

# The Hinesburg Record

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## Hinesburg Winter Carnival

By Heather Jacobs

The true Hinesburg spirit was in the air on Saturday, February 14, as Hinesburg Community School held the annual Winter Carnival. From enjoyable events to amazing entertainment, the carnival was a success and an enjoyable occasion for all ages: babies, toddlers, kids, teens, parents and even grandparents.

The events that took place were definitely the centerpiece of the occasion, starting off with a wonderful waffle breakfast. Citizens socialized over a delectable meal. After breakfast, a cozy, fun morning followed as families gathered in the gym, on the ice and on the fields for events.

Outside, the fun started on the ice where figure skating, hockey games, broomball and other fun activities were all offered with a warming hut set up for refreshments. There were smiles and joy when dog sled rides were offered down at the snow-covered fields.



Broomball was just one of several outdoor activities enjoyed by young and old alike. PHOTO BY PETE CAHN

Early afternoon, there was a dog show that presented talented tricks of local canines. A course was set up in the school cafeteria as well as chairs for an audience to watch the show. From Boston Terriers to Golden Retrievers to Black Labs, many kinds of dogs participated in the show and all did an outstanding job.



One of one of several obedience training demonstrations is enjoyed by the audience. PHOTO BY JANE SHELDON

The entertainment later continued into the school gym where rows of chairs were set to watch some awesome performances. Musical cheer began when Winner of the 2008 first night competition, singer songwriter Garrett Brown, age 14, performed at Hinesburg community school, and was fantastic. Thomas Keller, Garrett Linck, Albert Brown and Drew Cooper followed with a great performance as well.

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## Town Meeting: All Articles Approved

By Andrew Frost

On March 2, a snowy Monday night, over 100 residents came to the CVU auditorium to take part in one of our state's unique democratic processes - the town meeting. The tradition dating back 200 years enables all legal voters to take part and vote on the town budgets and voice their opinions on key issues.

The theme of this year's budget was one of austerity as the Selectboard presented a budget, which had no increase in the municipal tax rate and relied on our surplus fund to cover the increase in overall spending. By the end of the three-hour meeting residents had approved all articles by voice vote.

Residents, however, did voice their opinions often around the manner and need for any spending increases. Some of the highly discussed items included debate on the need for a 5% salary increase for employees, new police video cameras and cars, money for more conservation land and the need to buy a dump truck. Selectboard and

department heads presented rational and well thought out responses with specific examples and trends.

Additional highlighted articles which were approved:

**Article 2** - Elimination of the office of town auditor

**Article 16** - Removal of tax on business personal property.

**Article 17** - Request the state deny Vermont Yankee's license renewal in 2012

**Article 18** - Request the state require Entergy to fund the full cost of Vermont Yankee's plant decommissioning

Article's 17 and 18 highlighted the debate around clean energy versus the need to maintain a safe environment, especially for those living around the plant. Several speakers and residents spoke passionately about the costs of Vermont Yankee's plant, its aging infrastructure and the need for viable other renewable energy sources. Opinions as to whether its license should be renewed, both pro and con, were also expressed.



Jon Trefry



Missy Ross



Bill Lippert



Chris Morrell

## Federal "Stimulus Package" Update

By Rep. Bill Lippert

Vermont's legislature has adjourned for the two weeks following Town Meeting. We are taking an additional week away from Montpelier in order to allow the legislature's Joint Fiscal Office to work without interruption on deciphering the vast and complex American Recovery and Reinvestment Act—aka the 'stimulus package'- and what it means for Vermont. Every day brings further clarity about how Vermont will benefit from the federal stimulus money—which is good given that half the money must be obligated in 120 days after February 13, the day President Obama signed ARRA into law.

Vermont represents roughly 0.2% of the national population. As much of the money is being apportioned on a pro-rata basis, this means we'll be getting close to one billion dollars. The money will come in about 300 different funding streams – each of which will have its own specific requirements. It appears that the direct impact on the Vermont General Fund budget will be \$275-\$300 million, with another \$290 million for Project Funding (transportation, water, energy, broadband, sewer, health care IT and modernization), \$260 million for other State, Local, and Community Funding (schools, organizations, higher-education, research and business) and \$100 million to individuals (Pell grants, food stamps, supplement security income).

In addition to these direct funds, Vermonters will receive

about \$500 million in business and individual tax cuts. There are all sorts of tax credit provisions—for first time homebuyers, energy efficient improvements to homes, small wind projects, businesses which advance renewable energy production and which hire disadvantaged employees, and deductions for sales and excise tax on the purchase of new vehicles.

And there is a lot more. To access Vermont's figures, go to the legislative website: [www.leg.state.vt.us](http://www.leg.state.vt.us) and then go to the Joint Fiscal Office's link on the left hand side, or to JFO's direct site: <http://www.leg.state.vt.us/jfo/Federal%20Stimulus%2009.htm>, and you can try the Administration's website which is still in the works: <http://recovery.vermont.gov/>. In addition, the Joint Fiscal Office recommends looking at the following website: [www.pattonboggs.com](http://www.pattonboggs.com) which has a complete breakdown of what's in ARRA, the various criteria, who is eligible for what and how to access it.

We are lucky to be able to apply the ARRA money over three budget years. This gives Vermont a great deal of flexibility. About \$54 million of our stimulus dollars will be used in the budget adjustment to bridge the fiscal year 2009 budget chasm. The ARRA money is meant to help fiscally stabilize states. It enables us to not only save important programs such as VPharm, Reach Up/Ahead and Amtrak

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## More on CVU Auditorium Renovation

I read with interest the letter in the January 24 Record about the CVU Auditorium - full of enthusiasm and strong rationale for renovating the facility. I know several of the people signing the letter and respect and applaud their energy.

That said, I am not inclined to support any public funding for the renovation. Why? I believe that the broader community and the schools (all schools) need to join together as resources for the populace as a whole. The letter speaks eloquently of the needed renovations supporting safety and notes that the “auditorium should be the core ... of educational opportunities and program needs.”

I believe a facility of this nature should be the core of educational opportunities and program needs for the community as a whole. What are the performance space needs for the southern part of Chittenden County? Is there an opportunity for VSO, summer theatre, Hinesburg chorus and others to use the facility which will bring entertainment “closer to home” for many people? Can entities like the Lyric Theatre use the space for rehearsals? In short, what are the community’s needs?

I believe that as a nation we have invested too many resources in the physical plant that our thousands of schools represent. We need to stop separating schools and “everything else,” and begin to both plan and use these facilities as year-round resources for everyone.

Perhaps the good folks planning a renovated and improved CVU auditorium have already performed the needs assessment I suggest. If so, I will gladly stand corrected and add my support, if asked, for this effort.

Penrose Jackson  
Lincoln Hill Road

## Against Gay Marriage

Dear Editor:

Gay marriage is an assurance that more children won’t know their biological parents. I believe we should be trying to reduce the number of children who do not know one or more of their biological parents. It is for this reason that I am unable to support gay marriage. If you notice, I’m not saying that a happy gay couple isn’t capable of raising children who are themselves happy and exceptional. I think it is wrong to institute gay marriage in law because it would in essence say that we support more children not knowing one or more of their biological parents. Kids vs adults? I have to side with the kids.

Matt Galloway

## Equine Census Update

Gentlepeople:

In November of 1990 Hinesburg had the second largest number of horses behind the town of Woodstock and this was before we were known for the miniature horse herds on the Bissonette Farm on Route 116. In 1990 we had a total of 250 horses, 184 of these horses were involved in recreational use by their owners, 57 were used for breeding and nine were working horses. Hinesburg then had three breeding facilities and five boarding stables. The survey did not tabulate farms that were supplying hay to the equine community and if my memory is correct, there was no retail store meeting the needs of the equine community as Estey’s does today.

I feel that since 18 years has passed from our last equine census it would be a good time to get current information on our equine population. I am hoping to recruit a few volunteers to help me update this information. The time commitment should not be more than four hours.

Please call me at 482-3347 if you can help me out with this project. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Colin McNaull

## Think Spring

We are already planning our spring sale for the Vermont Respite House. We will be accepting donations after April 1. We plan to have the first sale as early in May as the weather permits.

For donations, you can call Audrey at 482-2364 or Mary at 482-3389 or after April 1, drop things off on the porch of Rocky Ridge Farm Market on Route 116.

Please remember—after April 1. Thank you.

Audrey Horton and Mary Fortin

## 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](mailto: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.*

## Record News Three New Volunteers Join the Team

We are very pleased to report that three more residents have stepped up to help keep *The Record* extant.

**Jill Stowe** is our newest copy editor. She has been a resident in Hinesburg for three years and works as a Compliance Manager at Vermont State Employees Credit Union in Williston. Jill and her husband Jim volunteer at their church in the Cub Scout Program. Her hobbies include camping, gardening, cooking, baking, knitting and crocheting.

**Heather Jacobs** may be our youngest reporter yet - 13! She’s in the seventh grade at HCS and one of her hobbies is writing. She has contributed to the Viking Voice before, but her first article for the main section of *The Record* is on the Winter Carnival this issue. Her other interests include ice skating and soccer. We are very pleased to have a young person’s perspective and hope to see her byline often in the future.

**Andrew Frost** has offered to start reporting on town events and meetings. His first contribution is the article reviewing Town Meeting. He moved to Hinesburg in May of 2005 with his wife Aimee and their two children, Henry, age three, and Sophie, age one. Andrew works for GE Healthcare as a manager. He loves golf and old houses, which is evident since the family bought, fixed up and moved into the old farm at the bend in Richmond Road across from the Old Mill Bread and Breakfast.

Thanks Jill, Heather and Andrew for taking on some of the work load. We are always eager to get new volunteers on our staff so please contact us at [therecord@gmavt.net](mailto:therecord@gmavt.net) if you can contribute even a few hours a month.



By Missy Ross

Town Meeting Day is now behind us, and spring is well underway. Despite some uncooperative weather on Monday night, 152 hardy voters showed up for Town Meeting at the CVU auditorium. All articles on the warning were passed on a voice vote, though some engendered more discussion than others. The meeting, as always, was cordial in tone and was punctuated with laughter following some witty comments. It is nice to know that participatory democracy is alive and well in our town.

## Election Day Results

There were no contested races for the various officers up for election this year. As a result, the turnout at the polls was lower than usual with only 403 voters casting their ballots on Tuesday, March 3. Selectboard members Andrea Morgante and Randy Volk were re-elected to the Board with 319 and 332 votes, respectively. Missy Ross was elected to another term as Delinquent Tax Collector with 370 votes, and Marie Gardner (356 votes) and Mary Mills (318 votes) were elected as Listers. Joe Fallon, our long-term moderator, was elected for another year with 364 votes. Bud Allen was elected to two positions: Town Agent (340) and Grand Juror (343). Laura Carlsmith continued her tenure as a Peck Estate Trustee (330). Darcelene Lewis/Wedge (322), Heather Roberts (328) and Edward Sengle (333) were all re-elected to the Carpenter Carse Library Board of Trustees.

Dena Monahan (329 votes) continued in the position of Hinesburg Community School Moderator, a position she has held for many years. The HCS Board saw the re-election of current members Colleen MacKinnon (three-year term) and Jim Brown (one year remaining of a two-year term), while Keith Roberts, a new-comer to the Board, won a two-year term. All three candidates received 317 votes. Finally, Lia Cravedi was elected to serve the remaining two years of a three-year term on the CSSU Board to which she was appointed last spring with 315 votes.

The only other item on the ballot was an article eliminating the office of Town Auditor, with all audits in the future to be provided by a certified public accountant. This has been the norm for several years, and the auditor position has become obsolete as a result. The article passed by a vote of 235 in favor and 42 opposed.

## Dog Licenses Due by April 1

Don’t forget that dog licenses are due by Wednesday, April 1. A new law passed in the 2008 legislative session mandates that the State portion of the licensing fee will increase by \$1 as of April 1. What this means is that the fees through March 31 will be \$7 for a spayed or neutered dog and \$11 for others. On April 1 and only for that one day, the fees will be \$8 and \$12, respectively. As of April 2, the fees will be \$10 for spayed or neutered animals and \$16 for those not spayed or neutered. This is a good incentive to come in before April 1! Confused? The legislature simply chose a terrible day to have the law go into effect. Please feel free to call us at 482-2281 to see if we have your current rabies certificate on file.

## Lake Iroquois Beach Passes

Lake Iroquois Beach passes will be available beginning around May 15 at the Town Clerk’s office. After the beach opens on Memorial Day weekend, season passes will also be available at the ticket hut at the beach. Think spring!

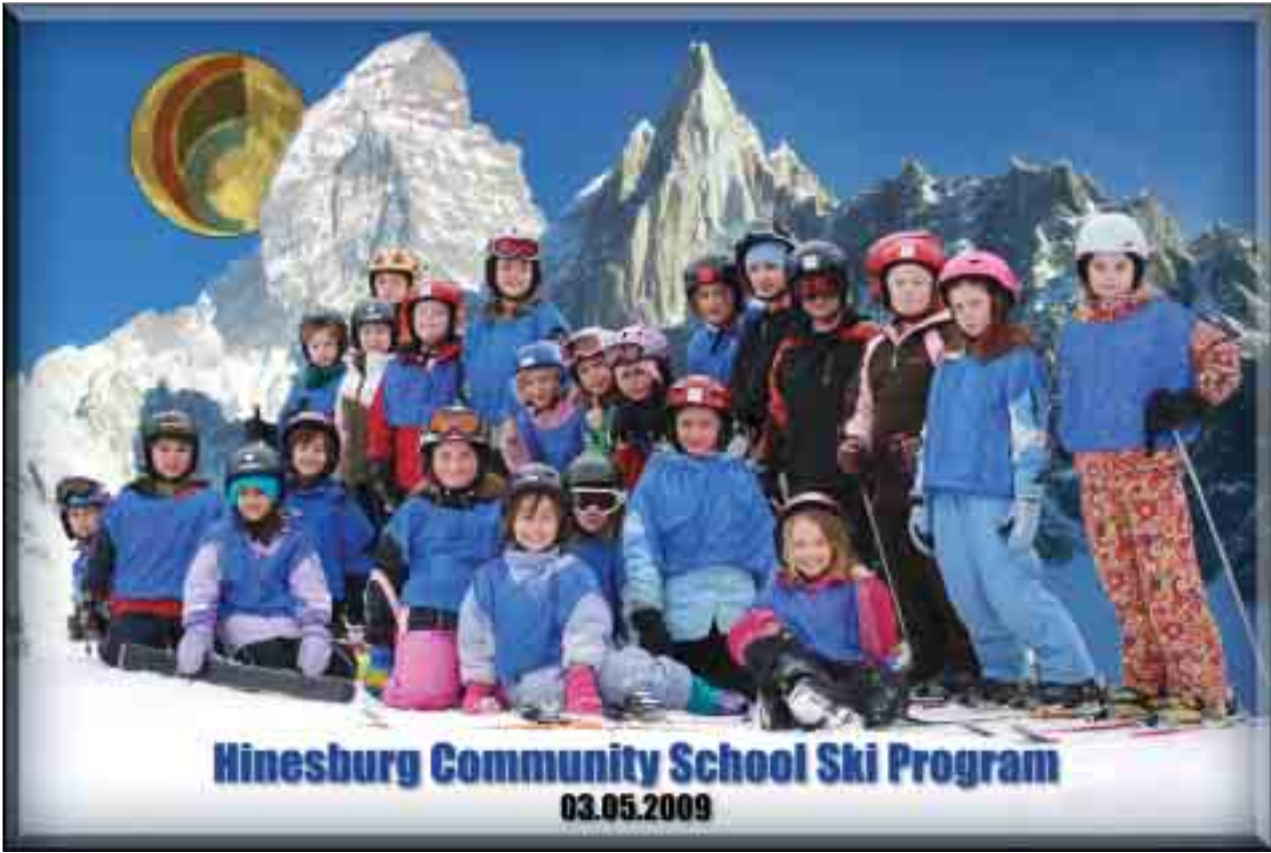
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## Planning News

By Alex Weinhausen,  
Director of Planning and Zoning

### Village Growth Area Rezoning – April 6 Public Hearing

It’s decision time! After more than three years of public forums, work sessions, Planning Commission hearings, drafts and redrafts, the Selectboard will hold a public hearing on the Village Growth Area rezoning proposal at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, at the Town Office. This “final” public hearing is the last step before the Selectboard can act on the proposal: to approve, to deny, or to re-work some more. After three-plus years, you’d think that we would have worked out every last issue and smoothed out all the wrinkles. As it turns out, some Selectboard members feel that a couple of substantive wrinkles still remain. Although the Selectboard feels the bulk of the proposed changes are positive, they remain split on whether to adopt the proposal due to disagreement on a couple of issues.

Here is where you come in: the April 6 public hearing is your opportunity to tell the Selectboard what you think. Creating additional opportunities for economic growth, affordable housing, and mixed-use (residential, commercial, community) development in a walkable and well-planned Village growth area is a top priority of our Town Plan. So, did we get it right? Do we move forward? Are further changes needed? What do you think?

The proposal includes extensive revisions to our existing Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations, including zoning district changes, improved purpose statements to guide development proposals and review, affordable housing provisions, energy efficiency and renewable incentives, site and building design standards, etc. It also includes something completely new to Hinesburg, called an Official Map, which shows the locations for future public facilities like roads, sidewalks, and parks. Understandably, some of you who were involved early on in this process (I remember 140 of you packed into the Town Hall on January 4, 2006) may need some help getting up to speed on how all that community input and vision came together in the final proposal. Here are some resources: 1) Town website ([www.hinesburg.org](http://www.hinesburg.org)) – peruse the proposal, associated maps, and summaries of each of the steps (forums, discussion sessions, etc.) from 2005 to today; 2) Yours truly – I’m at your service (call, e-mail, or drop in), and am happy to chat about the proposal and the process, from basic questions, to broad policy, to technical details, to what it means for you and your property; 3) A Planning Commissioner near you – we have nine Planning Commissioners, five of whom (Jean Isham, Johanna White, Carrie Fenn, Fred Haulenbeek, Joe Iadanza) have been on board since this process began back in 2005.

So many of you were part of the process at the beginning. Please come to the Selectboard hearing on April 6 to help influence how it all sugars out in the end.

### Farm Workers, Cell Phones, and Cemeteries

As the Selectboard takes charge of the Village area rezoning, the Planning Commission is finalizing a smaller package of regulation changes that were first discussed in 2008. These changes create more flexibility for farm worker housing and cemeteries including on-site crematory services. The changes also include a comprehensive review process for telecommunication facilities and some very minor changes to the noise performance standards. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on these changes at its March 25 meeting and is now making any necessary revisions prior to

sending this proposal to the Selectboard for an additional public hearing and action.

### Community Photo and 2010 Calendar Contest

Only a few photos have trickled in to date for the community photo and 2010 calendar contest. If you’re like me, you’ve got a treasure trove of photos collecting “digital dust” on your computer’s hard drive. Trust me, it’s fun to spend time looking at those images from past festivals, hikes, celebrations, etc. Take a gander, and see if you have a few shots that really capture your slice of Hinesburg (the people, the places, the community). Feel free to submit a batch of photos now, and then you can submit more later this year when the firm deadline is announced. Also, remember to have your camera at the ready as winter closes and mud season looms! Photo submission information is on the Town website.

### Development Watch

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

- Seven-lot, Six-unit Subdivision/PRD Final Plat Review. Location: North Road (east side) at VT Route 116 intersection in the Rural Residential 2 Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Anup Dam. Reviewed on January 20 and February 17 and approved on March 3.

- Two-lot Subdivision Final Plat Review. Location: North Road (east side) in the Rural Residential 2 Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Maura and Richard Kelley. Reviewed and approved on February 17.

- Subdivision Revision (Single-family Home Development on Remaining Land) Sketch Plan Review. Location: Lavigne Hill Road (Class 4 section) in the Rural Residential 1 Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Mechanicsville LLC. Reviewed on February 17 and approved on March 3. This is the first step of two-step review; next step: final plat review.

- Still Pending: Nine-lot, Eight-unit Subdivision/PRD Final Plat Review. Location: VT Route 116 (just south of Ballard Farm) in the Agricultural Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Hart Hill Design LLC. Reviewed on January 20 and continued to the April 21 meeting at applicant’s request.

- Still Pending: Camp Conversion/Expansion to a Year-round Dwelling. Location: Wood Run Road in the Shoreline Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Travis and Sarah Hart. Reviewed on February 17 and March 3, the DRB is deliberating on a decision.

