

The Hinesburg Record

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Arbitrator Upholds Chief Morrell's Termination

The following statements are excerpted from the report by Michael C. Ryan, the arbitrator in the dispute between Police Chief Chris Morrell and the Selectboard. The full report can be found on the town's web site.

"This case is sad, even tragic. A Police Chief who devoted ten years to creating the Town's police department virtually from scratch, and who by all accounts was a highly valued member of the Town's management and a treasured asset to the community, is now facing termination."

"The case has a long history and involves many current and past Town officials and employees. All these individuals are conscientious public servants who genuinely have the best interest of the Town at heart."

"On the basis of 11 days of testimony and hundreds of pages of documentary evidence, I have reached the following (conclusion)."

"The Town met its burden of proof that Chief Christopher Morrell refused to accept or implement a policy decision of the Selectboard to add a second supervisory position of Deputy Chief in the Department and that as a result he created a division within the Department and a climate of distrust and resentment. Because of this the Town has just cause to discharge Chief Morrell."

HCS Student Wins New England Poetry Contest

The results are in – three Vermont middle-school students have come out on top in Cabot Creamery Cooperative's "Butter Up The World" Poetry Contest. The call for entries went out in November, asking fifth through eighth grade students in the New England area to write an original poem on the topic of dairy farming. Hundreds entered, but only three finalists were selected, with one poem to be featured on Cabot butter boxes set to hit hundreds of supermarkets across America in mid to late April.



First prize winner Jackson Glover

First prize went to Jackson Glover, a fifth grade student at Hinesburg Community School, whose untitled poem delves into the symbiotic relationship between cows and dairy

farmers. Eighth grader, Cierra F. of Georgia Elementary and Middle School in St. Albans, VT took second place with a beautiful poem entitled "Got Milk?" Third place was awarded to Sadie D., a seventh grade student at The Sharon Academy in South Royalton, VT for her poem, "Ode to Glorious Milk."

"I am extremely impressed with the quality and poetry talent that our New England students demonstrated during the 'Butter Up the World' Poetry Contest," said Cabot Community and Education Program Manager, Marie Frohlich. "We had more than one hundred entries, so you can imagine how difficult it was for judge and distinguished New England poet Geof Hewitt to choose three winners. Cabot would like to thank everyone for participating – we are grateful to have received so many poems that truly capture the spirit of dairy farming and life on a dairy farm."

First Place Poem

Untitled, by Jackson Glover

Cows walk through the morning's haze
See a patch of grass and graze

The farmers walk out of the barn with pride
Cows and people side by side
The cows moo and chew on grass

Thinking and thinking while birds pass
Thinking about what they would do
Without all of you, yes, you
And the farmers of Vermont, too

The farmers have their thoughts as well
Thinking and thinking of just how swell
Milking cows deep sound so mellow
Humming, mooing, like a cello

Humans and cows
Depend on each other
Like a baby and its mother

The three finalists will receive cash prizes: first place wins \$100; second place wins \$50; and third place wins \$25. The complete poems from the three finalists can be found on Cabot's website at www.cabotchese.coop

Eagle Scout Title Awarded

Andrew Giroux, 17, of Scout Troop 690 in Hinesburg earned the highest rank possible in Boy Scouting last fall. After successfully satisfying the Eagle Board of Review, he was officially given the title of Eagle Scout. In December an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony was held at the Town Hall where Andrew was officially awarded his Eagle pin along with numerous letters of recognition from President Obama, Al Gore, Jimmy Carter, Congressional Members, the Secretaries of State, Education, Labor, the FBI and other assorted government officials, as well as from mentors, family and friends. He was presented with a flag that had flown over the US Capital building in Washington, D. C.

On February 12, the 67 young men that had achieved the rank of Eagle in Vermont were recognized at the Capital in Montpelier. A handful of the scouts opened the Legislative session of the day with a flag ceremony and the House of Representatives passed a resolution congratulating the Green Mountain Council Boy Scout Eagle Class of 2009. Shortly afterwards each Eagle Scout present was awarded a special certificate of Recognition by Governor Jim Douglas. The Master of Ceremonies was Jason Gibbs, Commissioner of VT Forests, Parks and Recreation, also an Eagle Scout. "Once an Eagle, always an Eagle".

Andrew has been a member of Scouting for 11 years and has risen through many different ranks. He has acquired a wealth of knowledge, skills and leadership experience as well. There are 21 required badges which a Boy Scout must complete to achieve the rank of Eagle. As of this time he has completed 33 badges, and earned two of the three possible Palms within the Eagle rank. His Eagle Project produced a Technology Cart for Hinesburg Community School. Multiple

pieces of lighting and audio equipment were combined into a self-contained, rolling work station which was designed by Andrew and built with the assistance of fellow scouts and craftsmen. An instruction manual for use of the cart and equipment was also made to increase the ease with which multiple community groups could use this cart.

Congratulations to Andrew on his achievement. Many thanks to his Scout leaders and mentors for their guidance and support on the long trail to Eagle Scout.



Andrew Giroux with Gov. Jim Douglas

Record News We Need Your Help!

The Hinesburg Record relies on volunteers to edit and format articles submitted by its readers and through press releases. There is a normal amount of attrition as lives get busier or editors move away. As a result the paper needs a few more volunteer copy editors. It only takes a few hours a month, a home computer and a working knowledge of MS Word. We will come to your house for a quick review and training session. If you would like more information or are ready to help out call Jane at 482-3153 or e-mail therecord@gmavt.net.

Please consider joining *the Hinesburg Record* team!

New Policy

The Hinesburg Record is instituting a new policy for its Letters to the Editor column. When submitting letters, **you must now also include your home address and phone number**. As before, all letters must be signed with both first and last name of the writer.



Last month The Hinesburg Record published a letter in this column from a Michael Brown, critical of Chief Morrell. At that time, our policy was for all letters to be signed, but we had not asked for addresses or phone numbers. When the identity of the writer was questioned we attempted, unsuccessfully, to reach Mr. Brown, both by phone and return e-mail. As of the date that this issue is going to print we have been unable to either verify his identity or prove from whom the letter actually came.

In the 20 plus years this paper has been published, this type of incident has never occurred. As a result, since this letter is possibly fictitious, we have instituted a “big city” policy, requiring that all writers of letters to the paper also provide their address and phone number for verification.

We continue to investigate who wrote the letter, and if it is proven to be a fake, then our sincerest apology goes out to Chief Morrell.

To Michael Brown, if you did in fact submit this letter, please contact us at therecord@gmavt.net, or call June Giroux at 482-2350

Editor’s note: letters below were written prior to the Arbitrator’s decision on the Chief Morrell case.

More on Police Issue

I chose not to comment at Town Meeting as my comments would likely have been interpreted as anti-Chris Morrell, which is not the case. I also believed that continuing the discussion of his suspension was no longer productive or appropriate. I know there are strong feelings on this issue, but I would like to convey some key points from my perspective.

I know Chris from his time as Police Chief, and I also know all five members of the Select Board as I am sure many Hinesburg residents do. I respect all six of these individuals and I think it is important to recognize that this is a personnel matter and not a personality matter. As someone who knows first hand what it means to undertake a personnel action against an employee, it is not a process anyone chooses quickly or lightly. In fact, I would argue it is a course of last resort due to many reasons including the stress it causes all parties due to the adversarial nature of the process. I don’t know the nature of the issues that led to the Board’s decision, but I cannot believe it was done without careful thought and deliberation, and I will not judge the decision until I know the facts, which will become public when the Arbitrator’s Report is finalized and released.

Another key point is the fact that the Select Board members each bring different perspectives and views to the board, and this diversity is good for the Town. It has been important to me that the decision to go down this difficult path was unanimous - if the five members ALL believe an issue exists, I have to believe there is merit to their decision. Again, the Arbitrator’s Report will enlighten us on this.

The Board has kept the community in the loop with letters, postings on the website, etc as much as legally possible. Again, from experience, I know that personnel matters must be confidential, and while frustrating, these are the rules that must be followed. The Board made its decision based on an assumption that a resolution would be achieved much quicker than what has actually transpired, but again, personnel issues are not tidy and simple; they are usually messy and anything but simple.

In terms of the cost for the legal advice and arbitration proceedings, I am pleased that the Board was willing to conduct a thorough and fair process, which comes with a cost. I believe spending the money to give Chris the opportunity to present his side of the situation is only proper, and I would be more upset if less money was spent and the process was deemed unfair or compromised.

I will not have any less respect for Chris or the Select Board regardless of the final report as I believe Chris was doing his best as Chief and the Board did what it thought was in the best interests of the community.

Sincerely,

Carl Bohlen

We are becoming increasingly disappointed in the performance of the Select Board and Town Administrator who have followed a path paved with legalities, to keep the taxpayers in the dark about the issues behind the suspension of Chief Morrell. It would seem unlikely that the Chief is guilty of “high crimes and misdemeanors.” Surely the public would have been immediately informed if this were the case? More likely there are petty interpersonal issues at play, and the Select Board and Town Administrator wanted to make a change either in personnel or Police policy, but don’t want us to know why.

Were these issues around before the decision to hire a Deputy Chief with a background and policing style that was totally contradictory to what we had experienced with Chris Morrell’s style of community policing? Who wanted this change in style and why won’t they declare why? What made

them think that the taxpayers were unhappy with the Police Department? Who was foolish enough to think that two philosophies of Policing could co-exist in one small town office, without causing problems? Who decided to throw support to the Deputy rather than to the Chief, and why? What was broken and who decided to fix it? Was it a matter of age discrimination?

Whether there are sound or unsound reasons to make the change, how could the change be so mismanaged? Without anything tangible to share with us, the Select Board has chosen to spend nearly \$100,000 of our tax dollars to defend their secret position. We must hope they have some good reason, or we have merely funded their inability to manage a simple succession process in the Police Department.

If the Chief has been treated unfairly we can expect more cost. It reminds us of the term “money pit.” If the issues are minor, characteristic of personality conflicts or operating philosophies, we surely have a right to expect the Select Board to have managed a more appropriate and less costly transition from whatever we had that they didn’t like, to whatever it is that they seem to want.

Who is our Board working for here ... themselves or us taxpayers?

