Warm cocoa and delicious cookies will be served. Pre-registration by calling the library is requested but not essential! See you there.

On Friday, January 9 pull on your pajamas, come to the library and join Tom for stories, games and a whole lot of family fun at 6:00 p.m.

On Tuesday, January 27 kids ages three through six can beat the midwinter chills and settle in for more winter bedtime stories with Janet. From 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. we will turn up the heat and get cozy in our PJ’s. Pre-registration is requested but not necessary.

Vermont Wildlife Rescue Association Presentation

Carol Winfield of the Vermont Wildlife Rescue Association (VWRA) will present a program on native birds on Saturday, January 10 at 1:00 p.m. The VWRA, in operation for over 11 years, is committed to the rescue,

rehabilitation and release of injured and abandoned native wildlife. Carol will be accompanied by a small number of rescued birds for this presentation. This is a family program and is recommended for ages eight to adult. Space is limited; please contact the library to register. This is a free program but donations are welcomed.

Hinesburg Brass Trio “Classical Music for the Holiday”

Join us on Tuesday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m. for a special musical event with local musicians Dan Silverman on trombone, Tom Whitney on French horn and Don Wheeler on trumpet. Listen to lovely classical music and enjoy holiday goodies while you take a relaxing break at the library. Free program. Donations welcome!

Recent Acquisitions

Adult Fiction:

Block, Stefan Merrill, *The Story of Forgetting*
Bradford, Barbara Taylor, *Being Elizabeth* [LARGE PRINT]
Bushnell, Candace, *One Fifth Avenue*
Chiaverini, Jennifer, *The Quilter’s Kitchen: an Elm Creek Quilts novel with recipes*
Evans, Richard Paul, *Grace* [regular and LARGE PRINT]
LeCarre, John, *A Most Wanted Man: a novel*
Mayor, Archer, *The Catch: a Joe Gunther novel*
McCall Smith, Alexander, *The Comforts of a Muddy Saturday*
Maguire, Gregory, *A Lion Among Men*
Nemirovsky, Irene, Sandra Smith, translator, *Fire in the Blood*
Perrotta, Tom, *Election*
Prose, Francine, *Goldengrove: a novel*
Roth, Phillip, *Indignation*
Shreve, Anita, *Testimony: a novel*
Sparks, Nicholas, *The Lucky One*
Strohmeyer, Sarah, *Sweet Love*
Umrigar, Thrity, *The Space Between Us: a novel*

Adult Nonfiction:

Borgenicht, David, *The Worst-case Scenario Almanac*
Drinkwater, Carol, *The Olive Farm: a memoir of life, love and olive oil in the south of France*
Koppel, Lily, *The Red Leather Diary: Reclaiming a life through the pages of a lost journal*
Mayer, Jane, *Dark Side: the inside story of how the war on terror turned into a war on American ideals*
McCracken, Elizabeth, *An Exact Replica of a Figment of My Imagination: a memoir*
Moffitt, Phillip, *Dancing with Life: Buddhist insights for finding meaning and joy in the face of suffering*
Pausch, Randy, *The Last Lecture* [Audiobook and in print]
Phillips, Kevin, *Bad Money: Reckless finance, failed politics and the global crisis of American capitalism*
Schroeder, Alice, *Snowball: Warren Buffett and the business of life*
Stein, Garth, *The Art of Racing in the Rain*
***New mysteries and thrillers are on order; check out our website for listings of new children’s and young adult selections.**

Quotation of the Month

“Nothing is possessed save in appreciation of which thankfulness is the indispensable ingredient.
A thankful heart hath a continual feast.”
- W. J. Cameron




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The Viking Voice

December 6, 2008

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This issue of *The Viking Voice* features more creative writing in the style of the poem "Tyger, Tyger" from our 5th and 6th graders.

We also give a glimpse into the minds of some of our Infinity Team middle schoolers and let some of our younger students have a little fun with words ... Enjoy!

Salmon, Salmon

By Evelyn Needham, Grade 6

Salmon, Salmon in the water
What do you do when you come upon an otter?
Otters are so strong and brave
How do you outwit the otter so you can swim away?

Salmon, Salmon you are so courageous,
Some of the things you do are just outrageous!
With your slimy scaly skin,
And your beautiful glistening fins,

Your bold back eyes,
Looking up into the sky.
As if the sky was going to say,
Swim, swim, and swim away

You dream about living on land,
But the other salmon always say stay near the sand
The water to be precise
That was their advice

You always amaze everyone
You are so bold, that would amaze almost anyone
You swim all night, you swim all day
Even though bears are looking for you as their prey

Salmon, Salmon in the water
What do you do when you come upon an otter?
Otters are so strong and brave
How do you outwit the otter so you can swim away?

Partridge, Partridge

By Jed Morris, Grade 5

Partridge, Partridge in a shady tree
Waiting for me to look for thee.
Fluttering its wings to attract a mate
From another woods or another state.

Can you see everything from rivers and lakes
Or can you see sticks, worms and snakes?
Walks in the woods like a chicken
Yet at the same time very stricken.

How do you fly oh so high
Like a diamond in the sky?
How do you run oh so fast?
Through the woods and through the grass.

Do you get scared when a hunter's near?

Or do you stay calm like you're not even here?
Do you get sick while in a flock?
After you gobbled up flies and rocks?

Do you fly all over a beach?
To be admired and be given a treat?
Sit right down in a cozy nest
To go to sleep and to get some rest.

Partridge, Partridge in a shady tree
Waiting for me to look for thee.
Fluttering its wings to attract a mate
From another woods or another state.

Koala, Koala

By Sheridan Durochia, Grade 6

Koala, Koala, likes to worry
How did you get so furry?
Very, very, hot in the trees
Why do you have a white fur spot

In the branches of the trees
It is not a freeze
Why do you eat plants?
Do you eat ants?

Why do you climb?
Are you out in the daytime?
Why do you have a black nose?
Did you get it from your foes?

Why do you have fur?
Do you say g-r-r-r-r?
Warm weather, warm weather
Do you have family and live together?
Sometimes, do you go on the ground?
But you're not underground,
What do you eat?
Do you have big feet?

Koala, koala, likes to worry
How did you get so furry?
Very, very, hot
Why do you have a white fur spot?

I am Facebook

By Taylor Degree, Grade 8

I am social and big
I wonder what his or her new picture is
I hear the click of the mouse
I see the blue layout of the site
I want to know his status
I am Facebook

I feel the click of the mouse
I touch the keyboard to reach out to the world
I worry about cyber bullying
I am Facebook

I say welcome to Facebook
I dream of cyberspace
I try to get more users
I hope everyone in the world will have an account one day
I am Facebook!

Facebook Shows You

By Drew Cooper, Grade 8

Why are teens so enthralled with Facebook? What makes it so interesting to all the users? One example could be the clean set-up and little amount of ads.