- Still Pending: Subdivisions of three Parcels (two-lot, three-lot, and four-lot subdivisions) Sketch Plan Review. Location: Baldwin Road in the Agricultural Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Peter Baldwin. Reviewed on March 3 and continued to the March 17 meeting.

## The Hinesburg Rides Program Update

### A Hinesburg Community Resource Center Program

By Dawn Morgan and Karla Munson

Hinesburg Rides would like to thank the Town and all our volunteers for their support of our activities which has *(Continued on the next page.)*



# Hinesburg Community School Kids Do Alpine!

by Kevin Lewis

Over 30 children enrolled at Hinesburg Community School signed-up for and participated in an eight-week program at Cochran’s Ski Area in Richmond where they learned to ski and/or free-skied every Thursday from 2:30 to 4:30.

The picture at left shows most of the participants. The Cochran’s Ski Area in the background has been photographically enhanced by an over-zealous parent volunteer. However it should be noted that the people at Cochran’s, especially Marylin, did turn molehills into mountains with their enthusiasm and advice, and mountains into molehills, with regard to the logistics of having 30 kids and their gear arrive all at once each week for several weeks. Add to that the vagaries of winter weather, parent-volunteer availability and bus scheduling and you have to say that the program was a resounding success. Next year the hope is that even more children will participate.

The final day of the program was Thursday, March 12. A “Lolli-Pop Race” was held where all school-agers from all

the various participating schools took three runs down a slalom course of orange traffic cones set up by Marylin.

It seemed like just about every child participated and completed all three runs in record time. The motivational aspects of lolli-pop consumption cannot be underestimated!

The Lolli-Pop race culminated a program that rewarded children at the Hinesburg Community School who participated with time spent doing something that is fun, healthy, and almost necessary to survive our Vermont winters: skiing or snowboarding! The cost was quite reasonable, about \$100 for rentals, transportation and eight afternoons of fun on the slopes, and Cochran’s Ski Area has the best crew in the area for assisting both parents and children who are new to the whole slope-side scene.

Look for the program to continue next year with even bigger and better fun and participation. Details will be publicized via Hinesburg Community School and / or Hinesburg Recreation Department communications.

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September 30

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August 29

September 26

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December 5

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### Articles Deadline

The news and calendar deadline for the next issue of The Hinesburg Record is Wednesday, Apr. 1, 2009. 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](mailto: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](mailto:junegiroux@aol.com)) if you have questions. You may call her at 482-2350.

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helped make our program a success. We continue to display at all town-wide events.

Commuter Carpool Program

We are pleased to announce that Hinesburg Rides was approved for a \$40,000 federal transportation planning grant to implement our new “Transportation in Action” project. The intent of this project is to address Hinesburg’s transportation needs by partnering with Addison and Chittenden county transit providers, local employers, schools and the Town.

The grant will allow us to gain a better understanding of commuting patterns and transportation demand in and through Hinesburg. Most exciting is that we now have the funds to create a locally based and viable carpool matching system. By marrying innovative technology (internet, e-mail, cell phones, etc.) with Hinesburg’s small-town community spirit and connectedness, we hope to demonstrate how alternative transportation options can make a difference in our community.

Throughout the U.S., communities like ours are facing unprecedented economic and environmental challenges. Carpooling and public transportation are sensible ways to lower fuel costs while reducing pollution and traffic congestion and helping to build a sustainable Hinesburg community.

We would like to thank the Sustainability Initiative, all the volunteer hours both by town employees and Hinesburg Rides team members, and our SCHIP grant for providing the matching funds to allow us to receive the \$40,000 grant.

If you would like more information or would like to volunteer, email Dawn Morgan at hrides@gmail.com, Ed Sengle at esengle@gmavt.net, or Stewart Pierson at stewjulie@juno.com. Watch for exciting developments over the next year.

Local Employer Transportation Program

The initiative for public transportation is still ongoing and getting closer to a formal proposal to the Town. Stay tuned for more on this later.

Volunteer Driver Program

For the year 2008, Hinesburg Rides has given 66 rides which represent 1,070.2 miles and 64.6 hours of volunteer drivers’ time. If you need a ride, give SSTA at 878-1527 or Karla Munson at 482-2778 a call. Hinesburg Rides is working with the Town of Huntington and CCMPO to help set up similar programs.

Funding for Chittenden County Transportation Action Grants Approved

By Bryan Davis, CCMPO Transportation Planner

The Board of Directors for the Chittenden County Metropolitan Planning Organization (CCMPO) recently awarded grants to eight local municipalities as part of the CCMPO Transportation Action Grants program (TAG). A total of \$233,309 in federal transportation planning funds leveraged more than \$59,300 in local match amounts from municipalities and project partners. Project applicants were required to provide a 20% non-federal local match. The total amount for all projects with the local match is nearly \$300,000. The TAG program and its federal funds are not related to the recently passed American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

The project awards are as follows:  
City of Burlington/Local Motion – Walk-Bike Action Grant. Total award: \$49,011.  
Town of Charlotte – Alternative Transportation for CVU. Total award: \$6,855.80.  
Town of Essex – Transportation Impact Fee Guidelines, Curb Cut Policies, and Lighting Study. Total award: \$50,000.  
Village of Essex Junction – Pearl Street Study. Total award: \$50,000.  
Town of Hinesburg – Hinesburg Rides: Transportation in Action. Total award: \$50,000  
Town of Jericho – Jericho Center Boardwalk. Total award: \$10,000.  
Town of Richmond – Bridge Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility Study. Total award: \$26,825.  
City of South Burlington – Cars to people: commercial land regulations transformed. Total award: \$50,000.  
The TAG program is designed to encourage innovative, action-oriented transportation planning initiatives in Chittenden County. This short-term initiative is designed to allow Chittenden County communities and organizations to leverage available transportation planning dollars in ways that will advance programs and/or initiatives that will explore new types of transportation solutions and new types of transportation capacity in our region. This program provides the opportunity to develop ideas that may not fit the CCMPO’s traditional programs.  
A second TAG round will be announced soon and will be open to Chittenden County municipalities and non-profit organizations for transportation-related planning projects. For more information about this program contact Bryan Davis at (802) 660-4071 x17 or bdavis@ccmpo.org. The CCMPO is a federally funded but locally controlled organization serving Chittenden County’s 18 municipalities.

\* NOTICE \*

Vacancies and Expiring Terms on Village Steering Committee, Trails Committee, Recreation Commission, and Conservation Commission


There are currently vacancies and/or expiring terms on the Hinesburg Village Steering Committee, Trails Committee, Recreation Commission and Conservation Commission.  
The Village Steering Committee, with seven members, is 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 for bringing 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.  
The Trails Committee, with nine members, focuses its efforts on making Hinesburg a walkable community, with attention to creating and maintaining an interlocking system of trails for recreation and non-motorized transportation. The Trails Committee works with other town boards and commissions, as well as local landowners, to identify high priority areas for future trail development which are compatible with various land uses, such as hunting, agriculture (including logging, haying, sugaring, etc.), wildlife habitat, water resources management, and environmentally sensitive area protection. The Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month.  
The Recreation Commission, with seven members, 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.

The Conservation Commission, with nine members, is an advisory group responsible for providing input and action to help conserve Hinesburg’s natural and cultural resources, e.g., surface water, ground water, soils, streams, lakes, wetlands, scenic resources, flora, fauna, wildlife, historical and archaeological resources. The Conservation Commission conducts inventories, sponsors research on natural resources and provides input to other town boards such as the Selectboard, the DRB, and the Planning Commission. It helps organize community events like Green Up Day and is responsible for the management of Geprag Park. The Commission meets on the second and fourth Mondays 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.



Submitted by the  
Hinesburg Community Police

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

Hinesburg Man Flees Scene

Twenty-two year old Michael Francis of Hinesburg has been charged by Chief Chris Morrell with Leaving the Scene of an Accident after he mowed down a bank of mailboxes at the entrance of Sunset Lake Villa. The crash occurred about 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 3.

A number of Hinesburg citizens came forward and provided information linking Francis to the crash. Had he remained at the crash scene until police arrived, he would have received a traffic ticket for unlicensed operation. Because of his fleeing the scene he still was issued a ticket for unlicensed operation and will also have to answer to the criminal charge of Leaving the Scene in Criminal Court.

Silver Street Head-On Sends One to Hospital

On Thursday, February 19 a two vehicle crash sent a 37 year old Middlebury woman to the hospital. Officer Chris Bataille reported that at about 6:30 p.m. Chip Wilbur, 34, of Milton was headed northbound on Silver Street. He lost control of the pickup truck he was operating and went into the southbound lane. Wilbur’s truck struck a southbound car, operated by Jennifer Blackwell, head-on.

The operators were treated at the scene by Hinesburg Fire Department and Blackwell was transported to Fletcher Allen Hospital by St. Michael’s ambulance. Firefighters were forced to close Silver Street until the wreck could be cleared.

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## DUI Charged in North Road Crash

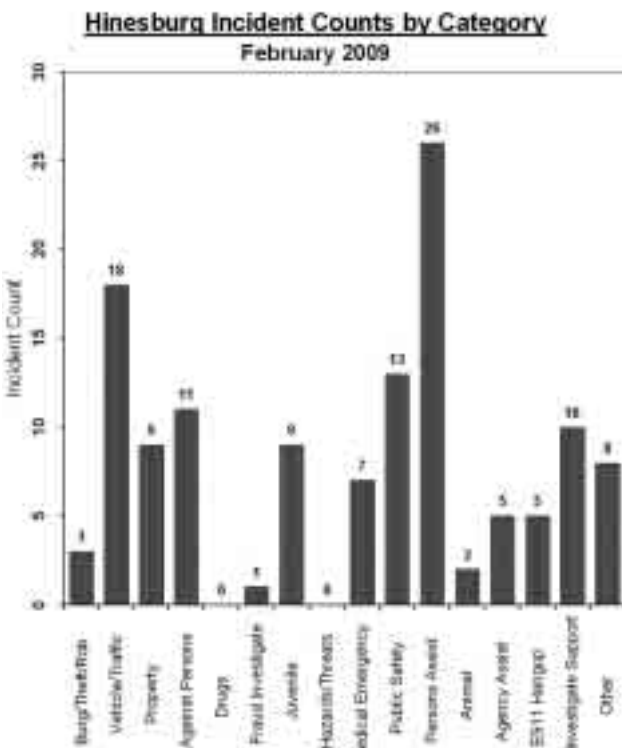
A Colchester man who lost control of his pickup truck, went off the road, down an embankment and rolled over after he entered North Road from Vermont Route 116, has been charged with DUI. Deputy Chief Fred Silber charged David Trayah, 50, of Colchester following the crash that occurred Monday evening, March 2. His brother, Timothy Trayah, 53, was treated at the scene by Hinesburg Fire Department and then transported to Fletcher Allen Health Care by Richmond Ambulance.

## Crashes Back to Back

Tuesday, March 3, was a busy morning for Hinesburg Police and Fire departments. A snowfall followed by bitter cold resulted in slippery roads. About 8:20 a.m. a car slid off Shelburne Falls Road, stuck a tree, spun around and went through a fence. Officer Frank Koss and Hinesburg Fire Department responded to the scene and the operator Andrew Proft, 17, of Shelburne was transported to Fletcher Allen Health Care by Shelburne Ambulance.

Before emergency responders could return to their quarters and thaw out, they were dispatched to a second personal injury crash on Silver Street at Raven Hill Road. Gail Terricciano, 63, was headed northbound on Silver Street when she lost control of her van, skidded off the east side of the highway and overturned onto its roof.

Terricciano was treated at the scene by the Hinesburg Fire Department and transported to the hospital by St. Michael's Ambulance



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By Eric Spivack

During the period of January 1 through February 28, H.F.D. responded to a total of 55 calls as follows:

Medical	32
Motor Vehicle Crash with Injuries	5
Mutual Aid	4
Fire/Carbon Monoxide Alarms	4
Structure Fire or Smoke in Building	4
Motor Vehicle Crash no Injuries	3
Public Assist	2
Motor Vehicle Fire	1

Residents Thank EMTs



On February 5, Sara Quinn, Polly Quinn and Hobie presented EMTs Eric Spivack, Frank Koss, Ed Waite, Jeremy Steele, Phil Stolz and Greg Munsell (not in picture) a Certificate of Appreciation for their response to a medical emergency in December. The Quinns thanked the members of the Hinesburg Fire Department for many hours put in volunteering, training, time away from families and responding to calls 24/7.

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Minivan Goes off Road

At approximately 2:00 p.m., February 17, Hinesburg Fire was dispatched to the Hollow Road for a report of a minivan which had rolled. On arrival rescue crews found the minivan had left the road, rolled over and landed on its side. The driver, who self extricated, was treated at the scene by EMT's and transported to the hospital by ST. Michael's.

Members Train in Ice Rescue

On Thursday February 26, and Saturday February 28, members of the Fire Department joined members of the Shelburne, Charlotte and South Burlington Fire Departments in an Ice Rescue course. The course was sponsored by Shelburne Fire Dept and instructed by Charlotte Assistant Chief Dick St George. The course consisted of classroom instruction in how the cold water affects the body, different types of rescues that can be made and videos of actual rescues. On Saturday, the class was at Lake Champlain for hands-on training. The water portion of training included putting on the ice rescue suits (Mustangs) and entering the water. Students then practiced self-rescue, use of ladders and backboards as rescue equipment, using the Rescue Alive Sled which is specially designed for ice rescue and various rescue techniques. Congratulations to Terrylynn Savage, Rich Armstrong, John Lyman, Harry Russell and Jeremy Steele who are now certified as Ice Rescue Technicians. Ed Waite is now certification in Ice Rescue Operations.

Are You Planning to Burn This Spring?

By Fire Warden Ed Waite

It's almost spring - and with spring comes yard work ... leaves from last fall, branches that have come down over the winter and general cleanup. Many of us pile the leaves, brush and branches into burn piles. While burning is a great way to get rid of the downed tree branches and clear brush, please remember that there are certain rules that need to be followed. Before burning, you must obtain a burn permit. The permits are issued by the Shelburne Dispatch Center, 985-8051, at the instruction and discretion of the Town Fire Warden. The Warden contacts dispatch daily and advises if permits may be issued and how many. Please be kind and courteous to the dispatchers. They are providing a valuable service to the town of Hinesburg at no cost. They are required to obtain certain information from you, the caller, and are required to inform you of the rules. What can we burn? Any natural vegetation (i.e. tree branches, brush and grass). You are also allowed to burn

untreated wood products. This is wood that has not been treated with chemicals and/or has no paint. Household trash cannot be burned under the State of Vermont Clean Air Act (Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 2201) Burn piles must be attended at all times. It is very important that you never leave a burn pile unattended as it can quickly spread and do a lot damage to both your own and neighbors property. Night burns. Permits for night burns must be obtained from Shelburne Dispatch prior to 8:00 p.m. Night burns must be completely extinguished before retiring for the night. The same regulations regarding what can be burned and the pile being attended to at all times also apply. All burn piles should be in an open area, away from houses, structures, trees and roadways. Piles should be kept at a reasonable size to keep the fire contained and under control. Anyone found burning without a permit, or in an unsafe manor, will be asked to extinguish the fire. Failure or refusal to do so will result in the Hinesburg Fire Department being dispatched to extinguish the fire. Should this occur, the person responsible and/or property owner may be refused burn permits in the future. Persons found to be in violation of burn regulations may have their permit revoked and be denied future permits. Under the State Clean Air Act, Sec 1.24 V.S.A. § 2201, persons may be fined up to \$500 for burning of illegal materials. REMEMBER! Safety first. If a burn pile gets out of control DO NOT hesitate to call 911.



HBPB Hosts Financial Management Workshop Series

The Hinesburg Business & Professional Association (HBPB) is pleased to announce Hinesburg's second Financial Management Workshop Series beginning on April 7, 2009 with the support of the Hinesburg Recreation Department. The general theme of the event is to empower businesses and families in our community with the necessary financial tools to address their New Year's resolutions in 2009. The workshops are designed to be interactive and will provide all community members an opportunity to increase their financial literacy in areas of concern to them. The idea to offer this informational event resulted from a HBPB survey done back in January of 2006 which specifically asked businesses in our community, "What are your biggest concerns affecting your business and family today?" The responses were aimed towards creating efficiencies by controlling the costs of insurances, taxes, and health care cost increases. It became clear that we (HBPB) needed to organize an event that will allow our community to engage in understanding these financial management issues.

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As a result, several local experts have teamed together to offer strategies on how to help everyone make informed financial decisions on a wide range of topics including budgeting, tax planning strategies, the role of insurances, legal documents and retirement planning.

We are also pleased to announce that the entire event is FREE! Each session will be held at the Hinesburg Town Hall in the Main Hall from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on the dates mentioned below. Please note that seating is limited and parking is available behind the Town Hall. Please rsvp to Jennifer McCuin at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net to reserve a seat. You can choose to attend one, two or all sessions based on your interest level.

Where: Hinesburg Town Hall - Main Hall on Second Floor

Time: All sessions are 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Cost: FREE!

Note: Please RSVP to Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net

Tuesday, April 7: "Budgeting and Protecting Your Retirement Nest-Egg in a Down Market" presented by Michael P. Junga, LTCP of Hinesburg Financial Group, LLC

Tuesday, April 14: "Saving Money Through Wind and Solar for Your Home" presented by David Blittersdorf of Earth Turbines

Tuesday, April 21: "Creating Value and Budgeting Your Home & Auto Insurances, Worker's Compensation & Commercial Liability" presented by Walter Hausermann of AllState Insurance and David Palmer of Palmer Insurance

Tuesday, April 28: "Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Estate Planning But Never Asked" presented by Roger E. Kohn and Eileen Blackwood of Kohn, Rath, Blackwood & Danon, LLP

Attend each session or choose the ones that work best for you...don't forget to RSVP. Hope to see you!

## Kitchen Table Bistro Honored

Hinesburg Residents Steve and Lara Atkins are the chef/owners of the Kitchen Table Bistro in Richmond, which has been making waves in the culinary world lately. The restaurant has garnered favorable mention from Mark Bittman in the *New York Times*, Lara was featured in the Spring issue of *Yankee Magazine*, and Steve and Lara have both been nominated as "Best Chefs" in the James Beard awards for New England. Their web site is located at [www.thekitchentablebistro.com](http://www.thekitchentablebistro.com).

## Community Yard Sale Day Saturday, May 16

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

Then Saturday May 16 is a date to mark on your calendar. The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association (HBPA) will sponsor the 12th Annual Hinesburg Community Yard Sale on Saturday May 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The community sale site will again be at the Hinesburg Fire Hall. The HBPA will offer spaces and tables for anyone wishing to rent sale space.

In addition, the HBPA is encouraging Hinesburg residents to hold sales at their homes or businesses on the same day, making May 16 a yard sale extravaganza. The HBPA will distribute maps with the various sale sites throughout town listed. There is no charge for being included on the sale site map.

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

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

## Meet Walter Hausermann, Insurance Agent and Long Time Hinesburg Resident

By Jean Isham, HBPA

Walter Hauserman established Hauserman Insurance Agency at 18 Maple Street in Essex Junction in 1985. Walter graduated from Arizona State University with a fine arts degree in photography and worked as a photographer for about three years. During that time he did a lot of traveling, took a lot of photographs, participated in shows and sold some of his work. His photography also involved photographing children and adults at the local Sears Roebuck store. While working at Sears he became friends with an Allstate Insurance employee. At this point in time he was working three jobs. Having recently bought a house in Hinesburg and with an infant son, he was looking for an alternative work schedule.



Walter Hauserman

Walter had some familiarity with the insurance industry as his father operated an insurance business in New York State for many years. He joined Allstate Insurance, working with another agent in Burlington for a year and then moving to Essex Junction.

Hauserman Insurance Agency is a small agency, employing one full-time assistant and one part-time assistant. Walter takes pride and enjoyment in his work, helping families and businesses make the right insurance decisions to meet their needs. His agency offers auto insurance, homeowner's insurance, business insurance products, and life insurance. Walter also has teamed with Michael Junga, a certified financial planner of Hinesburg Financial Group, to provide financial planning services. Walter noted that "this has proven to be an invaluable service for my customers."

Hausermann Insurance Agency can be reached at 802-878-7144 or by e-mail at [walterh@allstate.com](mailto:walterh@allstate.com).