Yours truly,

June and Len Dean

Dear Hinesburg,

I’m sorry that “Michael Brown,” an individual that somehow has a suspiciously intimate knowledge of police events and Chief Morrell’s personnel history/file, is choosing to have rumors and outright lies printed in this paper as his version of “fact.” The letters had been fairly respectful until recently.

I don’t know anything about a lawsuit filed by Chief Morrell with his former job and don’t think it matters. Chris has been in the Hinesburg community for 15 years now and is definitely invested in Hinesburg, along with his wife, giving many hours of service to community activities, HCPD, and the fire department. Most of you would intelligently agree that suit is ancient history and irrelevant to the current situation. Since I have known him, Chief Morrell makes any professional decisions with only the community of Hinesburg in mind and not lightly at all.

“Michael” crossed that line from rumor into lying when he represents as fact “the largest marijuana growing operation in Vermont history” having been in Hinesburg and suggests that Chief Morrell had to have known about it but didn’t do anything. Without a doubt a warrant was served in Hinesburg regarding an individual growing and distributing marijuana. I was actually there, unlike anyone named “Michael Brown”, along with our entire department including Chief Morrell, when we served the warrant at that locale. I found a percentage of the few drugs that were found there after that property was thoroughly searched. I will not downplay but nor will I exaggerate. The operation was NOT the largest by any measure, the “grow” part was in two other communities that don’t even neighbor Hinesburg, there was nothing related to growing marijuana found in Hinesburg, and there was no evidence that the individual was a participating member of the community of Hinesburg or sold marijuana in Hinesburg. As soon as we found out about it, we did something. Plain and simple.

Other than via the small town rumor mill, I think we should question why “Michael” would have any knowledge of alleged mishandling of cases, but that is another issue. I’m not suggesting that an agency can’t make mistakes, but there are checks and balances within the department. In the three years I was with HCPD I saw no such mishandling of cases as suggested. And any citable cases are ultimately handed to the District Attorney who double checks them as well and asks officers for further investigation if needed, just like any law enforcement agency.

Whether you support Chief Morrell or not, I do question how a complete investigation of these allegations was done. I know of at least one recent former officer (me) that was not asked about his time with the department nor questioned about allegations of mismanagement. I wonder how many other officers they neglected to talk to. I also hope no statements were made on my behalf or any other officer’s behalf without our approval. Once again, I don’t know of ANY alleged “mismanagement” incidents in the department during my time with HCPD. Any decision on this situation should only be made when, as one current officer stated in a letter, you have “both sides of the story,” which the arbitrator couldn’t possibly have if they haven’t talked to everyone involved.

What is sad is that there seems to be some kind of smear campaign being propagated here. I am not certain what “Michael” stands to gain by targeting Chief Morrell, but it does make one wonder who would gain from these allegations and innuendos that are being put out there as “personal knowledge” of these events. I think no matter what is going on with this, based on the letters and community support, a large part of Hinesburg doesn’t feel that they stand to gain anything from the possible loss of Chief Morrell, and I suggest that Hinesburg actually has a lot to lose. I repeat what I said before in hoping that Chief Morrell is allowed to continue his service to the Town of Hinesburg. I also repeat my wish of good luck to all and my wish for the amazing continued community support for HCPD, no matter what the outcome.

Sincerely,

Michael Wharton

It’s Time to Clear up Wrong Information

In regards to the Record letter written by Michael Brown, a few things: Since the matter involving Chief Morrell has

been so secret how do you assume to know so much? Are you being fed false information by either a Select Board member or police member who are not suppose to be discussing this matter? You are not known to me or many of the hundreds of Hinesburg people I’ve asked. Do you really exist?

You speak emphatically in your letter about “your understanding that Chris Morrell had improperly handled cases that are spread across the spectrum; cases such as theft, DUI, drug possession and a sex crime.” My dear Michael Brown, you are sadly mistaken. In the 13 years I worked with Chief Morrell the office policy was that all cases are reviewed by the Chittenden States Attorney’s Office. If there failed to be a prosecution it was decided by them. Not the police or the Chief. I’ve never seen a case mishandled by Chief Morrell. In fact, he would return them to the respective office for a more thorough follow up if needed.

As far as the “largest marijuana growing operation in Vermont being in Hinesburg,” I assisted the DEA with the multimillion dollar marijuana grow operation. What you failed to mention when trying to discredit Chief Morrell was that there was not a single marijuana plant growing in Hinesburg. The grower lived in Hinesburg and his connection to his multiple grow operations in other towns was to view them remotely by way of his lap top computer. Believe me when I say this was not the largest operation in Vermont history.

Some people really don’t understand that the fines from speeding tickets or overweight vehicles go into the towns “general fund.” It does not go towards the police department’s yearly budget.

Any seizure monies are made by the Federal rules and regulations which do state it can only be used by or for the police department needs. These seizures are far and few between and take many years to become any type of useable funds.

The K9 Officers self supported their dogs, food, equipment and veterinary expenses.

Barb Brisson

Community Policing

A number of statements have been made recently, both at town meeting and also in a possibly fictitious “Letter to the Editor” in the last issue of The Hinesburg Record, criticizing Community Policing. Community Policing is a philosophy that I strongly believe in, is embraced by the residents of the communities that have it, and is a long term solution to crime problems in a community. In fact, based on how successful it has been in Hinesburg, Community Policing has been taught to the last seven or eight classes of police officers at the Vermont Police Academy.

While one of the speakers at town meeting was correct in stating that Community Policing is often described in many ways, I think I might be able to make it a little more clear for residents.

Community Policing is essentially partnering with citizens to reduce crime, rather than staffing the police department as if they were an occupation force and were going to fight crime without any citizen assistance. Community Police Officers need your help to be successful and in turn they must assist you in situations that are something other than arrest situations. And because you are a partner of the police, you deserve the utmost respect from them.

Community Policing is also looking at solutions rather than just responding to calls and dealing with the symptoms of a problem. I can use a situation right here in Hinesburg to demonstrate this.

A bicyclist was struck by a motorist making a right turn on red coming out of Lantman’s alley behind the store onto Vermont Route 116. The traditional policing approach, as practiced in this particular incident, is to have the police lay in wait, and to write tickets for failure to obey the posted sign that does not allow a right turn on red. Each violator would then be fined to teach them to pay more attention. And one by one, eventually everyone would learn to stay stopped at the light. Unfortunately, because those that had not been ticketed yet would quite likely still be making a turn on red, another bicyclist or pedestrian might be struck.

Community Policing would question “why do people over and over keep turning right on red?” An examination of the scene would show the following:

Motorists are distracted when they approach the end of the alley. They are watching sidewalk traffic both north and south, and to the south visibility is obstructed by the building. They are watching traffic coming from the south or oncoming traffic turning left from Charlotte Road onto Vermont Route 116.

As they come to a stop, they do not see the NO TURN ON RED sign because it is below another sign telling them where to stop. They read that sign first and then they are abreast of the NO TURN ON RED SIGN. If they look to the right from their car all they see are the edges of both signs. If they are in a small low car like a Mini Cooper, their view is obstructed by the roof of the car so they only see the sign post.

The red light they watch is the one directly in front of them, high up on the opposite side of the intersection. The solution to this problem is not to fine a large number of Lantman’s customers. It is to put a second sign where people see it as they stop at the end of the alley. In other words place a NO TURN ON RED sign next to the traffic signal on the far side of the intersection, similar to many other intersections in the state.

There is a saying that if the only tool you have is a hammer, all problems start to look like nails. The same thing can be said of police whose only tool is the ticket book. Community Policing teaches officers to look for the problem and resolve it, not just treat the symptom.

Chris Morrell

Report on Exit 12B

Dear Record friends:

Here is a report on exit 12B proposal meeting on Monday, January 25 in Town Hall.

Some years ago I learned that exit 12B from I-89 to Route 116 was in the works. I visited the South Burlington Planning Office because I feared that such an exit would further clog Hinesburg Village with trucks going from the northeast to the southwest wishing to avoid Route 7. I was told “that exit has been on the drawing board since I-89 was planned. But it will never happen. Don’t worry.”

A recent Village Forum announced a public hearing to discuss this very plan. I started worrying again. On January 25 I reported to the Town Hall main floor meeting room but was redirected to the downstairs meeting room where I found four staff people from Metropolitan Planning Office, two select board members (Ken Brown and Andrea Morgante) and Jeannie Wilson.

The problem to be solved is the over-crowding of Route 2 between Taft Corners (Exit 12) and Winooski (Exit 14). Improving access to the airport gives further impetus. Initial cost estimates range from \$37 million to \$45 million. The local dollar match required would be between \$3 million and \$9 million. A preliminary financial study believes this is way beyond the reach of Williston and South Burlington (its source through a series of bond issues). In addition to financial restraints, environmental requirements are daunting.

Following the meeting, Andrea Morgante wondered why other less costly and invasive solutions had not been researched. If all of these impediments are removed, Exit 12B could be built ten years from now.

Stewart Pierson

Recreation Board Thank You

The Hinesburg Recreation Board would like to thank three individuals who played a huge role in the snowless 2010 Winter Carnival - Rocky Martin for his time in the maintenance of the ice rink; Tyler Wainer for the speakers for the rink; and finally Andrew Giroux for his expertise in setting

up, running and dismantling of the movies and the music for all to enjoy at the gym.

Tom Giroux, Member of the Rec Board

Yard Sale for Vermont Respite House

Spring is coming and we are already planning our annual benefit yard sale for the Vermont Respite House. We will have the first sale in May or early June. This is just a reminder when cleaning out from the long winter. We will be taking donations after April 1.

Donations may be dropped off on the porch of Rocky Ridge Farm Market on Route 116 or for pick up, call Audrey Horton 482-2364 or Mary Fortin 482-3389.

We are sorry to say we will not accept televisions, computers or stationary exercise equipment. Last year was such a huge success, we are hoping for the same this year.

Thank you,

Audrey Horton and Mary Fortin.

Letter Policy

The Hinesburg Record welcomes letters from local residents and from others who are involved in issues that affect our town. The opinions expressed in the Letters to the Editor are those of the writers.

All letters must be signed. Addresses and phone numbers must also be provided for verification purposes. Addresses and phone numbers will not be published.

