

The Hinesburg Record

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Saturday May 2 is Green-Up Day

By Phil Pouech

Spring brings a rebirth of nature with returning flowers, birds and warmer days. Our community spirit is also renewed with the return of Green-up Day. For almost 40 years Green-up's mission has been to promote the stewardship of our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green-up Day and raising public awareness about the benefits of a litter-free environment.

Green-up activities will be held on Saturday May 2 and will include our traditional BBQ lunch. The Town Hall will be open at 8:00 a.m. for bag pickup, road assignments or to just meet up with your friends and volunteer organizations. Return to the Town Hall at noon for lunch. Additional activities at the Town Hall include informational booths and displays on green living. Way to Go Week and the Chittenden Solid Waste District (CSWD) will be represented with appropriate Green-up information. Other green organizations may also join us at lunch time.

But before our community BBQ we have the hard work of Green-up. WHAT, you have other plans on May 2? No problem. You can get an early start on the roads around your house because Green-up bags will be available starting Friday, April 24 at both the Town Hall and Carpenter Carse Library. If you begin your Green-up work before May 5, please let us know what roads you will be doing so we can coordinate the volunteers. It's OK if you need to leave the Green-up bags along the roadside. Make sure they are off the road and secure then call us so we can ensure they get picked up.

On Green-up day, trash, metal and discarded tires (no household trash please!) will be collected at the Highway Department which is located next to the CSWD transfer facility on Beecher Hill Rd. Collected trash can be dropped off between 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Green-up day.

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Green Up Vermont



Green Up Day

Saturday May 2, 2009

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Open Studio Weekend – May 23 and 24

A Unique Vermont Arts Event

It is often noted that Vermont is known for its seasonal traditions, beautiful landscapes and community cohesiveness. We celebrate the growing season at harvest festivals, shake off cabin fever at winter carnivals and are drawn by plumes of steam to sugarhouses in the spring. The month of May has become known for the uniquely Vermont tradition of Open Studio Weekend, where hundreds of artists from all corners of the state open their studios to the public. Workspaces are spruced up, displays created and doors are flung open for a steady stream of inquisitive visitors for two days of warm introductions and educational conversations. The signature bright yellow and black signs point the way to participating artists and a statewide map is available to assist in planning routes.

Five Hinesburg artists invite you to embrace spring fever and follow the local studio "trail" - Marian Willmott, Phebe Mott, Jean Carlson Masseau, Fiona Cooper Fenwick and Connie Lavallee. Marian (Hayden Hill) will exhibit figurative and abstract mono-prints and demonstrate the printmaking process. Her husband Dennis will be on hand for the occasional guitar background music. Phebe will join Marian with her colorful acrylic paintings. Jean (Silver Street) will exhibit paintings, limited edition prints, photography and talk about creating illustrations. For those interested in original

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Spontaneous Lines, monoprint by Marian Willmott



Nelson's View, oil painting by Fiona Cooper-Fenwick

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 16th is a date to mark on your calendar. The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association (HBPA) will sponsor the twelfth 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 16th 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.



Tractor Study III, colored pencil by Jean Carlson Masseau
Nelson's View, oil painting by Fiona Cooper-Fenwick

Save the Date for the H.A.S. Spring Concert!

The Hinesburg Artist Series will present its spring concert on Monday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. at CVU. The concert will feature the South County Chorus, Hinesburg Community Band and In Accord, under the direction of Rufus Patrick. The concert is free, donations gladly accepted. Please mark your calendar and join us for an evening of great music.



Arthur Guarino Memorial Service

A memorial service for Arthur Guarino will be held on Friday, May 1, at 2:00 p.m. at the Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballards Corner Road, Hinesburg.

Joseph D. Fallon, Esq.

A Clothes Drive Thank You

I would like to send out a big thank you to all the Hinesburg residents who donated clothes and books to our annual Children’s Clothing and Book Giveaway. I feel lucky that we live in a community so willing to share with its neighbors. The event is always appreciated, helping about 60 families each year. Our volunteers also deserve a huge thanks for all their hours of sorting and organizing. I could not have done it without you ladies. Thank you for donating, volunteering and shopping. You all did your part to make this event a success. I hope to see you next year.

Elly Coates

Thank You, Hinesburg, for Dining out!

With the continued generous support of Koval’s, Good Times Cafe and Papa Nick’s, Hinesburg Nursery School raised \$376 during our annual “Hinesburg Dines Out” event which happened on Thursday, March 12.

Hinesburg Nursery School also received a \$1000 grant from SCHIP (Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Projects). With the aid of this grant HNS is able to offer tuition assistance to qualified families.

Hinesburg Nursery School is a nonprofit, state licensed parent cooperative preschool for children ages three to five located adjacent to the Hinesburg Community School. HNS is currently accepting registrations for the fall program.

For more information visit us online at www.hinesburgnurseryschool.com.

Milissa O’Brien

Responses to Anti-Gay Marriage Letter

Mr. Galloway’s attempt to skirt around the issue of gay marriage veiled in an explanation of protecting children from never knowing their biological parents is shameful and insulting. In a perfect world there would be no teen pregnancy, struggling families, abusive parents or children in need of foster and adoptive families to care for them. But the need is there. More than 100,000 children in the United States are in foster care waiting for permanent families. Hundreds of

thousands of children around the world are living in orphanages or substitute care and need homes. Out of the estimated 126,000 children waiting for adoption in the United States only 51,000 were permanently placed according the last census. Each year the amount of children going into the system goes up.

As an adopted child to a heterosexual couple that doesn’t know either of her biological parents, I was struggling to find Mr. Galloway’s point. The most important thing about being a family is the love and support given to one another. That support can come from a single parent, a gay couple, an adopted family, two heterosexual parents or kin raising a child. The word “family” has been redefined over the years. It no longer means one man, one woman with 1.2 children and a picket fence. The fact that people - whether they are gay, white, African-American, single, married or polka dotted - care enough to share their lives with a child or children in need without the biological ties shows their immense compassion and openness of their hearts.

Anti adoption or anti gay marriage Mr. Galloway? Kindly,

Denise Guttler

I was baffled by the letter Matt Galloway sent in last month explaining his reason for being against gay marriage. Regardless of what side of this issue you are on, his rationale seems totally irrelevant – that children of gay couples would not know their biological parents. This reasoning is strange on so many levels.

First of all, fertility has nothing to do with sexual preference. Gay men and women are perfectly able to have biological offspring. Secondly, if he is against gay couples adopting children, why did he then make a point of explaining that gay couples are capable of raising “happy and exceptional” children?

That leads me to believe he is against adoption in general. As a sister of an adopted brother I can not fathom this argument. My parents were overjoyed to be able to add a second child to our family, I can’t imagine my life without him and my brother feels the same way. Surely Matt can’t mean he’d prefer kids in orphanages or foster homes over having loving parents to care for them.

And finally, it’s not a given that adopted kids will never know their genetic parents! In our case my brother has been in touch with and formed wonderful relationships with both his birth mother and father. Making connections with biological families is becoming more and more common with changes in adoption laws.

There may be other reasons that the definition of marriage should remain unchanged, but Matt’s is not one of them.

Jane Sheldon

I must respond to the assertion in last month’s Letters to the Editor that legalizing gay marriage would lead to “more children not knowing one or more of their biological parents.” It seems to me that perhaps the writer’s complaint is more related to the practices of adoption and in vitro fertilization than to gay marriage.

I am not sure whom he envisions is actually in the gay community, but let me assure you that there is as much diversity there as there is in any group of people. Some have biological children (who even know and love both their parents), some have adopted children and still others have no children at all. Choosing to legalize gay marriage is simply not a matter of “Kids vs adults”—it is a matter of the majority electing to extend the rights it holds dear to the minority who desperately wish to share them.

Jen Bradford

Horses and Vehicles

It has come to my attention that spring is here and that means more people on the road. That includes bicycles, walkers and even horseback riders. That means slow down! I don’t know if people are aware that horses are allowed on the roads and there is a law to abide by.

The law states the following about control in the presence of horses and cattle: Whenever upon a public road and approaching a vehicle drawn by a horse or other draft animal, or approaching a horse or other animal upon which a person is riding, the operator of a motor vehicle shall operate the vehicle in such a manner as to exercise every reasonable precaution to prevent the frightening of such horse or animal and to insure the safety and protection of the person riding or driving.

Automobile operators also need to be aware, that there can be two points to your license and a fine of \$36 to \$1,186. It is also common courtesy. Horses are unpredictable animals that can be spooked easily which in turn can be dangerous for the rider. Please do not burn out or honk to say hello. Let everyone enjoy the road. Thank You.

Beth Hathaway

Letter Policy

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

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



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 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.

Open Studio Weekend

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paintings, Jean has a new collection of small botanical watercolors that will be available for reasonable prices. She has also been preparing gift sets of four cards with novelty envelopes for customers whose purchases total \$100 or more, (\$15 value). Fiona (Hayden Hill) will show her oil and pastel paintings and hooked rugs. Connie (Baldwin Road, Blue Heron Art Studio) will be in her renovated barn with landscape paintings and animal portraits.

More information about this event, including maps can be found on the Vermont Crafts Council website (www.vermontcrafts.com). Maps will also be available at the Hinesburg Town Hall previous to and during the event, and at some local stores. You may e-mail Jean (jcmasseau@gmavt.net) if you would like to be on a mailing list for our once-per-year card. There is no charge for this event, simply follow the bright yellow signs on May 23 and 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and see what your artist neighbors have been up to. The beautiful views and sprouting gardens are a bonus. For questions, call 482-2407.



Wetland Sunrise, mixed media by Connie Lavalee



At the Piano II, acrylic on canvas by Phebe Mott

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 recognize the Sustainability Initiative, all the volunteer hours contributed 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. More on this later.

Volunteer Driver Program

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

Hinesburg Rides Plans Way to Go! Events

By Ed Sengle

The Hinesburg Rides volunteer group is encouraging Hinesburg residents to actively participate in this year’s Way to Go! Commuter Challenge, which will be held from May 4 through May 8 (see the following article for details). We’re planning the following special events:

Monday, May 4: VanPool – Hinesburg Rides is partnering with Cherrie Willette’s *On the Go Transportation* to offer free Van Service from the Park & Ride lot behind Town Hall to and from downtown Burlington/UVM/FAHC, leaving at 7:30 a.m. The return trip will leave Burlington at 5:30 p.m. and specific pickup location(s) will be announced. See contact information below to reserve a seat.

Tuesday, May 5: Telecommute – How about not commuting to work at all? Work from home using computer, phone and fax to communicate. High speed web access is available at the Carpenter-Carse Library which is open on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 6: Carpool – We’re planning casual carpools leaving the Hinesburg Park & Ride at 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. and heading to downtown Burlington/UVM/FAHC. Return trips will be arranged. Hopefully, we can also arrange other carpool groups to IBM, IDX, Waterbury, the Richmond Park & Ride, Middlebury, Vergennes and other destinations.

Thursday, May 7: Don’t drive the kids to school – Let’s see how much traffic we can take away from Hinesburg village by encouraging our kids to take the bus, bicycle or walk to school. If you are unsure of which bus serves your area, where it stops and when it arrives, you can call Ken Martin, District Transportation Supervisor, at 482-7120 or kmartin@cvuhs.org.

Friday, May 8: Bicycle to Work – Never ridden your bike to work? Need some encouragement? We’ll be organizing ride groups so you don’t have to do it alone. We’ll definitely have a group leaving the Hinesburg Park & Ride at 7:00 a.m. for Burlington. Other groups will be organized depending on interest.

If you are interested in participating or helping to organize any of these events, please call Ed Sengle (482-3917) or Dawn Morgan (846-7681) or send an email to hrides@gmail.com.

This year, there is a community challenge to recognize the town with the highest participation in Way to Go! week, so it is important that you register at www.waytgovt.org. You can still register as an employee of a participating company; the community results will be based on your home address. If your employer is not listed, you can easily add them.

Let’s show the rest of the state that we’re serious about reducing our carbon footprint, minimizing pollution and traffic, and building a stronger community.

These events are geared at “kick-starting” people to change their reliance on single occupancy vehicles (SOVs). Obviously, we hope that many of you will participate in some form of alternative transportation every day during Way to Go! week. We also realize that these events may not fit your work schedule (you may not be able to telecommute on Tuesday or bicycle on Friday, for example). Please don’t let that be an excuse for not participating. If we can arrange carpools and bicycle groups for other days or to other destinations, we’ll do it. Finally, if you like biking alone, already have a bicycle group that rides together or are part of a working carpool, that’s great. Go ahead and continue using what works for you. However, please register at www.waytgovt.org so you can have a chance to win some great prizes and Hinesburg can get credit for your efforts!



Way to Go! Commuter Challenge is May 4-8

Registration is now open for the sixth annual Way to Go! Commuter Challenge which will take place from May 4 through May 8. This event encourages the use of cheaper, healthier and more earth-friendly transportation alternatives to driving alone. Everyone who commits to walk, bike, telecommute, carpool, take the bus or use any alternative to driving solo will receive free giveaways and be entered in a drawing to win great prizes including iPods, Neuton® battery-powered mowers, Burton snowboards, overnight stays, restaurant gift certificates, yoga passes, golf and ski passes and more. Online registration is fast and easy at www.waytgovt.org.

Last year, nearly 3,000 Way to Go! participants saved an estimated 237,000 commuting miles, 206,000 pounds of carbon dioxide, and \$49,000 in transportation expenses. Organizers have set this year’s goal to save at least 500,000 pounds of CO2, so be sure to register today at www.waytgovt.org.

“This event is a great opportunity for folks to accept a new way to get to work, school or anywhere else they might usually drive,” said Debra Sachs of Community Climate Action, 10% Challenge, one of the event’s organizers. “Way to Go! is designed to be easy and fun and encourage everyone to explore other ways than driving alone every day. Interest in commuting alternatively is sky-high and the Commuter Challenge proves that other ways to commute are indeed the ‘Way to Go’.”

As in past years, businesses can compete in the “2009 Workplace Commuter Challenge” and go head-to-head with other businesses to see who can encourage the highest percentage of employees to walk, bike, telecommute, carpool or take the bus from May 4 through May 8. The winning employers will receive awards at a ceremony on June 5. Similarly, schools can compete with each other through the Way to Go! School Challenge.

New this year is a challenge to Vermont communities. Who will be Vermont’s “greenest commuting city or town?” The winner will be decided based on the highest participation rate of residents.