Walter has been an active member of the Hinesburg community. When his three sons were younger he helped coach basketball and softball. When they were a little older and formed a band, he acted as a "roadie" moving their equipment from venue to venue. Currently he is an active fund raiser with the Hinesburg Fourth of July Fireworks Committee. Walter noted that it takes a great deal of fundraising to put on this event. All donations are greatly appreciated. Donations may be left at Estey Hardware or made by check payable to Hinesburg Fourth of July Fireworks Committee and mailed to Walter Hausermann, 18A Maple Street, Essex Junction, Vermont 05452.

Walter's sons are Dan, a graduate of Ithaca College in New York and now teaching English in an after school program in South Korea, Andrew, a senior at Clark University

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in Worcester, Massachusetts, majoring in international studies, and Luke, a freshman at Adelphi College in Long Island, majoring in music.

In 2008 Walter was diagnosed with cancer of the tonsils. He underwent surgery, chemotherapy and radiation. Since the conclusion of his treatments, he has been cancer free. This is an example of the great strides that have been and are being made in treating cancer.

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association is pleased to have Hausermann Insurance Agency as a member of the Association.

# Dierdre Erb Offers An Extra Pair of Hands

By Jean Isham, HBPA

Many times we use the expression “I wish I had an extra pair of hands.” Now that wish can become a reality for many different and varied situations.

With the goal of enabling people to take on projects or event planning that might otherwise seem overwhelming, Deirdre (DeeDee) Erb has opened a new business, An Extra Pair of Hands. DeeDee describes herself as having a really strong eye for assessing what needs to be done, how to organize the process and be efficient in accomplishing almost any endeavor.



Dierdre Erb

Following are some examples of how and where customers can make use of that Extra Pair of Hands:

Assisting with planning and/or food preparation including cleanup for dinner parties and office events thus freeing the host/hostess to enjoy their guests.

Assisting in flower and vegetable gardening (weeding, planting, and harvesting).

Organizing various home areas or offices for efficiency, whether it is a storage area, a filing cabinet, a workshop, kitchen, tool shed or baby nursery.

Helping people come up with unique and very personal ideas that help them gain ownership and pride in the events and activities that they want to pursue.

Support in planning and personalizing memorials for loved ones.

Providing opportunities for sightseeing, shopping, visiting museums or attending the theater for visitors to the area when their host and/or hostess are at work.

Supporting new mothers or people dealing with illness in whatever area may be needed from shopping to providing transportation to appointments, and also including hands-on-care.

Providing short-term house sitting, pet sitting, plant sitting, etc.

The above is just a sample of Dee Dee’s offerings. She welcomes inquiries about any project or event. At a fee of \$25.00 per hour plus mileage reimbursement, An Extra Pair of Hands can provide affordable temporary assistance on an as needed basis. DeeDee also offers a free consultation. She may be reached at 802-482-6477 or by e-mail at [erbs@gmavt.net](mailto:erbs@gmavt.net).

DeeDee’s varied past experiences include Executive Director for The Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts in Rutland, breakfast/lunch cook for a small restaurant, and organizing and catering social events, weddings and memorials. Her most meaningful work was with Spring Lake, a non-profit psychiatric therapeutic community in Shrewsbury, Vermont, where she directed their aftercare program, subsequently heading up their marketing and development nationwide.

DeeDee grew up in Shrewsbury, Vermont, and with her husband, Peter, moved to Hinesburg in 2000. Peter serves as the Town of Hinesburg’s Zoning Administrator. DeeDee and Peter have three adult daughters, two grandsons and are awaiting the arrival this spring of twin granddaughters.

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association is pleased to welcome An Extra Pair of Hands to Hinesburg and as a member of the Association.

# Linda Sweeney Joins Palmer Insurance Agency

By Jean Isham, HBPA

David Palmer is pleased to announce that Linda Sweeney has joined his expanding business. He said that with Linda’s fifteen years of experience working in both a smaller agency and corporate insurance offices, she brings with her a wealth of industry and product knowledge. She has a great deal of experience with both commercial insurance and personal insurance lines. David noted that she is also personable, energetic and has an understanding of their client’s needs. He said “we think she is an asset to have here because of the growth we have been experiencing and continue to anticipate. Her skills will be utilized to help meet our customer’s needs. She compliments all of the existing personnel. We are delighted to have her and trust it is a mutually beneficial relationship.”

David said that Linda is fully licensed and went on to explain that, without being licensed, you cannot answer certain questions or provide quotes to a client. Her licensing



Linda Sweeney

also includes a producer’s license which enables her to offer advice and write life, health, property and casualty products.

Linda spent nine years working in the banking industry, starting as a teller and moving on to accounting and proofing.

She began working in the insurance industry in 1993, and has been a licensed producer for the past thirteen years. Her experience included a stint working in the corporate offices of a very large agency. She remarked that she was glad she had the corporate experience as it makes her appreciate the home town agency—“I feel I can flourish a lot better in this type of atmosphere. I knew I wanted to work here the minute I came in and talked with the personnel.”

I asked Linda what she liked about the insurance industry. She replied that she likes being a part of something that everybody needs and being able to help with that need. “I enjoy the interaction with customers. It is a sense of gratification that comes along with the job of educating the client about the products available and what fits their needs. They trust your judgment and that brings a lot of satisfaction.”

Linda grew up in St. Albans, Vermont, and lived in Franklin County until relocating to Hinesburg in 2008 where she lives with her partner, Randy Warren. Linda has two children, Justin Gratton, 17, a junior at Bellows Free Academy, and Dakota Gratton, 13, an eighth grade student at Hinesburg Community School. Rounding out this household are Corey Warren, 18, a freshman at Becker College, Worcester, Massachusetts, Cassandra Warren, 16, a junior, and Matthew Warren, 15, a freshman, at Champlain Valley Union High School, and Damara Warren, 12, a seventh grade student at Hinesburg Community School.

In Linda’s free time, she enjoys attending her daughter’s soccer and basketball games, gardening with an emphasis on flower gardens, and landscaping.

Linda emphasized the convenience of living and working in the same town. Having had as much as an hour commute when working in Montpelier, she now appreciates the ten-minute drive. Employment opportunities are just one of the many benefits that local businesses provide to their communities.

Palmer Insurance can be reached at 482-5678.

# “Buy Local”–What Does it Mean For Hinesburg?

By Jean Isham, HBPA

The term “buy local” is not just a catch phrase. It has real meaning and benefit for our community.

Many of us think of “buying local” in terms of the produce and items we buy at the local Farmers’ Markets. While the Farmers’ Markets are very important to the movement, doing business with any locally owned enterprise positively impacts not only the local economy but the economy of the State of Vermont as well.

A USA Weekend article by Natalie Ermann Russell contained the following quotes by Stacy Mitchell, author of *Big-Box Swindle* and researcher with the Institute for Local Self-Reliance. “A study we did found that for every \$100 spent in a chain store, \$14 went back into the local economy. For a locally owned business, it was \$45...” “Locally owned businesses buy a lot of services from other local businesses. So by buying from one local business, you’re not only supporting that business, you’re supporting other local businesses.”

Buying products at local businesses or services from local providers saves the individual time by eliminating driving to another town. If time is money, then you are also saving money, not just for your time but for the gasoline you didn’t have to buy and the wear and tear on your vehicle. Going one step further, you are also reducing your contribution to greenhouse gasses.

Local businesses support our community in many ways. One of the most obvious benefits is the local taxes they pay. Another is the jobs they provide. Talk with the local employees that live and work (and sometimes walk to work)

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attend and the financial savings from working close to home.

Local businesses give back to our community not only with financial but with the volunteer hours they provide to local organizations. The Hinesburg Fire Department is a prime example; many of its volunteers receive support from local businesses in order to provide day time coverage.

Local businesses are sized to fit the community, not overwhelm it. They provide special order services and advice on the products they sell or the services they offer. They know their customers and what those customers want. The products and services they provide are based on local needs, not on a national plan.

Local businesses are more than just the stores we shop at. They are the doctor, restaurant, insurance office, carpenter, painter, electrician, plumber, chimney sweep, interior decorator, mechanic, veterinarian, dog groomer, lawyer, chiropractor, physical therapist, massage therapist, yoga instructor, artist, after school program, or gym whose products or services you need.

## Buy Local Resources

To locate a particular type of business or service check the Hinesburg Business and Professional Association's web site, [hinesburgbusiness.com](http://hinesburgbusiness.com). The Association maintains a list of its members there, together with contact information. Advertisements in the Hinesburg Record offer another source. I frequently see requests for recommendations of someone for particular services on the Neighborhood Forum.

Local First Vermont is an organization with a mission "to preserve and enhance the economic, human and natural vitality of Vermont communities by promoting the importance of purchasing from locally-owned, independent businesses." You can learn more about this vision at their web site, located at [www.localfirstvermont.org/](http://www.localfirstvermont.org/)

Bill Schubart is Chair of the Hinesburg's Buy Local Task Force. Bill said "the good work of our task force members led to the publication of the Hinesburg Buy-Local Directory of Retail and Services, the genesis of our Community Gardens Project behind the Post Office, additional support for the Farmer's Market and Harvest supper and the integration of our work into the plan for the Town. It has also helped formulate a vision for the Town's options with regard to the future of the Saputo plant site."

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association encourages you to think local and shop local.



By Jennifer McCuin

Despite the lack of snow for Winter Carnival, there was no lack of enjoyment from participants. With sunshine, temperatures in the mid 20s, and a fully functioning ice rink, there was plenty of activity. Kids played broomball, hockey, and skated on the rink. The Midnight Riders provided homemade soups, baked goods, and hot chocolate in the warming hut. Rob Farley and his sled dogs braved the crusty snow track to offer rides without skipping a beat. The Hinesburg Nursery School reported a successful Waffle Breakfast and Silent Auction. Two middle school bands performed in the HCS Gym, providing people a chance to sample up-and-coming musical talent.

The Valentine Dessert Cabaret sold out, delivering another one of Hinesburg's finest evenings with wonderful music, singing, entertaining performances, lots of laughs, and many, many decadent desserts! With generous donations and community volunteers, this event produced \$811 for the Hinesburg Food Shelf and \$811 for the Hinesburg Artist Series. What an incredible display of community support! Many, many thanks to all!

Think spring and sign up your kiddos for some baseball or lacrosse. Check out our Spring/Summer Brochure, which you've hopefully received. If not, find the Spring/Summer information at [www.hinesburg.org](http://www.hinesburg.org).

Many thanks go out to our incredible basketball coaching staff this season! Hinesburg's many veteran coaches give generously to our community and to our players. Thank you: Joe Hoepfner, Casey Grant, Tim Bortnick, Josie Palmer-Leavitt, Bill Baker, Penny Grant, Sam Crawford, Ray Nails, Sue Hoepfner, Trevor Mobbs, Stephanie Bissonette, Jason White, Pam Reynolds, Mike Bissonette, and Terry Francis.

## Registration

To register for the following 2009 Spring Sports, Recreation Activities, or one of our many Classes, please contact the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or e-mail us at [hinesburgrec@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgrec@gmavt.net).

## 2009 Recreation Spring Sports

### Tentative Schedule

Spring sports start the week of April 27 and will run through June 6. Please note practice times and locations are (Continued on the next page.)

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subject to change due to coach’s availability. You will be notified via e-mail with confirmation of date and time prior to the beginning of the season. Start dates are also subject to weather and field conditions. Your patience is appreciated!

Lacrosse at Lyman Park and CCS  
(Charlotte Central School)

Co-ed Kindergarten, first, and second grades on Tuesdays and Thursdays at one of Champlain Valley Union’s upper fields from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Boys grades three and four: Mondays (CCS) and Wednesdays (Lyman) from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
Girls grades three and four: days and locations to be announced.  
Boys grades five and six: Mondays (Lyman) and Wednesdays (CCS) from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
Girls grades five and six: days and locations to be announced.  
Boys grades seven and eight: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Girls grades seven and eight: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Tee Ball

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

Farm League Baseball

Grades two and three play Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Hinesburg Community School.

Spring Sport Fees

Tee Ball: \$25  
Farm League: \$25  
Co-ed Lacrosse, grades Kindergarten, one, and two: \$25  
Girls Lacrosse, grades three and four, grades five and six, grades seven and eight: \$40  
Boys Lacrosse, grades three and four, grades five and six, grades seven and eight: \$55, includes U.S. Lacrosse membership.

Recreation Activities

Family Swim at the  
Sports and Fitness Edge

Bring your family to swim at the Sports and Fitness Edge, located at 10 Wellness Drive in Williston. Come play and swim with your family in a heated indoor pool.  
Who: Hinesburg residents  
When: March 29  
Time: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$15 for a family of four.  
Please sign up at the Hinesburg Recreation Department by Friday at noon and pay at the Sports and Fitness Edge.

After School Biking

Please contact the Recreation Department if you are interested in helping with this class. Do not forget to register through the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Who: Children in grades seven and eight  
When: Mondays and Wednesdays starting April 13 through June 3  
Where: Leave from Hinesburg Community School  
Time: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$5  
Maximum: 10 students

Classes

AARP Driver Safety Class

The Hinesburg Recreation Department sponsors this class. Students learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws, and rules of the road. Through interacting with one another, students learn ways to safely adjust their driving techniques that compensate for age-related changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time. There are no tests, just supportive information. Many insurance companies offer discounted premiums when people take this course. For questions, or if you want to register, contact the Recreation Department at 482-4691.  
Who: People 50 years and older  
Where: First floor conference room in Town Hall  
When: April 14  
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$12 for AARP members, payable to AARP.

American Red Cross  
Babysitting Class

Conducted by the American Red Cross, this class is designed for students 11 years and older and offers certification by the Red Cross in babysitting skills and safety. It includes a handbook and first aid kit for each student to keep. It is strongly recommended that all participants have the maturity and interest to make this a beneficial experience. You never know when this class could make a significant difference in someone’s life! Please be sure to pack snacks, beverages, and a bagged dinner for each class.  
Who: Students 11 years and older.  
When: April 16 and 17  
Time: 2:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.  
Cost: \$45 payable to the American Red Cross  
Minimum: eight students

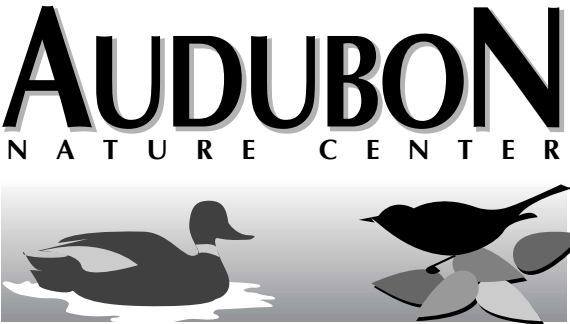
Driver Education  
with Dave Brautigam

Students must possess a Vermont Learners Permit to be eligible for this class. In addition to thirty hours of classroom instruction, students receive six hours of driving time scheduled separately with the teacher. When students turn sixteen, their instructor, Mr. Brautigam is able to administer the driving test.  
Where: CVU classroom  
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Mondays through Thursdays. Fridays are make-up days.  
Dates: June 22 to July 17  
Cost: \$675 payable to Dave Brautigam  
Full payment and registration forms are due by May 29 to secure a spot in this class. Mail full payment and registration forms to:  
Hinesburg Recreation Department  
P.O. Box 133  
Hinesburg, VT 05461  
For additional information or questions about the course, please contact Dave Brautigam at davebrautigam@gmavt.net. To enroll, please contact Jennifer McCuin at the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Driver Education  
with Kevin Browne

Students must possess a Vermont Learners Permit to be eligible for this class. Students will schedule their driving time

with the instructor in addition to classroom time. Classroom time consists of thirty hours. Driving time consists of six hours.  
Kevin will administer driving tests when his students turn sixteen. Students contact him directly and arrange times for their tests.  
Where: Hinesburg Town Hall.  
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Dates: Session I -June 15, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, July 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15  
Session II – July 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30, August 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, and 13  
Cost: \$625 payable to Kevin Browne  
Full payment and registration forms are due by May 30 to secure a spot in this class. Mail payments and registration forms to:  
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P.O. Box 133  
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For additional information or questions about this course, please contact Kevin Brown at kmb1159@myfairpoint.net. To enroll in the course, please contact Jennifer McCuin at the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.



Spring 2009 Programs  
at the Green Mountain  
Audubon Center

Vermonters know the season that falls between winter and spring as mud season, but it’s also sugaring time. Come join us for our Sugar on Snow Parties, or bring your preschooler on a Journey from Sap to Syrup and learn how to be a real sugar maker.  
Welcome our feathered friends back to Vermont during International Migratory Bird Day. Or join us on an early morning Spring Migration Bird Walk or one of our monthly Bird Monitoring Walks. Examine trees in their winter form on our Winter Tree ID Walk, or wait a bit longer and help us welcome spring back to the nature center at our Spring Wildflower Walk.  
We’ve planned special April School Vacation days to explore Watery Worlds, celebrate a Bird Party, and dive into a Mud Day.  
Explore the surprises of spring with the whole family at our Family Spring Discovery, or come on an enchanting adventure during our Family Fairy Houses program.  
Our wonderful weekday Preschool Programs feature Journey from Sap to Syrup in March, Salamander Sleuths in April, and Pinkletinks and Pollywogs in May.  
For more information, please visit our Spring Calendar of Events, then call us to register for a program at (802) 434-3068. Thanks for you support,  
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Teacher/Naturalist  
Audubon Vermont  
gcauser@audubon.org  
To hold a space, please pre-register at (802) 434-3068. Scholarships are available upon request.

Special Events

All ages welcome! No registration required.

Sugar on Snow Parties

Dates: Saturday, March 28,  
Sunday, March 29, and Sunday, April 5  
Time: Noon to 4:00 p.m.  
Where: Green Mountain Audubon Center Sugarhouse on the Main Rd. in Huntington  
Fee: Admission is free. There is a charge for food sold at the event.  
Come celebrate the maple-sugaring season out in the woods with sweet maple treats, free sugarbush tours, sugaring demonstrations, and a delicious taste of maple syrup!

International Migratory  
Bird Day Celebration!

Date: Saturday, May 16  
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Where: Birds of Vermont Museum and the Green Mountain Audubon Center on Sherman Hollow Road



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## Programs for Adults

Fee: Donations are appreciated

### Winter Tree ID

Date: Sunday March 15  
 Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
 Meeting Place: Red Rocks Park Entrance, South Burlington  
 Winter is a wonderful time to identify trees and shrubs. Although most of the leaves are gone, many clues remain. We'll spend the afternoon outdoors examining twigs, buds, and branching as diagnostic tools.

### Spring Wildflower Walk

Date: Sunday, May 3  
 Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
 Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Sugarhouse Parking Area  
 Welcome spring back to the Nature Center. Join us as we search for woodland favorites such as jack-in-the pulpit, spring beauty, goldthread, and bloodroot. We will be using Newcomb's Wildflower Guide. Bring your copy or borrow one of ours.

### Spring Migration Bird Walks

Dates: Fridays: May 1, May 22, May 29 and June 5  
 Time: 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
 Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center office building porch  
 Start your Fridays with an early morning bird walk! We'll use both sight and sound as we search for our beautiful spring migrants. These walks will be most appropriate for beginning and novice birders, although more advanced birders are welcome to share their skills. Come to one or come to all!

### Monthly Bird Monitoring Walks

Dates/Times: Saturdays:  
 March 21, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
 April 11, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
 May 2, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
 Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Office Building  
**Become a Citizen Scientist!** Join us as we walk through some of the varying habitats at the Center for our monthly bird-monitoring walk. We'll work on fine-tuning our ears to recognize bird chips and calls, and use binocular and field guides. The information we gather will be entered into our e-bird database where we store data for our Important Bird Area monitoring efforts at the Center.

## Family Programs

To hold a space, you must pre-register by calling (802) 434-3068.  
 Ages: Families with children ages four and up  
 Fee: Audubon members: \$10 per adult/child pair, \$4 for each additional child

Non-members: \$12 per adult/child pair, \$5 for each additional child

### Family Spring Discovery

Date: Saturday, May 9  
 Time: 10:00 a.m. to noon  
 Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Sugarhouse Parking Lot  
 Join us as we discover both spectacular and subtle signs of spring in Vermont. Plan to play migration tag, search for wildflowers and relax in the sun by the beaver ponds. Satisfy your interest in insects, salamanders and frogs as we search the fields with butterfly nets, flip logs and rocks in the forest, and scoop for whatever we can find in the ponds. Let's celebrate spring!