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

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The news and calendar deadline for the next issue of The Hinesburg Record is Wednesday, Mar. 31, 2010. 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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and want to help strengthen our community, why not join us? The time commitment is flexible. It's fun and rewarding, and we even get together for pizza now and then!



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A Hinesburg Community Resource Center Program



Annual Bissonette Farms Family Citizens Award

By Jeanne Kundell Wilson

In an effort to acknowledge the good work that Hinesburg citizens do for the community, in 2007, the Bissonette Farms Family established an annual award for those who have taken exceptional steps to protect and help the residents of Hinesburg. The 2007 and 2008 awards were presented during Hinesburg’s annual July Fourth celebration last July. Kirk Hubbard received the 2007 award, and the 2008 award recipients were Bert Anderson, Doug Gunnerson, Grace Link and Donald Bell.

Do you know someone who you think is deserving of the award for his or her efforts during 2009? This award is focused on regular citizens, not emergency service providers. It is for those who have gone the extra mile to help someone in the community or to make the community a better place.

If you would like to nominate someone, including yourself, please submit your nomination in writing, explaining why you think the person is deserving of the Bissonette Farms Family Award. The judges for the award include a member of the Bissonette family, a member of the Hinesburg Community Police Department, Town Administrator Jeanne Wilson and a member of the Hinesburg Fire Department. Please submit your written nomination to Town Administrator Jeanne Wilson at PO Box 133, Hinesburg, VT 05461 or email to Jeanne at hinesburgtown@gmavt.net. Nominations for the 2009 award are open and will be received by the Town Administrator until April 15.

Community Yard Sale Day 2010 is on

Saturday, May 15

By Jeanne Kundell Wilson

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

Then Saturday, May 15, is a date to mark on your calendar. The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association (HBPA) will sponsor the Thirteenth Annual Hinesburg Community Yard Sale on Saturday, May 15, 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 15 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 12 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.

Hinesburg Welcomes Two New Employees



Mary “Mo” Seemann - With the resignation of Karen Cornish at the end of December, the Town hired Mo Seemann as the new Administrative Assistant for the Planning and Zoning Office at Town Hall. Mo brings strong organization and administrative skills to the department.



Bruce Little - The Hinesburg Highway Department welcomed Bruce Little to its team as a Highway Maintainer after the departure of Ben Osicky in November. Bruce lives in Starkboro and most recently worked for the Huntington Highway Department.

Hinesburg Rides Says Thank-You

By Karla Munson, Program Coordinator

On behalf of the Hinesburg Rides team, I would like to thank all Hinesburg residents who came to Town Meeting on March 1, voted to join CCTA and approved supporting bus service for Hinesburg. Now CCTA can work on obtaining funding for the bus service!



A Hinesburg Community Resource Center Program

We’d like to give a special thanks to NRG Systems for supporting this project and paying the 10% Town matching funds of the one-time capital costs.

In addition to NRG Systems, we’d like to thank the following Hinesburg businesses and organizations for their support of the bus service: Iroquois Manufacturing, Waitsfield-Champlain Valley Telecom, Lantman’s Best Yet Market, Merchants Bank, Hinesburg Business and Professional Association, Hinesburg Selectboard, On the Go Transportation, Lions Club, the Chittenden South Supervisory Union, Hinesburg Elementary School, and CVU.

Planning News

By Alex Weinhausen,
Director of Planning and Zoning

Town Plan Revisions - PC Public Hearing

The Planning Commission is wrapping up work on revisions to the 2005 Town Plan and will hold a public hearing to get community feedback on April 28. (See the legal notices elsewhere in this issue of the *Hinesburg Record*.) A variety of minor changes and updates are proposed. The new Town Plan will recognize the good work of our new committees and boards that were formed in the last five years, including the Village Steering Committee, Trails Committee, Affordable Housing Committee, Ancient Roads Committee, Energy and Sustainability Task Force, etc. Hinesburg’s volunteer spirit and involvement have really helped our community take important steps forward. For example, after a community forum in November of 2009 (with assistance from a UVM Recreation Management class), the Trails Committee began mapping a town-wide trail network vision to show both existing and potential future trail connections. If all goes according to plan, the first draft of this evolving trail network vision will debut in the new Town Plan. The Town Plan represents our vision for Hinesburg’s future. Can you see it? If you’d like to have a look, contact Alex in the Planning and Zoning office and keep your eyes on the Town website. The draft Plan should be up on the website by early April.

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Village Growth Area Regulation Revisions – PC Public Hearing

At that same April 28 meeting, the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to gather feedback on proposed zoning and subdivision regulation revisions related to the village growth area. In May of last year (2009), the Selectboard adopted comprehensive zoning regulations to help allow for and guide development in the village growth area. Even when this was adopted, we knew that some “technical revisions” needed additional attention by the Planning Commission. The proposed regulation changes will make these necessary revisions, including clearly requiring master planning, providing a definition for mixed use development, etc. For details about these proposed revisions, contact Alex in the Planning and Zoning office and keep your eyes on the Town website. The draft regulation revisions should be up on the website by early April.

Development Watch

Notices of Planning Commission and Development Review Board meetings are posted on Hinesburg’s four Front Porch Forum e-mail listserves as well as at the Town Office, Post Office, Laundrymat, and on a special bulletin board inside Lantman’s Best Yet Market. For copies of Development Review Board (DRB) decisions or information on these or other projects, please contact the Planning and Zoning office.

- Site Plan Revision and Conditional Use for New Use (motor vehicle service and repair). Location: Hinesburg Auto Sales on Route 116 in the Village Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Hinesburg Auto Sales (Paul MacCluskey). Reviewed on December 15, 2009 and January 5 and approved on February 2.
- Two-lot Subdivision Final Plat Review. Location: 1135 Pond Road in the Rural Residential 1 Zoning District. Applicant/Landowner: Tom McGlenn. Reviewed on January 5 and February 2 and approved on February 16.
- Three-lot Subdivision Final Plat Review. Location: corner of Catchpaw and Baldwin Roads in the Agricultural Zoning District. Applicants/Landowners: Matt and Dan Baldwin. Reviewed and approved on February 16.
- Subdivision Revision and Boundary Line Adjustment (Ridgeview Estates Development). Location: end of Billings Farm Road in the Rural Residential 1 Zoning District. Applicants/Landowners: Kathryn and Stephen Gutierrez and James Silvia and Melissa Levy. Reviewed and approved on March 2.
- Still Pending: Two-lot Subdivision Preliminary Plat Review (Kinney Drugs project). Location: corner of Route 116 and Farmall Drive in the Village and Agricultural Zoning Districts. Applicant: Milot Real Estate. Landowner: David Lyman. Reviewed on January 19 and February 16 and continued to the March 16 meeting.
- Still Pending: Development on a Private Right of Way Revision. Location: 460 and 464 Burritt Road in the Agricultural Zoning District. Applicants/Landowners: Tracey Maurer and Nancy Ruben. Reviewed on March 2 and continued to the April 6 meeting.
- Still Pending: Two-lot Subdivision Sketch Plan Review. Location: Shelburne Falls Road and VT Route 116 in the Village NW and Agricultural Zoning Districts. Applicant: Champlain Oil Company (Jiffy Mart). Landowners: Wayne and Barbara Bissonette. Reviewed on March 2 and continued to the March 16 meeting.
- Still Pending: Two-lot Subdivision Sketch Plan Review. Location: 642 Texas Hill Road in the Rural Residential 2 Zoning District. Applicants/Landowners: John and Sandra Veilleux. Reviewed on March 2. The DRB is deliberating.

Pedestrian-Friendly vs. Getting Us Out of Our Cars

By Peter Erb, Zoning Administrator

Hinesburg is in the throes of major development proposals for the new village districts and is also updating the

Town Plan on which all the reviews and permits are eventually based. The goal of having a pedestrian-friendly town is a great one; however, the phrase is limiting, and as we all know, how something is labeled has a huge influence over how it is viewed.

I’m suggesting that we really need a focused campaign to adopt and implement a town policy that is aimed directly towards reducing the need for our reliance on our cars. An alternate infrastructure aimed solely at other than pedestrian traffic is the only real solution to accomplish this. Sidewalks are not intended for anything other than slow speed foot traffic which will not get us to abandon our cars within the greatly expanded village. While it is extremely difficult to create actual roads within the village area because of wetlands, hillsides, and tight neighborhoods, a “lightweight wheel network” for wheeled travel, be it bikes, golf carts, Segways, or whatever is achievable as its very nature would have a smaller, less intrusive, footprint. It wouldn’t be a sidewalk, trail, recreational path, or road intended for cars as we know them, but an all-weather surface “lane” which could be elevated to cross the wetlands and built narrow enough to be threaded through the east side of the village as well as interconnecting all of the village in a safe, new, alternative transportation network. It isn’t beyond thinking that one day we could have a collection of bikes available for anyone to borrow to travel within the village. Lanes which interconnect public parking areas could eliminate the need for unnecessarily large single-purpose parking lots next to recreational fields and outdoor town venues. I don’t have the time to walk from my office to the Library, but biking down a lane constructed specifically as the next “west side highway” would make non-car travel feasible, safe, and desired.

We are now reviewing the first developments in the new village areas, and their layout will dictate the nature of the infrastructure for all that follows. Roads should have bike lanes, Shelburne Road should be easily and safely crossed, and while an actual road connecting the Charlotte Road with Shelburne Road may be far in the future and unfortunately impossibly expensive, an alternate transportation network is achievable.

A network of “lanes” should be considered in the master planning for development in the new districts and Village wide in the revised town plan. If we all get behind this concept, and encourage the Development Review Board, the Planning Commission, the Selectboard, the Trails Committee and the Energy Committee to embrace it as well, we could truly be the green community we envision.

* NOTICE *

Vacancies on Planning Commission, Agency Request Review Committee, Conservation Commission, Affordable Housing Committee and Lake Iroquois Recreation District Commission

There are currently vacancies on the Hinesburg Planning Commission, Agency Request Review Committee, Conservation Commission, Affordable Housing Committee, and the Lake Iroquois Recreation District Commission.