Or is it that you get to create something where you express who you are as a person? On Facebook you get to show who you are as a person. What you watch on TV, what your favorite band is, what your favorite car is, you name it.

It's cool to talk to people who share the same interests as you and also to see what they like that's outside of your comfort zone.

Facebook is Pivotal

By Garrett Linck, Grade 8

Teenagers like socializing. Facebook enables you to constantly be in contact with your friends via the internet. Facebook means you'll never be 'out' of a social circle, which is appealing to many. Today's teenagers have so many ways to connect to Facebook, from an iPod to a cell phone, they always will know what going on in their friend's life. This is an excerpt from an interview with a 13 year-old Facebook enthusiast.

Interviewer: *"What specifically makes Facebook such a time-suck?"*

Drew: *"Facebook enthralls you in that it's fun to socialize with friends, view images, etc. People think that it's a waste of time and that it's only important to talk to people in person, but it's virtually the same thing."*

Interviewer: *"What makes Facebook a better option than MySpace?"*

Drew: *"With MySpace the setup of the website just seems to be cluttered with advertisements, which slows everything down. Facebook has a much cleaner setup, with fewer ads."*

Founded in 2004, Facebook has become a pivotal point in many teens' online lives. It has a built in IM system as well as a streamlined inbox, which is a virtually an e-mail account. Facebook enables you to be in sync with the lives of others, which attracts so many users.

If I Were Elected.....

By Joey O'Brien, grade 7

My fellow Americans, you are not all here, there are many, many more of you. There are a lot that are not allowed to vote. They have no say in who their leaders are. No say in issues that will affect them in the near future, if they are not already affecting them now. The people I am talking about are the people below the voting age. They make up America. They are citizens too. They are part of the population of a state that gives that state its number of Electoral College votes. Yet they have no say in the vote that they earn. Why? I propose to lower the voting age to ten.

You may think that kids do not know enough about the candidates, and that they will vote on whose name they like better. You may think that if that happens, it could throw off the system and ruin the elections. I have some points to make. The people that are below the voting age that want to vote, are most likely the ones that follow campaigns, and do research on the candidates. And I bet



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that most of the population does not know a lot about the candidates, and vote merely on political parties.

You cannot blame lack of knowledge on younger citizens, if registered voters are committing the same “crime”.

Most people below the voting age would be able to get transportation to the voting stations. If their parents had to drive their kid(s) to the voting stations, it would encourage them to vote as well. Voting percentages would rise, and campaigns would be affected greatly. I would not lower the voting age too low. I believe that ten is a good number because at that age, kids are in fifth grade and becoming more independent, and able to act for themselves. Ladies and gentlemen, thank you.

My Inauguration Speech

By Sean Delaney, Grade 8

America, your children are going to deal with a polluted and rapidly deteriorating world. Your children will have to clean up our mess. Your children will pay for the mistakes that we make. We must change our ways. We must save the Earth.

The issue I am going to give the majority of my focus on is the climate crisis. If we follow in the tracks left down by my predecessor, your children will be doomed to a dying world. I suggest a complete overhaul of the energy sources used by the American people. We must replace generators with photovoltaic solar panels or wind turbines. We must replace furnaces with wood stoves and other zero carbon footprint heating plans. We must replace our cars with hybrids or other alternative fuel vehicles. America, we must change our ways.

Yes, this project will be expensive, but if we can afford to continue dumping absurd sums of money into the Iraq war, all that money can be used constructively, not destructively. Your old furnace or generator can be sold and recycled, disassembled, and used in innovative, “green” ways. All industries are capable of recycling. Change is possible. Your children need it.

Dinoman

By Drew Cooper and Garrett Linck, Grade 8

"Dinoman" came to Hinesburg Community School on October 31, to put on a show regarding the history of the prehistoric era.

The entire student body was engaged in his performance, especially the younger students. His facts about the ancient reptiles were riddled with humor, engaging the kindergarteners as well as the 8th graders. Not only were there facts about fossils and dinosaurs, but this performance also contained some unexpected surprises such as Brittany Spears jokes and a flaming book that startled and delighted some of the elementary students.

Dinoman did a great job of involving the audience with a chant, even if the older students weren’t as involved. He managed to get most of the school yelling “Boom laga laga laga! Boom laga laga laga!”

For more of a factual side to the presentation, Dinoman also brought in fossils dating back as far as two million years ago. The fossils included crystallized sap called amber and fossilized dinosaur droppings.

To top it all off he also brought in three inflatable dinosaurs that almost touched the roof of the school gymnasium! The entire school couldn’t resist staring up in awe at these towering figures even if they weren’t real. Dinoman gave a great presentation to HCS and ended the day on a high note for students and faculty alike.

I’m Falling From the Sky

By Skye Golann, Grade 6

I’m falling from the sky,
Clouds rushing all around,
The sun flashing in my large blue eyes,
The wind rushing by me as if I am flying 100 miles an hour,
I’m falling from the sky,
But I don’t even know why.
Airplanes circle overhead,
Their white wings obscuring anything else,
I see great thunderheads on the horizon,
I know a storm is coming but I don’t care,
The world is like a great mass of green below me
I’m falling from the sky,
But I don’t even know why.
I can’t help but wonder when I’ll be home,
The ground is far away but I’m going fast,
My shirt fills up with falling air as I plummet down,
My eyes are watering from the speed of dropping toward earth like a boulder,
I wonder why I am here,
Did I fall from a plane?
Or was I pushed?
I’m falling from the sky,
But I don’t even know why.
As I fall I can start to see the great expanse of land below with more clarity,
I can see a great turquoise ocean below me,
And to the east I see rolling hills and red barns,
And tiny little dots moving like ants in sand,
The lake surface is fast approaching
But I’m not scared,
I’m falling from the sky,
But I don’t even know why.
The sea is only feet from me now,
I know I will land with no trouble in the silvery water,
With a splash as big as a three-story building I hit the water,
And just like that I had gone down into its depths only to rise up again,
I surface and start swimming to the rocky shore,
I fell from the sky
But I don’t even know why!

To contact the students about their work in these pages ...

please email the Viking Voice Coordinator, Jen Bradford, at jbradford@hcsvt.org.

Dino Attack!

By Josh Reynolds, Camden Willsey, and Jonny Daggett, Grade 4

One day a boy named George and his brother Fred were playing with their toy plastic dinosaurs. Their dad was in the army and had recently brought home a bucket of nuclear waste. George had just remembered he had forgotten his favorite dino in his room. He rushed up the stairs but tripped on the last one. There was no balcony on the top floor so you could walk right off the edge.

When George tripped on the last step he hit the side of his dad’s bucket of nuclear waste and the bucket toppled over the edge. When the nuclear waste hit the toys they began to grow and expand. Fred screamed and ran away. The dinosaurs grew through the roof fast and they stormed through the town. George’s dad saw the destruction and called the army. Almost instantly five tanks, five helicopters, and 30 elite troops appeared. A pterodactyl swooped at the helicopters dismantling them all and sending them flying away.