Way to Go! Commuter Challenge is made possible through the generous support of area businesses and a partnership between the Chittenden County Metropolitan Planning Organization, Vermont Agency of Transportation, Go Vermont, Chittenden County Transportation Authority, Lake Champlain Committee, Local Motion, Campus Area Transportation Management Association, and Community Climate Action, 10% Challenge. More information on the Way to Go! Commuter Challenge is available at www.waytgovt.org.

Collapsed Barn Giveaway

By Rocky Martin

The Town of Hinesburg acquired this small barn (approximately 18 feet by 24 feet) on Gilman Rd as part of the Bissonette/Land Trust conservation project. As the photograph shows, it has collapsed, but there are still lots of good, usable materials.

Many folks have expressed interest in salvaging the materials, so we have decided to offer it free of charge to a lucky Hinesburg resident through a lottery system. Here’s how it will work: submit your name, address and phone (Continued on the next page.)



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The news and calendar deadline for the next issue of The Hinesburg Record is Wednesday, Apr. 29, 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.

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

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

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number to Rocky Martin by Friday, May 8. All names will go into a hat, the winner will be selected at random by the committee and the winner will be notified by May 15.

All materials, including the metal roofing, must be removed. In order to ensure everything is removed from the site, we will collect a \$200 deposit from the selected applicant to be refunded after all work is complete and the site is completely cleaned up. The project must be completed by June 15, and an insurance waiver must be signed before work can begin.

Go take a look, and if you’re interested, submit your contact information to Rocky Martin, PO Box 133, Hinesburg, VT 05461. You can also drop it off at Town Hall or give me a call at 482-2096 for more info.

Planning News

By Alex Weinhausen,
Director of Planning and Zoning

Saputo Redevelopment
Steering Committee

As Saputo continues the clean-up and decommissioning of their property, the Saputo Redevelopment Steering Committee, a seven-member committee appointed by Selectboard in January, has been hard at work discussing a broad-scale vision for the property and considering how it can be best integrated into the surrounding fabric of the Village. They have also been networking extensively with local and regional businesses to gauge interest in the facility and to identify what hurdles need to be cleared in order to get reinvestment and redevelopment going. There has been a lot of discussion around business models and possible tenants that would bolster local and regional food production, processing and distribution. Steering committee members

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have been doing research into what is happening on similar fronts in Hardwick and at Burlington’s Intervale, with an eye to learning what works, what is needed and how Hinesburg can stake out our own entrepreneurial niche. At the same time, there is recognition that the 15.4-acre property and the 87,000 square foot building are so large that multiple types of uses and businesses should be explored and courted.

Early rumors that the property would be actively marketed by Saputo in February or March did not come to pass. Recently, Saputo representatives told us that decommissioning the facility would take some more time – at least into May. The Steering Committee continues to meet bi-weekly on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. at the Town Office. Everyone is welcome to attend, and meeting minutes and more information are available on the Town website (under the Boards and Commissions link). For more information and for specific meeting dates, contact Alex in the Planning and Zoning Office or contact either of the Steering Committee co-chairs: Will Patten (482-2716) or Bill Schubart (482-3287).

Development Watch

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

• 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, approved on March 31.

• Three-lot, two-unit Subdivision/PRD Final Plat Review. Location: Gilman Road (west side) in the Agricultural Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Hinesburg Land Trust. Reviewed on March 17 and approved on March 31.

• 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 until the April 21 meeting at the applicant’s request.

• Still Pending: Subdivisions of three parcels (two-lot, three-lot, and three-lot subdivisions) Sketch Plan Review. Location: Baldwin Road in the Agricultural Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Peter Baldwin. Reviewed on March 3 and March 17. The DRB is deliberating.

• Still Pending: two-lot Subdivision Sketch Plan Review. Location: Hayden Hill Road West (north side, end of road) in the Rural Residential 2 Zoning District. Applicant: Milo Willmott. Landowner: Dennis Willmott. Reviewed on March 17. The DRB is deliberating.

Summer Employment
at Lake Iroquois

Summer employees are being sought by the Lake Iroquois Association to serve as greeters at the fishing access.

One position is for coordinating a greeting program and insuring that appropriate coverage takes place during the summer months.

Two positions are also open for weekend greeters to cover Saturday and Sunday hours.

Strong person skills are required; knowledge of invasive aquatic species and interest in environmental issues would be helpful.

Submit a cover letter of interest, resume (including references) by no later than May 1 to LIA, c/o Bob Pasco, 347 Oak Knoll Road, Williston, VT, 05495.

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Results of Doyle Poll

Every town meeting day Senator Bill Doyle conducts a survey of Vermonters so they can express their opinions on the relevant issues of the day. Thirteen topics were polled and choices of responses were either yes, no or not sure.

The results are not statistically significant, since they only reflects the opinions of those who were motivated enough to fill out the questionnaire. With that caveat in mind, here are the results of the survey. (Majority responses, unless otherwise noted).

75% Favored prohibition of cell phone use while driving.

55% Favored drinking age be lowered to 18

80% Favored mandatory seat belt law for drivers

51% Favored same sex marriage

49% Favored increase in gas tax (41% against)

41% Were satisfied with state’s public schools (40% unsatisfied)

52% Were unsatisfied with their health insurance coverage/cost

68% Favored reduction of prison population of non-violent offenders

86% Felt statewide cell and broadband service was important to Vermont

52% Felt Vermont was not an affordable place to live

42% Said Vermont Yankee’s license should be renewed in 2012 (38% said it should not)

38% Felt the state legislature is doing a good job (36% felt it was not)

43% Felt Governor Douglas is not doing a good job (41% felt he was)



Submitted by the
Hinesburg Community Police

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

Police Issue Warning

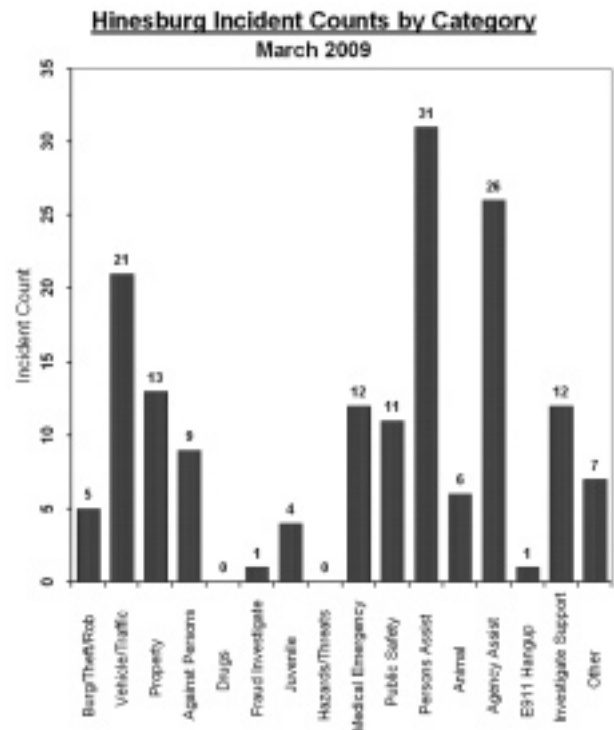
Hinesburg Community Police warn residents that thieves have been entering unlocked vehicles throughout Hinesburg late at night. Personal items have been stolen. Residents should avoid leaving valuables in their vehicles, or if they do, they should lock them in the trunk. Anyone having any information on these thefts is asked to contact Hinesburg Community Police at 482-3397.

Community Police Swamped with DUI’s

Hinesburg Community Police handled a record breaking six DUI cases during March. The first occurred at about 4:00 p.m. on March 5 when Deputy Chief Silber and the Hinesburg Fire Department responded to a crash on North Road. He charged Doris Gingras, 43, of Hinesburg with DUI-Drugs and refusal to take a blood test.

On March 12 around 11:00 p.m. he and the fire department responded to a crash on Baldwin Road when Grace Amao, 31, of Hinesburg, ran off the road. Amao was treated at the scene by members of the Hinesburg Fire Department.

On March 13 about 10:00 p.m. Officer Chris Bataille stopped Pamela Jimmo-Sullivan, 54, of Hinesburg, for erratic driving on Gilman Road. As a result of his investigation, she was charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol.



GRAPH PREPARED BY DOUG OLUFSEN

On the afternoon of March 14 Officer Sue Albert responded to a citizen’s report of an erratic driver. She stopped Victoria Wideman, 41, of Charlotte on Baldwin Road. As a result of this stop and her investigation, Wideman was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

At about 6:30 p.m. March 27 Officer Kim Moore responded to a crash on North Road. She determined that Alton Clark, 52, of Bristol, had been headed southbound, ran off the west side of North Road and rolled over. Clark left the scene, but a sharp-eyed Hinesburg resident was able to provide a complete description of the vehicle he left in. He was located a short time later at a nearby residence where he was treated by members of the Hinesburg Fire Department. After receiving treatment he was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, refusing a breath test and operating while suspended.

Shortly after 3:00 p.m. March 29 Thomas Hackett, 43, of Hinesburg was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol after Officer Moore observed him drive into the parking lot of the police station and realized after speaking with him that he was under the influence.

Domestic Assault Charged

On March 20 Officer Frank Koss arrested Thomas Hackett, 43, of Hinesburg for Domestic Assault. The arrest was the result of an incident early that morning at his residence.

Wallingford Man Cited for DLS

On March 15 Officer Chris Bataille cited Clay Panini, 27, on a criminal charge of Driving While Suspended. Bataille spotted Panini’s car parked in a secluded area on private property on Old Route 116. The car was stopped when it left and a routine inquiry of the Department of Motor Vehicles determined that Panini was suspended. He will answer the charge in District Court.

Four-Car Crash Chokes Commuter Traffic

A four-car crash on Vermont Route 116 at 8:00 a.m. on April 1 brought heavy rush hour traffic to a standstill. Chief Chris Morrell reported Ellen Foster, 50, of Hinesburg fell asleep and stuck the car ahead of her and pushed it into the rear of the next one.

That car, operated by Rebecca S. Wilcke, 33, of Bristol was in turn pushed into the car ahead of her and that car operated by Mark Masterson, 29, of Lincoln was pushed into the car ahead him. The operator of that car left the scene.

Hinesburg Fire Department responded to the scene and treated the injured, all of whom declined transport to the hospital and firefighters also cleaned up leaking fluids. The vehicle occupants were transported to the Hinesburg Police station where the investigation was completed while Hinesburg firefighters rerouted traffic and assisted the Giroux Body Shop in removing all of the wrecked vehicles from the highway.

Burlington Man Charged in Bad Check Case

A Burlington man has been charged with four counts of issuing a bad check. Chief Chris Morrell reported the man cashed a series of checks at a local Hinesburg store back in July of last year. The man had been sought since then, but was only recently located in Burlington and charged.

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St. George Man Arrested for Drug Sale

Hinesburg police received a tip that a St. George man was selling drugs to Hinesburg residents. A three-week investigation resulted in the arrest of 21 year old Trevor Begnoche of 617 Hemlock Road in St. George. On March 24, Begnoche sold a quantity of oxycontin to a Hinesburg man in the vicinity of CVU Road and Route 116. The transaction was observed by surveillance units in the area. The narcotics he sold and the money he received for the sale of the oxycontin was recovered and Begnoche was taken into custody. He was charged with Sale of Narcotics and is scheduled for his first appearance in court April 27.



By Eric Spivack

During the period of March 1 through 31, HFD responded to a total of 31 calls:

Medical	16
Fire or CO alarms	4
Motor vehicle crash, no injuries	4
Motor vehicle crash with injuries	3
Smoke in bldg or structure fire	2
Public assist	1
Propane/gas leak	1

Welcome Back Captain Wainer

Captain Jonathan Wainer, who was injured from a fall from a ladder while fighting the Saputo fire, has been cleared by his doctor to return to firefighting. Jonathan injured his right hand, wrist and knee in the fall. He required several surgeries and hours of therapy to repair the damaged bones, tendons and ligaments. In November, as Jonathan was starting to get around and return to his primary job, he unfortunately slipped on some ice, re-injuring his knee. Fortunately the damage was not severe and the doctor was able to repair his knee.

During the winter, Jonathan spent time in physical therapy building the muscles in his wrist and knee. Last month, the hard work paid off when his doctor stated he could return to firefighting.

Can We Find Your Home?

“Shelburne dispatch to Hinesburg First Response. Respond to 1232 Main St in Hinesburg for a person having chest pain.” EMT’s receive the call on our pagers and respond to Main Street only have difficulty finding the home. There are several reasons. Driveways are poorly marked, mailboxes on the opposite side of the road, mailboxes missing numbers or poorly marked, or long driveways with forks to multiple residences.

In any emergency, time is of the essence. Please help us find you, especially when responding for a medical or police emergency. If you are able, stay on the line with our dispatcher until help arrives. Dispatchers are trained to help you help the person you are calling for. They also obtain additional information once we are dispatched and update us while responding. Most important! If we are having problems finding your home, we can ask them for additional landmarks. Please help us locate your home or business to help you.

The Hinesburg Fire Department sponsors a 911 address sign program. Signs are double sided and coated with high visibility reflective green material and reflective numbers making address identification fast and easy for emergency services. The cost is \$25 per sign, includes a five foot sign post if needed and installation by a Hinesburg Fire Department member.

For more information about our 911 address sign program, or to place an order for a sign, please feel free to stop at the Fire

Station if someone is available, or you may contact Jeremy Steele at 482-3898 or e-mail jsteelman1979@yahoo.com

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

Additional Outdoor Burning Information

In the April Record, we included an article about burn permits. We are sorry for not including information as well about burning in mobile home parks. Open burning is not permitted in mobile home or trailer parks unless you have a contained outdoor fire place.

Are You Interested in Helping Others?

Firefighting is more than putting on special equipment, a mask and running into a building with a hose to put out a fire. There is a lot that needs to be done when we are at a scene, whether is it pulling equipment off the engines, putting up ladders, assisting EMT’s with patients or traffic control.

Are you interested in learning more or becoming a member? Email us at info@hinesburgfd.org or stop by the station. We train every Thursday starting at 7:30 p.m.

Congratulations

HFD wishes to congratulate Iain Chaplin and Terrylynn Savage on their engagement. Iain has been with the department for a year and is a certified Emergency Care Attendant. Terrylynn joined the department last fall. She is currently enrolled in the EMT-B class at UVM. They are planning an August wedding.