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

The Agency Request Review Committee, with seven members, is an advisory group responsible for evaluating and prioritizing requests for funding appropriations from social service agencies that serve the residents of our community and for making a funding recommendation to the Selectboard to be included in the annual budget. The task of the Agency Request Review Committee is to evaluate the information submitted by social service agencies by considering factors such as the number of Hinesburg residents served, the type of service, and the percentage of agency income that is used for program costs, to prioritize and quantify appropriations in order to maximize the value residents receive from the tax dollars appropriated. Due to the annual fluctuation in workload, the Committee does not have a regular schedule for meetings. However, the majority of the Committee’s work is completed between September and December annually.

The Conservation Commission, with nine members, is

an advisory group responsible for providing input and action to help conserve Hinesburg’s natural and cultural resources, including ground water, soils, streams, lakes, wetlands, scenic resources, flora, fauna, wildlife, historical, and archaeological resources. The Conservation Commission conducts inventories, sponsors research on natural resources, and provides input to the other Town boards. It helps organize community events like Green Up Day and is responsible for the management of Geprags Park. The Commission meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

The Affordable Housing Committee, with nine members, is an advisory group responsible for gathering, generating, and prioritizing ideas and plans which will help to increase the availability of affordable housing in the Town. It also assesses the quality and quantity of current affordable housing and brings these ideas and information forward in an advisory manner to the Selectboard, Planning Commission, Development Review Board, and Town staff as appropriate. The Committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month.

Lake Iroquois Recreation District Representative works with representatives of the other three municipalities which border Lake Iroquois (Williston, St. George and Richmond) and make up the Lake Iroquois Recreation District. The District exists for the purpose of owning, leasing, developing, maintaining, and managing its property located on Lake Iroquois and vicinity, for public park, conservation, and recreational purposes to serve its member communities. The District Commission normally meets the first Monday of each month at the Williston Town Office.

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

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

Trails Committee

Snow Tells a Tale of Hinesburg Trail Users

By Michelle Fischer

When a recent storm brought snow that we measured in feet, rather than inches, my frequent hikes in Geprags Park offered a unique look at my fellow Hinesburg residents and trail users. Every day I visited another chapter in the lives of Hinesburg residents unfolded in the snow before me.

The snow was freshly fallen and deep, so I brought my snowshoes.... and my two dogs. I love breaking trail and getting “first tracks,” which seems to mesh nicely with other trail users happy to be hiking on an established trail. With little wind, I was relieved that I could head for the flat meadow, rather than protecting myself from the wind by going uphill through the woods and breaking a decidedly harder trail.

My snowshoes seemed to sink further than I expected and I didn’t get as far as I had hoped the first day. No help from the dogs, who were content to follow in my tracks, occasionally stepping on the backs of my snowshoes when I *(Continued on the next page.)*



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tried to lift them. I returned a few days later and the snow was like a time-lapse photo. With the snow so deep, no one had ventured further and I could see that a cross-country skier had visited. A few dog owners had come. Various wild animal tracks added to the mix. Geprags is a busy place! Each day I returned and the story in the snow continued to unfold, until finally heat and rain took its toll on all that newly-fallen snow.

Other times throughout the year, I have been able to meet people and hear their story, rather than attempt to interpret the tracks:

A young man dedicated to getting the proper exercise for his large black mixed-breed dog. He has a 20-minute loop, usually the same trail and usually in the same direction, before heading to work at one of our local sandwich shops.

An older (perhaps retired?) couple with their friendly little pug, headed out across the meadow in a direction I had never tried. (Note to self: explore their route once it's a bit drier)

Two young mothers, arriving in separate cars, with a total of five preschool children and two dogs. Alas, one is having car trouble and it is decided the other will set off with the entire group. I expect she is new to the park, as I don't think she would knowingly choose the steepest trail for this age group! Being wooded, the trail can harbor hungry mosquitoes this time of year, early June, and I decide to intervene and point her in the direction of a walk better suited to her group. I think the children will be quite pleased to find flowers and friendlier insects.

Another young mother, one child on foot and eagerly exploring the trails, another child in her back carrier, and two happy Labradors. Our dogs seem to get along well, so we decide to keep each other company. She realizes we know each other...and our dogs are brothers. We are able to catch up on neighborhood news.

Two K9 handlers with their dogs, one from the State Police and the other from Fish and Wildlife. The dogs had just

finished working a challenging case in Shelburne and needed to let off some steam. Seeing the dogs chasing each other around, it was hard to imagine them in their work role!

A set of young parents with toddler have armed themselves with juice box, snack and favorite stuffed animal for an outing. I couldn't help but admire their determination in introducing their child to the outdoors as they struggled to push the stroller along and resisted the urge to offer advice to them in making their outing a little easier. (Perhaps a sidewalk in town?)

Thankfully, the chance to get out in our parks and meet fellow residents and park users is always there. But this winter I enjoyed an unexpected and short-lived chance to see the tracks in the snow and imagine the stories behind them.

Town of Hinesburg Planning Commission Notice of Public Hearing

The Hinesburg Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at Hinesburg Town Hall on Wednesday, April 28, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. to receive public comment on proposed changes to the Zoning Regulations, adopted November 7, 1972, as amended October 12, 2009; and changes to the Subdivision Regulations, adopted September 4, 1979, as amended October 12, 2009. The purpose of these changes is to make necessary revisions to the comprehensive village growth area regulations that were passed in May of 2009, as well as other minor housekeeping changes. A variety of substantive and technical changes are proposed including adjustments of zoning district lines, master plan requirements, a definition of mixed use development, maximum density calculation adjustments for affordable housing, reworked energy and green building standards that focus on efficiency versus simply renewable technology use, etc. Please see the revision proposal for a complete list of changes. The geographic area affected is primarily the village growth area; however, some general housekeeping changes will affect all of Hinesburg.

Copies of the proposed changes, as well as a report on how the proposed changes comply with the Town Plan, will be available for review in early or mid-April on the Town web site (www.hinesburg.org) and at the Town Offices located on the corner of Route 116 and the Charlotte Road in Hinesburg, Vermont. The Town Offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays and from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. For information, please contact the Town Planning and Zoning Office at 482-3619. A list of the section headings follows, as required pursuant to Title 24, Chapter 117 V.S.A Section 4444 (b).

Zoning Regulations Sections

Article 1: Establishment of Districts
Article 2: Uses, Area, Density and Dimensional Requirements
Article 3: Zoning Districts
Article 4: Permits and Approvals
Article 5: General Provisions
Article 6: Flood Hazard Area
Article 7: Wireless Telecommunications Facilities
Article 8: Administration and Enforcement
Article 9: Amendments, Interpretation, Effective Date
Article 10: Definitions

Subdivision Regulations Sections

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

Notice Date: March 25, 2010

Town of Hinesburg Planning Commission Notice of Public Hearing

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Copies of the proposed changes, as well as a report summarizing the changes and addressing the extent to which the new Plan is consistent with the goals for municipal planning outlined in state statute, will be available for review in early to mid-April on the Town web site (www.hinesburg.org) and at the Town Offices located on the corner of Route 116 and the Charlotte Road in Hinesburg, Vermont. The Town Offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays and from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. For information, please contact the Town Planning and Zoning Office at 482-3619. A list of the section headings follows, as required pursuant to Title 24, Chapter 117 V.S.A Section 4444 (b).

- 1: Introduction to the Plan
- 2: Population and Housing
- 3: Land Use
- 4: Natural Resources
- 5: Community Facilities and Services
- 6: Transportation
- 7: Energy
- 8: Other Resources/Issues
- 9: Implementation
- Appendix A: Town History
- Glossary
- Maps (11 or 12)

Notice Date: March 25, 2010

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Legislative News

From the Senate

By Senator Tim Ashe

As a member of the Senate Economic Development Committee, I want to share with you some highlights of the Recovery Bill we recently passed out of committee. The bill, which appropriates \$8.6 million in federal stimulus dollars, is aimed at making investments in Vermont's economic future so we will be well-positioned when the economy rebounds.

Nearly \$3 million will be used to expand broadband and cell phone coverage to the nearly 15,000 Vermonters currently without service or with inadequate dial-up as the only option. At my request, the Committee set aside \$500,000 to upgrade telecom infrastructure in business districts throughout the state. Our business community needs state-of-the-art telecom to be competitive. At present we're a decade behind.

Building on my committee's efforts last year in the agricultural sector, we've invested \$200K in Vermont's New Ag economy. Specifically, \$100K will go toward the Farm to Plate initiative, which directs funds to processing and distribution infrastructure needed to help farmers sell value-added products to both in- and out-of-state customers. The other \$100K will fund a new Farm to Institutions initiative. These funds will link local farm produce to Vermont schools, hospitals, large businesses and other institutional buyers.

To help small businesses meet payroll and operating expenses, \$1 million has been designated for the Vermont Economic Development Authority's "Jobs Fund." An additional \$900K has been allocated to VEDA to make farm loans, primarily to dairy farmers, for seed and fertilizer purchases this spring.

The bill also includes nearly \$2 million for the Vermont Seed Capital Fund, which provides equity investments in new businesses in the high tech industry. This fund, managed by private sector experts with public oversight, has the potential to create significant jobs and state revenues.

As always, feel free to contact me at timashe@burlingtontelecom.net with ideas, questions, or comments.