Fred appeared in the middle of all the battles. He was holding an electric battery. The tyrannosaurus king of all dinos appeared in front of Fred. Fred could barely move but he managed to throw the battery into the king’s mouth. The electricity from the battery interacted with the nuclear chemicals and all the dinos disintegrated into dust.

Fall

By Autumn Dubois, Grade 8

The sun shines
the wind blows
the trees are beautiful colors
leaves everywhere

Swosh
Swosh

Children are playing
people are running
the wind blows through your hair
the best thing is fall is everywhere

Fall

By Harley Marshall, Grade 8

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kids having fun
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Chittenden South Supervisory Union Child Find

By Wendy Clark

The **Chittenden South Supervisory Union** is interested in locating preschool age children (birth to 5 years) who live in the towns of Charlotte, Hinesburg, Shelburne, St. George and Williston, who show a developmental delay in the areas of speech/language, social adjustment, adaptive behavior, self-care, gross/fine motor coordination, and cognitive development.

If you know of such a child between the ages of birth and 3 years, please contact Melissa Hendrickson at the Chittenden South Supervisory Union at 383-1234; for such children between 3 to 5 years old, please contact the Early Educator at the elementary school in the town where the child resides; and for children who live in St. George, please call the Allen Brook School in Williston.

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The **Chittenden South Supervisory Union** is interested in locating all school age children/adolescents with disabilities living in the towns of Charlotte, Hinesburg, Shelburne, St. George and Williston, who are not currently attending school, are attending a private school by parent choice or are being home-schooled. If you know of such a child/adolescent, please call Fran Williams, Director of Student Support Services at Chittenden South Supervisory Union at 383-1234.

Welcome to Annette's Playschool!

The Four and Five Year Old Room

By Maria Boivin

I am proud to be the head teacher for the four to five year old room at Annette's Playschool here in Hinesburg. Every month we will be featuring a classroom article to help share our world with the Hinesburg community. It is my pleasure to inform you about the four to five year olds I work with everyday. Let me share the highlights of the month of September.

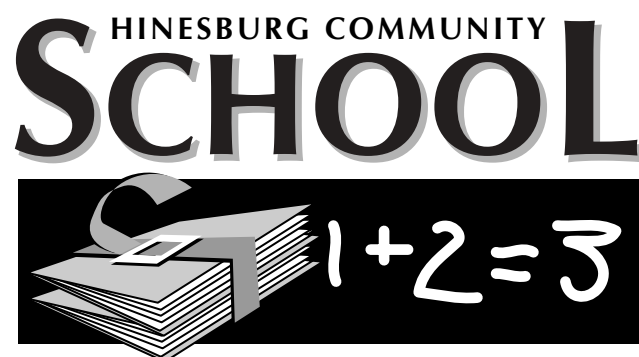
We started the school year in September by doing a different theme each week. For the month of September we focused on "All about Me", "Citizenship", and "Apples."

During our "All about Me" week, I spent time with the children doing projects that involved individual characteristics as well as teaming up to find similarities with each other such as hair color and eye color. We completed body tracings and went into depth of how our bodies grow and work, concentrating on muscles and the bones in the skeletal system as well as basic facial features and our five senses.

In our "Citizenship" week we sat together in one of our many circles and compiled a list of rules we have in the classroom to keep ourselves and others safe. All added something to this brainstorm and I was amazed at the compassion my friends showed for each other. We discussed how this applies to our greater community and the rules we all follow to keep everyone safe. We focused on team building games and on showing empathy.

Finally we finished up the last two weeks of September with the theme of "Apples." This included baking projects, tasting the varieties of apples, and learning about the parts of the apple including the star chamber found inside with the pips (seeds). We did many art projects using apples. We attended a field trip to Chapin's Apple Orchard in Essex.

We had an enriching month of September and continue to have great learning and enjoyable experiences in the 4/5 room of Annette's Playschool.



Compiled by Jen Bradford

Young Mathematicians Hard at Work

By Nancy Pollack, Math Coordinator

On Tuesday, October 21, the Hinesburg Community School cafeteria was once again full of three- to five-year-olds busily working with Mathematics. These mathematicians were participating in the eighth "Family Math Playtime." This program was developed for parents and their children to learn about activities which can easily be replicated at home to promote mathematical concepts and understanding.



Nearly 30 families enjoyed the food and fun which add up to HCS's popular Family Math Playtime events. PHOTO COURTESY OF NANCY POLLACK



The event was truly one of food, fun and learning. Following a pizza dinner, 29 families (85 parents and children) had the opportunity to work with any of the 38 activities and "Make and Take" stations. These activities were designed to help create a foundation for future success in mathematics. Parents and guardians learned about mathematical language and discovered activities which can help their children meet the Early Learning Standards in all four strands of Mathematics. The adults also learned ways to maximize everyday opportunities to build mathematical sense-making using simple materials from home. Raffle prizes included goody bags filled with great math items to use at home. Everyone who attended was given a resource book filled with directions to recreate the activities at home, literature supports for mathematics, and more. The cafeteria was abuzz with laughter, the noise of dice, counting voices and cheer.

This spring, on March 26, 2009, Hinesburg Community School is excited to be hosting a similar event with a focus on literacy for three- to five-year-olds. For more information about this spring time event, you may contact Betsy Knox, HCS Literacy Coordinator, at 482-2106.

Host Family Wanted!

By Pat O'Brien

Hinesburg Community School has a wonderful opportunity to host a visiting teacher from China! Hinesburg students would benefit from learning about China and its fascinating culture as well as have an opportunity to learn Chinese, etc.

In order to make this a reality we need to find a Hinesburg family or families who would be willing to open up their homes and provide a bedroom and meals for several months beginning in January.

The visiting Chinese teacher could ride the bus to and from school each day and would receive a free lunch at school. If you are interested or know of anyone who would welcome this opportunity, please have them call the school at 482-2106 and ask to speak with Pat O'Brien as soon as possible.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the host family as well, to learn about another culture and quite possibly learn some Chinese! All teachers are brought to the U.S. through the Asian Studies Outreach Program at the University of Vermont. Please spread the word! This would be such a wonderful experience for our Hinesburg children!

The School Yard Is Here

Students in Mr. Lasher's class are publishing a monthly newspaper on-line with news related to Hinesburg Community School. All stories, pictures and cartoons are student produced and the paper is edited by Allison Henson and Skye Golann, our two lead editors.

Please check out the paper on-line and tell us what you think! The easiest way to link to the paper is to go to <http://www.hcsvt.org/Teams/teams.htm> Click on Mr. Lasher's class website and then the link underneath the sailboat, titled: The School Yard. Happy reading and please check back each month!