Hinesburg’s Got Gas

By Andrew Frost

On Wednesday April 1 at the town hall, Vermont Gas representatives held an informational meeting for Hinesburg residents about its plans to install residential and commercial natural gas at up 500 Hinesburg locations. The over 60 visitors to the meeting snacked on refreshments as they learned about all aspects of natural gas installation, service and economic benefits. For locations within the proposed area, installation will start in May and continue through the year.

The plan means additional tax revenues for the town and more options for business and residents. Vermont Gas began planning with the town over two years ago, and has worked through the permitting process and applicable town departments.

The gas comes from Canada and has the benefit not only of clean burning but also convenience—there are no fill-ups—and rates regulated to protect from price spikes. Installation can include conversion to or installation of natural gas compliant appliances including stoves, water heaters and furnaces. New appliances may be eligibility for credits at both the state and federal level. You can request an evaluation or get additional information at www.vermontgas.com/hinesburg.

Vermont Businesses for Social Responsibility to Hold Conference

From Press Release

VBSR’s 2009 day-long conference is Vermont’s largest gathering of the state’s most innovative, socially responsible business people. This year’s conference, entitled “On the Long Trail: Sustaining Success,” focuses on how businesses

can survive, thrive, and stay true to their principles in tough economic times. David Cay Johnston, Pulitzer Prize-winning author and former journalist, will kick off the conference with his morning keynote speech. Johnston is the author of best-selling books on tax and economic policy, including *Free Lunch: How the Wealthiest Americans Enrich Themselves at Government Expense and Stick You With The Bill*, about hidden subsidies, rigged markets, and corporate socialism. Johnston’s investigative work exposed tax shelters, saving the public more than \$250 billion over a decade. Will Raap, Founder and Chairman of the Gardener’s Supply family of companies, will deliver the conference closing remarks on the opportunity of business in Vermont to work our way around tough times and take charge of our own destiny. The conference also features 17 workshops, including:

Been There, Learned a Few Things: Several long-established companies and their leaders look back to past difficult economic times, and share stories of making it through, what worked, and what they would do differently.

Marketing: New Tools & Tough Times: New and emerging marketing tools that are rapidly replacing traditional media, and strategies for reaching audiences and moving markets in tough times.

Through the Looking Glass (of Hiring): Applicants helping employers, employers helping applicants: Insightful and practical discussion about how to create a more effective approach to the hiring process for both applicants and employers.

Climate Change: Engaging Business Leadership: Action and change on climate change must come from business. Several Vermont business leaders describe how they have gotten senior management on board with initiatives to reduce carbon footprint and address climate change, the kinds of resistance they’ve encountered, and how they’ve overcome it.

Sleepless in Vermont—What Keeps Us Up at Night: Leadership conversation designed for CEOs and upper management—what decisions keep business leaders up at night, how they stay focused on what they are able to influence, and how they keep a long-term perspective when things get tough.

What: Full day conference—“On the Long Trail: Sustaining Success”

When: Tuesday, May 5, 2009; 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Where: Hilton Hotel, 60 Battery Street, Burlington, Vermont

Cost: Earlybird rate by April 27—VBSR members: \$125, Non-members: \$175; After April 27—VBSR members: \$150, Non-members: \$200

Registration: Online at www.vbsr.org

More info: Call VBSR at (802) 862-8347, e-mail ritab@vbsr.org, or visit www.vbsr.org

NRG’s Blittersdorf Announces New Technology Partnership

From Press Release

Last week Jan Blittersdorf, CEO/president of Hinesburg’s NRG Systems, traveled to France with a team of NRG Systems leaders to finalize details of a partnership with Leosphere, a leading specialist in lidar (laser radar) for atmospheric observations. This global partnership will expand the use of remote sensing in the wind energy industry. News of the newly formed partnership was released at the European Wind Energy Conference in Marseille, France.

The first product of the partnership is the WINDCUBE™ lidar wind measurement system, a remote sensor used in site assessment and wind farm performance monitoring. In site assessment, the portable system is used to capture actual measurements at heights up to 200 meters that can be used along with data from mast-mounted meteorological instruments. With NRG Systems’ wind measurement expertise and industry knowledge, the companies aim to accelerate the use of this technology around the globe.

“As the industry has evolved so has the need to measure accurately and reliably at taller heights,” said Blittersdorf. “For more than twenty-five years, NRG Systems has been devoted to providing the best wind measurement equipment to the industry. Partnering with Leosphere on this exciting initiative is a sensible step for our company and for the industry.”

The WINDCUBE™ lidar remote sensor provides 200-meter vertical wind profiles, mapping wind speed and direction, turbulence, and wind shear. This active remote

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The Leosphere NRG Systems partnership will serve customers around the world with sales, service, technical expertise and personalized support.

Local Grower Offers Gardening Workshops for Beginners

From Press Release

Red Wagon Plants is hosting a workshop series for beginner gardeners at our greenhouses at 2408 Shelburne Falls Road on the pastoral Hinesburg-Shelburne line. The increased interest in home food production and the growing awareness for simple, straightforward gardening information is the focus of the series. Each workshop costs \$10.

Garden Planning for the Seasonal Kitchen, Sunday April 26 10-12:00

Beginner Gardening, Thursday May 7, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Container Gardening, Sunday May 17, 10:00 a.m.-noon (additional supplies fee)

Mediterranean Dinner Garden, Monday May 18, 10:00 a.m.-noon

Garden Fresh: Herbal Salves, Body Care and Tinctures Saturday June 20 9:00 a.m. (additional supplies fee)

These are dig-in-the-dirt introductory sessions designed to help you be a successful small-scale gardener and to learn to grow your own dinners with The Mediterranean Dinner Garden as a guide. Garden Planning for the Seasonal Kitchen is for the home gardener and will ensure long term success and many great meals. Herbal salves from your garden could be just what the doctor ordered!

Red Wagon Plants is a producer of vegetable, herb and annual plants specializing in the kitchen garden. Small gardens with bountiful results are a New England tradition. Come see how to do it for yourself; grow healthy, beautiful food and enjoy the company of like-minded folks.

Blittersdorf Named Vice-Chair of American Wind Wildlife Institute

From Press Release

Jan Blittersdorf, CEO of NRG Systems, has been named vice chair of the American Wind Wildlife Institute (AWWI). Recently formed by 20 of the nation’s top science-based conservation and environmental groups and wind energy companies, AWWI is a first-of-its-kind collaboration with a mission of facilitating timely and responsible development of wind energy while protecting wildlife and wildlife habitat.



Jan Blittersdorf

AWWI will do this through research, mapping, mitigation and public education on best practices in wind farm siting and habitat protection.

“Addressing global climate change demands a higher level of collaboration between different sectors and interests,” says Blittersdorf. “Development of clean, renewable wind energy and wildlife protection need not be mutually exclusive goals. It’s my pleasure to work with industry and non-profit leaders to make this vision a reality.”

AWWI will begin with an operating budget of \$3 million for its first two years. To carry out its mission, AWWI will focus on conducting research, promoting sustainable development, funding biodiversity protection, and educating the public about the interplay between wildlife and wind turbines.

Scientific, conservation and wind industry leaders believe that wind energy must play an important role in combating climate change. Understanding that wind power is already one of the cleanest and most commercially viable energy sources, AWWI will help the industry serve as an example for other energy sectors by proactively addressing potential biodiversity impacts as wind energy is more widely deployed.

As its first order of business, AWWI hired Kraig Butrum as its president. Butrum, formerly with the National Park Foundation and Conservation International, brings 25 years of experience in non-profit administration to AWWI.

“The time is now for America to address global climate change, diversify its energy base and lessen its dependence on foreign sources of oil,” said Butrum. “I look forward to hitting the ground running in order to provide the research and information needed to meet our nation’s goal to triple development of wind energy in the next few years while protecting biodiversity and critical habitat.”

The seven non-profit founding organizations of AWWI include: Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies, Environmental Defense Fund, National Audubon Society, Natural Resources Defense Council, The Nature Conservancy, Sierra Club and Union of Concerned Scientists.

In addition to NRG Systems, the remaining twelve founding AWWI industry members are: AES Wind Energy, BP Wind Energy, Babcock & Brown, enXco, Clipper Windpower, E.ON, GE Energy, Horizon Wind Energy, Iberdrola Renewable Energies USA, Nordic Windpower, Renewable Energy Systems Americas and Vestas Americas.



By Jennifer McCuin

Are you ready for spring? Ready for Green-Up Day, Yard Sale Day, grass, and blooming flowers? How about spending all day outside doing chores and being so tired you can barely keep your head up at dinner? Now, that’s a beautiful thing. As I write this article on April Fools Day, I have a serious case of Spring fever, so please bear with me. Ok, onto news...Spring Sports start immediately and run through June 5. Cross your fingers for a dry and warm season! Hopefully everyone received the Hinesburg Recreation Department Spring/Summer 2009 Program Guide. If you didn’t, you can find it online at www.hinesburg.org under Recreation or stop by our Town Hall for a copy. It’s full of summer activities for children and adults. It also features the popular Nestech Summer Concert Series schedule for our Wednesday evening concerts behind Hinesburg Community School. Think spring!

Registration

To register for the following *2009 Spring Sports*, one of our many Recreation Department *Classes*, *Co-Ed Adult Pick-up Softball*, or any *Youth Sports and Activities* program, please contact the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or e-mail us at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

2009 Recreation Spring Sports

Spring sports start Monday, April 27 and run through Friday, June 5. Start dates are, of course, subject to weather and field conditions. If there are any changes in time or location, you will be notified via e-mail. Your patience is appreciated!

Lacrosse at Lyman Park and Charlotte Central School (CCS)

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: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at CCS.

Boys grades five and six: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Lyman Park.

Girls grades five and six: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at CCS.

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

Tee Ball

Kindergarten and first grade: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Champlain Valley Union’s 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.

Nestech Concert in the Park Series

Our Nestech sponsored concerts start at 6:00 p.m. behind the Hinesburg Community School. Hope to see you there!

July 8 - Hungrytown

July 15 - Gordon Stone Band

July 22 - Left Eye Jump Blues Band

July 30 - Hinesburg Community Band*

August 5 - To be announced

*Please note our Hinesburg Community Band performs on a Thursday evening.

Classes

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 their driving tests.

Where: CVU classroom TBD

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.

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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.

Mr. Browne 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 29 to secure a spot in this class. Mail payments and registration forms to:

Hinesburg Recreation Department

P.O. Box 133

Hinesburg, VT 05461

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.

Dog Obedience Class
with Jim Warden

This popular and essential class is back and I’m sure there are many dogs and their owners ready for the challenge. Join experienced dog trainer Jim Warden for this informative and entertaining class. This class will lead to years of enjoyment with your dog. A well-trained dog benefits everyone!

When: Thursdays - May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4 and 11.

Where: Town Hall Field

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$65

Please contact the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net to register.

Minimum enrollment: 10 dogs and their companions. Please leave your dog at home for the first class. Thanks

Adult Golf Lessons
at Cedar Knoll

PGA Golf Instructor Barry Churchill offers this clinic for beginners through novice. In three weeks, Barry reviews the basic shots needed on the golf course, mainly tee shots with woods, full swing with irons, and the short game such as chipping and putting. He discusses basic golf rules and etiquette. Barry does an incredible job at explaining what to do to improve your golf game! Clubs are available for your use if needed.

Who: Adults eighteen years and older

When: Session One – Tuesdays, May 5, 12 and 19

Session Two – Thursdays, June 4, 11 and 18

Where: Cedar Knoll Golf Course

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

Cost: \$75 per session

Maximum: 12 participants

Please register through the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Adult Tennis Lessons

Who: Adults eighteen years and older

When: Tuesdays – July 7, 14, 21, 28 and August 4 (Choose one or all five dates)

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Where: Courts behind Hinesburg Community School

Cost: \$15 per lesson

Co-Ed Adult Pick-up Softball at
Lyman Park

Who: Adults 18 years and older

When: Tuesdays – June 16 to August 25

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Cost: FREE

Please register with the Recreation Department at 482-4691 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Youth Sports and Activities

Golf Lessons at Cedar Knoll

PGA Golf Instructor Barry Churchill instructs this one-week program designed to show kids the various shots they need to know when playing a round of golf on the course. Churchill also addresses golf etiquette. Come give this life-long sport a try, right in our own backyard! Cedar Knoll is located on Route 116 south of the village. Clubs can be provided for lessons.

Who: Kids ages seven to fourteen

When: Session One – June 22 through June 26

Session Two – July 6 through July 10

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

Cost: \$75

Maximum: Twelve participants

A New Golf Offering!
Junior Player Camp

Come play the course with golf instructor, Barry Churchill, at Cedar Knoll. Range balls are included. Golf clubs are required.

Who: Children ages seven to fourteen who have already attended one of the Cedar Knoll mini-camps.

Dates: July 28, 29, 30 and 31

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$150

Register with Recreation Department at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net or 482-4691.

After-School Junior Golf Program at
Cedar Knoll

Players will learn all aspects of the game including long shots, pitching, chipping, sand shots, and etiquette. There will be some on-course play, including a mini-tournament on the final day. This is a great opportunity for young golfers to learn the game and improve their abilities. There is a limited supply of youth clubs. Personal clubs are always welcomed. Hinesburg Community School students may ride the bus from school to Cedar Knoll. There will be a BBQ banquet following the mini-tournament on June 5 to celebrate the end of the program.

Who: Students grades one through eight.

Where: Cedar Knoll Golf Course

When: Wednesdays and Fridays, May 6 to June 5 (10 lessons)

Time: 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Cost: \$145

Register with Recreation Department at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net or 482-4691. For golf information, call CKCC 482-3186.

Learn to Sail

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Who and when: Session One for eight to ten year olds is June 22 to June 26.

Session Two for eleven to fourteen year olds is August 3 to August 7.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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BY LAURA FOLDESI



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Where: Community Sailing Center in Burlington. Located just North of ECHO museum and Waterfront Park in Burlington.

Cost: \$150

Maximum: 14

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Hinesburg Youth Tennis

Who and when: Week One for children ages seven to ten, June 22 through June 26

Week Two for children ages eleven to fourteen, June 29 through July 3

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$125

Bring water bottle, hats, sunscreen, and snack.

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CVU Soccer Camp

Come play soccer with Champlain Valley Union’s finest players who represent a proud tradition and teach young players a love for the game!

Who: Kindergarteners through ninth grade

Where: CVU

When: July 6 to July 10

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$110

Camp brochures are available at the Recreation Department. Please make checks payable to “CVU Soccer School.”