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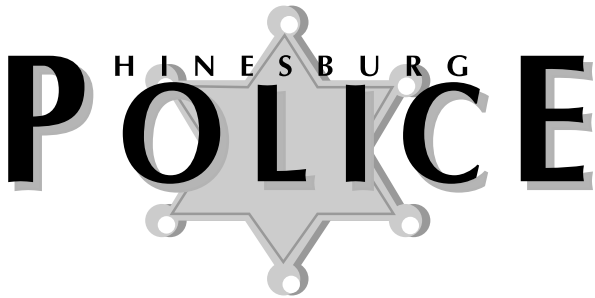
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Hinesburg Man Held on \$100,000 Bond

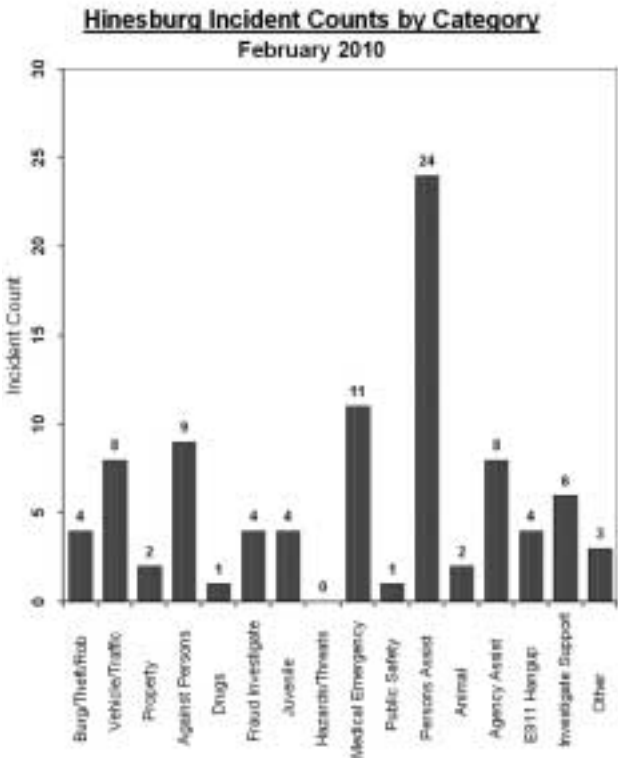
On January 31 police responded to a domestic assault in which 21 year old Timothy Williams assaulted his stepmother. During the attack, he kicked the woman in her head causing a potentially serious injury. Additionally, as a result of the assault, she sustained numerous cuts and bruises to her face, arms and leg. Williams fled the scene prior to the arrival of police. Deputy Chief Fred Silber investigated the case and developed information indicating that the assailant was in the Burlington area. The Burlington police were notified. They also wanted to locate Williams for two assaults he committed in their jurisdiction. In one attack he broke the victim’s jaw and in a separate incident, he broke another man’s collar bone. Williams was located in Burlington on February 2 and taken into custody. He was charged by both Hinesburg and Burlington. He was initially lodged at the correctional facility and held on \$25,000 bond. The following day he was brought to court and his bond was raised to \$100,000. Williams remains in custody.

Teen Charged with Theft of Handgun

Hinesburg Officer Caleb Casco investigated the report of a handgun that had been stolen from a local residence. His investigation indicated that a 16 year old neighbor had stolen the gun while visiting. Casco was able to obtain a confession and the youth has been charged with the larceny. The firearm was valued at \$800. The teen will be making his first appearance in court on March 22. The State Attorney’s Office will determine if the youth will be charged as an adult.

Hinesburg Man Arrested in Vehicle Scam

Officer Chris Bataille investigated the report of a stolen pick up truck. This case turned out to be more complicated than originally thought. The individual responsible, 24 year old James Brace of Hinesburg, had sold a vehicle which had a title to another person. Brace provided that individual with a



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title belonging to a similar pick up truck. On January 29 Battaille charged Brace with False Pretense, a felony, and Obscuring a VIN. Brace will appear in court to answer these charges in March.

Disturbance Leads to DUI Arrest

Deputy Chief Fred Silber responded to Lantmans to deal with a male who had attempted to shoplift some food and was causing a disturbance in the store. The man fled prior to the arrival of the police. People on the scene advised that the man appeared to be very intoxicated and when he drove off almost hit a pedestrian in the parking lot. DC Silber observed the car later in the day and interviewed the driver Steven Bricker, a resident of St. George. It was clear that he had been drinking. Bricker admitted that he had consumed two thirds of a bottle of vodka and had no recollection of having been at Lantman’s. He submitted to an alcohol breath test and registered almost three times the legal limit. The driver was charged with DUI.

CVU Students Charged After Fight

Officer Chris Bataille responded to CVU in follow up to the report of a fight between two teens. When he got there he spoke with one teen being treated for numerous cuts and abrasions as a result of the fight. According to this young man, he and the other teen had an on-going dislike for each other and decided to settle their differences off school grounds. They agreed on a set of rules including no kicking, scratching,

or striking below the belt and also agreed to stop the fight when one person gave up. The fight was well attended by numerous students. Officer Bataille located the second teen at his home later and found him to be in worse condition than the first young man. Officer Bataille charged both teens with Disorderly Conduct and is requesting that the case be sent to Court Diversion.



By Eric Spivack

During February, HFD responded to 22 calls.

Medical	11
Motor vehicle crash with injuries	3
Fire – non-structure*	3
Fire/CO alarm	3
Smoke in building or structure fire	1
Mutual aid	1

* An example of a non-structure fire would be a telephone pole or grass/brush fire.

HFD Open House

Hinesburg Fire is in the early planning stages for an open house this spring. Watch for more details next month.

Meet Rich Armstrong

Rich Armstrong, currently our First Assistant Chief, joined the Hinesburg Fire Department in 2001. In 2003 he received his certification as an Emergency Medical Technician. He served as Second Lieutenant in 2004 and 2005 and as Second Assistant Chief from 2006 to 2009. Rich is from Georgia. After graduating from high school, Rich attended the University of Georgia, where he received his B.S. and D.V.M. degrees. In 1995, he graduated from vet school and took a position with a veterinary hospital in (Continued on the next page.)

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Winchester, Virginia. Rich met his wife Kristin while attending vet school at UGA. They were married in 1998. They moved to Vermont in 2000 and Rich joined the Animal Hospital of Hinesburg while Kristin accepted a local position as an equine veterinarian. She now works for Vermont’s Agency of Agriculture as our state veterinarian.

Rich has been fascinated with the firefighting since he was a little boy. His grandfather was the chief of the volunteer department in Louisville, Georgia. Rich recalls the old red pick up truck his grandfather used to drive. It had a red light on the roof. His grandfather would turn it on for him and, as any little boy would, he loved it. He also remembers his grandpa taking

him to the station to let him climb on fire trucks.

It was one day while working at the vet clinic in Virginia that Rich got his chance to begin his career in the fire service. He recalls that a captain in the Winchester Fire Department was at the hospital one day with his pet. Rich happened to tell the captain that he had always wanted to be a firefighter. After a long conversation (and Rich falling way behind in his appointment schedule that day as a result!), that was all it took. Within a month, he was a probationary member.

In addition to being a Firefighter/EMT with Hinesburg, Rich has used his animal expertise to become an advocate for animal first aid, especially when pets are involved in human emergency situations. He served on the Vermont Veterinary Medical Association’s Pet Oxygen Mask Task Force. During the past two to three years, the Task Force has been instrumental in providing local fire departments with animal oxygen masks. He conducts animal handling and first aid training for HFD and other departments.



Rich Armstrong

If you see Rich at the Animal Hospital, don’t be alarmed if the little black thing on his belt buzzes during your pet’s appointment. Like all volunteer firefighters, he carries his pager with him. Don’t worry; it’s only in a dire emergency that Rich would have to excuse himself during an appointment. Rich says, “It’s sometimes a challenge to keep my two callings separate, but I wouldn’t trade it for the world.”

Spring Cleanup & Burn Permits

Spring has arrived (or will be shortly) and with it comes yard work and winter cleanup.

Many of us pile the leaves, brush and branches into burn piles. While burning is a great way to get rid of the downed tree branches and clear brush, please remember that there are certain rules that need to be followed

Before burning, you must obtain a burn permit. The permits are issued by the Shelburne Dispatch Center, 985-8051, at the instruction and discretion of the Town Fire Warden. The Warden contacts dispatch daily and advises if permits may be issued and how many.

Please be kind and courteous to the dispatchers. They are providing a valuable service to the town of Hinesburg at no cost. They are required to obtain certain information from you, the caller, and are required to inform you of the rules.

If you live in one of the Mobile Home or Trailer Parks in town, please note that burning is not permitted in the park unless you have a contained outdoor fire place.

What can we burn?

Any natural vegetation (i.e. tree branches, brush and grass). You are also allowed to burn untreated wood products. This is wood that has not been treated with chemicals and/or has no paint. Household trash cannot be burned under the State of Vermont Clean Air Act (Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 2201)

Burn Piles Must Be Attended at all Times

It is **very important** that you never leave a burn pile unattended as it can quickly spread and do a lot damage to both your own and neighbors’ property.

Night Burns

Permits for night burns must be obtained from Shelburne Dispatch prior to 8:00 p.m. Night burns must be **completely** extinguished before retiring for the night. The same regulations regarding what can be burned and the pile being attended to at all times also apply.

General Rules

All burn piles should be in an open area, away from houses, structures, trees and roadways. Piles should be kept at a reasonable size as to keep the fire contained and under control.

Anyone found burning without a permit, or in an unsafe manor, will be asked to extinguish the fire. Failure or refusal to do so will result in the Hinesburg Fire Department being dispatched to extinguish the fire. Should this occur, the person responsible and/or property owner may be refused burn permits in the future.

Persons found to be in violation of burn regulations may have their permit revoked and be denied future permits. Under the State Clean Air Act, Sec 1.24 V.S.A. § 2201, persons may be fined up to \$500 for burning of illegal materials.

REMEMBER! Safety first. If a burn pile gets out of control **DO NOT** hesitate to call 911.



Hinesburg Resident Ken Martin in Food Delivery Venture

Ken Martin, a 29-year resident of Hinesburg, has re-established his restaurant food delivery business Valley Wings in Hinesburg. You can order chicken wings, pizza, grinders, salads, sweet-potato and regular fries, mozzarella sticks and much more, for delivery in the Hinesburg area within 30 minutes. For more information or to order, you can call 482-4407.

Gary Fournier Opens Vermont Heating Alternatives

By Jean Isham, HBPA

Hinesburg recently gained a new home based business with Gary and Rebecca Fournier’s establishment of Vermont Heating Alternatives. Gary and Rebecca have joined the team of dealers for Central Boiler, an industry leader in the design, production and distribution of outdoor wood, wood pellet and corn furnaces.

Gary said that Central Boiler’s outdoor furnaces are designed to heat homes, garages, water heaters, greenhouses and more utilizing wood, wood pellets or corn as fuel, all of which are completely renewable energy sources. The furnaces are installed outdoors typically between 30 to 100 feet away but not more than 500 feet from the building being heated and can be adapted to work with any existing heating system. A water jacket surrounds the furnace firebox and heated water is pumped to the home or building through insulated underground pipes. Central Boiler outdoor furnaces are designed to provide consumers with a safe, efficient, thermostatically controlled heat. Gary and Rebecca not only sell the furnaces but also provide for their installation and service.