Fifth and Sixth Grade Classes Participate In Town Hall Discussion

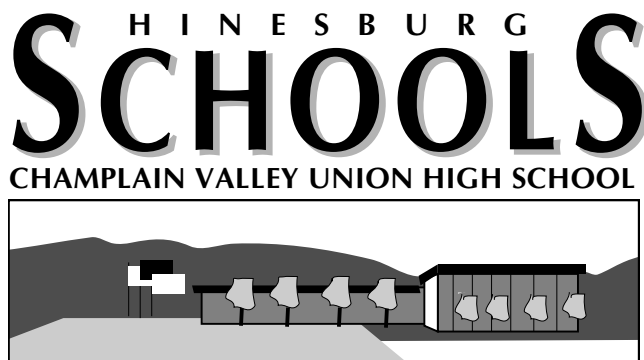
Students in grades 5 and 6 participated in a town hall style discussion with candidates for the Vermont House of Representatives. Mr. Lasher arranged for Bill Lippert, Matt Galloway and Scott Orr to come to Hinesburg Community School and answer questions from the students. Each candidate was given three minutes to respond to each question.

The students brainstormed questions in their homerooms and student council representatives asked the three candidates the questions during the assembly.

Students asked about issues facing Vermonters, why candidates were interested in the position and about getting more bike paths in Hinesburg. All three candidates were respectful to one another and the students.

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CVU Receives Grant

By Jim Clapp

The CVU Life Program is pleased to announce that it has received a grant from the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance program to support CVU's alternative education program. Mitch Mason of the Hinesburg Short Stop worked with the Life Program teachers Helen MacAndrews and Jim Clapp to secure the grant which is one of 4,000 available to schools across the country served by Exxon or Mobil stations. Funded by the Exxon Mobil Corporation, the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance program is designed to provide Mobil retailers like the Hinesburg Short Stop with an opportunity to invest in the future of their community through educational grants to neighborhood schools.

"The Life Program works hard to make learning fun and interesting," said Mitch Mason. "As a Mobil retailer, I am proud to help the young people of Hinesburg."

The Life Program intends on using this grant to support students who are interested in furthering their education beyond the Life Program. Students interested in taking college level classes or CVU ACCESS classes can receive support for enrollment fees and books or supplies. This grant will allow several students to pursue classes of interest outside of their regular education program.



CVU Life Program teachers Jim Clapp and Helen MacAndrews accept a grant from Hinesburg Short Stop manager Mitch Mason

Students Make Tech Honor Roll

The Burlington Technical Center recently announced its First Quarter Honor Roll.

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

Kiley Bourdeau, Criminal Justice I
Carolyn Dube, Medical and Sports Sciences Honors II
Dana Girouard, Auto Body Repair II

CVU Nordic Ski Team Silent Auction

By MacKenzie MacHarg

The air is turning colder and that can only mean one thing; it's time for the annual Nordic Ski Team Silent Auction! Ski team members are busy preparing for their annual silent auction which coincides with parent teacher conferences at the high school; November 24 and 25. The registration table and auction items will be set up in the "four corners" area of the school from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Student athletes are busy collecting donations from area businesses and hope to have an assortment of quality items including sporting equipment, restaurant gift certificates, clothing, chocolate, jewelry, and hand crafted items. Not only is this a great way to support the team, but also a great way to get ahead on your holiday shopping!

All proceeds will be used for the team wax/equipment budget - expensive items for a team of over 50 student athletes! Hope to see you there.

Contact coach Sarah Strack for more information at sstrack@cvuhs.org, or at office 167

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Hinesburg Historical Society News

Come to the Third Annual Hinesburg History Museum!

The Hinesburg Historical Society and the Hinesburg Community School are sponsoring a History Museum for one day – **January 31** – for the third year, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come to the HCS cafeteria and see Hinesburg artifacts from throughout the years of our town’s history - photographs, items made in Hinesburg businesses of yesteryear, publications and items of entertainment - something for all. Admission is FREE! Mark your calendar now. This is a “don’t miss” event!

At 1:00 p.m. there will be a presentation by John and Susan Roberts on “Forensic Photo Research.” Learn how researching old photographs is like solving a hard puzzle, except that someone else appreciates it.

If you have artifacts to lend to this exhibit or would like more information, call Ann at 482-3889 or Suzanne at 482-3045.



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Christmas in Hinesburg in the 1880s

**From Recollections of Leonard Carpenter,
1964 (at the Carpenter Carse Library)**

There were three churches in the village, the Congregational, Methodist and Baptist. They alternated in having the community Christmas tree.

The youngsters in the town, a month or so before Christmas, began to improve their manners, were more polite and helpful, and did errands and chores more cheerfully. They were looking forward to the coming of Santa Claus and the Christmas tree in the church. In the meantime Grandmas were busy knitting socks, mittens, tippets (now mufflers) and toques to place on the tree.

Home-made sleds were made, to which the village blacksmith attached iron runners, usually free of charge. Barrel-stave skis were made at home, also toboggans. Jumpers were made by fastening a seat to a wooden runner somewhat like a present day ski. On warm days the sun melted the snow, which froze over at night making a crust that would hold up anyone wishing for a ride on the hillsides the next morning. For this activity boys wore leggings made of thick heavy cloth extending up to their knees; feet were enclosed in rubbers.

At the church, lighted with kerosene lamps, a tree reaching to the ceiling was set up and trimmed. While wax candles were used on the tree there were no fires of any consequence. Tinsel was made by stringing popcorn; also popcorn balls were made for decorations.

Presents for young and old were marked and brought to the church. Children, while anxious to hear their own names called, were helpful in delivering presents to their elders when their names were called out.

After the Christmas festivities were over the youngsters seemed to carry on for a while their good manners and helpfulness, patiently waiting for the next Christmas tree in the church.

*Courtesy of the Hinesburg Historical Society
(www.hinesburghistoricalsociety.org)*

Organizations

Get into the Holiday Spirit: Become a Fresh Air Host Family

This November, many families in the Burlington area are thankful for something special: the gift of their friendship with a New York City child. Through The Fresh Air Fund’s Friendly Town program, local families open their hearts and homes to inner-city children as volunteer hosts for up to two weeks during the summer. By volunteering as a host family for summer 2009, the spirit of Thanksgiving can continue in your home throughout the year. One child recounts the activities she tried in Friendly Town during her visit. “I went horseback riding for the first time even though I was scared. Now I love it, like swimming in a lake!”

Since 1877, The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit agency, has provided free summer vacations to more than 1.7 million New York City children from low-income communities. Nearly 10,000 New York City children enjoy free Fresh Air Fund programs annually. In 2008, close to 5,000 children visited volunteer host families in suburbs and small town communities across 13 states from Virginia to Maine and into Canada.

Additionally, 3,000 children attended five Fund camps on a 2,300-acre site in Fishkill, New York. The Fund’s year-round camping program serves 2,000 young people each year.