Vermont “Voltage”
Soccer Camp in Hinesburg

Who: Young people ages five to fifteen years

Where: Town Hall Field and United Church Field

When: August 10 to August 14

Time: 9:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$100 (a second child is \$90 and receive two Voltage camps for \$150)

Each camper receives a t-shirt, soccer ball; squeeze bottle, and tickets to a Vermont Voltage soccer game. Camp applications are available at the Recreation Department or online at www.vermontvoltage.com.

Bolton Adventure Center Camp

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When: August 17 to August 21

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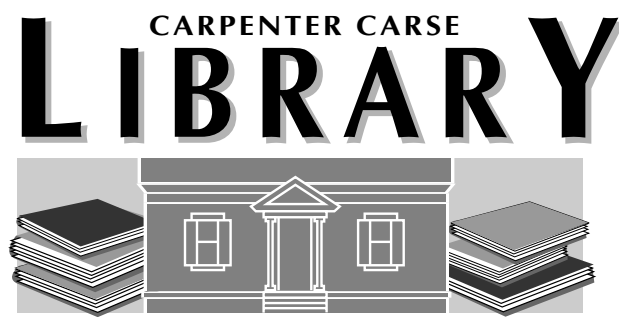
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Starting May 23 the library will change over to summer hours on Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
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Phone: 482-2878
Address: P. O. Box 127, 69 Ballard's Corner Road, Hinesburg 05461
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E-mail: carpentercarslibrary@gmavt.net
Note: The library will be closed on Tuesday, May 12, to give CCL staff the opportunity to attend the Vermont Library Conference.

We Deliver

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

Trustee Meetings

Carpenter-Carse Board of Trustees meetings 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.

New Family Pass!

Courtesy of the Birds of Vermont Museum, a non-profit educational organization, the library now has a pass available for library patrons. Museum visitors learn about birds and their natural habitats, including information about birds native to this geographic area, and endangered and extinct birds. The museum showcases the work of Master Carver Bob Spear and features more than 450 carvings depicting over 250 species of birds. It also has 100 acres of adjacent walking trails. The museum is open from May 1 to October 31, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Visit www.birdsofvermont.org for more information.

Celebrate Lake Champlain's Quadricentennial!

Coming in June, the library will host the special traveling exhibit: Lake Champlain's First Navigators! A 1609 era replica birch bark canoe crafted by early Native Americans will be on display with historical film and photographs. Join us to learn about this amazing time in Vermont's history. It's on loan from the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum.

Ongoing Library Programs
Storytimes for Toddlers

Join Tom at 9:00 a.m. on May 5 and 19 for books, songs and stories especially for children up to three years of age. Walk-ins are 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.



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Karla Munson at 482-2778.

Book Discussion Group

Avid readers may join our library's book discussion group, which meets monthly in readers' homes. Come and share in a discussion of the book *The Zookeeper's Wife* by Diane Ackerman on Monday, April 27. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. Watch for posters or phone Earla Sue McNaul at 482-3347 for location and other information. Please note that the group does **not** meet at the library.

Hinesburg Pickin' Party

Join your friends and neighbors for an afternoon of music and fun on Saturday, May 9 at 2:00 p.m. Stop in to play or just to listen. Recommended for teens through adults. For more information call Tom Stamp at 482-2878.

YA Activities

The library's YA Book Group will meet on Friday, May 29 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Catch a movie, relax with your friends, preview the latest Young Adult titles and try out the YA's Wii video games. Refreshments are served and new members are always welcome. Call Tom at 482-2878 for more info. And be sure to check out the YA Web Page at www.carpentercarse.org.
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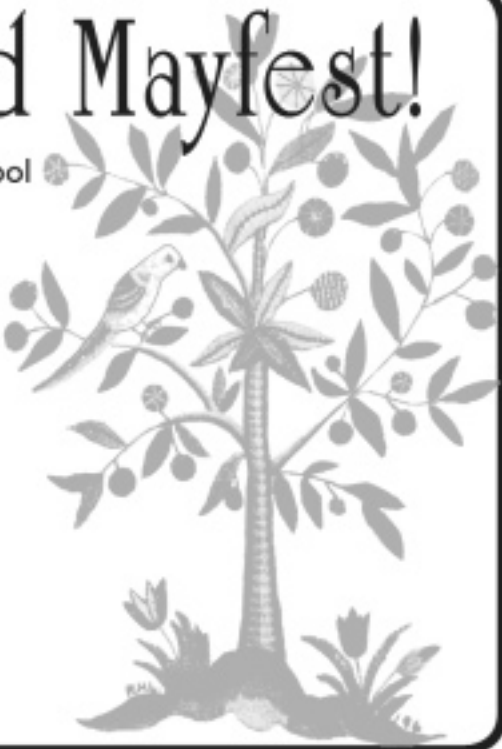
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Special Programs

Pajama Storytimes with Janet

Children age three and up, come in your pajamas on Tuesday, May 19 and bring a stuffed animal friend to enjoy fun, lively stories and activities. The program will run from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Juice and delicious cookies will be served. Pre-registration is helpful, so call 482-2878.

Be Creative @ Your Library!

Summer Celebration Kick Off

Get ready for a summer full of reading fun. Our summer reading program kicks off this year with Tom Joyce, the Magic Man. If you missed Tom when he was here last, you are now in luck. Tom will be back with another high-energy performance that’s as much fun for the parents as it is for kids. Don’t miss this show to be held Friday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m. It’s sure to be a highlight of our summer programs.

The summer reading program is celebrating creativity this year. Children of all ages can set a goal for the number of books they wish to read during the summer. When they’ve completed a book they can record the titles on a reading record. Pre-readers may record books read to them. Create a little “summer magic” and stop by the library to register.

Six-Week Summer Reading Club

Join Tom and Judy for Be Creative @ Your Library! Make an all-natural weaving, build a puppet or create an illustration for a picture book. There will be games, snacks, and of course stories about being creative. Summer Reading Club meets on Wednesdays, June 24 thru July 29, from 10:30 a.m. till noon and is for children aged six to 12. The reading club requires a separate registration for each weekly program. Registration is required and space is limited so call for availability. Registration begins May 24. Look for more details in next month’s Record.

Recent Acquisitions

Adult Fiction:
Alameddine, Rabih, *The Hakawati*
Boyle, T.C., *The Women*
Cleave, Chris, *Little Bee: a novel*
Coben, Harlan, *Long Lost*
Cussler, Clive and Jack DuBrul, *Corsair*
Gifford, Barry, *Port Tropicque*
Hannah, Kristin, *True Colors [LARGE PRINT]*
Harrison, Jim, *The English Major*
Hyde, Catherine Ryan Hyde, *Chasing Windmills*
Morton, Kate, *The House at Riverton*
Noble, Elizabeth, *The Reading Group: a novel*
Noble, Elizabeth, *Things I Want My Daughter to Know*
Phillips, Gin, *The Well and the Mine*
Suarez, Daniel, *Daemon*
Wiesel, Elie - author, Catherine Temerson - translator, *A Mad Desire to Dance*
Adult Nonfiction
Ahamed, Liaquat, *Lords of Finance: the bankers who broke the world*
Brody, Jane E., *Guide to the Great Beyond*
Eck, Joe and Wayne Winterrowd, *Our Life in Gardens*
Fodor’s England 2009
Fodor’s France 2009
Franklin, Sarah, editor, *How to Fit a Carseat on a Camel: and other misadventures traveling with kids*
Harvey-Berino, Jean, *Eating Well Diet*
Heinrich, Bernd, *Summer World: a season of bounty*
Pipher, Mary, *Seeking Peace*
Steves, Rick, *Best of Europe 2009*
Thompson, Don, *Seeking the Northwest Passage*

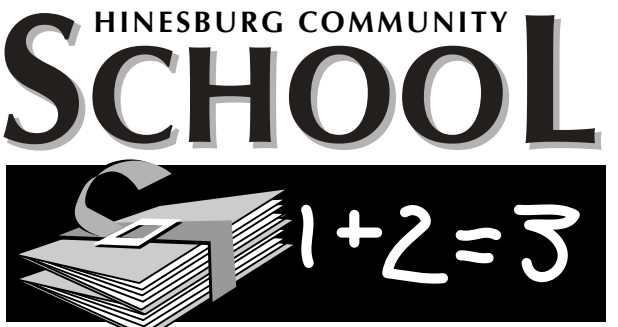
A Year of Strong Library Support

Each year library staff and trustees publicly recognize local groups and individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the Carpenter-Carse Library. The good deeds of C-C Library supporters make a very real difference in library quality and result in cost savings for the whole community. Library Trustees work tirelessly on behalf of the library. Hinesburg and St. George voters give their support by voting to appropriate money to the library. We thank the following people for investing their time, talents and gifts in the Library: [Did we inadvertently omit your name? Mention it to library staff. Other names may be added to the list in upcoming issues of the Record.]

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Quotation of the Month

“All things seem possible in May.”
- Edwin Way Teale



Compiled by Jen Bradford

Kindergarten Registration

April 29 and 30

Hinesburg Community School will be holding registration for students entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2009. Kindergarten students must be five years old before September 1. Please call Deb Lavalette at the Hinesburg Community School at 482-6214 to schedule an appointment.

HCS Students Clean Up at Green Up Day Celebration

Three Students Win in County Contest

By Drew Cooper and Mackenzie Tobrocke

On March 28, three HCS students attended the Green Up Vermont Annual Awards Banquet. The event was held to honor the students from all over Vermont who had entered posters and writing pieces about Green Up Day.

For the poster contest there were winners in each county for grades K-4, 5-8, and 9-12, as well as overall winners for the state. In the poster contest Hinesburg had two wins, with Shianne Jimmo, grade 4, and Mackenzie Tobrocke, grade 7, both winning in their county grade levels.

Five writing prizes were awarded overall, with one statewide winner and four grade level winners. Hinesburg took one win in this part of the competition with Drew Cooper, grade 8, winning in his grade level.

The banquet was held at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Montpelier. Governor Jim Douglas was in attendance and presented each student with his or her award. Each year



Shianne Jimmo shows her winning poster entry.



Poster contest winner Mackenzie Tobrocke is pictured here with Governor Jim Douglas.

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Eighth Grader Drew Cooper shares his winning essay with Governor Douglas. PHOTOS COURTESY OF BARB SPAULDING

students all across the state compete to promote Green Up Day by using both posters and writing pieces. Green Up Day has a long history in Vermont, dating back to 1970. The event was the first of its kind in the nation and this massive statewide one-day cleanup continues to this day.

Hinesburg Community School should be very proud that three of its students came home with awards from this event.

On May 2 of this year, Green Up Day will be happening all over Vermont to make our state greener. Help make Vermont a cleaner and greener state.

Ten HCS Students Attend State Science/Math Fair

On Saturday, March 28, ten of the Hinesburg Community School seventh and eighth graders drove to Norwich University to compete in the State Science and Mathematics Fair. Students who received a silver or gold medal from the HCS science fair in February were invited to attend. Ten brave students chose to compete.



Eighth graders Chris Adams, Allison Zengilowski, and Connor Mawe pose with their projects at the State Science and Mathematics Fair.

Norwich University is about an hour away and students needed to be there and set up by 9:00. Then, they were required to stand by their project boards to defend and explain their experiment to the many judges from various organizations. It was a long morning, but the students did a wonderful job. Once judging was over, students were able to consume all they could eat at the college cafeteria. An awards ceremony rounded off the day.

Each student received a certificate and "report card" for their attendance but two students received special awards (against high school students). Elijah Cory and Connor Mawe received silver medals for outstanding projects and Connor also received a \$200 prize for an outstanding food science project. We are very proud of the hard work and dedication of all the students who attended.

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Mentoring Program has Sweet Field Trip, Needs Volunteers

Mentors and their student mentees hiked up to the Sugar House on Russell Farm after school on March 19 to experience sugaring the old fashioned way, with buckets and a horse drawn cart. The weather was much too warm and beautiful, however, and the group enjoyed the mud and a little sap but no syrup.

The Connecting Youth Mentoring Program at Hinesburg Community School pairs up adults from the community with



HCS students and their mentors recently hiked up to the Russell Sugar House on a beautiful spring day. Photo Courtesy of Ginny Roberts

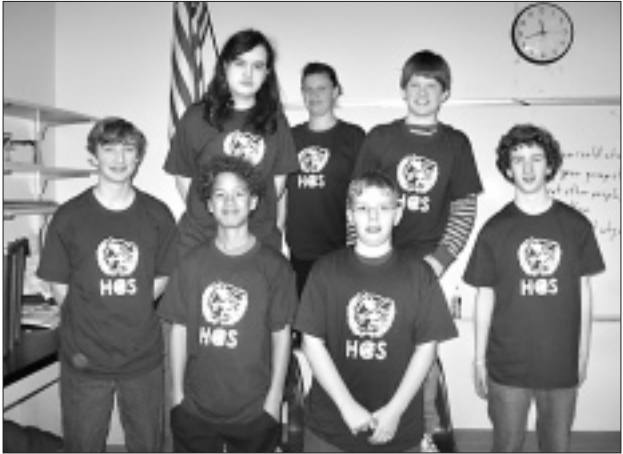
students who would benefit from an additional adult friendship. Mentors usually meet with their mentee at the school during the school day, but occasionally after-school events are planned. In January there was an Ice Cream Sundae party with lots of fun games to celebrate National Mentoring Month.

The CY Mentor Program is beginning to recruit mentors for the 2009/2010 school year. For more information, call Ginny Roberts at 482-6271.

Where in the World is GeoBee?

The Hinesburg Geo Bee team participated in the CSSU District competition on Marcy 31. Congratulations to these talented middle school students:

Alex Cooper	Thomas Keller
Elijah Cory	Thomas Clayton
Charlotte Mills	Kyla Leary
Wesley McEntee	



HCS Responds to Enrollment Changes

From the Administration of Hinesburg Community School

Much discussion is taking place in schools throughout the state about how to deliver education in ways that are both research-based and economical. In Hinesburg, this conversation has been taking place for quite some time due to a steady decline in enrollment, and it is leading to a good examination of how to reinvent the school in ways that are as student-centered as possible.