### Family Fairy Houses

Date: Sunday, May 17  
 Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
 Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Education Barn  
 Do you believe in fairies? We'll search for signs of the flower fairies of springtime, explore nature's building materials, and share tales of the supernatural. Learn from wild animals how to build the perfect fairy house, as well as what might be good for fairies to eat. It's sure to be a magical day at Audubon!

## April Vacation Day Programs

To hold a space, you must pre-register by calling (802) 434-3068.  
 All Programs:  
 Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
 Ages: six to ten years  
 Fee: \$45/program  
 Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Education Barn

### Watery Worlds

Date: Tuesday, April 21  
 Swamps, ponds and wetlands, oh my! This day is all about water. We'll follow the journey of a drop of water, soak up the spring with some wet and wild stories and games, and make our own frogs to take home. Be sure to wear your mud boots for this spring adventure as we head out to find salamanders, tadpoles, and other animals in and around the watery worlds at the Audubon Center.

### Bird Party

Date: Wednesday, April 22  
 We're throwing a party in celebration of the return of our feathered friends and you're invited! Help us get ready by making some party favors from materials birds can use to build their nests. We'll break out the binoculars to see if we can catch a glimpse of any of the early arrivals, and get the party going with fun games, bird songs, migration stories and treats – some for the birds and some for us!

### Mud Day!

Date: Thursday April 23  
 Leave your nice clothes at home and prepare to play with spring's sloppy substitute for snow...MUD! Dare to get dirty as we create mud paintings, mud monsters, and edible dirt cakes. We will spend some time as scientists while searching for animals that live in and use mud. Take soil samples and make predictions about what kind of mud splats the best. So come out and let's uncover the mysteries of mud!  
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March: Journey from Sap to Syrup

Dates: Tuesday, March 24 or Thursday, March 26  
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Sugarhouse Parking Area  
Follow a droplet of maple sap as it turns to maple syrup! Find out how much hard work it takes to become a real Vermont sugar maker as you help us tap a tree, collect sap from buckets, and watch it boil. In the end, all of our hard work will be rewarded with a sweet maple syrup taste test!

April: Salamander Sleuths

Dates: Tuesday, April 28 or Thursday, April 30  
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Education Barn  
Put on your sleuthing hat and join us to learn more about slithering salamanders! We'll journey into the forest to flip over logs and rocks while searching for our amphibian friends. We'll pretend to be salamanders as we slither back to our favorite vernal pool and do the waggle dance! Keep your fingers crossed for a warm and damp day!

May: Pinkletinks and Pollywogs

Dates: Wednesday, May 27 or Thursday, May 28  
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2 p.m.  
Meeting Place: Green Mountain Audubon Center Sugarhouse Parking Area  
Pull on your boots and come prepared to get wet as we search the Peeper Pond for signs of life! Get ready to scoop in the pond with nets, sing in our own frog chorus, search for tadpoles and perhaps even catch a glimpse of the elusive water tiger!

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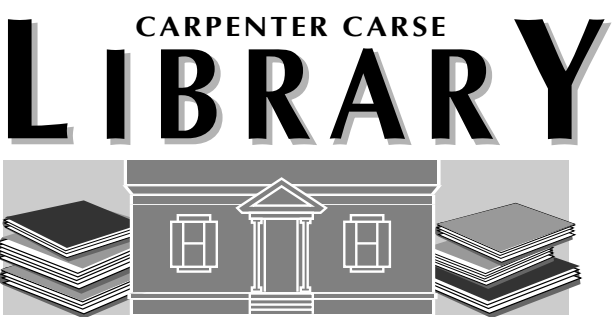
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Free delivery of materials is available to Hinesburg residents who find travel or physical access to the library building difficult. The library also circulates books and tapes to seniors on the third Friday of each month at the Seniors Meal Site in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

Trustee Meetings

Carpenter-Carse Board of Trustees meetings 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: March 31, April 7 and April 21 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. The next discussion will be on Thursday, April 27. The featured title is *Zookeeper’s Wife* by Diane Ackerman. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Watch for posters or phone Earla Sue McNaull at 482-3347 for location and other information. Please note that the group does not meet at the library as a rule.

Hinesburg Pickin’ Party

On Saturday, April 11 at 2:00 p.m. join your friends and neighbors for an afternoon of music and fun. Stop in and play or just listen. Recommended for teens through adults. For more information call Tom Stamp at 482-2878.

Special Events  
Hinesburg Community School  
Art Exhibit

Bright! Bold! Beguiling! Hinesburg Community School students have their artwork on display at Carpenter-Carse Library through April 10. Stop by the library’s Community Room and see what these creative young artists have been up to.

Special Guest at  
April YA Book Group

We have breaking news for the YA Book Group! We are excited to announce that world renowned author Gregory Maguire will join members of the Carpenter-Carse YA Book Group to share creative writing experience and discuss the book *Wicked: the life and times of the wicked witch of the west* with you. The tentative date is at the regular 5:00 p.m. meeting time on Friday, April 17. We look forward to seeing the familiar faces of YA’s who regularly attend the group and encourage you to invite friends along for a great evening. Not only can you relax with friends, as usual, but you will have the undivided attention of an accomplished author of fantasy and

other genres. Take advantage of this very special opportunity! Please let Tom Stamp at the Library know if you plan to attend. For further details and to check whether a change of schedule is required, check listings on the YA Web Page at [www.carpentercarse.org](http://www.carpentercarse.org). At 7:00 p.m. a program with limited seating for the general adult public will follow the YA soiree. That presentation is listed as a separate program under Adult Programs.

Celebrate Spring Pajama  
Storytime

Children age three and up are invited to celebrate the change of seasons at the library on Tuesday, April 21 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Wear your comfortable pajamas and join Janet for “hop into spring” books and fun filled activities. Pre-registration is requested but not required.

Spring Birdhouse Craft

There will be a “make it and take it” program for children age seven and up on Thursday, April 23 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Let your mind blossom while creating this special spring activity during your vacation. Space is limited to 12 participants, so sign up early by calling Janet at 482-2878 or stop by the library to register. Small donations for materials will be accepted.

Adult Programs

Bio-identical Hormones: Facts and Myth

Join local expert and author, Dr. Lorilee Schoenbeck, on Tuesday, April 28 and 7:30 p.m. for an informative discussion separating facts from myth about these important topics:  
What are “bio-identical hormones?” Do they work? Are they safe?  
Do herbal medicines work for menopausal symptoms? Which ones?  
How do diet and lifestyle impact perimenopausal symptoms?  
How do I find out what approach is right for me?  
Bio: Naturopathic physician and author Lorilee Schoenbeck, N.D. is an expert in natural medicine for women’s health concerns, including menopause and perimenopause. She practices at Vermont Women’s Choice Gynecological Associates. Her book, *Menopause: Bridging the Gap between Natural and Conventional Medicine*, is a trusted guide for thousands of women. Please call 482-2878 for more information on this free library program. More information is available at [www.DrLorilee.com](http://www.DrLorilee.com).

Author Coming to CCL

The public is invited to a presentation by Gregory Maguire, accomplished author of many books for adults, young adults and children at the Library’s Community Room. The tentative program date is Friday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m. On this visit, Mr. Maguire’s presentation will focus on his adult fiction works, including his latest novel, *A Lion among Men*, and the acclaimed *Wicked: the life and times of the wicked witch of the west*.  
Mr. Maguire’s books have been published in several countries and he is a national figure in children’s literature education. His wit and imagination make him an engaging speaker. Here is an opportunity to get a glimpse of the creative process and a taste of Gregory’s broad experience with fantasy writing. Come and share in the author’s infectious passion for reading and literature. Registration is required for this program, as there is limited seating. Please call Tom at the Library to reserve a place. YA and adult readers are welcome at this free program. Brown Dog Books and Gifts will provide some of the author’s titles for purchase and signing. A percentage of the proceeds will benefit the Library. Watch for changes, updates and further details for this event on the library’s web site and in other media.

Recent Acquisitions

**Adult Fiction:**  
Binchy, Maeve, *Heart and Soul*  
Evanovich, Janet, *Plum Spooky*  
Galligan, John, *Blood Knot: a fly fishing mystery*  
Jordan, Hillary, *Mudbound*  
Medlicott, Joan, *Promises of Change* [LARGE PRINT]  
Moore, Christopher, *Fool*  
Parker, Robert B., *Night and Day (Jesse Stone)*  
Patterson, James and Michael Ledwidge, *Run for Your Life*  
Picoult, Jodi, *Handle with Care*  
Quinn, Spencer, *Dog On It: a Chet and Bernie mystery*  
Rash, Ron, *Serena: a novel*  
Swarup, Vikas, *Q & A [Slum Dog Millionaire story]*  
Unsworth, Barry, *Land of Marvels* [LARGE PRINT]  
Verghese, Abraham, *Cutting for Stone*  
Winspear, Jacqueline, *Among the Mad*  
**Adult Nonfiction:**  
Friedman, George, *The Next 100 Years*  
Furiya, Linda, *How to Cook a Dragon: living, loving and eating in China*  
Kay, Ellie, *Heroes at Home: Help and hope for America’s military families*  
Levinson, Jay Conrad and David Perry, *Guerrilla*



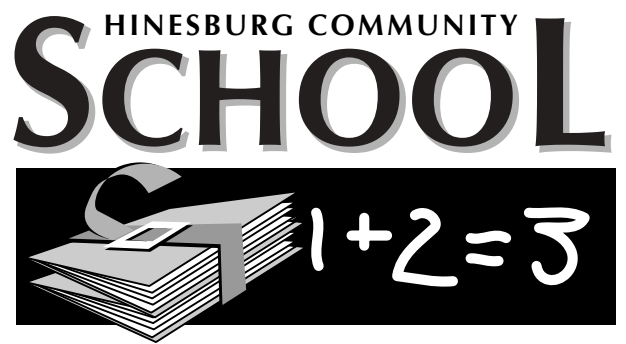
*Marketing for Job Hunters: 400 unconventional tips.....*  
McClelland, Ted, *The Third Coast*  
Morgenstern, Julie, *Shed Your Stuff, Change Your Life: a four- step guide to getting unstuck*  
Myers, Edward, *When Parents Die: a guide for adults*  
Sperling, Daniel, *Two Billion Cars: Driving toward sustainability*  
Thaler, Richard H. and Cass R. Sunstein, *Nudge: Improving decisions about health, wealth and happiness*  
Torre, Joe and Tom Verducci, *The Yankee Years*  
Tufankjian, Scout, *Yes We Can! Barack Obama's history-making presidential campaign*  
Whitty, Julia, *The Fragile Edge: Diving and other adventures in the South Pacific*  
**\*Check out our website for listings of new children's and young adult selections.**

## The Congressional Record

To date, the Library has offered paper copies of the Congressional Record (Proceedings and debates of the One Hundred and Eleventh Congress) for public use. We have decided to recommend that patrons get online information from the website <http://www.thomas.gov/>.  
The site's homepage bears the heading "Thomas: In the spirit of Thomas Jefferson, legislative information from the Library of Congress." This content-rich website contains not only ongoing activity in Congress, but also information on treaties, bills and resolutions, committee work, schedules and calendars and a section for use by teachers. The teachers' pages are full of ideas for classroom activities, and for home-schoolers and parents in general. This section includes information for a younger audience and resources for K-12 citizens.

## Quotation of the Month

*"The library is not a shrine for the worship of books. It is not a temple where literary incense must be burned or where one's devotion to the bound book is expressed in ritual. A library, to modify the famous metaphor of Socrates, should be the delivery room for the birth of ideas - a place where history comes to life."*  
-Norman Cousins



Compiled by Jen Bradford

## Important Survey for Parents and Community Members

I am asking for your participation today in a survey to determine how we can improve and enhance involvement in our family-school community partnership on behalf of our children. Last year being my first year with you, I was very impressed with the level of commitment on the part of our parents and community members to be a part of our children's educational experience. My wish is to continue to improve on this very important asset that our school possesses.

***Surveys can be completed on-line. A link to the electronic version can be found at [www.hcsvt.org](http://www.hcsvt.org). If you are unable to complete the survey on-line, use the hard copy of the survey that is inserted in this issue of The Record. Paper surveys may be returned to the HCS library, Carpenter-Carse Library, or the Town Hall. Please submit paper surveys by April 15, 2009.***

As a school community, we wish to build our capacity to involve families/community members in our program. We want to invite you to join us in brainstorming ways we might further involve families and community members. These include but are not limited to: mentoring, support in the

classroom and special events, assisting on field trips, providing input for curriculum development, fundraising, as well as providing input for the annual budget. We will be spending the rest of this year examining ways we can meet your interest in working with the school community. Each family/community member has varying interests, talents and time that they can contribute to supporting our school. In order to better understand your needs as families/community members we would ask you to complete the Family School Community Survey.

It has been shown that highly successful schools have parents who are engaged in their child's education and feel connected to the school. Also, the success of a school is dependent on the support it gets from within the community. Our goal is to use the information gathered from this survey to develop a plan of action to improve the success of Hinesburg Community School. This draft plan will be presented at a Community Forum in the Spring of 2009. It is my hope that everyone who is a part of the Hinesburg School Community: students, parents, community members and staff will take advantage of this opportunity to provide input into a plan to improve our communication and involvement in supporting the Hinesburg Community School.

Please join us and share your thoughts on how we can enhance communication and participation for all stakeholders in the Hinesburg Community School. Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey and for providing us with valuable information on how we might be able to include you in our work of supporting learning for all students at the Hinesburg Community School.

Sincerely yours,  
Robert Goudreau, Principal

## Library Showcases Student Artwork

The following students in grades K-4 have had their artwork chosen to represent Hinesburg Community School at the Carpenter-Carse Community Art Show. The Art show will be held at the Community Library from March 11 through April 10. On Wednesday, March 11 a reception for students and their parents was held at the Carpenter-Carse Library. Congratulations to all students.

### Kindergarteners

Alissa Miner	Ellie Baker
Rose Gladstone	Lydia Oakes
Cassie MacMahon	Erik Simkins
Lucy Picard	Olivia Morton
Abby Hale	Julia Baker
Isaac Bergeron	Chloe Landers
Destiny MacDougal	Kate Cheney
Clara Cichoski-Kelly	

### 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Claire Smith	Bronwen Cobden
Paul Hoepfner	Quinn Van Hook
Max Barron	Jasmine Leavitt
Cole Glover	Tashia Sweeney
Samantha Haviland	Kale Denis
Anna Pelkey	Abby Ferrara
Grace Washburn	Taylor Gauthier
Lily Spinelli	Annie Stamp
Zoe Prue	Justin Ploof
Caleb Moreno	Julia Daggett
Zachary Bostwick	Rowan Dunlop
Amber Roberts	Calvin Wuthrich
Alix St. Hilaire	Grace Buzzell
Emma Bissonette	Clayton Thorpe
Connor MacCormack	Willa Holliday
Julia Blanck	

### 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade

Sophia Bolivar	Josh Reynolds
Will Solow	Miami MacDougal
Elyzabeth Bennett	Jackson Glover
Shea Dunlop	Katie Gingras
Kaitlynn Dickerson	Liam Thomas
Anna Cornish	Rosalie LaCroix
Megan Brown	Eileen Needham
Marc Hoepfner	Will Burroughs
Jacklyn Carrara	Harrison Mead

## Seussical Comes to HCS

*Seussical* is coming to the Hinesburg Community School, as the Hinesburg Community School drama club and music department are presenting *Seussical* on April 3 and 4.

Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, Lazy Mayzie, the Cat in the Hat, and all the Whos of Whoville appear together in a fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza!

This show is a treat for the whole family, serving up a gumbo of musical styles, ranging from Latin to pop, swing to gospel, and R&B to funk. So save the dates, April 3 and 4, 7:00 p.m. at the Hinesburg Community School. Tickets are available at the Hinesburg Community School and Hinesburg Town Hall beginning March 16.

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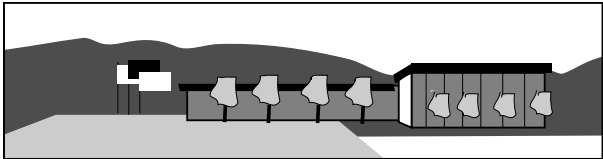
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Disney’s *Mulan Junior* is a musical show for the whole family, based on the Chinese legend of heroine Fa Mulan. The entire production staff, cast, and crew are CVU students, and the show is directed by Theresa Keller, a senior at the high school.

Dates/Times: April 9 at 7:00 p.m., April 10 at 7:00 p.m., April 11 at 2:00 p.m.

Location: CVU Auditorium, Hinesburg, Vermont  
Tickets: \$7 for adults and \$4 for students/children/seniors  
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Amanda E. Kaminsky  
Tasha S. Kramer-Melnick  
Brayden C. McKenna  
Owen B. Smith  
Benjamin D. Soll

**Juniors:**  
Isaiah R. Cory  
Cullen Millikin  
Leanna M. Muroski

**Sophomores:**  
Brigit L. Beaucage  
Kameron K. Clayton  
Jennifer K. Dunn  
Andrew J. Giroux  
Morgante Pell  
Brittany M. Place  
Dakota N. Siple

**Freshmen:**  
Abigail L. Buzzell  
Rebekah E. Cory  
Andrea L. Dotolo  
Allison R. Giroux  
Shelby K. Hanlon  
Lisa A. Iadanza  
Adam E. Kaminsky  
Alexie E. Millikin  
Katherine R. Pelletier  
Emma M. Sienkiewicz

### A/B HONORS

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Rebecca Donaldson  
Katelin M. Emerson  
Johanna P. Fay  
Melissa M. Henson  
Katie M. Iadanza  
Amber L. Jaro  
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Ethan Linck  
Catherine Longshore  
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Christine T. Piper  
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Katherine E. Ford  
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Samuel C. Hines  
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## Hinesburg Nursery School



## Noisy Sled Rides and Silent Auctions: There’s Always Something Happening at Nursery School

By Alison Bell

The HNS waffle breakfast and silent auction last month was both great fun and a great success! We served waffles to over 300 people. There were plenty of silent auction items to please all ages, from a handmade marble game to a McKenzie ham to a Siberian dog sled ride for a family of four. And let’s not forget all the terrific artwork and gift certificates to restaurants and local businesses.

I overheard one woman say that the HNS auction is one of the best in the area and that she comes every year without fail to get great deals and get a jump on her Christmas shopping. While the adults were bidding on items children were busy getting their faces painted and hugging Newton, the orange newt, from the ECHO center. A big thank you goes out to everyone who donated items to the auction as well as to our breakfast sponsors: Lantman’s, Russell and Carol Fox, Koval’s, Dakin Farm, Green Mountain Coffee Roasters, McKenzie of Vermont, Bristol Bakery and Café, Nancy Curtis, Hannaford Supermarket, Price Chopper, and Shaw’s.

Over February break HNS students and their parents met for sledding behind the school. The children started sledding on a rather tame hill but soon decided that the icy snow pile off the parking lot would be more entertaining. There were classic red sleds, tubes, and even a sled mounted on short skis vying for launching spots off the hill. Once launched, the children sped down the hill hoping for enough speed to cross over the ditch at the bottom that was filled with very cold water. There were quite a few wet parkas and water-filled boots at the end of the day, but that was all part of the fun.

Another thank you is in order to Good Times Café, Koval’s and Papa Nick’s for participating in Hinesburg Dines Out on March 12. They all donated a portion of their total sales that day to our nursery school.

To learn more about our school go to [hinesburgnurseryschool.com](http://hinesburgnurseryschool.com). There you can find all sorts of information, including upcoming events and registration forms. Keep an eye out for our Open House this spring.



## The Hinesburg Record

Advertising Deadline  
Apr. 1 for the Apr. 25, 2009 issue.  
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# Other Education

## Scholastic Chess Championship

The Twenty-Second Annual Vermont Scholastic Chess Championships will be held on Saturday, April 11 at a new location at the Berlin Elementary School in Berlin, VT, conveniently located in central Vermont just off Interstate-89 exit seven. All Vermont students from Kindergarten through grade 12 are eligible to compete for State Championships in each grade Kindergarten through Grade Six, Middle School (grades seven and eight) and High School (grades nine through 12). All abilities are welcome and encouraged to participate.

The tournament will follow standard USCF rules. Registration is from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. Games will start at 10:00 a.m. Complete rules and registration information can be found at <http://vtchess.info> or by contacting Mike Stridsberg, Tournament Director, at [mike@vtchess.info](mailto:mike@vtchess.info) or (802) 223-1948.