Gary and Rebecca’s familiarity with the Central Boiler systems started when their friend the late Greg Beliveau of St. George became a dealer. Gary and Rebecca are pleased to carry on a business that their friend was so enthusiastic about.

To learn more about Central Boiler systems, contact Gary or Rebecca at 802-343-7900 to schedule an appointment or by e-mail at warmupvt@gmail.com.

Gary grew up in Williston, graduated from Champlain Valley Union High School, spent four years in the Navy in California and continued to live in San Diego for a couple additional years before moving back to Williston. He is also

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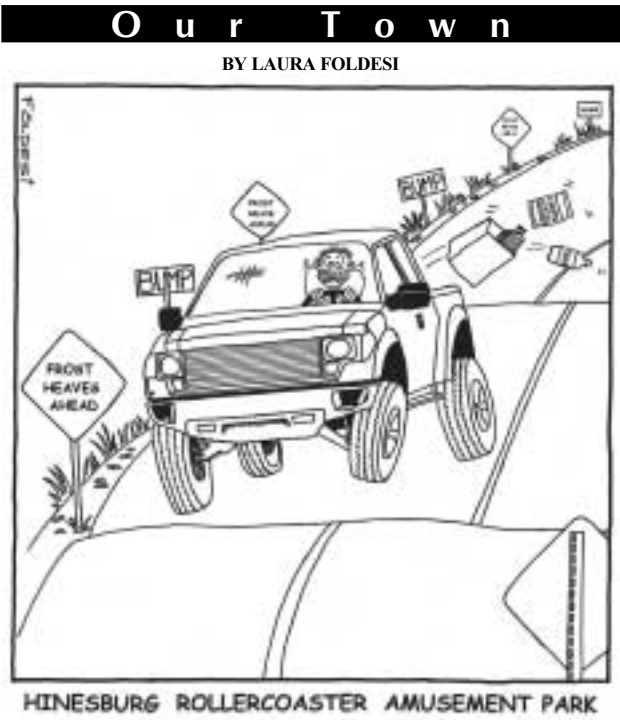
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employed by Morse Hardwoods in Essex Junction. Rebecca, a Barre native, is employed by the O’Brien Training Center. Gary and Rebecca have two children, Mackenzie, eight years old, and Cody, eleven years old. Both children are active participants at Blue Wave Taekwondo in Hinesburg.

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association is pleased to welcome Vermont Heating Alternatives to Hinesburg.

Hinesburg’s Meeting Place: Koval’s Coffee

By Jean Isham, HBPA

It was fourteen years ago that Koval’s Coffee opened in Hinesburg, becoming one of the mainstays of the Hinesburg community. There is an interesting story leading to the establishment of the Hinesburg location.

Gary Koval and Juletta (Jet) Gearhart are the present owners. Koval’s Coffee was started by Gary’s parents, Ed and Marge Koval. Gary, one of seven children, said that every day when he was growing up his parents would go out for coffee at 7:00 p.m. It was their way of finding a little calm in the midst of the craziness of raising seven kids, and more than that it was how they maintained their relationship. Ed worked at General Electric (GE) and his mother was a stay-at-home mom who also did some day care. During the restructuring of GE in the mid 1980s, he decided he wanted to leave. Realizing that some of their best times were going out for coffee, Ed and Marge decided to pursue that business, starting in Williston in 1986 with the purchase of a Whole Doughnut franchise. Gary helped his father renovate the interior space for the Whole Doughnut. After the shop opened, Gary moved to California, where—having earned a UVM degree in physical education—he managed a small health club.

In California he met and married Juletta. He had noticed that businesses were often handed down from generation to generation. Juletta had always been in the food business, including managing a deli and doing a lot of catering. In 1990, in the middle of a job change, they decided to return to Vermont and work with his parents. Having many issues with the Whole Doughnut franchise, the family decided to drop the name and open Koval’s Coffee. Gary was instrumental in making the change, including designing the logo.

In 1996 David and Veronica Estey approached the Koval

family to see if they would like to expand into Hinesburg. With another family member entering the business then, the decision was made to open a shop here. Itemsix, Inc., the corporate name, included not only Gary and Juletta but two of Gary’s brothers and their spouses. The word “item” was the family code word for “I love you.” His parent’s corporate name was Itemtwo (“I love you too”). Around 2000 Gary and Juletta bought out his brothers and became the sole owners of the Hinesburg shop.

From the time they first opened in January of 1997 to 2005 they had some great years. Hinesburg was growing and the community really supported the business. Then several



Juletta and daughter Savannah

things happened. NRG moved to a new building and eventually added a kitchen. Champlain Valley Union High School (CVU) went through a growth phase and added onto their building. CVU now has a great cafeteria. In 2008 the cheese factory (Saputo’s) closed. With other current economic factors added in, the last two years have been a struggle. However, they are looking forward to the economy recovering and to the future with the goal of taking Koval’s Coffee into the next decade.

In addition, in 2005 Gary and Juletta were divorced. People coming into Koval’s get a dose of reality from watching them interact. They have two children, Garrett, 17 and Savannah 14, both of whom work in the business. Gary said that even though they are no longer married they are trying to raise their children together in the best way they know how. They find it is a good balance because they make great business partners.

When Gary’s parents originally started the business, their goal was to offer a meeting place. Gary and Juletta have continued

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this tradition. As Gary said, “the community meets here. We get everyone from families to skiers, farmers, doctors, lawyers, contractors, and the list goes on.” Gary and Juletta say they love the energy that goes on when all of the tables are full. They are pleased to have provided the proverbial meeting place for Hinesburg. Gary said “We have watched the community grow and change and the community has watched us grow and change. It’s life and it has been our life.”

Fred Haulenbeek, a frequent patron, had this to say. “Koval’s is a great place to rendezvous with family, friends or business associates, and to have a cup of tea or coffee...and there is a wide variety of fare from which to choose. I work alone in my shop and while music and talk radio keep me company to some extent, Koval’s provides a local opportunity to meet, talk and socialize with friends, neighbors and even strangers. Just a short trip to the village, it is just the kind of break I need. There is a friendly comfortable atmosphere that seems to naturally spawn conversation and a wide variety of interesting topics. I never know who I might run into at Koval’s but experience tells me that I won’t be hunched over the Free Press at the breakfast bar for very long before I am pleasantly engaged with someone in a social adventure. It’s terrific to have such a place in our community.”

They have made some changes to the menu over time. Koval’s Coffee offers a variety of doughnuts, pastries, great muffins (sour cream, coffee cake, blueberry, raspberry, and Jet muffins, a bran muffin recipe developed by Juletta. Juletta also developed a recipe for a granola/energy bar (Jet Bar) which they have started marketing locally. CVU orders them as do some of the local stores. They have become well known for their homemade breads, sandwiches and pizza. Their breakfast sandwich is very popular. They make pies for the holidays and always have cookies available (chocolate chip, oatmeal raisin and peanut butter). Koval’s Coffee is open Monday through Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Sundays from 5:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Stop in for that great cup of coffee and more!

In his spare time, Gary enjoys skiing and mountain biking in the Hinesburg Town Forest. Juletta enjoys horseback riding and just being with her animals. Juletta has a Paint and a four year old 17-hand Shire Thoroughbred Quarter Horse mix called Baby which she has owned since he was four months old, and Savanah has a Morgan.

Merchant’s Bank Honored

From Press Release

Executive Vice President Thomas S. Leavitt announced that the Merchants Bank, which has a branch in Hinesburg, was recently named one of the Best Places to Work in Vermont for the second year in a row. The awards program, created in 2006, is a project of Vermont Business Magazine, the Vermont Chamber of Commerce, the Vermont Department of Labor, the Vermont Department of Economic Development, the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)–Vermont State Council and Best Companies Group.

“We are extremely proud to be included on this year’s list of top places to work in Vermont,” Leavitt conveyed. “Merchants has made a strong commitment to maintaining a great working environment for our employees; the employee feedback included as part of this award’s evaluation process confirms that our employees think we are succeeding. What is even more rewarding is to see the great company we are in when reviewing the entire list.”



By Jennifer McCuin

Once again our Winter Carnival attendees demonstrated that the lack of snow did not equal a lack of fun at the Winter Carnival. Despite no snowmobile rides and sliding, we focused on the mini disc golf course and pony rides. The ice at the rink was perfect for skating, broomball, and hockey. The Midnight Riders kept everyone fortified with hot soups, cocoa, beverages, snacks and a wide variety of baked goods. After eating my way through three varieties of homemade soups and making a dent in the bake sale, it made sense to take a few laps around the rink. Thank you Tyler Wainer from Dark Star Lighting and Production for supplying us with plenty of music at the skating rink! Inside the Hinesburg Community School Cafeteria, the Burlington Dog Obedience and Training Club hosted their annual dog show, which was full of dogs strutting their stuff on the green carpet. Thank you Champlain Valley Union Key Club members Bridget Moore, Andrea Dotolo, McKenzie Hakey, Emily Keller, and Dani Klein for your assistance and support!

Think spring and sign up your kiddos for some baseball or lacrosse. Check out the Spring/Summer brochure, which you’ve hopefully received. If not, check out the website at www.hinesburg.org.

Many thanks go out to our incredible basketball coaching staff this season! We had many veteran coaches. These people make such a generous contribution to our community and to our players. Thank you Bryan Curtis, Robert Gauthier, Joe Hoepfner, Casey Grant, Tim Bortnick, Josie Palmer-Leavitt, Penny Grant, Ray Nails, Stephanie Bissonette, Jen Bradford, Mike Bissonette, Kate Bissonette and Terry Francis.

2010 Recreation Spring Sports Tentative Schedule

Spring sports start the week of April 26. Please note that schedules are subject to change due to coach availability and field conditions. You will be notified

via e-mail with any changes or updates about the season. Your patience is appreciated.