Meetings with parents of students in Grades 2-7 have been held to discuss how enrollment changes and the current economic climate can present themselves as opportunities to realign classroom configurations which will also more effectively meet students' needs. The current plan is to have one three-member teaching team for Grades 7-8 that will also include additional opportunities for project-based learning, another three-teacher team for a Grades 6-8 middle school program, one Grades 5-6 team of three teachers, a two-person Grades 4-5 team, and two two-teacher Grades 3-4 teams. Currently, HCS has three two-person Grades 7-8 teams, a three-person and another two-person Grades 5-6 team, and a three-teacher and a two-teacher Grades 3-4 team. The current configuration of three Kindergartens and three two-teacher Grades 1-2 teams is not slated to be realigned for the next school year.

"What we're trying to do is to look at the current enrollment and economic situations and use them to the best advantage of students," commented HCS Principal, Bob Goudreau. "The enrollment numbers we're seeing compel us to reduce a teaching position, and we're trying to do it through a clear process that will benefit kids," he continued. "It's a good time for us to examine things closely and organize the school a little differently," he said. The long range goal will be to organize instruction in three clusters: Grades PK-2, Grades 3-5, and Grades 6-8 to reduce the number of transitions students make and provide flexibility in learning environments and staffing as enrollment numbers fluctuate over the years. "Schools that aren't flexible in their staffing among the grade levels end up chasing enrollment 'bubbles' year after year, making it hard on adults and kids," Goudreau noted.

"We've been meeting all year to plan this in a helpful and thoughtful way," Goudreau added. "Now is a good time for us to take a new look at how we deliver instruction, but we want to be thoughtful about this, because we know that change takes some getting used to for many of us," he concluded. Teams of teachers will be meeting soon to make student placement decisions for the 2009-10 school year based on what they know about students and the information they receive from parents on the input forms provided to them. The emphasis will continue to be on creating teams balanced for a variety of factors including gender, learning styles, behavioral needs, compatibility of groups, and requirements for accommodations for all kids.



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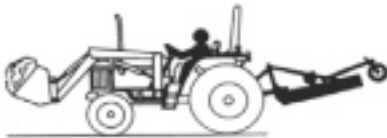
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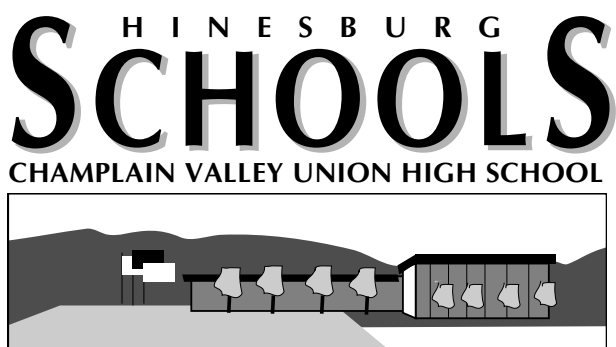
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Hinesburg Students in the Junior Iron Chef Competition

The Blue Ribbon Pavilion at the Champlain Valley Expo was filled with delicious aromas on Saturday, March 28, as more than 50 teams of students from schools all over Vermont went wooden spoon to spatula in the second annual Junior Iron Chef competition.

Teams of three to five students prepared a recipe they had devised themselves knowing they would be judged on taste, texture, appearance, creativity, best use of local ingredients, nutrition and their potential for being on the menu in their school cafeteria some day.

Two teams from Hinesburg, The Hinesburgers and The Veggie Hinesburgers, made Farmer's Pie and Garden Nuggets, chopping, stirring, plating and waiting for the decision of the judges' panel. The team members were Charles Hemingway, Jasmine Martin, Shelby Yergeau, Russell Fox and Harley and Joseph Marshall. There were a total of 34 teams in the Middle School competition which ran from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and was followed by a high school competition with 15 teams.

In the competition for high school teams, Champlain Valley Union High School team won the Most Creative Award for their Green Pizza, a delicious and attractive creation of pesto, apple slices, onions and cheddar cheese.

Vermont Junior Iron Chef Competition is organized by Vermont FEED (Food Education Every Day) and the Burlington School Food Project to celebrate local and seasonal Vermont foods, encourage students' involvement and creativity in cooking, to highlight local food dishes that can be made by schools and to showcase Vermont farmers and products.



Chef Karyl Kent helped to coach the Hinesburg Community School team.



Jasmine Martin, Sam Foutz, Charles Hemingway, Shelby Giguere prepare the Farmers Pie.



Joseph Marshall and Russell Fox of the Veggie Hinesburger team work on their Garden Nuggets.

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Preschool Literacy Family Playtime Event: Successful!

By Betsy Knox

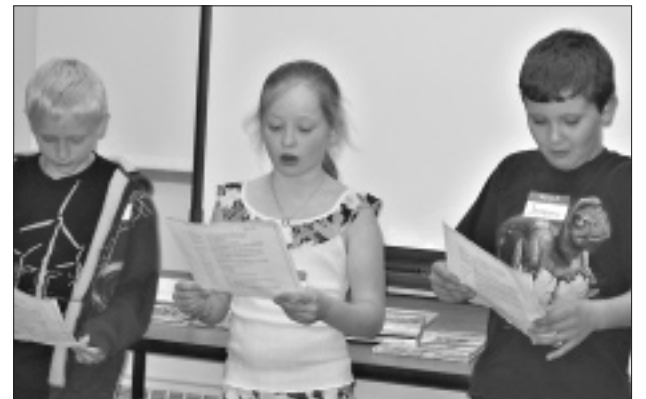
On Thursday evening, March 26, about 20 Hinesburg families joined us for our second annual Preschool Literacy Playtime event. We were thrilled with the turnout!

We had several goals for the evening:

1. To share with parents fun activities to promote early literacy development. Reading at home to young children and talking about the stories is so important. Children's literature is rich with vocabulary. Strong listening and speaking vocabularies are foundations for success in school.

2. To welcome our preschool families to the Hinesburg Community School. We are a community school and feel that it is important to begin the home-school connection early.

Our theme for this year was Dr. Seuss. All children received a Dr. Seuss hat to wear throughout the evening. The evening began with some tasty pizza from Good Times Café. *(Continued on the next page.)*



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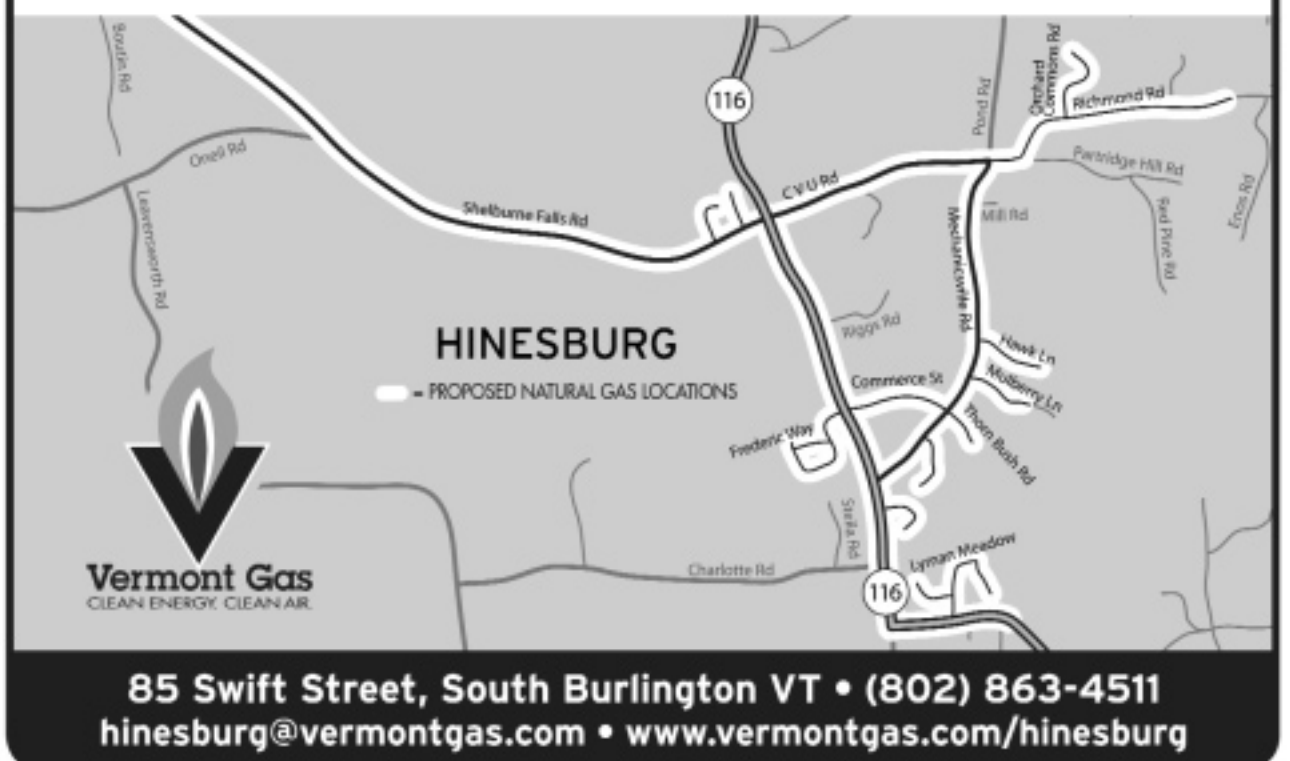
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During dinner everyone listened to *Mr. Brown Can Moo, Can You?* by, of course, Dr. Seuss! The cafeteria was filled with preschool children mooing, popping, whispering and making other various noises. Jo Evelti, our HCS Preschool Teacher, shared with the group a picture of brain activity when children are hearing sounds, saying sounds and seeing print. Early literacy activities promote brain activity!

Following dinner, we moved into the library for a variety of games, stories and even some theater! Many children enjoyed the “Go Fish” game where they fished for words. Alphabet Bingo was another popular choice. Families enjoyed listening to the stories of our HCS librarian Corinna Stanley. Miranda Johnson, one of our HCS kindergarten teachers, showed parents how to use a flannel board activity to support children’s understanding of stories.

A special highlight of the evening was the Reader’s Theater venue. Mrs. McNeil’s third, fourth and fifth grade students performed Reader’s Theater with some favorite titles such as *Miss Nelson is Missing*, and *Click, Clack, Moo!* Thank you to Katie Aube, Megan Gumlaw, Ethan Cote, Jeremy Lang, Jamie-Lynn Monty and Cody Martin for their entertaining presentations of these great stories.

Thank you to HCS teachers Jo Evelti, Audrey Walsh, Dee Pelkey, Kay Willette, Miranda Johnson and Corinna Stanley, Principal Bob Goudreau and Special Education Coordinator Laura Smith for making this evening possible. Natacha Liuzzi from **Brown Dog Books and Gifts** helped us out with books and the gift certificates. Thank you Natacha! All families went home with books, story board activities, and lots of smiles.

Register Now for Preschool

Believe it or not it is that time of year when parents need to start thinking about enrolling their children in a preschool for the upcoming fall semester. To help you on your path to preschools we hope the following question and answer format will give you an idea for the Hinesburg Nursery School.

What is HNS all about?

HNS is a nonprofit, parent cooperative preschool emphasizing a child-centered, play-oriented approach to learning.

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What is a typical day like?

The day is from 8:30 a.m. to noon. During the course of the morning the children freely flow between several different activity stations, work on an art project, (or perhaps cook in the kitchen), stop for a nutritious snack, read and finish off with some outdoor play.

Do you have to be a Hinesburg resident to attend?

No. We are open to children from all communities.

How old does my child need to be to attend?

Three to five years old.

Does my child have to be potty-trained?

Yes. Although we do understand that accidents happen.

Does my child have to attend HNS five mornings a week?

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What is the HNS calendar?

The school is open from September through June. We follow the same calendar as the Hinesburg Community School.

Do you have a website?

Yes. Check us out at hinesburgnurseryschool.com.

Big Truck Day is Coming

Big Truck Day is Saturday, May 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There children (and adults) can climb on and explore all sorts of vehicles: buses, bulldozers, dump trucks, ambulances, cement mixers, tractors, ATVs, fire trucks, the list goes on. There will also be children’s activities, as well as a bake sale and barbeque. So come to BIG TRUCK DAY on May 9, rain or shine, at the Hinesburg Community School’s lower parking lot off Silver Street.

Other Education

Upcoming Events at Waldorf School

Observation Morning, Lake Champlain Waldorf School

Thursday, May 7, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Adults can experience Waldorf education first-hand. Observe grade school and preschool-kindergarten classes in session. Questions and conversations will follow. Shelburne Campus, 359 Turtle Lane. Directions: Take Route 7 to Shelburne; turn west on Harbor Road; go less than a mile; turn right on Turtle Lane and proceed to the end of the dirt road. FREE. RSVP 985-2827 ext. 12 or pgraham@lcwaldorf.org.

Mayfest Celebration for Young Children, Lake Champlain Waldorf School

Saturday, May 9, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (rain date May 11)

A special day created for families with children six and younger! Outdoor fun and activities including pony rides, Maypole dancing, live music, garland and flag making, great food, face painting and more. FREE. RSVP 985-2827 or info@lcwaldorf.org.

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GED Testing

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Monday, April 27, at Vermont Adult Learning, 462

Hegeman Avenue, Colchester. 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 5 and June 2, at the Department of Labor, 63 Pearl Street, Burlington. 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 16 and June 13, at Vermont Adult Learning, 462 Hegeman Avenue, Colchester. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday, May 18 and June 22, at Vermont Adult Learning, 462 Hegeman Avenue, Colchester. 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Please call 846-7245 to pre-register for the tests or if you need to study for them. You can also earn your high school credential through the High School Completion Program (HSCP) or the Adult Diploma Program (ADP).

Closing the Gap: Encouraging Dialogue between Parents and Teens

By Jen Bickel-Hayes and Dayna Scott

What are the most pressing issues facing young people today? According to the 300+ adults and teens who attended Stephen Wallace’s presentation “Reality Gap” at CVU on March 17, the number one issue is ALCOHOL USE. Seems that the audience was listening carefully to statistics showing that underage drinking is the leading cause of death for young people! In fact, alcohol is implicated in the deaths of some 85,000 Americans every year, making it our nation’s third leading cause of death after smoking and obesity! This was an

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eye-opener for many and was fodder for interesting discussion after the presentation. For example, can parents teach young people how to drink responsibly? Not according to Wallace. Research from SADD's Teens Today study reveals that parents who allow their children to "learn to drink" at home actually incite significantly more drinking elsewhere. And if you think European teens drink more responsibly than American teens, think again. Data from the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation shows that "European kids drink more often, drink more heavily, and get drunk more often than American teens." (PIRE, November 10, 2005 report). This is particularly relevant information as April is designated Alcohol Awareness Month.