For more information on hosting a Fresh Air child next

summer, please contact Karen Allen at 802-372-5324 or The Fresh Air Fund at (800) 367-0003. You can also visit The Fund’s Web site at www.freshair.org

You Never Know What They Will Do When They Leave Town

Red Hatters Shake Up Montpelier

Some members of the Hinesburg Redneck Red Hatters attended the state of Vermont Red Hat Convention in Montpelier on October 11. There was a very impressive parade of red and purple in front of the state Capital building. Skits, karaoke, an incredible meal, and that good ole rock n’ roll dancing filled the afternoon and evening at the Plaza Hotel. Morning leaf peepers were, shall we say, a bit surprised when our Hinesburg ladies came to a brunch in their pajamas. You are never too old to have fun and those Hinesburg Redneck Red Hatters seem to find it wherever they go!



Red Hatter Barrie Anderson at the convention

Cub Scout News

**by Daniel Ashe, Hunter Billen,
and Jordan Ayer, Den 2**

The Hinesburg Cub Scout Pack 691 would like to thank the Hinesburg residents who supported our popcorn sales efforts this year. The Pack sold over \$16,000 worth of scout popcorn! The sale of popcorn allows our pack to purchase supplies and participate in many events.

The Webelos II members recently joined the Boy Scouts in preparing a dinner of Sheppard’s pie for the Salvation Army. Members peeled potatoes, cut onions and learned about what it takes to put together a large meal.

At the beginning of October, the Webelos II and the Boy Scouts attended the Vermont Scout Jubilee at Plymouth State Park. This three day state-wide event celebrated the 100th Anniversary of Scouting in Vermont. Governor Jim Douglas attended the event and helped the scouts celebrate this milestone. Scouts worked towards collecting trading cards, cooked a “trash can” turkey, and spent the nights camping in the chilly Vermont fall weather.

The Cub Scouts’ Halloween festival was held at the Osbourne Parish Hall where scouts bobbed for apples, decorated pumpkins, and received awards for their recent accomplishments. It has been another wonderful year of scouting in Hinesburg!

Health News

Health Department Encourages Vermonters to Get Vaccinated

The Vermont Department of Health is advising people to get their flu shot. Vaccine is expected to be widely available this year at public clinics and with health care providers.

“Flu vaccine can be given throughout the winter, but it’s easier to find clinics in the fall, so people should get a flu shot now,” said Health Commissioner Wendy Davis, MD. “Each year we urge Vermonters to get vaccinated, especially the very young, the very old and people with chronic health conditions. It’s the single best way to prevent getting the flu.”

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In addition to being vaccinated against the flu, taking the following simple precautions can help keep illness from spreading:

- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue and then throw it away.
- Wash your hands often, especially after you cough or sneeze.
- Use alcohol-based hand wipes and gel sanitizers if soap and water are not available.
- Stay home from work or school if you are sick.

Every flu season five to 20 percent of the population get the flu. Flu symptoms include fever, body aches, tiredness, headache, dry cough and fever. While most people recover in a week or two, more than 36,000 people in the U.S. die each year from complications of the flu and 200,000 are hospitalized.

The Vermont Department of Health provides influenza vaccine to health care providers to immunize children six months through 18 years old. Seasonal flu shots are also given at public clinics, by Home Health Agencies, the Visiting Nurse Association, and in grocery stores and pharmacies throughout the state.

To find an adult flu shot clinic in your area visit: healthvermont.gov, then select the flu clinic schedule.

Health Department Warns of Recalled Chocolate Gold Coins

The Vermont Department of Health is advising anyone who may have purchased Sherwood Brands Pirate's Gold Milk Chocolate Coins, recalled in October by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), not to eat or distribute the coins. The candy, widely distributed in Canada, according to the CFIA, was recalled because it may contain melamine, a harmful chemical. No illnesses related to the candy have been reported in Canada or the United States.

"Although the CFIA advisory indicates that the health risk associated with this product is considered to be low, we

wanted to warn Vermonters who may have purchased the chocolate coins in Canada to check the brand and make sure it is not the product that was recalled," said Health Commissioner Wendy Davis, MD.

Anyone with questions about this are asked to call the Vermont Department of Health at (802) 863-7240 or 1 (800) 640-4374 (in Vermont).

ALS Walk is a Success

The Vermont Walk committee of the ALS Association Northern New England Chapter would like to thank the Vermont community for their generous support. Over 250 registered walkers raised \$51,000 for ALS research, advocacy and patient services during the Walk to Defeat ALS held at Dorset Street Park in South Burlington, September 28.

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ARTS ENTERTAINMENT

Hinesburg Fall Festival Thank You!

By Sally Reiss

This year's fall festival by all accounts was again a great success! "Thank You!" goes to the many talented people that made it possible! The contra dance was such fun and quite a workout. The farmer's market always sets the stage for this community oriented event. Farmers, bakers and crafts persons offered a wonderful opportunity to "buy local". Many kids took full advantage of the kid's activity area.

Town Hall enjoyed its transformation into an Art Gallery and was home to 18 exhibiting Hinesburg artists. We were entertained throughout the day and night by many wonderful musicians. The Hinesburg Historical Society offered some very interesting information about our wonderful town. The Hinesburg Business and Professional Persons organization had a nice display showcasing the many businesses and services offered by Hinesburg residents.

The harvest dinner was delicious and made so by the many individuals that shared their gastronomic talents with us. The attendance was good and we were fortunate again to have lovely weather. The day was filled with fun and was a wonderful opportunity to see friends and neighbors. The event relies on volunteers and we were so fortunate to have so many people willing to contribute their talents and efforts.

The Hinesburg Historical Society wrapped up the festival with a fashion show and tea at St. Jude church on Sunday afternoon. Clothes from the 1920's through the 1980's were expertly modeled by local girls and women, and additional dresses from as far back as the 1880's loaned for the occasion



Miriam Adams greets visitors at the Art Show

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were displayed around the room.

We are looking forward to our "fourth annual fall festival" next September and hope that those involved with it this year will again want to participate and that additional people from our community will join us in planning and promoting the event. Hinesburg is truly a wonderful place to live. Thank you again to all who participated!

It's Magic!

Vermont's Production of The Nutcracker

Magic and merriment await with the fourth season of Vermont Ballet Theater's production of The Nutcracker ballet. Performing to nearly sold-out audiences last year you won't want to miss Vermont's new Christmas tradition, quickly becoming an annual favorite for families and theatre goers of all ages.

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company director Alexander Nagiba and performed by VBT's talented dancers and ensemble cast. Watch in awe as Herr Drosselmeyer magically transforms the miniature to larger-than-life, orchestrates a battle between toy soldiers and mice and coaxes snowflakes to dance while casting an enchanted spell over the story. Follow as he escorts Clara and the Nutcracker Prince to the Land of Sweets where they meet a variety of characters; amusing, charming, sparkling, and glamorous.