## Staying Connected with Your Teen—The Abridged Version

Do you ever wonder what is really going on in your teenager’s life? Want some practical tips to improve your parenting skills?

CY- Connecting Youth in Chittenden South is happy to announce that it will be offering an abridged version of its ever popular parenting program, Staying Connected with Your Teen. This is a three week evening course geared toward parents of 12 to 17 year olds. The course will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. beginning on Tuesday, March 31, at CVU High School. The course costs \$20 which includes a family guide book. Dinner will also be included.

If you are looking for ways to stay connected to your teen or have concerns about some of the issues they may be facing, then this is the perfect course for you! Develop positive family management skills and discipline practices. Learn how to help your child make healthy choices. The program also offers parents the opportunity to learn and share from other parents who are in the same boat, facing similar challenges.

Here is what other parents who have taken CY courses have said about them:

“I loved the open discussions and learning about others’ experiences.”

“I learned how important consistency is and the need to set expectations for your children in advance.”

“The facilitators were excellent and I liked knowing that I am not alone!”

For more information or to register please contact Jen Bickel-Hayes at 482-6951 or email [jbickel-hayes@cvuhs.org](mailto:jbickel-hayes@cvuhs.org).

## New England Federal Credit Union to Award STEM Scholarships

New England Federal Credit Union (NEFCU) is accepting applications for its 2009 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Scholarships. Three scholarships of \$3,000 each will be awarded.

To be eligible for NEFCU STEM Scholarships, applicants must be New England Federal Credit Union members and must be pursuing one of these fields of study:

- Biological Sciences
- Physical Sciences
- Mathematical Sciences
- Computer and Information Sciences
- Geosciences
- Engineering

Technology areas associated with the preceding fields of study.

Scholarships will be awarded to applicants who best demonstrate commitments to their fields of study. Applications will be accepted from March 2 through April 30. More information and application forms may be obtained from any branch, by calling (802) 879-8790, or from [www.nefcu.com](http://www.nefcu.com).

## Red Cedar Begins Bus Service

Red Cedar School of Bristol has purchased a bus to make frequent field trips more viable, and to offer transportation to and from Chittenden County. The school’s hands-on approach to learning means getting students out to experience the world beyond the classroom as much as possible. The bus will enable classes to readily head out into the community or the natural world, and to get the whole school to activities such as the ski program at Bolton. “This is a big step for Red Cedar. Everyone is excited for the new opportunities that are now open to us,” says Jacquie Werner-Gavrin, director of the school.

“We are thrilled,” says parent Julie Myers of Jericho, whose 4th grade son attends the school. “We have been happy to make the commute, but this bus will make a big difference and will make the school accessible for more families in Chittenden County.” Red Cedar’s location in the northern part of Addison County gives the school an advantage in pulling

from highly populated Chittenden County. This spring the school will begin offering transportation to and from Chittenden County at the beginning and end of the school day.

# Organization News

## Hinesburg Community Resource Center News

Kathleen Patten, Coordinator HCRC

## Food Shelf Has Staff Changes

The Hinesburg Food Shelf staff and the HCRC Board would like to thank Laurie Sweeney for five years of much needed volunteer service. Laurie recently moved on to other endeavors. Laurie’s extended family was also supportive of the work the Food Shelf carries out each week. Over the past year the Food Shelf gave out over 51,000 pounds of food and sundries. They did a lot to make that happen. We also thank Melissa Loftus, Jeff and their family for the two years of helpful work they have donated.

At the same time we welcome new volunteers, Sam and Sandy Rivkin and Robert Atherton. They have stepped up to serve their community by committing time to the Hinesburg Food Shelf. If you have time or donations of cash or food call Kathleen Patten at 482-2716.

## HCRC Receives SCHIP Grants

Hinesburg Community Resource has received two SCHIP grants, one for the amount of \$2500 specifically for the Food Shelf and its growing use by the greater community. The second grant, for the Summer Nutrition Food Program and Summer Fun Camp, is for \$1800. The Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Projects maintains a fabulous resale shop in Shelburne. The shop proceeds are the source of their generous grants to area non-profits. The Hinesburg Resource Center is very grateful for their help. Please donate good clothing and household goods to them so they may continue this worthwhile effort.

## All About the Hinesburg Community Resource Center

By Jean Isham, HBPA

Kathleen Patten, coordinator of the Center, describes it as basically a volunteer organization that helps community members help themselves. That description could be considered an understatement as the Resource Center is the umbrella for so many worthwhile community activities.

## All Programs Are Free

Child care is provided as well as transportation and snacks. There is always a need for volunteers to assist with the various programs.  
(Continued on page 18.)

Quaker education is coming to the Champlain Valley!

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# The Viking Voice

March 28, 2009

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This issue of *The Viking Voice* features the writing of our 5th -7th graders. Whether they are trying to persuade or entertain, they clearly have fun with the process of writing...

Enjoy!

## Dear Citizens of Hinesburg,

How many people do you know who dog sled? It's a rare sight in Hinesburg. To see this fascinating sight, a Hinesburg resident may have to go to Alaska, but traveling there takes a lot of time and money. Winter in Hinesburg is cold and snowy--ideal conditions for the sport. To create this exciting opportunity, all that Hinesburg residents need to do is establish dog sledding trails.

Right now, dog sledders have to use the road as a trail. Dog sledding on roads can be dangerous. When my sister and I sled on the roads, there are times when we have to deal with loose dogs and other animals. We have to be extra careful, however, because of cars. These are the biggest dangers. The drivers go by us, yelling at us while going too fast. We try to go on the side of the road, but the cars get too close. A trail is the only way to make this dangerous situation safer.

Kids and families in Vermont love to go out in the snow and have fun. People would be very happy to have another winter outdoor activity to look forward to. Probably at least half of the kids in Hinesburg schools don't even know about dog sledding. The sport, though, is very open and welcoming to people. Families can learn about dog sledding on the internet, but you have to see it and experience it to get the thrill of it. A trail in Hinesburg would attract people from Hinesburg and out of town to our village to enjoy this exciting sport.

The money that dog sledding would bring into the town would more than pay for the cost of building the trails. The sport is a fascinating thing for people to watch, and people from town and out of town will spend time and money in town businesses when they come look at the sport. Money could also be made by selling sled rides with the money donated to the town. So in the end putting in trails would be a way of gaining money for the town.

Some may argue that we do not need more people or dogs in Hinesburg. There is already a lot of traffic by Lantman's with the lights. Bringing more people into Hinesburg for dog sledding would just make it more hectic than it already is. Since it is a winter sport, it would tempt people to drive into Hinesburg on potentially dangerous icy roads. The fears of these

arguments, however, are not necessary. Hinesburg is going to grow just like other towns in the Burlington area. The question is what type of activity do we want growing in our town?

Dog sledding is a wholesome, family activity that will create the right kind of growth for our town. It will steer people away from bad choices like drugs and crime. As for the dangerous winter driving conditions, dog sledders are responsible people. A person needs to be very responsible and safety-conscious to raise, train and manage twelve to sixteen sled dogs. If the roads are icy and dangerous, they will not take the risk. Hinesburg will only improve with trails for the sport.

Dog sledding can bring the right kind of action to Hinesburg, but only if we have trails in town to make sure that the sport is safe and able to be seen by people who would enjoy it. The money would be an investment to draw people and business into Hinesburg. Families and children will benefit. Dog sledding rocks!

-Ginny Poquette, Grade 6

## Dolphins

By Carter Knox

Diving deep under water  
Ocean is where they live  
Leaping high out of the water  
Pull you for a ride  
Hiding in coral reefs from sharks  
Interesting to watch  
Neptune is their friend.

DOLPHINS!

## Color Poem

By Morgan Boss

### Green

Green is the sight of a John Deere tractor.  
Green sounds like happy people laughing.  
Green smells like a spring breeze.  
Green feels of jealousy.  
Green looks like an emerald colored ocean.  
Green looks like the Grinch that stole Christmas.  
Green smells like the Green Mountains.  
Green tastes of sour limes.  
Green is the sight of a Christmas tree at winter time.

## The Color Blue

By Maia Bertrand

Blue is the color of the deep blue sea  
Blue is the feeling you get when you're sad  
Blue is the sound of a blue bird's call  
Blue is the smell of the ocean water crashing to the shore  
Blue is the taste of fresh blueberries

## Imagine

By Colter

Dear President Obama:  
This is how I hope to see the future.  
Imagine-  
\*all people can live in peace  
\*everyone has a job  
\*everyone has a home  
\*there is no discrimination  
\*we find a cure for cancer  
\*we stop global warming  
\*no one in the world is starving  
This is my hope for the future.

## Imagine

By Max

Imagine there's no sky  
How would clouds form  
To let the rain out  
You wouldn't see one snowflake  
Drifting  
About to touch the ground

Without sky, there's no  
Rainbows  
Imagine no beautiful  
Lines all in a row

Imagine there's no sun  
Without the sky  
The sun wouldn't be  
Able to shine on the earth

The sky helps us  
Live many ways  
Without sky  
We would all die

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Imagine

By Tiffany

Imagine there's no shopping  
Not only wouldn't we have clothes or shoes,  
But nobody would get money  
Everybody would be broke and starving.  
We would have no food or water,  
So we would all die  
Personally-  
I would die  
If I couldn't shop for clothes.  
This is why we NEED shopping!

Fish in the Ocean

By Colter

There are the floating jewels, drifting  
About here and there  
Many different colors, shapes, and  
Sizes down in the depths  
All glistening about in the salty, sparkling light.  
Though most beautiful to sight, some deadly to touch  
Though they sound like jewels,  
They are truly something else.

Poem Story

By Lauren

There was a new girl  
her name was Sue  
she was just as regular as any Joe Lou  
but there was something about her  
that was a little bit off  
she always seemed to have a terrible cough  
she always had to sputter and spew  
what came out of her mouth felt a lot like dew  
she ate lots of cough drops  
that had to be chewed  
she made her way to Doctor Boo-boo  
who diagnosed her with a case of the flu  
she took some medicine  
and got much better  
and to this day  
she has never been under the weather.

The Game

By Kylie

The score still at 3-0,  
halftime just finishing

the heat unbearable  
finally, it begins, shock and excitement  
tears across the crowd's faces  
the first goal is scored  
the crowd screeches with glee  
It happens again  
immediately  
only two more points  
but there's not enough time  
with only five minutes left  
another goal is scored  
it's 3-3 now  
with only 2 minutes  
nobody scores  
it ends  
in a tie

Tractor Fun

By Wesley McEntee, Grade 7

The clock had just struck midnight. Ed, in his bed, heard the quiet putt putt of engines outside of his window. He climbed out of his bed, got into his clothes that he had laid out and stole quietly through the house to the door. Outside, the yard was bathed in moonlight and right outside the door his troops were waiting for him.

A large dump truck sat there; full of a regiment of tractors with all of his friends ready to steer them into combat. Two Bolens manned by his friends Owen and Zach. A David Bradley with a chariot behind it manned by his friend Coll. A tiny Wheel Horse manned by his friend Tom, and Ed's Case sat ready for him.

The dump truck roared off into the night. Destination: Johnson. Purpose: To stop the developing of 600 acres of land. The charge would

commence at dawn.

The truck arrived in Johnson at 1:00 a.m. sharp. They had four hours before the construction crews arrived and to get ready for them. When they reached Ed's camp, a large Massey Ferguson was waiting for them. A ramp was placed against the tailgate of the dump truck and all the tractors drove out. They formed ranks and shot off to hide themselves in the woods to lie in wait for the construction crews.

The sun was just peaking over the mountain at the head of the valley. The tractors were making their way through the woods to the construction site. The trees' leaves were swaying in the summer morning breeze. Ed's tractor's engine was running smoothly with an aggressively low tone to it.

"We're comin', ya rascallions," Owen said. The tractors came to the road then. A rumble could be heard just over the hump in the road. The tractors' engines throttled up and shot for cover just in time. Construction vehicles rumbled by.

They had arrived two hours early.

Ed's Case churned earth as it spun its tires and shot after the construction vehicles. Ed was in for a wild ride. He was bouncing high off the Case's seat as he sped along over large bumps. The rest of the tractors were not far behind. The construction crew's machines' kicked up pebbles as they went and one narrowly missed Ed's head. All of a sudden the tractor stopped, sending Ed flying. He landed on the back of an excavator.

"What happens now?," he thought.



The author with one of the many tractors in his own collection.  
Perhaps this is the one that inspired the story?

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**Friends of Families** offers programs for families with children from birth to eight years of age. Elly Coates (482-3460) is the coordinator for these programs.

**Play Group** meets every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Town Hall. Brandy Thorpe (482-6401) supervises this endeavor. It provides an opportunity for mothers and/or dads with pre-school children to meet and exchange ideas (what works, what doesn’ t), and for children to play and make friends. Many of the attendees at the play group have formed life-long friendships. The meeting area is a large toy-filled space featuring books, crafts, snack, circle time and lots of laughs for parents and kids.



**Parent Support Group.** The next support group will meet on Mondays from March 23 through May 11 with the exception of April 20. Call Elly Coates for time and place. This group, led by Patty Dunn, facilitates a discussion covering a wide range of parenting questions with experienced input offered by Patty.

**Welcome Baby Brunch.** The brunch is for all Hinesburg families with babies born in the last year. The brunch will be held on May 3 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. A book is dedicated to each baby and placed in the Carpenter Carse Library for all to read and enjoy.

**Clothing (infants to size 14) and book give away.** This event will be held Saturday, April 4, from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Town Hall. Donations of children’ s books and clothes may be left at the Town Hall on Friday, April 3, from noon to 8:00 p.m. Do not bring toys or adult clothing. No money is exchanged. This is an opportunity for the community to recycle outgrown children’ s items and families to benefit from the effort.

**Welcome Baby Bags Program.** This is an ongoing program for newborn children and their families. Each family enjoys a visit and receives a canvas bag of great resources, a swaddling blanket and numerous surprises. The opportunity to borrow a video on swaddling is also provided.

**New Mom Support Group.** A support group for new moms to help them make the transition into this very life-changing event. Moms meet weekly to share experiences, joys, frustrations and to get help with questions. Ginny Roberts very capably leads this group. Groups are formed as the need arises. Contact Ginny (482-5625) for additional information.

**Kindergarten Connection.** Every June a pot luck social is held for incoming kindergarteners and their families. It’ s a wonderful opportunity for the future classmates and families to meet.

**Educational Parenting Lectures.** Twice a year the Center schedules educational parenting lectures led by parenting experts. Contact Elly Coates (482-3460) for current details.

**Mother Goose Literacy Program.** Held twice a year in the spring and fall, this program focuses on reading, book learning and activities with parental interaction. It offers creative ways for parents to explore books with their children. All participants receive 10 free books and an activity guide.

**Hinesburg Rides.** Providing free transportation to people needing rides to appointments, programs, etc. To be a volunteer or to schedule a ride, call Karla Munson at (482-2778.)

**Summer Nutrition Food Program.** For six weeks of July and August, this program offers breakfast and lunch along with a fun and educational program run by the Hinesburg Community School. Monies are also used to augment summer school subjects with fun activities and crafts. The program takes place four days a week at the Hinesburg Community School. Transportation is provided. Students may register for the program through the Hinesburg Community School.

**Emergency Funds.** Managed by Kathleen Patten (482-2716) the fund can help with fuel and utility costs and respond to other crisis situations.

**Hinesburg Emergency Food Shelf.** The Food Shelf is located at the United Church in Hinesburg Village (rear entrance). It is open every Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. In the near future, it will also be open a week day evening. In 2008 this program served 938 families consisting of 1,837 adults and 1,398 children. Over 51,000 pounds of food and sundries were distributed. Donations of money, time and food are always needed. Garden produce is accepted on Fridays by 9:00 a.m. or by appointment. Non-perishable and freezable items are accepted by appointment. There is a food drop box at Lantman’ s and area places of worship. Remember your donations will go further in the form of checks mailed to Doug Gunnerson, Hinesburg Food Shelf, PO Box 590, Hinesburg, Vermont 05461. Doug manages the Food Shelf and is great at stretching dollars by purchasing from the Vermont Food Bank, making bulk purchases and closely watching sales at area stores.

Donate or Volunteer

Donations to the Hinesburg Community Resource Center support the many programs offered. Checks made payable to the Hinesburg Community Resource Center may be mailed to Kathleen Patten, Coordinator, HCRC, 113 Fox Meadow, Hinesburg, Vermont 05461.

As you can see from the foregoing description, it takes many volunteers to make these wonderful programs happen. Here is how you can help.

Wednesday Play Group. Play or read with great young children or help set up or break down. Contact Brandy Thorpe at 482-6401.

Mother Goose Literacy program (twice yearly). On site child care and food donations needed. Contact Elly Coates at 482-3460.

Welcome Baby Brunch. Assistance with cooking, setting up and breaking down. Contact Elly Coates at 482-3460.

Clothing and book give away (once a year). Collect and/or store clothing and help with distribution. Contact Elly Coates at 482-3460.

Welcome Baby Bags. Stuff or deliver bags to new born children and their families. Also knit or sew items for the bags. Contact Elly Coates at 482-3460 or Brandy Thorpe at 482-6401.

New Mom’ s Group. Refer new Moms to the program or be a community support person to a new mom. Contact Ginny

Roberts at 482-5625.

Emergency Food Shelf. Donate money or food, plant a row in your garden to share, offer your time. Contact Kathleen Patten at 482-2716 or Doug Gunnerson at 482-3069.

Hinesburg Rides. Be an occasional driver. Contact Karla Munson at 482-2778.

Summer Nutrition Food Program and Fun Camp. Attend and help prepare meals or count children. Contact Kathleen Patten at 482-2716. Donate arts and craft supplies or do projects with the children. Contact Diane Terry at 846-7494.

Emergency Funds. Donate dollars to help your neighbors during difficult times.

Contact Kathleen (482-2716) with general questions, suggestions, and concerns.

Hinesburg Friends of Families News

By Elly Coates

Parent Support Group

Friends of Families is sponsoring a seven-week parent support group, which started on Monday, March 23, and will continue through May 11. The meetings will be 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Wainer Room at Hinesburg Community School. Please note that there will be no April 20 meeting due to school vacation.

Patty Dunn will facilitate the group. Ms. Dunn is a longtime Hinesburg resident with 15 years of experience in hospice care, running support groups and facilitating the Nurturing Parent Program.

Our group will focus on the needs and struggles of parents with younger children, preschool to early elementary (three to seven years old). Free on-site child care will be available. For questions or to request child care please call Elly at 482-3460.

Free Kids Clothes and Books

Don’ t forget to donate your used children’ s clothes and books to the Fifth Annual Children’ s Clothes and Book Giveaway. This year the need is even greater. Donations will be accepted on Friday, April 3 at the Town Hall from noon to 8:00 p.m. Then spread the word to all you know that Saturday, April 4 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Town Hall is the place to be for some great “shopping.” For more information please call Elly at 482-3460.

Lions’ Club News

By Margery Sharp

Scholarship Applications Due May 1

The Hinesburg Lions Club again this year will award a scholarship to a graduating high school senior who resides in Hinesburg. Deadline for the application is May 1 and the award will be made at or just prior to graduation ceremonies at the senior’ s high school. Information can be obtained from school counselor Jane Krasnow at CVU’ s administration offices. Call 482-7137 to contact her for additional information.

If the senior applying is a student at CVU, he or she may download the information and application on CVU’ s NAVIANCE computer program. The application will call for a list of honors, awards, jobs and recommendations from teachers and/or community residents.

Also, an applicant must write a description of him or herself and explain plans for the need and use of the scholarship and why the applicant wishes to continue his or her higher education. The Lions Club members will judge the applications.

It’ s Easter Egg Hunt Time Again

The traditional Lions Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the playground behind the Hinesburg Elementary School on the Saturday before Easter, April 11, beginning promptly at 9:00 a.m. Children up to the age of eight may take part. The groups are divided by age so that children of similar age are sent off to hunt the eggs together.

Parents should accompany their children if they are very young. Please bring baskets in which to collect the eggs. Every child will get eggs. Stay after the hunt is over when prizes will be given out. All residents and children visiting in Hinesburg are welcome!

Happy Easter!

Valentine Raffle a Success

The Hinesburg Lions’ fundraising Valentine raffle was a big success this year! The money raised will help the organization hold its traditional children’ s Easter Egg Hunt and continue to offer a scholarship to any graduating senior who is a resident of Hinesburg and plans to continue education at a college or technical school.