One of the messages from Stephen's presentation was the important role that parents play in setting clear limits for teens and supporting them in making healthy choices. One strategy for this is the "Contract for Life: A Foundation for Trust and Caring" developed by SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions). This is an agreement that both parents and teens sign to ensure safety and well-being in the face of decisions related to alcohol, drugs, peer pressure and other behaviors. (You can download a copy of this from www.sadd.org) Other ways for parents to close the reality gap include:

- *Learn as much as you can about what's happening in your teen's world. Know the warning signs and current statistics around alcohol use, sex, drugs, bullying, self-harm, suicide, etc.
- *Talk to your teens and let them know you understand the realities they are facing. It helps to have regular "family meetings" - even if this is just dinner and conversation together!
- *Be specific about any concerns you may have - tell your teen what you see and how you feel about it.
- *Don't make excuses for risky behaviors - deal with issues head on and seek professional help if necessary.
- *Check in regularly - parental monitoring and supervision, even when unwanted by teens, is a protective factor for helping them navigate through adolescence! Create a family policy on substance use WITH your teens.

Interested in getting more involved in parent education activities? Want to learn additional strategies for effective parenting? We have many opportunities and would love your help!

"Reality Gap" book discussion groups will take place across the District. Attend a book discussion in any of the following places:

SCS on Tuesday mornings (breakfast will be provided), from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on May 5 and May 17. Call Rachel Petraska for more info at 985-3331.

CVU on Thursday evenings (dinner will be provided), from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 14 and 21. Call Jen Bickel-Hayes for more info at 482-6951 or Steve Hyde at 482-2106.

WCS on Fridays (breakfast will be provided), from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on May 8, 15 and 22. Call Carol Bick for more info at 879-5839.

We have extra books to borrow and all are welcome to join-even if you haven't read the book yet! No need to register, no need to attend all sessions. Drop in for one session or all of them.

Parents Who Host, Lose the Most - this campaign seeks to educate parents about the consequences of serving alcohol

to minors. Coming this spring, just in time for proms and graduations!

Staying Connected With Your Teen - the Abridged Version coming this summer! Want some practical tips to improve your parenting skills? Then join us for 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, July 7, at CVU High School. The cost is just \$20 which includes a family guide book and dinner. For more information or to register please contact Jen Bickel-Hayes at 482-6951 or email jbickel-hayes@cvuhs.org.

Publicly Funded Prekindergarten

Chittenden South Supervisory Union supports Publicly Funded Prekindergarten for children between the ages of three and five who reside in the towns of Charlotte, Hinesburg, Shelburne, St. George and Williston. Applications for 2009-2010 school year are due April 30.

Publicly funded prekindergarten is defined as six to ten hours per week of developmentally appropriate early development and learning experiences that are based on Vermont's Early Learning Standards. Children who reside in Charlotte, Hinesburg, Shelburne, St. George and Williston and are between the ages of three and five are eligible. Prekindergarten education is limited to the academic year (September 2009-June 2010).

Chittenden South Supervisory Union's publicly funded prekindergarten programs are located in community private early care and education programs that meet specific quality standards, and a classroom in each of the K-8 schools within the supervisory union. The community early care and education programs that Chittenden South Supervisory Union currently partners with are: Annette's Playschool (Anticipated Partner); Ascension Childcare, Inc.; Burlington Children's Space; Charlotte Children's Center; The Children's School; Discovery Preschool; Early Learning Center at St. Michael's College; Heartworks (Anticipated Partner); Pine Forest Children's Center; Robin's Nest Children's Center; Shelburne Nursery School; Trinity Children's Center; Williston Child Care Center; YMCA - Edmunds, FAHC, Greater Burlington.

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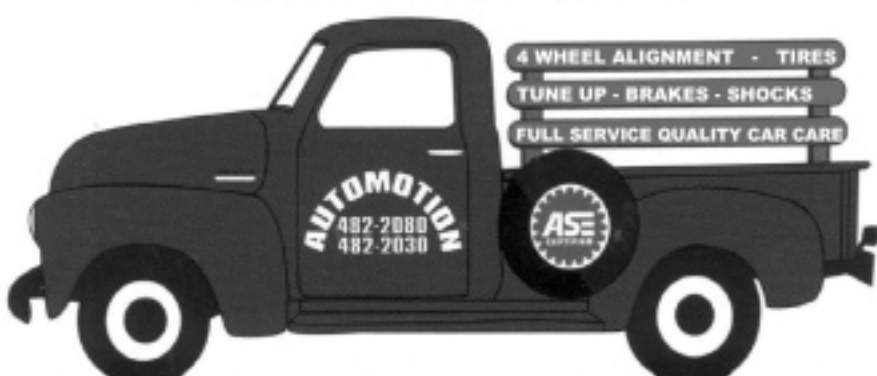
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If your child is three years old by September 1 and resides in Charlotte, Hinesburg, Shelburne, St. George or Williston, then your child is eligible to participate. Please note that if participation rises above our enrollment cap, then we will need to use a random selection process to determine which children receive publicly funded prekindergarten education. We will inform you whether your child has a slot by May 15.

To apply, submit an application form which can be obtained by calling Wendy Clark at 383-1235, email wclark@cssu.org or the Chittenden South Supervisory Union Website: www.cssu.org.

Applications must be postmarked by April 30.

Organization News

Hinesburg Friends of Families

Mother Goose Literacy Program

“Mother Goose Asks Why” workshop will be held Wednesday, April 29 and Wednesday, May 6 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 pm. This Mother Goose program has a science theme which offers support to parents and caregivers wishing to open the door to literacy for their preschoolers. The program provides ten free children’s books and an activity book to help adults encourage a love of reading and an interest in science. The workshop will take place in the Wainer room at the Hinesburg Community School. Dinner will be provided, as well as on-site childcare. The program is completely free and

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Annual Baby Brunch

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A Letter from Morocco

By Ariel Delaney, Peace Corps Volunteer

It’s been a little over a year since I left Hinesburg in the middle of a snowstorm in the early hours of a winter morning. I had no idea that I would be this far along in my journey but time flies when you roaming the world. After being given my Peace Corps assignment here in Morocco and swearing in, I moved to a village on the edge of the Anti Atlas mountains and beginning of the Sahara desert. It reminds me of Hinesburg a bit. The hills are silhouetted at night not unlike those of Route 116. I watch moon rises but here I do it on the roof.

There are certain things that are new to me like argan oil, tajine and weekly couscous. Other things like market day when the village fills up with old men on donkeys coming down from the hills to buy the weekly provisions. Weddings are four day events and there are goats that climb trees - these were all new to me. I also have learned some cultural formalities like right hand from bad hand, communal eating out of one pot and that burping is welcome at the dinner table. The latter I learned when my host father let out a loud burp and asked for my participation. I didn’t have the heart to tell him that I was raised to believe this was rude and impolite. Here it’s a compliment to the cook, i.e. my host mother. Instead of that I just gathered up my courage and mustered up the best burp I could. My response was not yet Rihab, my Moroccan name that means gate of heaven.

Being the new person in a foreign place definitely has its ups and downs and awkward moments. The same goes for learning a new language, Tashelheet, a Berber dialect that produced sounds from me I never new I could. There are also those embarrassing moments when I called someone dumb when I meant to say smart or when I walked around my village with bird poo on my head for a day unknowingly.

Life in this Berber town certainly isn’t dull. After a long day in the fields cutting grass with a hooked knife, Zaina comes to sit under the big argan tree with me. She then asks me, “Rihab, Manik tga tamazirtnm?” How do I respond to this question, what is your village like? Luckily when words fail I had my copy of the Hinesburg Record recently send from home in a care package that could make any other volunteer envious. Zaina is illiterate but she took one look at the picture of the burning cheese factory and asked if everyone was okay. After I told her about the article she said to me “God replenish and provide.” That said it all.

As a health volunteer my role in the community is to help improve the overall health and habits of the village. This is a broad statement and after conducting a community assessment, I then began to assess the local water sources. Water is one of the biggest problems in my village and the area, which suffers from desertification. With so many wells in my town I wasn’t shocked when a local well that provides for over two hundred people was uncovered and polluted. I also wasn’t surprised when an association president asked if I could help. Together we hope to cover the well and clean it. The other problem is women’s health. Women are neglected here as there is a male nurse, no doctor or trained midwife. It’s culturally inappropriate for women to seek out a male nurse. This doesn’t help the infant mortality rate which is the highest in northern Africa. Also how do women seek out prenatal care and contraceptives? Another project in the works relates to

women’s health and wellbeing with the help of other volunteers and the ministry of health. Most importantly the goal is to make projects sustainable long after I leave.

With so much going on a year somehow managed to pass by. I still remember wondering if my plane was going to be cancelled due to the snow storm. Also saying good bye to my family and being nervous about leaving. Nowadays I have lots of time to listen to BBC or voice of America or read old copies of The Record. The most important lesson I have learned here is that everything is done communally and life here goes by the time old traditions of following the seasons, the moon and sun, not the watch or a calendar.

To learn more about my experience living in Morocco, projects and how you can help, check out my blog at arielinmorocco.wordpress.com.

Raffle to Benefit Vermont 4-H

By Wendy Sorrell

The 2009 State 4-H Dairy committee will be doing a fund raiser in the form of a raffle to help raise money for the Vermont 4-H Dairy Program. The state committee is committed to providing opportunities for youth.

4-H is a world leader in helping youth develop and become productive citizens who will be able to meet the needs of a diverse and changing society. 4-H teaches youth leadership, citizenship and life skills. 4-H helps young people learn how to present themselves, feel comfortable with others, make sound decisions and much, much more.

The State Dairy Committee wants to see the continued success of these youth and they need your help. To find out where you can purchase a raffle ticket, please call Wendy, the State Livestock Educator, at (800) 571-0668.

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Rules and Regulations

The State 4-H Dairy Committee reserves the right to cancel this raffle and refund the full \$20 ticket price at any time before June 7.

Winning tickets will be drawn during the Vermont Dairy Festival on June 7 in Enosburg Falls, VT.

Winners will be notified on June 7 and need not be present to win.

You must be 18 years old to purchase a raffle ticket or win any prize. Children under 18 years of age may not participate.

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Health and Safety

Health Insurance Options in a Tough Economy

By Janet Trautwein

In the last four months, 2.6 million jobs have disappeared from the American economy. About half the people who held those jobs also lost their health insurance.

But a job loss doesn't have to mean a loss of insurance coverage, too. A provision in the recently passed economic stimulus bill makes health insurance significantly more affordable for the involuntarily unemployed. The federal government will now subsidize premiums for insurance plans purchased under the terms of a law called "COBRA."

COBRA allows people to keep their employer-provided health insurance for up to 18 months after they've left their job. Typically, COBRA participants have to pay the full premium for their old plan, which includes the amount their employer previously paid for them, plus a two percent administrative fee. Maintaining coverage can therefore be pricey.

Thanks to the stimulus package, the government will pick up 65 percent of a newly involuntarily unemployed worker's insurance premium for up to nine months after COBRA enrollment. That subsidy will keep insurance within the reach of scores of laid-off workers during these tough times.

This new benefit is only available to "qualified" individuals — but that includes many of the newly unemployed. If you were laid off after August 31, 2008, were insured through your former employer, and aren't already eligible for Medicare or some other form of group health insurance (like a spouse's plan), you're eligible.

Even those who didn't sign up for COBRA in the 60 days after they lost their job, as is typically required by law, can receive the subsidy. Companies must notify all workers terminated after August 2008 of the new provision and give them a second chance to enroll in COBRA.

Even with the government subsidy, though, COBRA coverage can be expensive. So the stimulus package also allows laid-off workers to switch to a less expensive insurance plan than the one they had previously, if such a plan is available through their old employer.

But COBRA is not the only option for unemployed workers looking to keep themselves and their families covered. A health insurance agent or broker can help you determine if you might also be eligible for coverage in the individual insurance market, which contains a wide range of policy choices for consumers searching for a good deal.

The "Find an Agent" tool on the website of the National Association of Health Underwriters — accessible at www.nahu.org — can be a great resource for help finding an affordable individual insurance plan. There, consumers can get a comprehensive list of professional insurance agents in their area. Professional health insurance agents can help them compare plans to find one that best fits their budget and health needs.

For people with serious medical conditions, like HIV or diabetes, an individual policy can be hard to come by. Fortunately, many states have high-risk insurance pools or other safety-net programs that provide affordable health care choices for hundreds of thousands of individuals who would

otherwise be uninsured. Patients suffering from serious medical conditions should work with a professional health insurance agent to see if they're eligible for such a program in their state.

A job loss can be tough, but it doesn't have to compromise one's health care. Laid-off workers should take advantage of the affordable, high-quality health insurance options available to them and make sure they're covered. Having health insurance is in everyone's best interest.

Janet Trautwein is the Executive Vice President and CEO of the National Association of Health Underwriters.

Hib Vaccination Records

The Vermont Department of Health is asking parents, pediatricians and health care providers to check Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B) vaccine immunization records for infants and young preschool aged children to make sure they are up to date.

Hib vaccine is part of the Vermont immunization schedule, with three doses recommended by seven months of age. A fourth Hib booster shot, recommended by 15 months of age, has been deferred nationwide since 2007 due to a national shortage of the vaccine. Three doses provide a high level of protection against the disease. Hib can cause severe bacterial infection that occur most often in infants and young children and often requires hospitalization.

The Minnesota Department of Health reported five cases of Hib infection in 2008, and one death of a child. Three of the five children who were infected, including the child who died, were unvaccinated. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that the five cases in Minnesota are the most in a single year since 1992, when Hib vaccine was first available, and the first recorded infant death from Hib since 1991.

"The report of the infant death in Minnesota is tragic and a reminder that Hib is a severe bacterial infection that can result in fatal illness if children are not immunized," said Health Commissioner Wendy Davis, MD. "Hib is a safe and effective vaccine that should be part of every child's health care."

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services issued a health advisory after a three-year-old who had not received the full series of Hib vaccinations developed Hib disease. The child, according to the alert, was hospitalized in intensive care, and is currently recovering.

Immunization rates for Hib (three primary doses of vaccine) in Vermont in infants 19 to 35 months of age have been between 94 percent (2007) and 97.5 percent (2005).

For more information on the Vermont Immunization schedule and childhood vaccines, visit healthvermont.gov.