This all local, professional production has it all; beautiful sets and costumes, charming children, dancing dolls, mystifying magic, mischievous mice and graceful ballerinas. Audiences will be enchanted by the extravaganza, a must see event for years to come.

This year the artistic masterpiece will be performed on December 6 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Dibden Center for the Arts in Johnson. For tickets call (802) 635-1476.

On Christmas week-end, December 20 it will be performed at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00pm and December 21 at 1:00 p.m. at the Flynn Center for the Performing Arts in Burlington. For tickets call 802-86Flynn or www.flynncenter.org.

For more information on the Vermont Ballet Theater visit www.vermontballettheater.org.

Mingle with the Magic


The Sugarplum Fairy is hosting a Nutcracker Tea following the matinees at the Flynn Center for Performing Arts on Saturday December 20 at 4:30 p.m. and Sunday 21 at 3:30 p.m. Take home a colorful photo of you and the Sugarplum Fairy along with special Nutcracker mementoes. Meet your favorite Nutcracker characters too! Make the magic last forever while supporting Vermont's Own Nutcracker!

Tickets are \$25/Adults and \$15/Children under 12. Call 878-2941 or visit www.vermontballetthater.org for reservations. Seating is limited so make your reservations now.



Evan Reiss and Lyndsey Harris of the Family Cow Farm Stand bring one of their calves to the festival.

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Hunting News

Vermont's Youth Hunting Essay Contest

The Vermont Big Game Trophy Club and the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department are seeking submissions for the second annual Youth Hunting Memories Contest. Bagged game is not a requirement. A photo isn't even a requirement. However, a short essay describing the young hunter's time in the field is. Each youth must submit an essay on why hunting is important to them and must include a story of one of their hunting experiences. Criteria that will be judged include: ethics, landowner relations, appreciation of wildlife, respect for our hunting heritage and family values. Entrants are encouraged to send us their hunting photos along with their story.

The top entry from each Vermont County will win a special prize from the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department. Agency of Natural Resources Secretary George Crombie, and Fish and Wildlife Commissioner Wayne Laroche will assist members of the Vermont Big Game Trophy Club, 4-H Shooting Sports and department staff with selecting the winners. Winners will be announced at the 2009 Yankee Sportsman Classic Show this January.

In addition, the top five entries will be compete for an "Archery Only" hunt for two, parent and child (or mentor and child), at Antelope Outfitters in Torrington, Wyoming. The runner-up will receive a two-day hare hunt at Pine Grove Lodge in Pleasant Ridge, Maine. Hunt winners will be responsible for travel expenses and license and tag fees. Hunt winners must have successfully passed a hunter education course and the archery winner must be able to draw a 35 lb. bow.

Antelope Outfitters will select the Archery hunt winners. The hunt winners will be announced at the Vermont Big Game Trophy Club Awards Banquet on April 4, 2009.

The Vermont Big Game Trophy Club is committed to the conservation of Vermont's Big Game and the preservation of our hunting heritage. This is being accomplished through partnerships with various conservation groups and by providing scholarships to Vermont youths who wish to attend the Green Mountain Conservation Camp administered by the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department. For more information, visit: <http://vermontbiggametrophyclub.com>.

Photographs of young hunters should be sharp and any game should be displayed in a tasteful manner. Submissions will not be returned. The Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department and Vermont Big Game Trophy Club reserve the right to publish photos and essays and to omit submissions that might be offensive due to excessive amounts of blood or damage to the animal being photographed. Submissions must include: hunter's first and last name; address; age; telephone number and location of hunt.

The contest is open to youth aged 16 and younger, and submissions must be received by December 19 by 4:30 p.m.

Email submissions to Ann.Shangraw@state.vt.us or mail to:

2008 Youth Hunting Memories Contest
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Hunters Reminded of Rules on Importing Deer and Elk

Hunters traveling outside Vermont to hunt deer or elk need to keep in mind the regulation designed to protect Vermont's wild deer from chronic wasting disease, according to a reminder from the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department. Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a disease of the brain and nervous system in deer and elk. It produces lesions that cause death in deer and elk.

It is illegal to import or possess deer or elk, or parts of deer or elk, from states and Canadian provinces that have had chronic wasting disease, or from captive hunt or farm facilities with the following exceptions:

- Meat that is cut up, packaged and labeled with hunting license information and not mixed with other deer or elk during processing
- Meat that is boneless
- Hides or capes with no part of the head attached
- Clean skull-cap with antlers attached
- Antlers with no other meat or tissue attached
- Finished taxidermy heads
- Upper canine teeth with no tissue attached

Vermont's CWD importation regulations apply to hunters bringing in deer or elk carcasses from the following states and provinces: Michigan, New York, West Virginia, Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, South Dakota, Utah, New Mexico, Wisconsin, Illinois, Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Montana, Saskatchewan, and Alberta.

A fine of up to \$1,000 and loss of hunting and fishing licenses for one year are applicable for each deer or elk imported illegally. For the latest information on CWD, check these websites: www.vtfishandwildlife.com, www.iafwa.org and www.cwd-info.org.

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emergency loans from USDA to help cover their losses."

According to Smith, all counties were designated natural disaster areas on October. 22, making all qualified farm operators eligible for low interest emergency (EM) loans from USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA), provided eligibility requirements are met. Farmers have eight months from the date of the declaration to apply for loans to help cover part of their actual losses. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability. FSA has a variety of programs, in addition to the EM loan program, to help eligible farmers recover from adversity.

USDA has also made other programs available to assist farmers and ranchers, including the Emergency Conservation Program, Federal Crop Insurance and the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program. Interested farmers may contact their local USDA Service Centers for further information on eligibility requirements and application procedures for these and other programs. Additional information is also available online at: <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>.

CCV Receives Grant for High School Programs

The Community College of Vermont (CCV) has received a \$50,000 grant for the expansion of its Introduction to College Studies program, which creates a pathway to college for high school students. The grant was funded by the J. Warren and Lois McClure Foundation, a supporting contributor to the Vermont Community Foundation.

Introduction to College Studies (ICS) is a tuition-free course designed for high school juniors and seniors, which covers a variety of college-related topics, including the application process, test-taking and study skills, and financial aid resources. The 13-week Introduction to College Studies course is offered every fall and spring at all 12 CCV locations throughout the state. Each year, over 800 high school students complete the ICS course. Students who successfully complete the course become eligible to apply for vouchers for two additional tuition-free college courses at any of the Vermont State Colleges or the University of Vermont.

The grant from the J. Warren and Lois McClure Foundation will support increased ICS course offerings at CCV statewide, and it will also provide transportation funds to the program from the first time. For more information on ICS, visit the College's website at www.ccv.edu or call the local CCV office.