Several of the raffle prizes were donated by Lion members and included knitted items, candle sets, corn husk dolls, crystal goblets and 40 pounds of bird seed. Participating businesses that donated items and gift certificates included: Brown Dog Books and Gifts, Common Creek Farm, Estey’ s Hardware, Family Cow Farmstand, Hart and Mead Bros,

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Winners of the Raffle items were: Kit Antinozzi, Anne Castle, Beth Enery, Lorie Dewyea, JT Collins, Cory Lumbra and Maryanne Brunetto, Esther Johansson, Charlie Sorrell and Sandra Hutchinson. Also, Jan Johansson, Ann Jenkins, Doug Castle, Pat Pike, Cole Brown, Chad Dewyea, Kendra Brown, Greg Matthews, Joe Bean, Linda Sorrell and Frank and Deb Ross.

## HHS One Day Museum

By Ann Thomas

The third annual One Day History Museum was held on Saturday, January 31. Sponsored by the Hinesburg Historical Society and Hinesburg Community School, the museum featured historical artifacts representing Hinesburg’s history and personal history of Hinesburg citizens. There were school photos, old magazines, a few tools and toys, and many other personal family mementos. HCS students Russell Fox, Delaney Thomas and Marc Wheater were on hand to photograph and scan the most interesting items. Following the museum, John and Susan Roberts presented “Forensic Photo Research”, chronicling how they got interested in buying old photos and then doing detective work to find out about the people in the photo and their stories. Once the subjects of the



Among the many items on display at the One Day Museum were photos of the local grammar school from 1928 and of Hart and Mead, date not given. Also on display were an antique typewriter, suitcase and stereo-opticon.



photos are identified, John and Susan research their family tree to find any descendants, in the hope of returning the photo to the family. This presentation was very well received and may be repeated one evening at Carpenter Carse library. Watch for more information soon.

## SCHIP Awards Grants for Community Projects

The current economic crisis was on everyone’s mind as the members of the Board of Directors of Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Projects (SCHIP) considered 18 requests for grants from the fund created through the sale of good used clothing and home goods. SCHIP received requests for over \$30,000 in grants in time for the January 30 deadline, but concern about harder times to come influenced them to judge carefully and exercise caution. Board chair Patricia Nestork of Charlotte summed up the concern of the 20-person board saying, “We’re being careful - we’re anticipating a hard spring.”

Grants were made for a total of \$21,450, some to organizations or agencies that provide service to residents of all three towns of Shelburne, Charlotte and Hinesburg, such as the Home to School Outreach program at Champlain Valley Union High School, and some to local food shelves and pastors’ discretionary funds.

Among the projects that received support from SCHIP in the first of three grant cycles for 2009 were nursery school tuition assistance for economically disadvantaged families, summer camp scholarships for needy youngsters, funds to pay for food for a summer camp that provides meals and recreational activities for children in kindergarten through eighth grade who would qualify for free or reduced lunch during the school year, a training program for foster and adoptive families, a sewing project that makes useful items for the elderly and handicapped, a knitting project that makes shawls and lap robes and a team building end-of-year activity for a mentoring program. Size of grants ranged from \$500 to \$2,500.

Before the current round of grant making, SCHIP had given a total of almost \$150,000 since they first began making grants in April 2005. The mission of SCHIP, which was formed in 2003 by ten faith communities in the three towns, is to work together to raise funds for grants to improve the lives of neighbors and strengthen the communities. Funds are raised through the operation of SCHIP’s Treasure Resale Shop in Shelburne Village where donated good used clothing and household items are sold. The shop is operated by a small paid staff and many volunteers.

The next grant deadline will be the last day of May. Grant information and forms can be picked up at SCHIP’s Treasure Resale Shop, 5404 Shelburne Road in Shelburne or at the offices of the Town Clerks in Shelburne, Charlotte and Hinesburg.



After almost five years, the sign in front of SCHIP’s Treasure Resale Shop in Shelburne had succumbed to the assaults of sun and weather. On a chilly Saturday Homer Wells of Sign Language in Monkton, right, and his helper Michael Moore of Waltham, installed a new face on the sign. In keeping with the resale shop’s commitment to reusing and recycling, the new sign is supported by the original posts and brackets.

## Sign Up Now for the COTS Walk

Registration is under way for the annual COTS Walk being held on Sunday, May 3, to raise funds for shelters and services for homeless families and individuals in our community. This summer marks the twentieth year that hundreds of individuals, families and teams will collect pledges for the Committee on Temporary Shelter (COTS), Vermont’s largest provider of shelter and services for the homeless, and walk a three-mile route in and around downtown Burlington, visiting COTS shelters and programs along the way.

The largest event of its kind in Vermont, the COTS Walk draws roughly 1,500 participants, infants to elders, and is an annual rite of spring in Burlington. This is the one day of the year when COTS opens the doors of all its shelters and invites the community to come in, look around, meet the staff, and see where their pledges are put to work.

Participants arrive at Battery Park at 1:30 p.m. and enjoy music by the Willoughbys, a “Quiz Quest” for kids along with face painting and other activities for the little ones, and brief opening remarks. Walkers depart at 2:00 p.m. to the beat of Sambatucada, then return a short time later to Battery Park, where they’re greeted by music from Dr. Jazz and the Dixie Hot Shots, and free refreshments. The route and all COTS facilities are handicapped-accessible.


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Two new stops have been added to this year’s Walk - a temporary shelter for families and individuals at the former Eagles Club on St. Paul Street, and the new COTS Housing Resource Center (HRC) on North Street. COTS launched both the shelter (supported by Champlain College) and the HRC in response to the soaring demand for services as a result of our current economic crisis. The HRC administers COTS’ Homelessness Prevention Fund, which provides emergency grants and other resources to qualified households at risk of becoming homeless.

This year’s goal is \$195,000. To register, visit [www.cotsonline.org](http://www.cotsonline.org), or call 864-7402.

## Adopt a Greyhound

Greyhound Rescue of Vermont will hold an Adopt-A-Thon on Saturday, April 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at PetSmart in Williston. Greyhounds will be on site, plus pictures and information will be on hand of many other dogs ready for adoption. PetSmart is located off I-89 at Exit 12 in Williston.

Guests are invited to spend time visiting and walking the dogs to become better acquainted with the breed. Adoption applications will be available, as well as additional information on the adoption process.

Greyhounds make wonderful pets. They are affectionate, gentle, well mannered and adapt exceptionally well to the home environment. Greyhounds come in all shapes and sizes, male and female, in a variety of colors. These retired racers deserve a chance to enjoy life with a companion or family. All dogs are spade/neutered, up to date with vaccinations and have had dental cleaning prior to being adopted.

Greyhound Rescue of Vermont works with Fast Friends of NH to place retired greyhounds that have nowhere to go in “forever homes”. Fast Friends must place 40 dogs as soon as possible, before relocating to a new facility.

For more information call Sandra Farrell at (802) 878-4844 or Sharron Thomas at (603) 398-2300. Information is also available at [www.helpinggreyhounds.org](http://www.helpinggreyhounds.org). Kennel visits can be scheduled by calling Sharron.

## Event to Recognize Vermont’s Gold Star Families

When Nathan and Vicki Strong of Albany, Vermont answered a knock at the door to their home on the evening of January 26, 2005 they saw their worst nightmare – two Marines standing there. At that moment they knew they had become members of a group that no serviceman’s family ever

wants to join – the Gold Star Families. Their son, Jesse, had been killed in action in Iraq.

On May 23 Scott and Penny Wheeler of Derby and their family, along with the Elks Lodge in Derby, will pay tribute to the Gold Star Families of Vermont.-people who have lost loved ones in this country’s wars and other armed conflicts, past and present. The event, which will take place at the Elks Lodge in Derby from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., is free and open to the public. It will serve as a time for the community to recognize the family members whose loved ones paid the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives for their country.

Honoring veterans is an annual tradition for the Wheelers, who are the owners of Vermont’s Northland Journal. They have hosted a number of events to honor them. Among the events, in 2007 they and the members of the Elks Lodge in Derby teamed up to recognize the Korean and Vietnam veterans. Then in 2008 the Wheelers and the Elks came together again to honor the veterans of World War II. These events have been huge successes and great tributes to the veterans. The Wheelers and the Elks are now working together on this solemn event.

If you have lost a loved one in a U.S. war or armed conflict and you’d like to share a photo and a short story about the person you lost for publication on the web, and possibly in newsprint, please forward it to the Wheelers at [northlandjournal@gmail.com](mailto:northlandjournal@gmail.com). Scanned photos must be scanned at 300 dpi or greater. Or you can send the photos and stories to P.O. Box 812, Derby, Vermont 05829.

People with questions can contact the Wheelers by email, or by calling (802) 334-5920. They will also be announcing any updates on their website at [www.northlandjournal.com](http://www.northlandjournal.com). Although not required, it would be good to hear from Gold Star Families who plan to attend the event. We look forward to a great turn out to recognize the fallen veterans and their families.

## Red Cross Campaign Boosts Blood Collection Efforts

For the second year in a row, results of the “Give A Pint, Get A Pound” campaign have increased blood collection efforts in January, helping approximately 300,000 patients. This January, typically a challenging month to collect blood due to snow and icy conditions, participating states in the Northeast Division saw an increase in blood donations with 8,094 additional units of blood collected over December 2008. In addition, total calls to the 1-800-GIVE-LIFE number increased by about 32.8%, also compared to December.

Donors who came to give blood walked away with a coupon for a free pound of Dunkin’ Donuts coffee and the knowledge that by donating blood they may have helped save or sustain the life of up to three patients. Throughout the course of the month-long campaign, more than 100,000 pounds of Dunkin’ Donuts coffee was given away to presenting donors.

Patients in area hospitals need blood every day. Even with strong collections in January, key blood types remain in short supply, a testament to how important it is for those eligible to make an appointment to donate blood. The American Red Cross Blood Services - Northeast Division must distribute approximately 3,000 units of blood each day just to meet the basic needs of area

patients. Only five percent of those eligible to donate blood actually do so.

To donate blood and platelets through the American Red Cross, individuals must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health. Donors can give blood every eight weeks and most medications and medical conditions do not prevent a person from giving blood. Donors are encouraged to call ahead to check on their eligibility.

For information regarding donor eligibility, please call 1-800-GIVE LIFE or visit [www.givelife.org](http://www.givelife.org).

## BCBSVT Sponsors Young Filmmakers Contest

Why should young adults in Vermont get health insurance? Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont is committed to helping them learn. The company is enlisting young people themselves to help get the word out about the importance of health insurance. Students and other young Vermonters may enter BCBSVT’s Young Filmmakers Contest by submitting 25-second public service announcements or short videos of three minutes or less on the topic, “Why do young adults need health insurance?” Four \$500 prizes will be awarded. BCBSVT will award two prizes for each format - one to filmmakers in college or over the age of 18 and one to high school or middle school aged filmmakers.

Kevin Goddard, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont’s vice president of external affairs, notes that young people who graduate from high school and college and no longer qualify as dependents on their parents’ policies often go without coverage. “We know that younger people feel they’re invincible - they’re healthy and they don’t believe anything can happen to them. Unfortunately, one accident or illness can leave a 20-something young adult with debts that take decades to pay off,” he explains.

“We believe that young people themselves know which messages will appeal to their peers. We hope to be able to use our winning entries to drive more young Vermonters to programs like Catamount Health, which provides affordable options for graduates who are just starting out.”

Entry forms and the rules for the contest appear in full at [www.bcbsvt.com/videocontest](http://www.bcbsvt.com/videocontest). Among them are:

- All footage, including music, must be originally created material or filmmakers must obtain proper, legal permission to use copyrighted material.
- The actors and crew in a video must be kept safe during production.
- All entries must be postmarked or hand-delivered to BCBSVT’s Berlin or Williston office by April 24.

A panel of health and film experts will judge videos using the following criteria: Impact, clearly defined message, creativity, originality, youth appeal, overall production values/technical competence, video and audio quality, clarity of information and presentation effectiveness.

Factors will be weighted as follows:

- Effectiveness at conveying message – 40%
- Relevance to the target audience (young people) – 40%
- Originality and creativity – 20%

For more information, call BCBSVT communications at (802) 371.3335 or visit [www.bcbsvt.com/videocontest](http://www.bcbsvt.com/videocontest).

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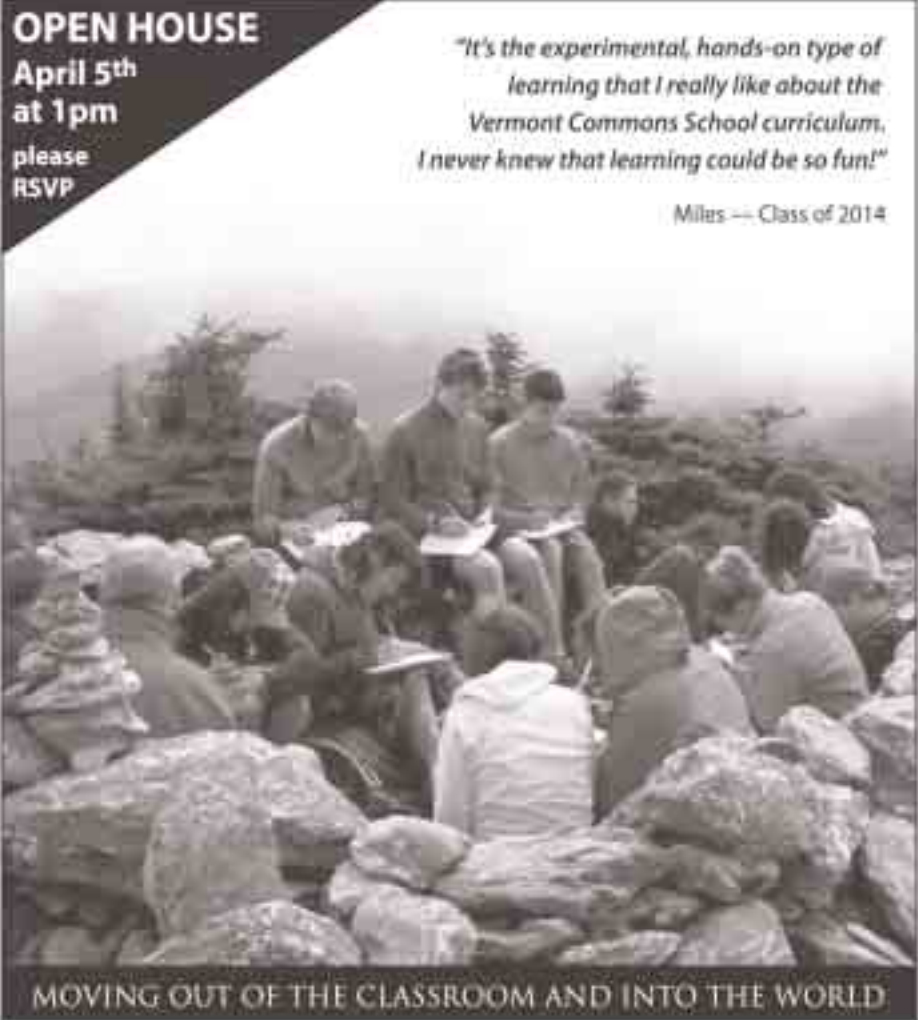
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# ARTS ENTERTAINMENT

## Social Band to Perform in Hinesburg

By Ann Pearce

Social Band, Burlington’s lively band of singers, presents *Veni Creator Spiritus: Come Creator Spirit!*, featuring premieres of three new choral works penned by Vermont composers Sara Doncaster, John Harrison and Pete Sutherland, as well as a variety of other works and reflections on the creative process. The second of four concerts will be held Sunday, March 29, 4:00 p.m. at the United Church of Hinesburg.

Social Band takes its mission of supporting the creation of new choral works one step further by building active collaborations between these composers and singers into the creation and interpretation of their pieces. Each composer has rehearsed their piece extensively with Social Band, and in some cases, has developed it further as a result of the interactions!

Each of the three new pieces delves into different aspects of their authors’ creative process. Pete Sutherland created a “collage text” for two choirs made up of writings solicited from members of Social Band, called “Breakthrough.” John Harrison put original words to a jazz piece he had previously written in “Down at the Old Hotel.” He said, “It’s ultimately about music’s ability to evoke and fulfill nostalgic yearnings in the true sense of that word (the Greek root *nostos* meaning to return home)”. Sara Doncaster composed a set of three pieces. The first one, “Deadline,” describes her challenge with meeting deadlines. In the second piece, “Voices,” she explores her process of finding her authentic musical voice. And the third piece, “Ballad,” puts the confusion and struggle of the craft of writing in proper perspective.

In addition to the premiered pieces, earlier-commissioned works by Liz Thompson, Tom Cleary and Will Patton will be on the program, as well as selections of early works by Tomás Victoria, Hildegard of Bingen and John Dunstable. The program will be rounded out with a few shape note tunes and selected readings to tie together this exploration of the creative process.

Social Band was founded in 1998 to explore the diverse repertoires of traditional, early and contemporary music. Directed by Amity Baker, their presentation strikes a balance between raw exuberance and a polished sound. This mixed chorus of 22 singers has become known for their signature mix of homegrown and international choral works spanning the millennia, with a focus on new works by Vermont composers.

Other concerts in the area are:

Saturday, Mar. 28, 7:30 p.m. at the Richmond Free Library  
Saturday, Apr. 4, 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Church in Burlington

Sunday, Apr. 5, 4:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Bristol

Admission is by suggested donation of \$15, \$10 for students/low income individuals. Advance tickets are available from the Flynn Regional Box Office, (802) 86-FLYNN (863-5966) or [www.flynnntix.org](http://www.flynnntix.org). For more information, visit [www.socialband.org](http://www.socialband.org), or call (802) 658-8488.

This concert is supported in part by the Vermont Arts (Continued on the next page.)

# Health and Safety

## Ladies First Promotes Heart Health

Linda Scoville’s neighbors are surprised to see her hiking briskly through the snow on her daily 30 to 60 minute winter outings. Three months and 12 pounds ago, Scoville was screened for heart disease through the Vermont Department of Health’s Ladies First program, and decided to take action. She filled out a Ladies First goal sheet and rated her readiness to change at ten on a scale of one to ten.

A family history of heart disease and seeing her screening results pushed Scoville out into the snow with a pedometer on her belt and a goal of walking 10,000 steps each day. She also reduced her portion sizes at meals and makes use of the healthy recipes in the Ladies First cookbook.

Ladies First is a breast and cervical cancer, and cardiovascular risk factor screening program that can, and does, save lives. The program has screened nearly 11,000 women for breast and cervical cancer since 1995, and 4,500 women for heart disease since adding the screening program in 2002. One in four women die from heart disease, and most women fail to make the connection between their personal risk factors and the chances of developing a disease that can be prevented.

February was American Heart Month, a time to promote heart disease awareness and encourage everyone to take steps to prevent and control risk factors.

“Choosing health behaviors, including good nutrition and physical activity and avoidance of tobacco use can greatly reduce the risk of heart disease,” said Health Commissioner Wendy Davis, MD. “Women who are aware of their risk, and choose to do something about it, can truly lower their risk.”

Ladies First provides support to change, such as smoking cessation help that can markedly reduce health risks and instill lifelong behavior change. In addition to her fitness program, Scoville works with a program nutritionist for additional guidance and support.

Ladies First provides free screening for breast cancer, cervical cancer and heart health for eligible Vermont women. The program also offers free nutrition counseling and support for healthy lifestyle changes to Ladies First members over 40 years old. For more information call (800) 508-2222 or go to: [www.LadiesFirstVt.org](http://www.LadiesFirstVt.org). For Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals, please use Vermont Relay Service 711 and give our number: (800) 508-2222.

## Fighting Melanoma

The Skin Cancer Foundation is urging the public to reach out to Congress to request ten million dollars for melanoma research. Participants can visit [www.skincancer.org](http://www.skincancer.org) to send a letter to their representatives before Friday, April 3.

Although the foundation, along with the National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention, was successful in securing four million dollars for melanoma research last year, “historically, funding for melanoma research has been disproportionately low,” according to Perry Robins, President, The Skin Cancer Foundation. “The Skin Cancer Foundation is proud to launch our new advocacy system to make it easier for the public’s voice to be heard. Together we can make a difference in the fight against skin cancer.”

The public can now visit [www.skincancer.org](http://www.skincancer.org) to send a personalized letter to their district representative. Participants will be asked to submit their zip code, making it fast and easy and ensuring that the letter is in the hands of the appropriate Congress person. All letters must be submitted by April 3 for the request to be added to the Defense Appropriations Bill. The foundation has a goal of securing at least 5,000 letters by the April 3 deadline.