Turkey Hunting Safety Tips

For many Vermont hunters, May first is almost as important as the opening of firearms deer season, and while turkey hunting-related shootings are rare, extra precautions are needed.

Wild turkeys are not the dummies popular myth makes them out to be. Their keen eyes can easily detect movement and out-of-place colors, making camouflage or drab colored clothing almost mandatory, at least when you are set-up. Unfortunately, camouflage has the same affect on other hunters as it has on the turkeys. Consequently, hunter safety experts warn that you never hunt turkeys by attempting to stalk them.

"Stalking is the common denominator in 21 out of the 24 turkey hunting-related shootings we have had in Vermont," said Vermont Hunter Education Coordinator Chris Saunders. "Sometimes it's the stalker who is mistaken for game. Sometimes it's the other hunter."

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With the opening of spring turkey hunting season near, the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department urges hunter to review the following safety tips:

- Never try to stalk a gobbling turkey. Your chances of getting close are poor, and you may be sneaking up on another hunter.
- Stick with hen calls. A gobbler call is intended for special situations and might attract other hunters.
- Don't be patriotic. Avoid red, white or blue. A tom turkey's head has similar colors.
- Avoid unnecessary movement. This could alert turkeys and attract hunters.
- Don't hide so well that you impair your field of vision.
- Wear hunter orange to and from your hunting location, and wrap your turkey in some hunter orange cloth for the hike back to the car.
- Always sit with your back against a tree trunk, big log or a boulder that is wider than your body. This protects you from being accidentally struck by pellets fired from behind you.
- If you use a decoy, place it on the far side of a tree trunk or a rock so you can see the birds approaching from all directions, but cannot actually see the decoy. This prevents you from being directly in the line of fire should another hunter mistakenly shoot at your decoy.
- Never shoot unless you're absolutely sure of your target. Since only turkeys with beards are legal during the spring season, lack of positive identification could result in shooting an illegal bird, or worse, another hunter.
- Consider wearing hunter orange while moving from set-up to set-up. Take it off when you are in position.
- Remember, only turkeys stalk turkeys! Keep hunting safe in Vermont and make it even safer.

Good Grief

Is some grief good? Well, yes. It's normal and healthy to feel some grief when you have a significant loss in your life. It may feel bad, it may hurt. Being able to express the grief is the best thing you can do.

Some people feel they need to talk about his/her grief. Some people might want to write about her/his grief in a journal to try to understand, and others may choose to shut those feelings off because it hurts too much. Sometimes we choose to close down. This can become overwhelming, like carrying a heavy weight around all the time.

At that point, there is help. Talking with an experienced mental health counselor can ease those overwhelming feelings and help you live a fuller life.

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Wilderness Heals Pledge Hike

The three-day Wilderness Heals Annual Pledge Hike is

one of New England's most challenging all-female fundraising hikes. Join fellow women July 17 to 19, for a hike through New Hampshire's White Mountains and help raise money for the Elizabeth Stone House in Boston, Massachusetts.

The Stone House serves women and their children who have experienced domestic violence, mental illness, substance abuse and other forms of trauma.

Choose from six trail options including a new Front Country option, which offers more manageable trails for those who are new to hiking. Five trail options offer hikers overnight accommodations in Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) huts and hikers who participate in the Back Country option sleep in tents. Each team will include an experienced team leader. Round-trip transportation from Boston provided. The fundraising minimum is \$1,200. Hiker registration fee is \$50 and the registration deadline is June 19. The remaining informational sessions are available:

- Date: April 30
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Elizabeth Stone House, 8 Notre Dame Street, Roxbury, Massachusetts
 - Date: May 9
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: Cary Memorial Library in Lexington, Massachusetts
- For more information or to register, visit www.elizabethstone.org or call (617) 427-9801, extension 415.



VYOA to Hold Annual Auditions

The Vermont Youth Orchestra Association will hold annual auditions for their orchestras and choruses from May 4 through May 20 at the Elley-Long Music Center at Saint Michael's College in Colchester. During annual auditions the VYOA welcomes new students interested in playing music or singing with one of the VYOA orchestras or choruses.

Orchestral Auditions are open to any young musician, currently in grades 3 through 11, who has played an orchestral instrument for at least one year. Woodwind and brass players younger than the seventh grade should have at least two years of experience on their instrument. Students *must* participate in their school instrumental ensemble program, if their instrument is offered.

Orchestral Auditions include playing a prepared solo (without accompaniment), a prepared scale of your choice and sight-reading a selection of music presented at the time of the audition.

Choral Auditions are open to singers in grades 6 through 11, who are able to read music, match pitch and blend with others. Students *must* participate in their school chorus program, if one is offered.

Choral auditions include performing an *a capella* song of your choice, (excerpts welcome), participating in a brief pitch-matching exercise and sight reading a selection of

music presented at the time of the audition.

All auditions are approximately ten minutes long. Auditions are heard by a panel of VYOA artistic staff. Qualified students are offered placement in the appropriate VYOA group, based on their skill and experience as demonstrated in the audition.

Annual tuition levels vary between the various orchestras and choruses, but the VYOA is dedicated to having every eligible child participate, regardless of financial status. Financial aid is available, in addition to payment plan options.

Auditions for new students are scheduled by appointment only. Call to schedule an audition beginning on April 6 at (802) 655-5030 or visit www.vyo.org.

The VYOA offers outstanding education and unique performance experiences to over 600 students annually from Vermont, New York and New Hampshire. Three full orchestras, two string ensembles, chamber music ensembles, two choruses, summer music camps and the Endangered Instruments Program give students every opportunity to participate in the VYOA at their own level of musical skill. Join the VYOA – one of the most remarkable programs for young musicians in the United States.

Ethan Allen Homestead Awarded Grant

The Ethan Allen Homestead Historic Site and Museum has been awarded a Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership Grant by the Lake Champlain Basin Program. Funding will be used to create the first of a series of mobile audio/visual interpretive stories. The Homestead, in partnership with New York's Crown Point State Historic Site, will create a free, downloadable video telling the story of Ethan Allen's Green Mountain Boys, led by Ethan's cousin Seth Warner, taking the British Fort at Crown Point. They "liberated" scores of cannons that would be used to expel the British from Boston during the early months of the Revolutionary War.

The video will be available on-line and can be downloaded onto mobile devices such as iPods, iPhones or Blackberries. For GPS enabled phones, Google Map prompts will assist the viewer in navigation to the Ethan Allen Homestead Historic Site and Museum, and the Crown Point State Historic Site. By integrating storytelling and navigation, both visitors and locals will enjoy a richer experience as they are guided to discover their own "sense of place".

Program producer is Barbara Smorgans Marshall. Grant funds are made available to the Lake Champlain Basin Program by the National Park Service.

Sports News

Reporter vs Fan

By Jaden Kramer-Melnick and Dave Melnick

Few things in life are as exciting as watching someone dunk, hit a home run or score a winning touchdown. Whether on the field or court, in the stands, or in our living room, we love sports. As lifelong athletes and sports fans we enjoy the passion and excitement connected to athletics. In the Super Bowl this year, the Arizona Cardinals had a star wide receiver named Larry Fitzgerald. We learned that his father, Larry Fitzgerald Sr., a well-known sports writer and commentator,

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was working at the Super Bowl. As a reporter, Larry Sr. would not be able to cheer for his son. There is an unwritten rule stating that reporters don't cheer in the press box.

Watching a sporting event without cheering intrigued us. We decided to contact the UVM athletic department and try and get press passes. Fortunately, our request was granted and we received courtside seats for the UVM men's basketball game against Hartford on February 9. As we sat down, we were both amazed by the size of the players, and the privilege of being so close. We watched as the reporters began to type and the commentators talked into their headsets. As the game started, a phone on the press table rang, as it did throughout the game. We later learned that it was a news service calling to check the score.

As part of the media we learned how hard it is to watch the game as a reporter. We did not cheer, though clearly wanted UVM to win. We both worked hard to try and stay neutral but this was tough to do because we always get involved in the sport we are watching. Here is what we noticed: people who constantly yell at the referees sound silly. They seem to lose the idea of fun. We thought the referees were right most of the time. Fans have big emotions and big emotions impact how you see things. The yelling also seemed to bother other fans.

Watching the game as a fan also differs from watching it as a reporter. As a reporter, we watched the game very closely, paying attention to details. We didn't just watch the score. Since we were so close we could hear the players talking, and the coach yelling instructions. It was interesting to see the expressions of the players.

No matter how much fun it was to be a reporter for the night, we both prefer to play sports. We learned a lot from the experience, and think that sports are great whether you are a reporter, fan or player.

Jaden is 13 years old and attends the Hinesburg Community School. He and his dad, Dave, wrote this article. The Record is always delighted to get contributions from our younger readers.

CSSU Buccaneer Youth Football Registration

CSSU Youth Football is open to CSSU students entering grades three through eight in the fall of 2009. Sign-ups for all ages will be held on Thursday, May 14 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the Hinesburg Town Hall conference room. Interested players must sign up on May 14 or download a registration form, which should be submitted by mail by May 8 from the www.redhawksfootball.org or the www.nvyfl.com websites.

The registration fee must be included with the form if you are registering by mail. New players only must *bring* or *mail* copies of their birth certificates. The cost is \$85 per player for students playing at the fifth to eighth grade level (tackle program) and \$50 per child for Flag Team members (third and fourth graders). In addition, each CSSU Youth Football family will be asked to commit to \$50 in raffle ticket sales later in the season. Checks can be made to CSSU Youth Football. Scholarships are also available on request.

Please contact Mike Hulvey at mhulvey@us.ibm.com or Joe Kropf at aident@together.net with further questions. Go Buccaneers!

Submissions by mail should be sent to the following address:

CSSU Youth Football
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1122 Hayden Hill Road West
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NAMES In The NEWS

Catherine Allen Inducted into National Technical Honor Society

Catherine Allen of Hinesburg was among 53 students from the Center for Technology, Essex who were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society on Thursday, March 19. Catherine is studying cosmetology. The NTHS is a national organization that honors student achievement and leadership, promotes educational excellence and enhances career opportunities for aspiring technical students.

Nicole Talbert Receives Academic Achievement Honors

Nicole Talbert, Class of 2009 at Tilton School, an independent, coeducational, college preparatory school serving students in grades 9 through twelve and post graduates, achieved honor roll for the third Quarter 2008 – 2009. Nicole is the daughter of Mark and Ellen Talbert of Hinesburg. Nicole plans to attend Castleton State College in the fall of 2009.

Lauren Hanson Named to President's List

Lauren Hanson, a resident of Hinesburg, has been named to the Fall 2008 Champlain College's President's List for academic achievements and earning a 4.0 grade average. Hanson is majoring in Accounting.

Kaitlin Francis Wins UVM Women's Soccer Award

The University of Vermont women's soccer team announced its annual team awards. Senior Kaitlin Francis of Hinesburg was named the team's MVP for the 2008 season and was named the team's best offensive player.

Francis was part of a senior class that made two America East Quarterfinal appearances. She served as co-captain this past season and was the only Catamount to play in all 18 games in 2008. Francis, who earned a spot on the TD Banknorth Classic All-Tournament team this year, finished her career playing in 69 games, ranking seventh among the all-time leaders.

Francis is a four-time member of the America East Academic Honor Roll selection, including being named to the America East Commissioner's Honor Roll three times for achieving a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

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Libby Parent Reaches200 Goals

Libby Parent of Hinesburg recently broke a sports record at Southern New Hampshire University. A senior women’s lacrosse player, Libby scored two goals during a 21-9 win over Assumption to become the first player in the six-year history of the SNHU program to record 200 career points.

Other News

Vermont Quarter Makeover

The Vermont quarter is getting a facelift – or at least to its backside. Governor Jim Douglas has nominated Vermont’s 150 miles of the Appalachian Trail to replace the scene of Camel’s Hump and sap buckets as part of the U.S. Mint’s new America’s Beautiful National Parks Quarter Dollar Coin Program. Each governor gets to suggest a national park or site in his or her respective state.

“From Glastenbury Mountain to Woodstock and West Hartford, thousands of Vermonters and visitors each year discover and enjoy our slice of the country’s best-known footpath,” the Governor said. “For more than a hundred miles, the Appalachian Trail follows the Long Trail, the oldest long-distance hiking trail in the nation, as it runs along the spine of our Green Mountains from Massachusetts to Quebec.”

Ben Rose, Executive Director of The Green Mountain Club, notes: “The Long Trail and Appalachian Trail are the backbone of Vermont’s landscape, and the Green Mountain Club’s (GMC) hundreds of volunteers take care of them. The timing of this quarter is good, because this summer the GMC will host the Appalachian Trail Conservancy’s biannual conference at Castleton State College from July 17 to 24. This is a large event, where nearly a thousand hiking club leaders, volunteers, and experienced long-distance hikers from all over the eastern U.S. will converge in Vermont for guided day hikes, workshops, and socializing. It is also an invitation for more Vermonters to get involved with hiking clubs—check out www.vermont2009.org.”

“This is a great opportunity for us to share this wonderful resource with the rest of the country,” Governor Douglas continued. “And with warmer weather just around the corner, I hope Vermonters will get out and enjoy the miles of trails we have in our backyard.

The U.S. Mint also asked that two alternatives be submitted. Governor Douglas suggested the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park in Woodstock and the Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge along Lake Champlain in Franklin County.

The U.S. Mint will begin to issue a new 25-cent piece every ten weeks in 2010, in the order in which each site was first established as a national site.

For more information on the U.S. Mint program, visit: http://www.usmint.gov/mint_programs/NSQuartersProgram/index.cfm.

Annual Youth Environmental Summit

High school students from around Vermont and the Northeast will attend the twelfth Annual Youth Environmental Summit (YES!), May 30 to June 1, at the Hulbert Outdoor Center in Fairlee, Vermont.

Unlike the concerts, games, skate parks, and shopping

trips more commonly associated with teens, this event is planned by and for teens to rally committed student-activists and teen-environmental organizers to an action planning event. High School students from across the nation are invited.

YES! brings together high school student-activists for three days of training, planning, networking, and celebration of student-led direct action environmental campaigns. Afterwards, participants will return to their home schools and communities to organize and lead their own environmental campaigns.

YES! is organized by a steering committee of high school students and the Youth Environmental Coalition (YEC), a grassroots network of high school environmental and recycling clubs, Earth Groups, and involved students. YES! is sponsored by the Association of Vermont Recyclers (AVR) and supported by AVR’s members.