Lacrosse at Lyman Park and Charlotte Central School

Co-ed Kindergarten, First, and Second Grades: Tuesdays and Thursdays at Champlain Valley Union’s upper Field D from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Boys Grades Three and Four: Mondays at Charlotte Central School (CCS) and Wednesdays at Lyman Field from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Girls Grades Three and Four: days and locations to be announced.

Boys Grades Five and Six: Mondays at Lyman Field and Wednesdays at Charlotte Central School (CCS) from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Girls Grades Five and Six: days and locations to be announced.

Boys Grades Seven and Eight: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Girls Grades Seven and Eight: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Tee Ball

Kindergarten and First Grade: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Champlain Valley Union (CVU) Field D.

Farm League Baseball Grades Two and Three: Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Hinesburg Community School.

Spring Sport Fees:

Tee Ball is \$25 by March 26 and \$35 after March 26. Farm League is \$25 by March 26 and \$35 after March 26.

Kindergarten, Grades One and Two Co-ed Lacrosse is \$20 by March 26 and \$25 after March 26.

Girls Lacrosse, Grades Three through Eight is \$65 by March 26.

Boys Lacrosse, Grades Three through Eight costs \$65 and includes U.S. Lacrosse membership. Deadline is March 26.

Family Swim at the Sports and Fitness Edge

Bring your family to swim at the Sports and Fitness Edge, located at 10 Wellness Drive in Williston. Come swim and play with your family in a heated indoor pool.

Who: Hinesburg residents

When: Sunday March 28

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15 for a family of four

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Who: People 50 years and older

Where: First floor conference room in Town Hall

When: April 12

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members.

Please make checks payable to AARP.

Please register with the Hinesburg Recreation Department at 482-4691.

American Red Cross Babysitting Class

Conducted by the American Red Cross, this class is designed for students 11 years and older and offers certification by the Red Cross in babysitting skills and safety. All participants receive a handbook and first aid kit to keep. It is strongly recommended that all participants have the maturity and interest to make this a beneficial experience. You never know when this class could make a significant difference in someone's life. Please be sure to pack snacks, beverages, and a bagged dinner for the class.

Who: Students 11 years and older

When: April 13 and 14

Time: 2:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Cost: \$45 payable to the American Red Cross

Minimum: eight students

Driver Education Taught by Dave Brautigam

Students must possess a Vermont Learners Permit to be eligible for this class. Classroom time consists of 30 hours. Driving time, scheduled separately with the instructor, consists of six hours. Mr. Brautigam is able to administer the driving test when students turn 16. Students contact him directly to arrange testing times.

Where: Champlain Valley Union classroom

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

Thursdays, Fridays as make-up days

Dates: June 21 to July 16

Cost: \$675 payable to Dave Brautigam

Registration forms and full payment are due by May 28. Mail form and payment 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 Hinesburg Recreation Department at 482-4691 or at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Driver Education Taught by Kevin Browne

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

Where: Located at Town Hall

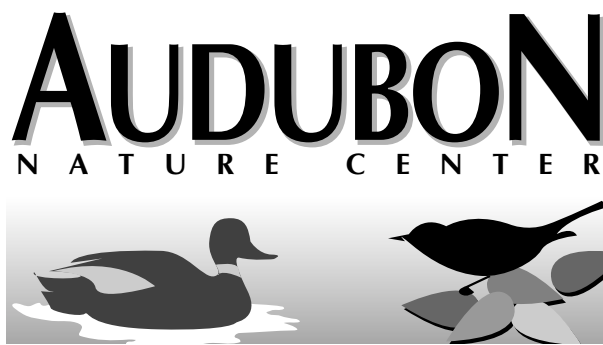
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Dates for Session 1: June 14 -17, June 21-24, June 28 to July 1 and July 7 through July 9.

Dates for Session 2: July 12-15, July 19-22, July 26-29, and August 2, 3, and 6.

Cost: \$650 payable to Kevin Browne

Full payment and registration forms are due by May 28 and may be mailed to: Hinesburg Recreation Department, P.O. Box 133, Hinesburg, VT 05461. For additional information or questions about the course please contact Kevin Browne at kmb1159@myfairpoint.net. To enroll in the course, please contact Jennifer McCuin at the Hinesburg Recreation Department at 482-4691 or at hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.



Celebrate the Sweetest Season with Audubon Vermont 40 Years of Sugar-On-Snow Parties Help Raise Money for Education Programs

When the steam rises from the Green Mountain Audubon Center Sugarhouse along the Richmond-Huntington Road, it's the time of year to visit one of their delicious Sugar-On-Snow parties. This year marks the fortieth anniversary of Sugar-On-Snow parties at the Green Mountain Audubon Center. This long-standing tradition will be held this year on Saturday, March 27, and Sunday, March 28, from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Visitors to the Center are sure to enjoy the sweet celebration of spring in Vermont.

On each of these 'sweet weekend days, visitors to the Center may partake in a number of activities down in the sugarbush. Audubon Vermont Teacher/Naturalists lead tours for visitors through the sugarbush demonstrating the process from tapping a tree to tasting the sweet syrup. Visitors may also visit an outdoor fire where they will experience the methods the Abenaki used for boiling sap and hear one of the stories about how maple syrup was discovered.

And best of all...the enticing sweetness of 'sugar on snow'! Volunteers will serve up bowls of snow drizzled with boiling hot maple syrup. "Sugar-on-Snow is amazing," says Audubon Conservation Biologist Mark LaBarr. "One mouthful and you know you have just experienced an unforgettable Vermont tradition. My family has been attending Audubon's Sugar-on-Snow parties every year for over ten years. We wouldn't miss it."

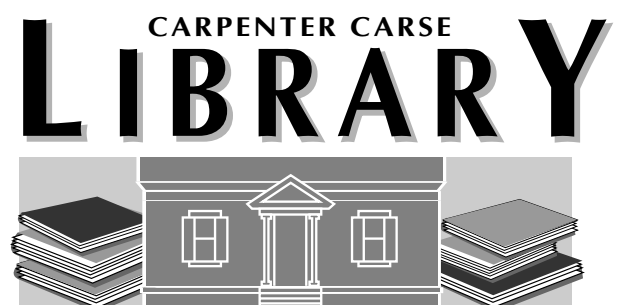
The Green Mountain Audubon Center has been making syrup from the 600-tap sugarbush on the property since 1969. One of the few remaining sugarbushes to tap trees with buckets, the staff and volunteers must visit approximately 600 trees following the Center's tractor around emptying the buckets into a large gathering tank.

Center Director Kim Guertin sees the sugaring season as

an important part of the education programs at Audubon. "Celebrating and experiencing the maple sugaring process is part of Vermont's culture. Through our programs at the Center, we hope to share with visitors the history of maple sugaring and the connection Vermonters have with the land through the sugaring process." Since the early 1970's, maple sugaring has been a part of the education programming at the Center. The Center's education staff leads hundreds of Vermont school children through the sugarbush each season. For the entire month of March, all of the Green Mountain Audubon Center's programs focus on sugaring; from preschoolers and their parents to bus loads of school children from Burlington and surrounding communities to the hundreds of visitors to the Sugar-On-Snow parties.

There's no fee to attend the Sugar-On-Snow parties at the Green Mountain Audubon Center, and the tours and activities are also free of charge. Sweet treats like sugar on snow, cider donuts with syrup for dipping and hot beverages will be on sale. And of course, there will also be plenty of this season's syrup for sale! All funds raised from the parties will help support the Green Mountain Audubon Center's sugaring operation and education programs at the Center.

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Trustee Meetings

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

Ongoing Library Programs

Toddler Storytimes

Join Tom at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays April 6 and 20 for books, songs and stories especially for children up to three years of age. Walk-ins are welcome.

Preschool Storytimes

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

Book Discussion Group

Avid readers may join our library’s book discussion group, which meets monthly in readers’ homes. The next discussion will be on Thursday, April 22. The featured title is *All the King’s Men* by Robert Penn Warren. 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 as a rule.

YA Book Group

Catch a movie, relax with your friends, preview the latest

Young Adult titles and try out the YA’s Wii video games on Thursdays, March 25 and April 22 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be 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.

Special Programs

Pajama Story Hour for Ages Three to Seven

From caterpillar to butterfly, from tadpole to frog; let’s morph into a playful spirit of spring. Join Janet for stories, fun activities and a yummy snack on Tuesday April 20 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Advance registration is helpful but not required. Call 482-2878.

NEW Crafts with Chris and Lisa!

Huntington artists Chris Billis-Bryan and Lisa Bouffard return to Carpenter-Carse on Friday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. for another amazing craft project. Registration is required for this program recommended for school-age kids.

Hinesburg Community School Art Exhibit at Carpenter-Carse

Bright! Bold! Beguiling! Hinesburg Community School students have their artwork on display at the public library from April 15 to May 15. Katie O’Brien and Alice Trageser will host a reception in the Carpenter-Carse Community Room on April 15 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Stop by the library and see what their creative young artists have been up to.

Adult Program

Vermont Author Ron Krupp will discuss his latest book: *Lifting the Yolk: Local Solutions to America’s Farm and Food Crisis*. Ron Krupp is an award-winning author who has

been involved with farm and food issues for 36 years. His accomplishments include coordinating the Tommy Thompson Community Garden in the Intervale for 15 years and starting the Brattleboro Farmers’ Market in the 1970’s. In the 1980’s he published the *Green Mountain Farmer* and he is familiar to many as a Vermont Public Radio Garden and Farm Commentator.

His book deals with many of the current farm and food issues such as globalization, hunger and obesity, and offers practical local solutions. Join us Tuesday, April 6 at 7:00 p.m. for this visual presentation and discussion on sustainable farming in Vermont.

Ron Krupp will be joined for this timely talk by several of our local farmers from Family Cow Farmstand, Trillium Hill Farm, Donegan Family Dairy and Needham Family Farm.

Come learn about the impact these Hinesburg farmers have on our community by providing fresh healthy food locally. Samples of local cheeses and fresh food will be served! Books will also be available to purchase. This program is free and open to the public. Call 482-2878 for information.