One person dies every hour from melanoma. And while the death rates for other common cancers such as breast, colon and prostate cancer are declining, death rates for melanoma have increased nearly 30 percent over the past 25 years.

The Skin Cancer Foundation is committed to educating the public and medical professionals about sun safety. As

leaders in the fight against skin cancer, the Foundation is the only global organization solely devoted to the prevention, detection and treatment of the world’s most common cancer. The mission of the Foundation is to decrease the incidence of skin cancer through public and professional education and research. To learn more about the foundation and its programs, visit [www.skincancer.org](http://www.skincancer.org).

the below seems expendable to me because it’s been over a month since the rabies incident ( I checked ) and anyone who had contact and hasn’t been vaccinated by now is either lucky or dead.—mp

## Raw Milk Consumption Investigation

The Vermont Department of Health and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets have been investigating a small dairy farm in Chittenden County where two cows that were infected with rabies died.

The Health Department is advising anyone who had close contact with the cows or consumed raw milk (unpasteurized) from one of the cows, to discuss rabies vaccination with their health care providers.

“According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, cows, or any warm-blooded animal can pass rabies to people, although there is no documented case of a human becoming infected with rabies by drinking raw milk from a rabid cow. However, out of an abundance of caution, the Health Department recommends that anyone exposed to the virus should discuss possible treatment with their health care provider,” said Acting State Epidemiologist Patsy Kelso. “Because human rabies is fatal and the vaccine is nearly 100 percent effective, we want to make sure that anyone who may have consumed raw milk from the cow meet with their medical provider to make an informed decision about whether or not to get vaccinated.”

Anyone who had close contact with the cows or may have consumed raw milk between January 25 and February 8, when one of the cows first showed signs of illness, is being advised to discuss vaccination with their health care provider.

The small dairy farm does not sell raw milk to the public and there is no risk of exposure to the public from pasteurized milk that originated from the farm. Pasteurization is a process that heats milk to a temperature that kills harmful viruses and bacteria.

The two cows tested positive for rabies at the Vermont Department of Health Laboratory on February 10 and February 11, which led to a joint investigation by the Health Department and the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets.

Health care providers in Chittenden and Franklin counties who may be contacted by the individuals exposed to the animals, or who consumed raw milk on the farm, have been alerted by the Health Department. The Health Department and Agency of Agriculture are continuing to investigate possible exposure risk at the farm.

Both veterinarians who examined the animals and had them euthanized received rabies booster shots as a precautionary measure. The dairy herd (approximately 30 cows) has now been vaccinated and no other animals have exhibited symptoms of illness or rabies.

Raw milk can potentially contain a wide variety of harmful bacteria or viruses including Salmonella, E. coli O157:H7, Listeria, Campylobacter and Brucella, and, in rare instances, the rabies virus.

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Music Night at Brown Dog Books and Gifts!

The Chick Peas, a mildly sweet vocal infusion with strings, keys and a little spice, will be performing at the Brown Dog in the Firehouse Plaza on Commerce Street on Friday April 24, at 7:00 p.m. Spend an evening with Jody Albright-vocals and keyboard, Darienne Oaks- vocals and violin, and Linda Pervier- vocals and guitar.

If you missed them in December, here’s your chance to see them! It’s free and open the public. For more information call 482-5189 or go to [www.browndogbooksandgifts.com](http://www.browndogbooksandgifts.com).

Echoes of Silence, Songs of Courage

While a silent Trappist monk, Paul Baker Hernández secretly cobbled together a guitar from various scraps. The result inspired him to “become another Bob Dylan...only quieter.” His talented flamenco guitar playing accompanies traditional U.S. and Latin American songs of struggle, as well as Scottish traditional ballads.

Paul lives in Managua, Nicaragua, where he works with grassroots projects to roll back global warming, and coordinates Water Not War, a hope-filled response to the global economic/ecological crisis.

Paul will be touring to raise awareness, money and other support for these vital programs. He will be performing in Hinesburg on Monday, April 6. The evening will begin with a potluck at 6:00 p.m. followed by the performance, location to be announced.

For details, call the Global Justice Ecology Project office at 482-2689, or visit us at [www.globaljusticeecology.org](http://www.globaljusticeecology.org)

Get Ready for VYOA Music Day Camp!

The Vermont Youth Orchestra is sponsoring music camps, Monday to Friday, June 22 to 26, from 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Elley-Long Music Center at Saint Michael’s College. These camps provide orchestra, band and small ensemble experience for string, wind, brass and percussion players in grades four through ten.

Tuition is \$250 and financial aid is available. Registration and financial aid forms are available in print-friendly format at [www.vyo.org](http://www.vyo.org) or by calling the VYOA office at (802) 655-5030. Remember to register early! Camp fills up quickly! Deadline for registration is May 29. We look forward to seeing you this summer.

Call to Artists: Twenty-Fifth Free Speech Art Auction

As part of its twenty-fifth anniversary celebration, CCTV is inviting local artists to create a piece of work that reflects the theme of “free speech” and “democratic communications”. These topics may be broadly interpreted and include references to the present and future of democracy,

liberty, censorship, public access, media ownership, open government and the internet age.

CCTV Founder Lauren-Glenn Davitian explains, “We hope our artist friends will let their creativity flow and use this as an opportunity to raise public awareness and understanding about the promise and the perils of free speech at this time and as we look ahead to the next 25 years.” Two and three-dimensional art, as well as video pieces, are welcome. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, March 31. Please contact Megan Humphrey at 864-7528 or [meganh@sover.net](mailto:meganh@sover.net) if you would like to participate.

Contributed “free speech” art will be presented at a Silent Auction, during CCTV’s Twenty-fifth Anniversary Screening on Thursday, April 30 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Main Street Landing Waterfront Theatre in Burlington. Selected pieces will appear in the CCTV 2010 Calendar to be published in December. Marketing activities will include a show at Viva Espresso for the month of April, press releases, posters, monthly e-news alerts, advertising in main stream press and promotion on social networks (such as Facebook) and at [www.cctv.org](http://www.cctv.org).

CCTV Center for Media and Democracy is a recognized community watchdog for free speech and public access. For the past 25 years, it has put media into the hands of people in the community; bridged the digital divide and it continues to work to make sure that activists and nonprofits can use internet tools to make our neighborhoods and our world a better place. CCTV operates Channel 17/ Town Meeting TV, CCTV Productions and Technical Services, and CommonGoodVT.org.

Sugar on Snow

Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting FREE “Sugar on Snow” parties every Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4:00 p.m. at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd, through April 19. Call 985-5054 for directions.

“Much Ado” in Rehearsals

Actors are studying their roles at a rehearsal held at Trinity Episcopal Church in Shelburne in preparation for Shelburne Player’s spring play “Much Ado About Nothing” by William Shakespeare. The play, re-imagined in Edwardian England, tells the story of how young lovers Hero and Claudio conspire with Don Pedro to set a “lover’s trap” for Benedick and Beatrice. Meanwhile, the evil Don John conspires to break up the wedding by accusing Hero of infidelity.

Performances will be presented at Shelburne Town Center on April 17, 18, 19, 23, 24 and 25. Tickets are \$12 general, \$10 seniors and students, and can be reserved in advance by calling 985-0870 (operated by Accu Rite) or by emailing [shelburneplayers@aol.com](mailto:shelburneplayers@aol.com) with the name, telephone number, date, price range and number of tickets. More details will be available at [shelburneplayers.com](http://shelburneplayers.com).



*Pictured from left to right are Christina Weakland, Krista Cheney, Jessica Bernard, Campbell Dunsmore, Don Rowe and John Klesch.*

Sports News

“Fellowship of the Wheel” Picking up Speed

By Steve “Big Wheel” Fischer

It is a sunny spring morning and I wake my 15 year old son, Lukas, for a trail day in the Hinesburg Town Forest. At 7:30 a.m. on a Sunday, I get a chilly reception. Though he protests vehemently, I insist that he participate. We pile into our truck and head to Koval’s Deli in Hinesburg for a bagel and then meet up with another 20 hearty souls at the trailhead. A trail design has already been precisely laid out, so our crew gets right to work clearing fallen logs and branches, setting up rock armoring for proper drainage, and building bermed corners.

Three hours pass quickly and I can tell that Lukas is as happy as I am to see the progress and anticipate the fun we’ll have riding this beauty of a single-track. He’s been to a few trail days now and has really warmed up to these fellow lovers of the outdoors - talking bikes, skiing and school with them. He complains a little less at the early awakenings these days and I know he enjoys learning about the great trail systems and riding them with me all spring, summer and fall.

Others throughout Chittenden County are enjoying these trails and many more, thanks to the Fellowship of the Wheel, (FOTW) started more than a decade ago by Hans Jenny and a group of friends to promote and advocate for mountain biking. Ready access to multiple local trail systems has led to a steady increase in the Fellowship’s popularity. The Fellowship now boasts about 200 members who contribute at least \$30 yearly to use the trails and support their maintenance. Many willingly donate considerably more to sustain the Fellowship’s expanding trail networks. With a mailing list of nearly 600 people, most of whom once contributed, it is clear there are plenty more who are interested in the trail networks.

Before long, my wife became interested in our morning ramblings and decided to find out for herself the source of our excitement. With two active dogs in need of regular exercise and stimulation, it soon became her daily routine to hike a route around the trail network with them in tow. An experienced hiker and nature lover, she enthused about how fun the trails were - each one different than the last. When she chanced upon another neighbor out for a walk with her three Bernese Mountain dogs, it became clear that others too recognize that the Fellowship is onto something good!

With energy and enthusiasm gaining momentum over the years, 2008 was a banner year for the Fellowship. A membership push, grants, and fundraising made possible the hiring of two Trail Coordinators - 2002 Member Brooke Scatchard (Hinesburg), a UVM graduate in Geography and accomplished mountain bike racer, and 2004 Member Mickey Stone (Huntington) who works for the Professional Ski Instructors Association. Brooke and Mickey were chosen for their outstanding volunteer contributions in previous years and commitment to applying progressive trail design and construction methods.

Each of them put in 20 hours per week starting in spring and lasting well into fall. Brooke’s involvement has morphed to a year-round position of Trail Director as he has taken over many organizational responsibilities from Hans, pursued new opportunities for trail work and continued mapping the trails. With Brooke and Mickey working more than 1100 hours this year alone, the health of the trail systems has improved dramatically. Existing trails were regularly cleared of fallen trees and waterlogged areas received skilled improvements.

While developing trails, the Fellowship clearly takes its land and resource stewardship seriously. The Trail Coordinators follow the International Mountain Bike Association’s guidelines for trail building, which promote erosion control, safety, enjoyable flow and exciting challenges. What the casual user such as my wife was experiencing was not just by chance. The sturdy bridges, banked corners, switchbacks, side hill benching, drainage channels and technical elements were carefully designed to give the trails character and complement the natural landscape.

As a subchapter of the Vermont Mountain Bike Association, the Fellowship not only builds and maintains trails but also serves the important role of liaison between mountain

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bikers and the landowners and towns that host the trails. A torrential downpour muddied the trails and prompted a trail closing to prevent erosion and damage to the landscape. Specific trails were carefully labeled at the trailhead and on the Fellowship’s website when they could not responsibly support traffic from hikers and mountain bikers. Trail users have learned to respect these guidelines as an essential step in the stewardship of the extensive resources provided by the Fellowship.

Volunteers, such as my son and I, have been the backbone of the Fellowship’s efforts since the beginning. Committed trail users continue to turn out in force for trail days, averaging 20 volunteers at each of the 21 trail days organized by Brooke, Hans and Mickey. Through everyone’s efforts, the following trail systems were improved by upgrading existing single-track, adding trails and connecting systems:

- Hinesburg Town Forest**, public land in Hinesburg
- Carse Hills**, private land in Hinesburg
- Sleepy Hollow**, a cross-country ski and mountain bike center in Huntington
- Sunny Hollow Natural Area**, public land in Colchester
- Indian Brook Reservoir**, public land in Essex
- Saxon Hill**, public and private land in Essex and Jericho
- Mud Pond**, public land in Williston
- Mobbs Valley and Hill**, public land in Jericho
- Arcana**, private land in Jericho

The Fellowship’s experience and expertise continues to grow. Their skills have been sought to help with other systems outside Chittenden County, such as Fairfax Falls, Perry Hill (Waterbury), and Millstone Hill (Barre).

Looking forward, the Fellowship sees many opportunities:

- Increase membership and volunteerism by promoting the Fellowship, especially among those who presently enjoy the trail systems and aren’t yet members.
- Promote family use and multi use, giving kids a healthy recreational outlet.
- Pursue grants for trail building, materials, tools and the hiring of coordinators and interns.
- Introduce new members-only maps and guides for each trail network.
- Organize trail rides to improve member familiarity and build specific skills.
- Improve outreach to towns and private landowners with property that might be conducive to sustainable trails and public use.
- Improve the connectivity of the trail systems. Imagine if a rider could go from Saxon Hill in Essex, to Mobbs Valley in Jericho, to Mud Pond in Williston, then on to Sleepy Hollow via the Lake Iroquois Connector, through the Hinesburg Town Forest, and finally onto the Carse Hills; traversing six towns and connecting seven existing trail networks along the way.

To support these goals, the Fellowship’s fundraising and membership building efforts include the Singletrack Barn Dance at the Monitor Barn in Richmond on April 10, and a Trail Festival in the summer. If successful, they will also hire two college-age interns to spend 10 to 20 hours per week on



FOTW Trail Coordinator, Mickey Stone, Lukas and Steve Fischer and one unidentified volunteer practice sustainable trail construction in Hinesburg in May 2008. PHOTO BY BROOKE SCATCHARD.



A large group of Fellowship volunteers gather in Hinesburg to work on a new trail project in May 2008. PHOTO BY BROOKE SCATCHARD.



Howie Kargman and other Fellowship members installed a puncheon over a wet section of trail at Mobbs Valley in Jericho in September 2008. PHOTO BY BROOKE SCATCHARD.

the burgeoning system. Event details and more information about the Fellowship can be found at [www.fotwheel.org](http://www.fotwheel.org)


As I hear my son relate to a new trail building volunteer the correct steps for creating a switchback or tell my wife that he “makes a dive for the grub hoe” at trail days, I realize that something else very important has been accomplished today: A new generation is getting hooked on sustainable use of the land and healthy outdoor recreation.

*The Fellowship is responsible for creating and maintaining over 80 miles of trails in Chittenden County and beyond. The trails are designed for mountain bikers, but have been equally well received by hikers, trail runners, and snowshoers.*

## Local Gym Celebrates First Black Belts

By Peter Monty

Confidence through sport has been the ultimate goal. However, Hinesburg Blue Wave Taekwondo and Fitness (Continued on the next page.)



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would like to announce the names of the first students to reach black belt status under the guidance of Mr. Peter Monty - Ian Corcoran, 15, Aidan Corcoran, 9, and his very own daughter Jamie Monty, 10, all of Hinesburg.

The three tested for their black belts before The Blue Wave Taekwondo Association Board and highest ranking founding member Grand Master Tae Sung Lee in Manchester, New Hampshire February 27. Grand Master Lee traveled to the U.S. from South Korea for the event.

Mr. Monty’s students have trained for more than four years together at Hinesburg Blue Wave Taekwondo and Fitness located on Mechanicsville Road. The three will not only continue to train with Mr. Monty, a third degree black belt, and his wife and son, who are both second degree black belts, they will also begin teaching others while working toward a second degree black belt in the sport of Taekwondo.

Congratulations and keep up the hard work! For more information call Ali Ploof or Peter Monty at 482-3899, e-mail Peter Monty at pmonty@bluewavetkd.com or visit www.bluewavetkd.com.

## Support Starksboro’s Sports Program

Please come and celebrate the coming of spring with a hearty All-You-Can-Eat breakfast with family, friends and neighbors on Sunday, **March 29, 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.** at the Robinson Elementary School, Multi-Purpose Room, 41 Parsonage Road in Starksboro, VT

The Annual Pancake Breakfast is Starksboro’s sports program’s big fundraiser for the town’s all volunteer run baseball and softball program to benefit the children of Starksboro. The breakfast features buttermilk pancakes with real butter and local maple syrup plus eggs, bacon, sausage, home-fries, toast, juice and coffee. Adults - \$7, Children and Seniors - \$4.

There will be a Boston Red Sox Tickets Raffle courtesy



Ian Corcoran (left), Peter Monty, Aidan Corcoran (center) and Jamie Monty (right) in Manchester New Hampshire February 27.

of Milne Travel American Express. Raffle tickets are \$5 and are available at the Pancake Breakfast or the Jerusalem and Starksboro Stores.

Please come join us for a great time and a great cause! For more information go to [www.starksboro.org/sports.asp](http://www.starksboro.org/sports.asp) or e-mail [starksborosportsprogram@yahoo.com](mailto:starksborosportsprogram@yahoo.com)

## World Champ is Guest Coach for Running Camp for Girls

A world champion ultra runner, Nikki Kimball, will be guest coach and inspirational speaker for the August 2 to 7 Peak Races Training Camp of Pittsfield, VT.

The program called Trail Girls is for girls in grades six and seven. Natasha Barton of Underhill, camp director, says “this is a camp for high spirited girls for running, adventure and fun. The emphasis is on fun not performance, and developing a love for the outdoors and running. The program is health oriented and the counselor to children ratio is one to five.”

“With this age group we want to accomplish a sense of learning about different situations and how to face real life as much as possible. There’s lots of time to talk about everyday pressures. The girls gain a sense of self esteem from working together and working out. The emphasis is not just on improving running skills but learning about technique, including mental, having fun and working to help each other.” she said.

The week consists of games, team building and learning to read maps and compasses. The week ends with a 5k fun trail run, awards dinner and movie outtakes.

The camp fee is \$499 and includes bunkhouse accommodations, three meals daily, evening programs and more.

For more information please contact Barton at [natashabarton@aol.com](mailto:natashabarton@aol.com) or go to [www.peakcamps.com](http://www.peakcamps.com).

## Toughing Up in Tough Times

A village in central Vermont may well be dubbed “endurance town USA.” This is Pittsfield, near Killington, where at 5:00 a.m. on June 13 runners will assemble to tackle the 2009 Pittsfield Peaks Death Division Race, ten miles of obstacles that must be faced, tackled and completed in order to continue in the race.

This is the third year of the event. Designed to be the toughest race in the world, it was won by Chris Mitchell of Boston in 2008. This is a 24-hour obstacle course run that can include, among other tasks, splitting wood, hiking through a river, chiseling marble and even mucking out nearby sheep stalls. Organizers describe the race as very challenging mentally and physically. They say it’s the mental part that gets competitors to the finish. In 2008, out of 50 entrants, eight ran the whole course.

Joe Desena who designed the race says “it’s tougher than the Tour de France in the sense that there’s no end in sight. You don’t know how long it goes for - we don’t give you a starting point. The goal is to get everybody to quit.”

A prize of \$1,000 goes to the first five people who finish in less than 24 hours. Desena won’t release details of the obstacles planned for his June event but he says they will be the most challenging ever.

In preparation, from May 1 to 3 there will be a training called Death Camp for serious athletes who want to be pushed to their mental and physical limits and who don’t quit. Designed for the competitor who is extremely fit, the camp includes a minimum of 30 hours of extremely painful and grueling training. The winners from the previous two years of a Death Race competition will be on hand to speak and give advice on how to go beyond what you can do. The camp price including lodging and a Saturday night dinner plus events and lectures is \$200.

For information, contact [pittsfieldultra@yahoo.com](mailto:pittsfieldultra@yahoo.com) or go to [www.peakraces.com](http://www.peakraces.com). For more information on a series of racing and endurance camps scheduled this year in Pittsfield, be sure to check out [www.peakcamps.com/calendar.php](http://www.peakcamps.com/calendar.php).

## Golf Seminar to be Presented Over VT Interactive TV

The Vermont Golf Association will be hosts to a United States Golf Association (U.S.G.A.) Rules of Golf seminar Monday evening, March 30 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The three-hour session will be presented throughout the state using Vermont Interactive Television.

The course is open to the public, with a \$10 fee payable at the start of the class. Attendees will learn:

- How to use the Rules of Golf Book
- The definitions
- Which rules apply
- How to establish the appropriate ruling.

Each participant will receive a U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf Book.