AVR, an environmental non-profit, began in 1982 as grassroots effort to support recycling programs in Vermont. Today, AVR is Vermont’s leader in education and technical assistance on solid and hazardous waste prevention and reduction, resource conservation, responsible consumerism, and environmental health. AVR programs reach over 30,000 Vermonters annually through partnerships with waste managers, state agencies, schools, businesses, events, and coalitions.

Students interested in participating in the planning process are encouraged to contact Carl Witke, Education Programs Coordinator, at AVR. Students interested in attending YES! can sign up online at AVR’s website, www.vtrecyclers.org.

Attendance at the three day event is limited to 125 student-activists with a demonstrated interest in planning and leading environmental action campaigns in their schools and communities. Tuition for the event is \$125, which includes two nights lodging at the Hulbert Outdoor Center, all meals from a menu of local and sustainable producers, world renowned trainers and speakers, and supervision by AVR staff and volunteers. Tuition is subsidized by AVR Members and donations from local businesses. Generous scholarships are available as well, courtesy of Vermont Solid Waste Districts.

The theme of this year’s Summit weekend is “Renewing our Future” and will incorporate expert presenters, training sessions, outdoor adventures, local foods, hands-on learning, and a contra-dance, according to YES! tradition. While waste prevention and responsible consumerism are key focuses of the event, all aspects of environmental activism will be addressed, from forums on specific issues to trainings on running campaigns.

“YES! is an intense weekend” says AVR Executive Director Norm Staunton. “But while the goal is to prepare teens to lead their own campaigns, you can’t neglect the need to network, socialize, and celebrate the success of past campaigns. The Steering Committee does a great job of balancing those needs.”

Electronic registration for the event is open now at www.vtrecyclers.org. Youth in grades eight through college are encouraged to apply to attend. Selection to attend the event is done through a brief, but important, application process.

If you would like more information on AVR or the YES! event, please visit www.vtrecyclers.org or call (802) 224-1000 or email director@vtrecyclers.org.

Operation Vermont Maple Sweetness

Vermont maple syrup producers are each being asked to donate one gallon of syrup in order to send a taste of Vermont springtime to troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. For the fifth year, the Vermont Maple Sugar Makers Association is

organizing “Operation Vermont Maple Sweetness” which will package the donated syrup into one pint containers and ship them to bases in Iraq and Afghanistan. Over 8,000 pints of syrup were sent in 2008.

The syrup sent last year resulted in numerous heartfelt e-mails from the troops. “Thank you for the effort that people in Vermont went through with Operation Vermont Maple Sweetness.” “Thanks for the reminder of good things from back home.” “The syrup was on the breakfast line and was a big hit with my friends and me.” “Thanks for thinking of us and please let the rest of your co-workers know that their actions are appreciated here.”

“Operation Vermont Maple Sweetness” is a real team effort between Vermont maple producers, the Vermont Maple Sugar Makers Association, the Vermont Maple Foundation, the Vermont Maple Industry Council, Sugar Hill Containers, the Vermont Maple Festival, Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing, and Vermont Agency of Agriculture. We want to thank the many other individuals and businesses who supported this project last year and are seeking sponsors for this year’s project.

The deadline for donations of syrup is May 1 in order to have the syrup in the soldiers’ hands by Memorial Day. Maple syrup producers are encouraged to donate one gallon of their best syrup and take it to the drop-off locations listed on www.vermontmaple.org. The general public may also donate to help defray shipping costs. For more information about sponsorships call Sam Cutting IV at (802) 425-3971 and for syrup donations call Rick Marsh (802) 644-5482. Anyone wishing to may send a donation to: Mary Croft, Treasurer, Vermont Maple Sugar Makers Association, 491 East Barnard Road, South Royalton, VT, 05068.

New Walleye Regulation in Effect

A new fishing regulation designed to improve walleye fishing in Vermont took effect in January.

The Vermont Fish and Wildlife Board passed the statewide regulation based on recommendations from the public and state fisheries biologists with the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department. The new fishing rules apply to all waters of Vermont except Lake Carmi, Chittenden Reservoir and the Connecticut River.

Walleye and sauger have an 18-inch minimum length and a three-fish combined daily creel limit. The open season is from the first Saturday in May to March 15.

Fish and Wildlife Department biologists gathered input at public meetings and through discussions with members of the Lake Champlain Walleye Association before proposing the rule change. The Fish and Wildlife Board also held three public hearings during the rulemaking process. The biologists and most members of the public who spoke believe the new regulation will improve walleye angling in Vermont. Applying the same regulation statewide simplifies Vermont’s walleye fishing rules, helping anglers to understand and obey the law and helping wardens to enforce it.

The 18-inch minimum length limit increases the chances that female walleye will have at least one opportunity to spawn before being caught by anglers. The reduced creel limit may help spread the harvest more evenly among anglers. The statewide closed season will help protect walleye during the spawning period. The new regulation also protects sauger, which are increasingly rare in Lake Champlain.

Fishing rules on Lake Carmi, Chittenden Reservoir and the Connecticut River will not change this year. Lake Carmi’s special slot limit for walleye was implemented because of the uniquely high productivity and high rate of walleye harvest in this lake, but fisheries biologists say this slot limit is not appropriate for most of Vermont’s waters. Chittenden Reservoir has special walleye regulations in order to produce large walleye that can help control the over-abundant yellow perch population in that Reservoir and provide anglers with an opportunity to harvest a trophy walleye. New Hampshire is responsible for the walleye regulations on the Connecticut River.

Calling Volunteers for Lund Family Center Ride

Looking for a great way to celebrate Mother’s Day and honor the important women in your life? Ride, volunteer, donate or cheer on riders and bring together family, friends and funds to benefit the thousand plus vulnerable Vermont children whose physical, emotional, and social needs Lund Family Center meets annually. Lund Family Center’s Inaugural Mother’s Day Bike Ride on Sunday, May 10 at Rice Memorial High School in South Burlington, will draw in supporters to promote fitness, fun, and raise vital funds to support Lund’s adoption, education, and community based services for families. This is one of the season’s first training rides with a distance for everyone – a four-mile family ride on the bike path, a 30-mile ride, and a 55-mile ride.

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Riders and spectators will enjoy wonderful culinary treats from Boloco Inspired Burritos, Vermont Brownie Company, City Market and Healthy Living and fun family activities like face painting, arts and crafts and children's games. Participants will be eligible to win great prizes including a 13 inch widescreen MacBook notebook, an iPod touch, a bike, a massage and facial package and a \$125 gift certificate to an outdoor gear shop. All riders receive a commemorative T-shirt and a ride bag filled with goodies as well as the opportunity to train for free at Fitness Options' Wednesday night spinning class (call ahead to register) in South Burlington. Student groups, friends, families, serious athletes and Sunday riders are encouraged to participate. All are eligible for community service hours. For more information or to register as a rider or volunteer, visit www.lundfamilycenter.org, call (802) 864-7467 or email bikeride@lundfamilycenter.org.

With 119 years of experience, Lund Family Center annually serves more than 4,000 children and family members. Lund's work focuses on three goals: strengthening families, reducing child abuse and neglect, and helping to create new families through adoption. Its mission is to help children thrive by serving families with children, pregnant or parenting teens and young adults, and adoptive families.

Rokeby Museum Receives Grant

Thanks to a grant from the American Heritage Preservation Program, Rokeby Museum will receive funds to repair two historic photographs in its collection. This collaboration between the federal Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the Bank of America Foundation supports small museums, libraries, and archives to preserve works of art, artifacts, and historical documents in need of conservation. Rokeby Museum will conserve two daguerreotypes - the earliest form of photography. The Museum was one of only 53 institutions to receive an award.

"With these awards, communities will be able to rescue exceptional objects that link their pasts to their futures. This grant program is an important part of IMLS's Connecting to Collections: A Call to Action, a multi-year, multi-pronged initiative to protect our national treasures," commented IMLS Director Anne-Imelda M. Radice.

Rokeby Museum Director Jane Williamson explained the importance of this effort, "This early photograph of Thomas R. Robinson, who established his family's home at Rokeby in 1793, is the only known image of him. A digital scan will be created as part of the project, and we will be able to display Thomas's picture for the first time."

Rokeby Museum is a National Historic Landmark designated for its exceptional underground railroad history. The Museum connects visitors with the human experience of the underground railroad and with the lives of the Robinsons, who lived on and farmed this land for nearly 200 years.

For more information contact: Jane Williamson, (802) 877-3406; rokeby@comcast.net.

Hunter Education Instructor Workshop Offered

There is no more powerful way to give back to what you love than with a gift of your time. If you love to hunt or trap in Vermont, there are few better ways to give your time than

becoming a volunteer hunter education instructor.

Now is the time to sign-up to become an instructor. The following instructor training workshop is scheduled to be held at the Waterbury State Office Complex:

Bowhunter Education Instructor Workshop: July 18

As a volunteer instructor, you will conduct the Hunter Education Program courses as a representative of the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department. The department provides new instructors with training and materials to successfully conduct a hunter education course.

"The work is demanding and the hours are often long and inconvenient," says Chris Saunders, Vermont's Hunter Education Coordinator. "However, our 580 active instructors love volunteering because they know they are contributing to the future of hunting and trapping."

All instructor applicants must meet the following requirements:

Successfully pass a background check.

Enjoy working with young people.

Believe in and practice safe, responsible hunting.

The application process includes providing personal references and a criminal history background check. You can still take the instructor course if the background check has not been completed, but you will not be certified until passing it.

Becoming a Hunter Education Instructor takes commitment. But as an instructor you are helping to pass on a hunting heritage that adds to Vermont's quality of life. Through the efforts of our volunteers, hunting is safe and getting safer.

To learn more, contact Ann Shangraw at (802) 241-3720.

Love the Lake Series

On Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., the public is invited to join us and these speakers for homemade desserts, tea, coffee and lively conversations about Lake Champlain.

The Lake Champlain Basin Club (LCBP) office is in the stone house at 54 West Shore Road in Grand Isle, Vermont-just a short walk from the ferry. All events are free.

Date: Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Topic/Speaker: Fort Ste. Anne: History and Early Archaeology of Vermont's First European Site, Jessica Desany, Curatorial Assistant, Peabody Museum of Archeology and Ethnology, Harvard University

Date: Thursday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Topic/Speaker: The 1909 Champlain Tercentenary at Isle LaMotte, Sylvie Beaudreau, Associate Professor of History, Canadian Studies, SUNY Plattsburgh

For more info contact the LCBP at (800) 468-5227, or visit www.lcbp.org.

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Green-Up Day

(Continued from the front page.)

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

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

Being safe for Green-up is also important.

- Small children should not be on roadways for Green-up.
- Go to a public area or park to Green-up.
- Everyone should wear boots and gloves.
- Don't pick up any hazardous waste.
- Drive slowly and watch for pedestrians (do this all the time!)

All ages and community groups are welcome. Just stop in at the town hall. Wear a hat to keep the hot sun off your face because **it never rains on Green-up day**. Have fun and please join us at the Community BBQ Lunch.

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

HINESBURG RELIGION



United Church of Hinesburg

Pastor: Reverend Bill Neil
Church Phone: 482-3352
Church Email: unitedchurch@gmavt.net
Parsonage Phone: 482-2284
Parsonage E-mail: billandfaithneil@gmavt.net
Website: www.TroyConference.org/unitedchurchofhinesburg
Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.
Choir Practice: 9:15 a.m. Sunday mornings
Sunday School: Sunday experience for children following the children's time.
Food Shelf: Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. (use back entrance).
WIC Clinic: First Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Osborne Parish House.
Senior Meal Site: Every Friday (except first week of each month) from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Osborne Parish House.
AA Gratitude Group: Every Monday at 7:00 p.m.
International Potluck Dinner: May 2 at 6 p.m.
Plant and Food Sale: May 16
United Church to Hold Annual Plant Sale: Saturday, May 16, the United Church of Hinesburg will be holding its annual spring plant sale from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Beautiful annuals and hanging baskets in full bloom will be available, along with native perennials for your garden...just in time for Mother's Day. There will also be a bake sale, so stop in and stock up.

Community Alliance Church

Pastor: Scott Mansfield
Elders: Mike Breer, Rolly Delfausse, Jeff Glover, David Russell, (add) Aaron Stief.
Phone: 482-2132
Web: www.hinesburgcma.org
Address: 190 Pond Road, Hinesburg (overlooking CVU High School)
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AWANA (Pre-K-6th grade): Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m.
Small Groups: Various times and days throughout the week.
For more information on any of the ministries, please contact the church.

Community Alliance Church to Serve Free Lunches

A Community Soup Luncheon comprised of breads, and hearty homemade soups and chowders will be held at the Hinesburg Community School the third Saturday of each month from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. through April 2009 This community outreach event is open to the public in Hinesburg and surrounding towns and will be sponsored by Friends of Community Alliance Church. This is a free event with donations accepted to benefit local food shelves and humane societies. The dates and the organizations benefiting are:

December 20—Bristol Food Shelf
January 17—Addison Humane Society
February 21—Chittenden Humane Society
March 21—TBD
April 18—TBD

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For those wishing to attend and needing a ride, please call 349-5183.

Lighthouse Baptist Church

Pastor: Reverend Ed Hart
Church Phone: 482-2588
Home Phone: 482-2588
E-mail: lighthousevt@netscape.net
Web Site: www.LBCvt.homestead.com
Location: Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road
Address: P. O. Box 288
Regular Services:
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting; Nursery provided.

Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

Pastor: Reverend David Cray, SSE
Pastor's Residence: 425-2253, email dcsse@aol.com
Mailing Address: 2894 Spear Street/P. O. Box 158, Charlotte, VT 05445
Hinesburg Rectory: 482-2290, St.Jude@gmavt.net, P. O. Box 69, Hinesburg 05461, 10759 Route 116
Office Hours: 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
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 the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. Lunches are served from noon until 3:00 p.m. Food is prepared by Meals on Wheels. . 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. Caretakers are welcome. For reservations please call Ted Barrett at 453-3087 or Marie Cookson at 482-2290 (Parish office) or 434-4782 (home).

Trinity Episcopal Church

5171 Shelburne Rd.
Shelburne, VT 05482
Rector: Rev. Craig Smith
Assistant Rector: Rev. Carole Wageman
Church phone: 985-2269
Church email: info@trinityshelburne.org
Website: www.trinityshelburne.org
Worship services: Sunday mornings at 8 and 10.

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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>.

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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

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

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

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

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



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