Girls on the Run Vermont Celebrates Ten Years

Girls on the Run Vermont is celebrating its tenth anniversary in spring 2009 by expanding to a total roster of 100 new and existing sites statewide. Applications will be accepted through November 15 for both new locations and new coaches. Statewide sponsorship is once again being provided by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont.

Girls on the Run is the umbrella organization for two experiential learning programs - Girls on the Run, for grades three through five, and Girls on Track, for grades six through eight. The programs are offered nationwide and incorporate training for a 3.1-mile run/walk into self-esteem-enhancing, uplifting workouts. Throughout, Girls on the Run encourages positive emotional, social and physical development, together with the recognition that each girl is part of a larger community. In 2008 some 1,600 girls around the state took part in the program.

Nancy Heydinger, executive director of Girls on the Run Vermont, explains: "When young girls are put in a comfortable environment, one where they feel safe and encouraged, they thrive. This is what I see over and over in our participants. The girls start to spread their wings when they take those first running steps. They see themselves succeed, by their own standards, and see themselves in a new light. Self-confidence drives so many other changes. A girl who believes in herself becomes more outgoing and more willing to take healthy risks." In fact, an impact evaluation study determined that the Girls on the Run curriculum positively affects participants' self-esteem, body size satisfaction and physical activity behaviors.

Coaches may be school staff members, teachers, nurses, guidance counselors, principals and paraprofessionals, as well as parents and community members. Individuals who are interested in becoming coaches for the spring 2009 season are welcome to join an existing site or establish a new one. For information, please visit the Girls on the Run Vermont website, www.girlsontherunvermont.org, or call (802) 246-1476 before November 15. New and returning coaches' training information is also posted on the website.

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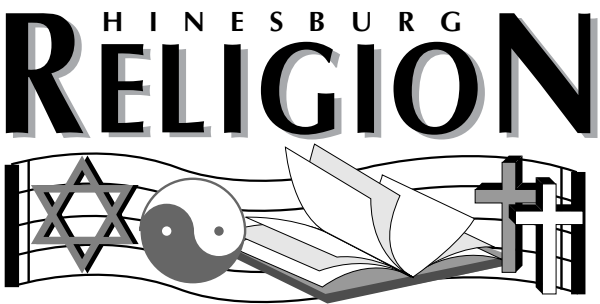
Saputo Planning

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collaboratively with Saputo and our regional and statewide economic development partners to evaluate and attract future uses and redevelopment of the site. It's still very early in this process, but a frequent question posed by our partners is, "What does the community want to see on this site?" Lots of ideas are being discussed, and I would like to get your feedback as possibilities and proposals are formalized. However, before all this takes shape, I'm very interested to hear preliminary ideas and comments from community members. Please contact me (preferably via e-mail at hinesburgplanning@gmavt.net) with your suggestions, comments, hopes and ideas for uses that you think would help build a stronger Hinesburg.

Some background information: The Saputo site sits in the heart of the Hinesburg village area. The site has been used for dairy processing of one form or another for over 100 years. During the height of Saputo's production, they processed nearly one million pounds of milk per day. Prior to the plant closure, they were one of Hinesburg's largest employers along with CVU High School, Hinesburg Community School, NRG, etc. The facility is approximately 94,000 square feet (including the 12,000 square foot storage area that burned) and sits on a parcel of about 15.4 acres. About ten acres of this is zoned industrial (where facility is located), and about five acres is zoned mixed-use "village" (contains some parking and undeveloped land). They have their own wastewater treatment facility that essentially does pre-treatment before discharging into the Town's wastewater treatment facility. Saputo has a wastewater allocation for 127,500 gallons per day, which is just over 50% of the total treatment capacity at the Town's wastewater facility.

Saputo is currently in the process of removing equipment from the facility for use at their other facilities around the world. Most if not all of the cheese making equipment (including the milk storage silos) will be removed. Saputo expects this process will take several months, and once complete, they intend to put the property up for sale. They do not want to sell the facility to a potential competitor, so it is unlikely that we'll see another major cheese production facility in the short term. With that said, the large size of the facility and the very substantial wastewater treatment allocation means this property has potential for other types of manufacturing – dairy or otherwise. However, the size of the property and the building also makes the site very attractive to redevelopment for multiple small to mid-size businesses.



United Church of Hinesburg

Pastor: Reverend Bill Neil
Church Phone: 482-3352
Church Email: unitedchurch@gmavt.net
Parsonage Phone: 482-2284
Parsonage E-mail: billandfaithneil@gmavt.net
Website: www.TroyConference.org/unitedchurchofhinesburg
Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.
Choir Practice: 9:15 a.m. Sunday mornings
Sunday School: Sunday experience for children following the children's time.
Food Shelf: Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. (use back entrance).
WIC Clinic: First Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Osborne Parish House.
Senior Meal Site: Every Friday (except first week of each month) from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Osborne Parish House.
AA Gratitude Group: Every Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Pageant at 10 a.m. on Sunday, December 21, 2008
Christmas Eve Family Service at 6 pm on Wednesday, December 24, 2008
Christmas Eve Holy Communion at 10 p.m. on Wednesday, December 24, 2008

Community Alliance Church

Pastor: Scott Mansfield
Elders: Mike Breer, Rolly Delfausse, Jeff Glover, David Russell, (add) Aaron Stief.
Phone: 482-2132
Web: www.hinesburgcma.org
Address: 190 Pond Road, Hinesburg (overlooking CVU High School)
Sunday Services:
9:30 – 11:30a.m..... Worship, (divided into two portions) (Nursery and Children's church provided)
6:00 – 8:00p.m.....Middle School & High School Youth Group
Weekday Ministries:
Small groups are throughout the week including women's groups, men's groups and life groups. For more information on any of the ministries, please contact, Jeff & Monica Glover— 872-8685
AWANA (Pre-K-6th grade): Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m.
Small Groups: Various times and days throughout the week.
For more information on any of the ministries, please contact the church.

Community Alliance Church to Serve Free Lunches

A Community Soup Luncheon comprised of breads, and hearty homemade soups and chowders will be held at the Hinesburg Community School the third Saturday of each month from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. through April 2009 This community outreach event is open to the public in Hinesburg and surrounding towns and will be sponsored by Friends of Community Alliance Church. This is a free event with donations accepted to benefit local food shelves and humane societies. The dates and the organizations benefiting are:
December 20—Bristol Food Shelf
January 17—Addison Humane Society
February 21—Chittenden Humane Society
March 21—TBD
April 18—TBD
Enjoy great soup and conversation with your friends and neighbors.
For those wishing to attend and needing a ride, please call 349-5183.