Carl Anderson will be the presenter. Mr. Anderson is a Board Director of the Vermont Golf Association, a two-time graduate of the U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf Seminar, and has officiated at Vermont Golf Association and U.S.G.A. tournaments. It is expected a Vermont PGA professional will be present at each Vermont Interactive Television studio to answer questions.

Reservations are required through the Vermont Golf Association. For additional information, contact the Vermont Golf Association at (800) 924-0418 or [vga@vtga.org](mailto:vga@vtga.org).

# NAMES In The NEWS

### Hinesburg’s Newest Residents

T.J. Mead and Stacy Anne Wilson are parents of a baby boy, *Jackson William Mead*, born January 17 at Fletcher Allen Health Center.

A baby boy, *Griffin Charles Hayes*, was born February 8, to Ben and Tanya (Pfund) Hayes at FAHC in Burlington. *(The Hinesburg Record is pleased to announce the birth of your baby. When you fill out a “Baby Notice to Media” following the birth, just add our name in the “Other Media List” at the bottom of the form.)*

## Local Students Named to Dean’s Lists

Robin W. Hart of Hinesburg has been selected for inclusion on the Dean’s List for academic achievement during the fall semester at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York. Robin, a freshman student, is a graduate of CVU.

Kelsey Jane Lea and Celeste Johnston Veilleux of Hinesburg have been named to the fall 2008 Dean’s List at Keene State College in Keene, New Hampshire,

Taryn Couture of Hinesburg, was named to the University at Albany’s fall 2008 Dean’s List for outstanding academic achievement.

Thomas J. Dinitz, a member of the Class of 2011 at Colgate University, has been named a Dana Scholar in recognition of superior academic achievement as well as demonstrated leadership in the campus community. Selection as a Dana Scholar is a significant honor. Dinitz is the son of Dr. Jeffrey H. Dinitz and Dr. Susan M. Dinitz, of Hinesburg.

Zelie Dunn-Morrison, Class of 2010, and the daughter of Victor Morrison and Patty Dunn of Hinesburg and Aaron Miller, Class of 2012, and the son of Geoff Miller and Beth Buttles-Miller of Hinesburg earned highest honors for the fall semester at Skidmore College. Highest honors are awarded for a quality point ratio of 3.67 or more from a possible 4.0.

Undergraduate students with grade-point averages of 3.0 or better and who are in the top 20 percent of their classes, have been named to deans’ lists at the schools and colleges of the University of Vermont. Hinesburg residents listed for the fall 2008 semester, their year and their major are:

- Alicyn N DeSimone, senior, Anthropology
- Bethany A. Fox, senior, Studio Art
- Dustin K. Lea, senior, Biology
- Zachary S. Leffler, first year, Biology
- Matthew W. Mackinnon, senior, Psychology
- Michael J. Mainer, junior, Environmental Engineering
- Jefferson I. Parker, junior, Business Administration
- Joshua L. Parker, first year, Secondary Education Math
- Halley B. Ross, senior, Psychology.

## Local Resident Performs on Tour with Saint Michael’s College Chorale

Brittany Baker, daughter of Russell and Robin Baker of Hinesburg, participated with the Saint Michael’s College Chorale in a tour of performances in New York City, New Rochelle, N.Y., Larchmont, N.Y., and Fairfield, CT. Baker, a junior mathematics major graduated from Mount Abraham Union High School before coming to Saint Michael’s, a liberal arts residential Catholic college located in the Burlington area of Vermont.

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## Hinesburg Student Goes to D.C. as Delegate for Children’s Congress

Allison Giroux, 14, is one of 150 children throughout the U.S. selected to represent her state on Capitol Hill this summer to remind Congress and the Administration of the critical need to find a cure for a disease they live with every day: type 1 (juvenile) diabetes.

These children, ages 4 to 17, representing all 50 states and the District of Columbia and all diagnosed with type 1 diabetes will converge on Washington, D.C., to tell their stories and urge lawmakers to help find a cure during the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation’s Children’s Congress 2009, from June 22 to 24. Allison, who lives in Hinesburg, has been named a delegate representing Vermont in the Children’s Congress. JDRF is the world’s largest charitable funder of type 1 diabetes research.

## Gallon Donor Recognition

William Chapman-Hale of Hinesburg recently received a one gallon pin from American Red Cross Blood Services, New England Region.

## Vermont’s Two Top Youth Volunteers Selected in National Awards Program

Courtney Devoid, 16, was named one of Vermont’s two top youth volunteers for 2009 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, a nationwide program, now in its fourteenth year. Courtney was nominated by Mount Abraham High School. She will receive \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion and an all-expense-paid trip in early May to Washington D.C. for several days of recognition.

Courtney, a junior at Mount Abraham High School, is a leader in a student organization that is promoting the use of “biomass” pellets as a home-heating fuel in Vermont and, in a pilot project, has installed pellet-burning stove in homes of four low-income families.

## Vermont Hockey News Select Team Goalie Named

Gregory Talbert, of Hinesburg, has been selected to compete with the Select 12 team during the 2009 Yankee Conference Festival. The festival takes place in the Greater Portland, Maine area on the weekend of March 27-29. This is a highly competitive evaluation tournament attended by the best youth players from the New England District states of Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Connecticut.

During the regular season, Gregory plays for the Green Mountain Glades Pee Wee major team. The 2008/2009 team stats are 30 wins, 15 losses and 6 ties.

# Other News

## Lake Champlain Quadricentennial Commemoration

The Vermont Council on World Affairs has been awarded a grant of nearly \$375,000 from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State to design and implement a youth leadership exchange program in conjunction with the Lake Champlain Quadricentennial Commemoration.

“This grant was made possible by the foresight of Senator Patrick Leahy in recommending that the State Department make funds available for this purpose, and by the assistance we received from the Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing in designing the program,” noted Albin Voegelé, the Chair of the Vermont Council on World Affairs. “We are very grateful for their help and for having this wonderful opportunity to contribute in a significant way to the Quadricentennial Commemoration,” he added.

The program will bring together 36 teenagers; 12 from Vermont, 12 from Quebec and 12 from France, who will form an international chorus and perform in each country during a six week program. The students will spend three weeks in Vermont (June 28 to July 18), nine days in Quebec (July 19 to 27) and 12 days in France (July 28 to August 8). In addition to the musical component, the participants will visit locations associated with Samuel de Champlain in all three countries and explore the cultural heritage of Vermont, Quebec and France during their program.

Marcelle Leahy has agreed to serve as Chair of the exchange, noting that “Given my own personal heritage that incorporates Vermont, Quebec, and France, and my deep interest in promoting international understanding through the universal channel of music, I am delighted to be involved in this very worthwhile and exciting project. This will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the teenagers, and a highlight of the Quadricentennial Commemoration,” she added.

Bruce Hyde, Chair of the Lake Champlain Quadricentennial Commission and Commissioner of the

Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing, expressed enthusiasm for the program by remarking that “Involving young people and teaching them about the rich cultural heritage of Vermont is a key goal of the Quad. We believe that this particular program will serve as a vehicle for generating enormous interest and involvement by people not only in Vermont, but among our Quebec neighbors and friends in France as well.”

The youth participants in the program must be between the ages of 15 and 17 in June and have at least one year of high school remaining in 2009-2010. Students who are interested in being part of this program are encouraged to contact the Vermont Council on World Affairs, 123 Ethan Allen Avenue, Colchester, VT 05446 or call (802) 654-2727 for further information.

The Council is also seeking host families for the Quebecois and French participants while they are in Vermont from late June through early July. Volunteers are needed to assist with other aspects of the program as well.

The Vermont Council on World Affairs has contracted with Notch Above Tours to coordinate travel and other arrangements for the program. Gwendy Lauritzen, Vice President for Sales and Marketing of Notch Above Tours, will serve as Project Coordinator for the Vermont-Quebec-France Youth Leadership Program and can be reached at (802) 644-8027.

The Vermont Council on World Affairs (www.vcwa.org) is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization. Its mission is to promote an awareness and understanding of world affairs by:

- (a) providing a wide range of public forums and events on key foreign affairs;
- (b) meeting and hosting international visitors and delegations;
- (c) working with educational institutions to develop programs on issues facing our world today; and
- (d) helping Vermont businesses better understand the international business environment.

## Kidpower Vermont Public Workshops This Spring

Workshops teach “people safety skills” to children, teens and adults. These include everyday safety skills with people we know and with strangers, and emergency-only skills in self-defense. Workshops are designed to be upbeat, age-appropriate, success-based, effective and not scary.

## Kidpower Introductory Workshop for Children Ages Seven to 12

Children learn Everyday Safety Skills and get lots of hands-on practice on how to stay safe in a wide variety of situations, from being on their own to dealing with bullying or peer pressure, setting boundaries with people they know, and knowing how to protect themselves in a dangerous situation with last-resort physical self-defense skills.

Date: Saturday, April 18  
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Location: Lake Champlain Waldorf School, 359 Turtle Lane, Shelburne  
Fee: \$100 per child

## Teenpower Introductory Workshop for Teens Ages 13 to 17

This workshop gives students the chance to learn and practice the skills they need to keep themselves safe with their increased level of independence, including skills in everyday safety, de-escalation and physical self-defense.

Dates: Saturday, April 18 or Saturday, May 26  
Time: April 18 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. or May 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Location: Lake Champlain Waldorf School, 359 Turtle Lane, Shelburne  
Fee: \$100 per student

## Fullpower Introductory Workshop for Adults 18 and Over

In this workshop, adults learn and practice skills that can help prevent, avoid or de-escalate problems with friends, colleagues, partners and housemates as well as with strangers. Participants learn everyday safety skills such as awareness, boundary setting, verbal self-defense and de-escalation techniques, as well as physical self-defense techniques to get away from an assault.

Date: Saturday, May 16  
Time: 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Location: Lake Champlain Waldorf School, 359 Turtle Lane, Shelburne  
Fee: \$100 per participant

Payment plans and scholarships are available for all workshops. Pre-registration required. Contact Laura Slesar, Kidpower Vermont, (802) 425-KIDS, KidpowerVermont@gmail.com for registration or more information.



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## Hinesburg Winter Carnival

(Continued from the front page.)

Through the events that presented such fun, the carnival was a success. The carnival was a time for people to socialize, meet other people of Hinesburg and to all have fun. Hopefully, next year's Winter Carnival will be as fun as it always has been through the past years!



Garrett Brown on guitar and Thomas Keller on drums. PHOTO BY MICHELLE KELLER.



Members of the band WOLCOTT: Albert Brown on bass guitar, Thomas Keller on drums, Garrett Linck on guitar, Drew Cooper on guitar. PHOTO BY MICHELLE KELLER.

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## Federal “Stimulus Package” Update

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service but it also buys us the time to explore every option before we cut services so many Vermonters depend on. We can balance next year's budget through cuts, efficiencies or new revenues – or a combination of all three. This federal money allows us to take more time to thoughtfully weigh all the options and opportunities before we act.

Given this tough economic climate, we are being asked to make some very difficult choices in Montpelier. My job as a legislator is to make sure these decisions are informed, balanced and thoughtful. This is hard but stimulating work and I am pleased to be representing Hinesburg at this point in our history. Stay in touch at 482-3528 or BillLippert@gmavt.net.

## Richmond Bridge Closed for Repair

Heading to Richmond? It may take a bit longer for awhile. The bridge in Richmond, connecting the Round Church to the center of town, will be closed for construction over the next three months. Construction activities will include the rehabilitation of the existing steel truss bridge, as well as repair of existing abutments and approaches. Crews will work seven days per week during daytime hours, but will add night work as necessary to remain on schedule.

The schedule calls for the bridge to be reopened to traffic before July 4. Work may continue an additional few weeks to finish work that can be completed while traffic flows.

Motorists should seek alternate routes while the bridge is closed. For work updates regarding the bridge project, please visit [www.roadworkupdates.com](http://www.roadworkupdates.com).

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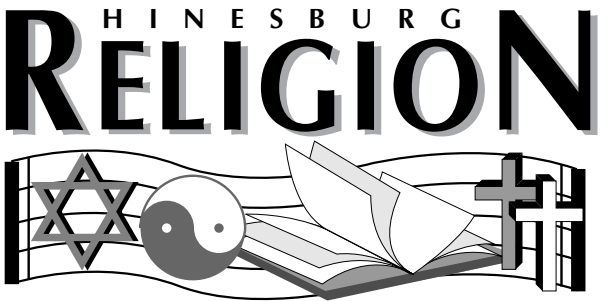


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## United Church of Hinesburg

**Pastor:** Reverend Bill Neil  
**Church Phone:** 482-3352  
**Church Email:** [unitedchurch@gmavt.net](mailto:unitedchurch@gmavt.net)  
**Parsonage Phone:** 482-2284  
**Parsonage E-mail:** [billandfaithneil@gmavt.net](mailto:billandfaithneil@gmavt.net)  
**Website:** [www.TroyConference.org/unitedchurchofhinesburg](http://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.  
**Holy Thursday Meal & Service:** April 9 at 6 p.m.  
**Easter Sunrise Service:** April 12 at 6:30 a.m.

## 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](http://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-6<sup>th</sup> 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

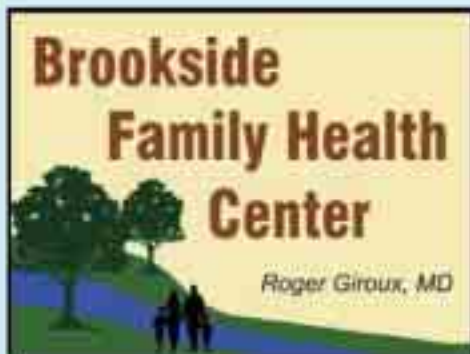
A Community Soup Luncheon comprised of breads, and hearty homemade soups and chowders will be held at the Hinesburg Community School the third Saturday of each month from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. through April 2009 This community outreach event is open to the public in Hinesburg and surrounding towns 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:  
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](mailto:lighthousevt@netscape.net)  
**Web Site:** [www.LBCvt.homestead.com](http://www.LBCvt.homestead.com)  
**Location:** Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road  
**Address:** P. O. Box 288  
**Regular Services:**  
**Sunday Morning Worship:** 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery provided







# 482-3900

## Looking for a Doctor? We can help!

Brookside Family Health Center is an Ideal Micro-Practice that provides unhurried, patient focused, modern family medicine for people of all ages. Our Practice combines up-to-date technology and training with old fashioned ideals to give patients the kind of care they need, when they need it.

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- Worker's Compensation
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We are available for scheduled appointments Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with same day appointments available.

Dr. Giroux is also available to see patients after these hours if needed.

*New patients are welcome. Most insurances are accepted.*

Call 482-3900 to make an appointment, or just stop by for more information.



**Roger Giroux, MD**  
**Brookside Family Health Center**

**206 Commerce St., Hinesburg (right next to the Post Office)**

Kids Corner (puppets and songs)  
**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](mailto:dcse@aol.com)  
**Mailing Address:** 2894 Spear Street/P. O. Box 158, Charlotte, VT 05445  
**Hinesburg Rectory:** 482-2290, [St.Jude@gmavt.net](mailto:St.Jude@gmavt.net), P. O. Box 69, Hinesburg 05461, 10759 Route 116  
**Office Hours:** Mondays 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](mailto: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. Please call Marie at 482-2290 (Parish Office) or 434-4782 (home) for 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 MEALS ON WHEELS. There will be cards and board games and door prizes. Cost: \$3.00 donation.

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).

## All Souls Interfaith Gathering Nondenominational Service

**Pastor:** Rev. Mary Abel  
**Phone:** 985-3819  
**Mailing Address:** 371 Bostwick Farm Road, Shelburne, VT 05482  
**Evensong Service:** Sundays at 5:30 p.m.  
**Spiritual Education for Children:** Sundays at 5:00 p.m.



# The Hinesburg Record

**Advertising Deadline**  
**Apr. 1 for the Apr. 25, 2009 issue.**  
**Call 482-2540 for information.**

**News/Calendar Deadline**  
**Apr. 1 for the Apr. 25, 2009 issue.**  
**Call 482-2350 for information.**

**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.**

## CLASSIFIEDS

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SATURDAY, MARCH 28:

March 28 issue of *The Hinesburg Record* published Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions

SUNDAY, MARCH 29:

Social Band, presents *Veni Creator Spiritus: Come Creator Spirit!*, 4:00 p.m., United Church of Hinesburg  
Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1:

Advertising and News deadline for April 25 issue of *The Hinesburg Record*  
Dog licenses due

THURSDAY, APRIL 2:

Fire and Rescue/Medical Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station  
Friends of CVU meeting, 7 pm., Student Ctr., all welcome

FRIDAY, APRIL 3:

*Seussical*, 7:00 p.m., HCS

SATURDAY, APRIL 4:

Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions  
*Seussical*, 7:00 p.m., HCS

SUNDAY, APRIL 5:

Palm Sunday  
Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free, “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions

MONDAY, APRIL 6:

Select board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall  
Public hearing on the Village Growth Area Rezoning Proposal, 7:00 p.m., Town Offices  
Vermont Astronomical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., room 413, UVM, Waterman Building  
Lake Iroquois Recreation District meeting, 4:30 p.m., Williston Town Hall, public invited  
Paul Baker Hernández performing, 6:00 p.m. potluck, followed by the performance, location TBA

TUESDAY, APRIL 7:

Story time for Toddlers, for children up to three years of age, 9:00 a.m., CC Library, walk-ins welcome  
Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall  
“Budgeting and Protecting Your Retirement Nest-Egg in a Down Market” presented by Michael P. Junga, LTCP of Hinesburg Financial Group, LLC, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Hinesburg Town Hall, Main Hall on second Floor, free, RSVP to Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8:

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, APRIL 9:

First Day of Passover  
Fire and Rescue Heavy Rescue Training, 7:30 p.m. Hinesburg Fire Station

FRIDAY, APRIL 10:

Good Friday

SATURDAY, APRIL 11:

Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions

SUNDAY, APRIL 12:

Easter Sunday  
Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions

MONDAY, APRIL 13:

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, APRIL 14:

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  
“Saving Money Through Wind and Solar for Your Home” presented by David Blittersdorf of Earth Turbines, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Hinesburg Town Hall, Main Hall on Second Floor, free, RSVP to Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net  
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, location to be decided

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15:

Last Day of Passover

THURSDAY, APRIL 16:

Fire and Rescue/Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station

SATURDAY, APRIL 18:

Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions

SUNDAY, APRIL 19:

Palmer’s Sugarhouse will be hosting free “Sugar on Snow” parties, noon to 4:00 p.m., at 332 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd., call 985-5054 for directions.

# HINESBURG CALENDAR

## Key To Abbreviations Used in Calendar

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

MONDAY, APRIL 20:

Select board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 21:

Story times for Toddlers, for children up to three years of age, 9:00 a.m., CC Library, Walk-ins are always welcome.  
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  
“Creating Value and Budgeting Your Home & Auto Insurances, Worker’s Compensation & Commercial Liability” presented by Walter Hausermann of AllState Insurance and David Palmer of Palmer Insurance, Hinesburg Town Hall, Main Hall on Second Floor, free, RSVP to Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22;

Earth Day  
Planning Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall  
Carpenter Carse Library Trustees meeting, 7 pm, CC Library  
Hinesburg Trails Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., lower level or second floor of Town Hall, Frank Twarog, Chair

THURSDAY, APRIL 23:

Fire & Rescue/Fire Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station  
Hinesburg Historical Society meeting, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., ground floor conference room in the Town Hall

FRIDAY, APRIL 24:

The Chick Peas, 7:00 p.m., Brown Dog in the Firehouse Plaza

SATURDAY, APRIL 25:

April 25 issue of *The Hinesburg Record* published

MONDAY, APRIL 27:

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 28;

Lion’s Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick’s Restaurant, call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information  
“Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Estate Planning But Never Asked,” presented by Roger E. Kohn and Eileen Blackwood of Kohn, Rath, Blackwood & Danon, LLP, Hinesburg Town Hall, Main Hall on Second Floor, free, RSVP to Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29:

Deadline for the May 23 issue of *The Hinesburg Record*

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Community Yard Sale

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CALENDAR ITEMS

Town Clerk Office Hours: Mondays, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-2281. E-mail:

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

Town Planner Office Hours: 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>. Hinesburg Community Sch.  
CVU: <http://www.cvuhs.org>. Champlain Valley Union.  
CCL: <http://www.carpentercarse.org>. Capenter Carse Lib.  
Hinesburg Town: <http://www.hinesburg.org>. Official Town of Hinesburg web site.  
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