Lighthouse Baptist Church

Pastor: Reverend Ed Hart
Church Phone: 482-2588
Home Phone: 482-2588
E-mail: lighthousevt@netscape.net
Web Site: www.LBCvt.homestead.com
Location: Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road



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

Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

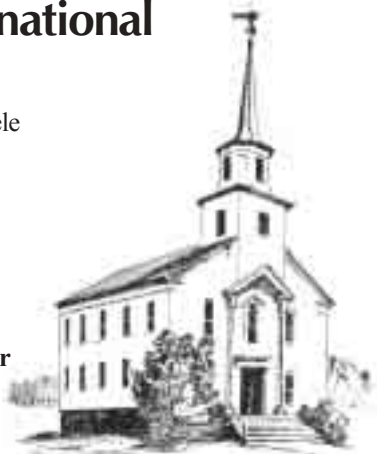
Pastor: Reverend David Cray, SSE
Pastor's Residence: 425-2253, email dcse@aol.com
Mailing Address: 2894 Spear Street/P. O. Box 158,
Charlotte, VT 05445
Hinesburg Rectory: 482-2290, St.Jude@gmavt.net, P. O.
Box 69, Hinesburg 05461, 10759 Route 116
Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursdays, 8:00 a.m. to noon.
Parish Pastoral Assistant: Gary Payea, cell 373-8037
Parish Secretary: Marie Cookson, 434-4782, Rectory, 482-
2290, marietcookson@aol.com
Parish Bookkeeper: Rose Ann Lombard; 425-2824
Parish Council Chair: Jerry Wetzel, 482-2057
Finance Council Chair: Joe Cioffi; 482-2251
Confirmation Coordinators: Dan & Roxanne Smith, 453-3522
Religious Education Coordinator: Marie Cookson,
434-4782
Religious Education:
Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Classes
begin Monday, September 8th for Kindergarten thru 8th
Grade. Registration is required. Please call Marie at 482-
2290 (Parish Office) or 434-4782 (home) for more
information.
Weekend Masses:
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
St. Jude Church, Hinesburg
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Charlotte
Weekday Masses:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:00 a.m.
St. Jude Church
Tuesday, Thursday: 5:15 p.m.
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church
Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Pastor for appointment
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. at St.
Jude Church and by appointment.
Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the Pastor at least six
months in advance
Communion at Home: Call Parish Office, 482-2290
AA Meetings: Every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady
of Mt. Carmel Church
Food Shelf: Parishioners are asked to be generous in
bringing canned and dried food for the needy.


Senior Lunches

St. Jude Parish will be offering Senior Lunches on
Wednesday, September 10th and Wednesday, September
24th from noon until 3:00 p.m. Food will be prepared by
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Please call in advance so we have plenty of food on hand.
Need a Ride: Hinesburg Rides will pick you up and
bring you home at no charge. Call by September 3rd and
September 17th to reserve a ride. Caretakers are welcome.
For reservations please call Ted Barrett at 453-3087 or
Marie Cookson at 482-2290 (Parish office) or 434-4782
(home).

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Pastor: Rev. Mary Abele
Phone: 985-3819
Mailing Address:
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4:
Fire and Rescue/Medical Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station.
Friends of CVU meeting, 7:00 p.m., Student Center. All welcome.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6:
December 6issue of The Hinesburg Record published.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7:
Pearl Harbor Day.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8:
CVU Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 106, CVU.
Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.
Village Steering Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall, Contact George Dameron, Chair. 482-3269.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9:
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.
Land Trust meeting, 7:30 p.m. Interested parties should call Ann Brush at 482-5656 or email annbrush@gmail.com.
Buy Local/Specialty Farming Task Force, 7:30 p.m., top floor of Town Hall. Contact Bill Schubart (bill@schubart.com 482-3287) or James Donegan.(doneganmaple@hotmail.com 482-3245).
Iroquois Snow Beavers meeting, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall, 3rd floor, (September-April).

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10:
HCS School Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., CVU, Room 101.
Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.
CSSU Board Meeting, 5:00 p.m., Room 104, CVU.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11:
Fire and Rescue/ Heavy Rescue Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13
Indoor market at the Hinesburg Town Hall on Saturday, December 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14:
Community Christmas Concert , St. Jude Church, 4:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15:
Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16
Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.
Business and Professional Association meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Papa Nick’s Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Tom Mathews at 496-8537 (tmathews@gmavt.net) for information or to make reservations.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17:
Hinesburg Trails Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Lower level or second floor of Town Hall, Frank Twarog, Chair.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18:
Fire and Rescue/Business meeting, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21:
Winter begins.
Hanukkah begins at sundown.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22:
CVU Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 106, CVU.
Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23:
Lion’s Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick’s Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24:
Christmas Eve.
Check alternative dates for Planning. Carpenter Carse Library, and Hinesburg Trail meetings;

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25:
Christmas Day.
Check alternate dates for Hinesburg Historical and Fire Department Training meetings.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31:
New Year’s Eve.
Advertising and News Deadline for January 24 issue of The Hinesburg Record.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1:
New Year’s Day.
Check alternate dates for Fire Department Training and Friends of CVU

MONDAY, JANUARY 5
Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.
Vermont Astronomical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., UVM Waterman Building, Room 413.
Lake Iroquois Recreation District meeting, 4:30 p.m., Williston Town Hall. Public invted.



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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6:
Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8:
Fire and Rescue/ Heavy Rescue Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station.

MONDAY, JANUARY 12:
CVU Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 106, CVU.
Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.
Village Steering Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall. Contact George Dameron, Chair. 482-3269.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13:
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.
Land Trust meeting, 7:30 p.m., Interested parties should call Ann Brush at 482-5656 or email annbrush@gmail.com.
Buy Local/Specialty Farming Task Force, 7:30 p.m., top floor of Town Hall. Contact Bill Schubart (bill@schubart.com 482-3287) or James Donegan (doneganmaple@hotmail.com 482-3245).
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 15:
Fire and Rescue/Business meeting, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19:
Martin Luther King. Jr. Day.
Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20:
Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.
Business and Professional Association meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Papa Nick’s Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Tom Mathews at 496-8537 (tmathews@gmavt.net) for information or to make reservations.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21:
Hinesburg Trails Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Lower level or second floor of Town Hall, Frank Twarog, Chair.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22:
Fire and Rescue Fire Training meeting, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station.
Hinesburg Historical Society meeting, 7:00 p.m., Ground floor meeting room, Town Hall. Public invited.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24:
January 24 issue of The Hinesburg Record published.

MONDAY, JANUARY 26:
CVU Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 106, CVU.
Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27:
Lion’s Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick’s Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28:
Advertising and News Deadline for February 21 issue of The Hinesburg Record.
Planning Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall.
Carpenter Carse Library Trustees meeting, 7:00 p.m., CC Library.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CALENDAR

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

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

Lister’s Office Hours: Mondays through Fridays, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619.

Hinesburg Recreation Director’s Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Leave a message anytime. Jennifer McCuin, Director. 482-4691, Town Hall, P. O. Box 13.

Hinesburg Trail Committee: Meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Frank Twarog, Chair.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hinesburg Community Resource Center, Inc. You may leave a message for Roberta Soll at 482-2878. Elly Coates (482-3460) is the contact for Friends of Families.

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

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

WEB PAGES:

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

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

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

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

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