Recent Acquisitions

Adult Fiction:

- Beaton, M.C., *Death of a Valentine*
- Berenson, Alex, *The Midnight House*
- Blake, Sarah, *The Postmistress*
- Bohjalian, Chris, *Secrets of Eden*
- Crais, Robert, *The First Rule*
- Divakaruni, Chitra Banerjee, *One Amazing Thing*
- Durrow, Heidi W., *The Girl Who Fell from the Sky*
- Erdrich, Louise, *Shadow Tag*
- Hill, Joe, *Horns*
- Patterson, James, *I, Alex Cross*
- Picoult, Jodi, *House Rules*
- Simonson, Helen, *Major Pettigrew’s Last Stand*
- Smith, Alexander McCall, *The Unbearable Lightness of Scones* [LARGE PRINT]
- Trigiani, Adriana, *Brava Valentine*
- Willett, Marcia, *The Prodigal Wife* [LARGE PRINT]

Adult Nonfiction:

- Blum, Deborah, *The Poisoner’s Handbook: Murder and the birth of forensic medicine in jazz age New York*
 - Gawande, Atul, *The Checklist Manifesto: How to get things right*
 - Simpson, Kathryn, *Women’s Guide to Thyroid Health: Comprehensive solutions to all your thyroid symptoms*
 - Skloot, Rebecca, *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*
 - Thorndike, John, *The Last of his Mind: a year in the shadow of Alzheimer’s*
 - Wilkinson, Richard, and Kate Pickett, *Spirit Level: Why greater equality makes societies stronger*
- *Check out our online catalog for more new titles and look for listings of new children’s and young adult selections on our website. Film buffs have eight new Oscar-nominated DVD’s to enjoy!

Community Support for the Library

The Carpenter-Carse Library Board of Trustees and Staff wish to thank Hinesburg voters for their support. We look forward to serving you in the coming year!

Quotation of the Month

[To this quote we add a smile and an exclamation point!]
“There is no sincerer love than the love of food.”
- George Bernard Shaw



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and want to help strengthen our community, why not join us? The time commitment is flexible. It’s fun and rewarding, and we even get together for pizza now and then!

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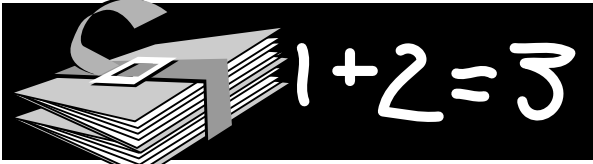
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Compiled by Jen Bradford

HCS Middle School Drama Program Presents: OLIVER!

The middle school students will be presenting this musical, more humorous, version of *Oliver Twist*, Charles Dickens' classic tale of life among the poor and criminal elements in London during the early nineteenth century. Tom Stamp is the director and Jessica Raymond is the music director. Students have been working on perfecting their roles since January and the production features a live orchestra of community members conducted by Rufus Patrick.

A slew of parent volunteers and community members help create a great evening of fun. The play will be presented on April 9 and 10 at 7:00 p.m. Seating is first come, first served.

Advance sale tickets are available at the Hinesburg Community School and Hinesburg Town Hall. Tickets are \$3 for students and seniors, \$5 for adults. Intermission will include refreshments for purchase.

Student Artwork Featured at Champlain Regional Show

The following students from grades five through eight had their artwork chosen for exhibition at the Champlain Regional Art show. The show was held at the University Mall in South Burlington from March 8 to 17, and it represented the best art work of students from over 20 area schools. We hope that you had an opportunity to see the wonderful art work created by many talented students.

Fifth and Sixth Graders

Signy Shumway	Brittney Wright
Birch McGee-Lane	Cooper Bouchard
Daniel Sedic	James McAllister
Jessie Johnson	Trent Smith
Sarah Holliday	Marc Wheeler
Eileen Needham	Jed Morris
Jaida Breck	Jackson Glover
Brenden Provost	Madison MacMahon
Daniel Pickering	Anastasia Newton
Aidan Corcoran	Marjorie Brown
Josh Wright	Marley Steen

Seventh and Eighth Graders

Justin Dickerson	Katie Johnston
Charlie Yarwood	Jonathan Buzzell
Ella Downey	Evelyn Needham
Charlotte Mills	Natalie Mashia
Abby Morris	Elizabeth Pawul
Will Lacroix	Catherine Keefe
Autumn Eastman	Sidney Prytherch
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Wayne Reynolds	Bronwen Hopwood
Allison Henson	Delaney Thomas
Olivia Matthews	

HCS Recycle Art Project Update from the Art Room

By Katie O'Brien and Alice Trageser, Art Teachers

The students and families of HCS have been saving plastic caps from bottles and jars for over a year now. Our goal has been to save enough caps to create a number of mural art pieces in our art classes for the front of the school building and the school hallways. We chose bottle caps because they

are the only by-product of plastic recyclable containers that can't be recycled.

The former hand print murals that once hung on the front of the school have been removed and repainted.

Students in kindergarten through eighth grade have been sorting caps by color and a very patient and kind parent volunteer ran thousands of caps through the school dishwasher.

In the week before February break, students in fifth through eighth grades started working on designs for the art pieces. Our goal is to have the mural pieces for the front of the school finished and in place before April break.

We're still collecting caps in the front office of the school, so keep them coming. Thanks.

You are cordially invited to "Summing It Up"—

A Community-Wide Math Information Night

"Summing It Up" will provide an opportunity for community members to listen, learn and converse about math education, K through 12. This informational meeting will be held on March 30, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Champlain Valley Union High School.

Math experts will present current research in the field of math education and implications for instructional "best practice." Break out groups will follow panel presentations, offering participants the opportunity to ask questions and engage in dialogue with math panelists.

Panelists include: Clare Earley, Director of Best Practices Initiatives-Teacher Development Group; Dr. Doug Harris of Center for Curriculum Renewal; Judi Laird of Vermont Math Initiative; Bonnie Bourne, Principal of Middlebury Elementary School; and Rick McCraw, Math Coordinator Williston School District.

Enjoy coffee and dessert!

In order to prepare adequate space, please let your local math coordinator, Nancy Pollack, know if you are planning to attend by calling 482-6239.

Checking Out Our Library Shelves

Great Reading for All Ages from the HCS Library

By Nancy Boyle

Love, Aubrey

Time to think and open communication trump money. Young Aubrey Priestly is hit from before page one with enough challenge of situation to make us all shudder.

While reading *Love, Aubrey* by Suzanne LaFleur, one notices a curious thing: there exists no stress relating to money, yet the characters are absolutely not monetarily wealthy. They simply, intuitively, choose to spend their money on just the right things to support the joy and comfort available to them.

An 11-year-old is physically separated from her mother, her father and her sister, all before the reader begins the narrative. The next 262 pages are a chance to go along for the ride as Aubrey considers, weighs and explores her choices through a journey of hundreds of miles and a very significant year of her life.

LaFleur's writing creates text that is fresh and clear, beautifully matched to the intensity of the subject matter. Classic treatments of potentially heavy subject matter are replaced by language that enlivens and delights straight from Aubrey's mind. The writer skillfully comments on her own text to provide an unusual type of foreshadowing, one that is crisp, quick and immediately revealing.

As in the best of literature, connections come right home to the reader's life. Aubrey's journey from Virginia to Vermont presents scenes and shifts in culture smilingly familiar, but also does not let us miss relevance to our own lives right now. The novel surrounds us with the luxuriousness of spending time thinking and feeling comfortable with our decisions – choices that we so often forget are possible in a world spinning around money. A chance to think and communicate brings peace. What is truly precious may be only the wisdom of our decisions to provide for a wealth of benefit and growth.

Come to the HCS library and find *Love, Aubrey* by Suzanne LaFleur in the fiction section, under F LAF (Continued on the next page.)



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Hinesburg Community School Vermont Kids Against Tobacco March to State House

Students from the Hinesburg Community School Vermont Kids Against Tobacco (VKAT) group joined each of the 51 VKAT groups from all over the state to participate in the bi-annual State House Rally in Montpelier on January 27. The event celebrates youth empowerment and the success throughout 2009 of VKAT programs in reaching more than 21,000 Vermonters with tobacco prevention and education activities.

This year sixth and seventh graders Hannah Martin, Tiffany Larrow, Megan Morits and Elizabeth Ramstrom represented the HCS VKAT group at the rally.

“I had a really great time because I got to go into the State House chambers,” said Hannah Martin, HCS sixth grader. “I got to meet the Governor and meet VKAT students from other schools.”

Thousands of youth have taken part in VKAT since it began in 1995 and Hinesburg Community School has had an active group since 2005. These efforts have resulted in consistently lower smoking prevalence rates at schools, with a decline in the smoking rates happening more quickly and earlier in schools with a VKAT presence.

VKAT is a statewide initiative for students in fifth grade

through eighth grade, and has grown from ten to 51 schools over the past 15 years. Participants in VKAT, with help from guidance counselors, student assistance professionals (SAPs), teachers, school nurses and community organizations have worked together to help decrease smoking rates among Vermont’s youth. According to the Health Department’s 2009 Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey, seven percent of eighth graders smoked one or more cigarettes during the past 30 days. Overall, smoking rates for Vermont youth have been cut in half during the past decade.

Having peers teach peers about the dangers of smoking, drugs and alcohol has been extremely successful. Locally, ZERO percent of our Chittenden South seventh graders reported smoking in the past year, according to the 2009 Swisher survey. The peer to peer approach has been lauded at the state level. “The Vermont Kids Against Tobacco members are dedicated to informing their peers about the risks of tobacco use,” said Health Commissioner Wendy Davis, MD. “We have to continue to encourage a new generation of Vermonters to make healthier choices, like being smoke-free.”

Prior to the group march down Main Street to the State House, VKAT members had breakfast with legislators and listened to a brief presentation by Chittenden Representative Bill Frank and Rebecca Ryan, director of Health Communications and Policy for the American Lung Association.

The VKAT program is sponsored by the Vermont Department of Health, with funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). For more information about VKAT, go to www.goVKAT.org.

Hinesburg Nursery School



“Love Is” Everywhere You Turn at HNS

By Rebecca Cook

“I love you, Mommy!”

I will never grow tired of hearing these words. Yes, my boys sometimes use them to remind me of our bond when I find them misbehaving, but no matter the scenario, they make my heart melt.

But what is love? Is there really a one-size-fits-all answer? Our teachers, Wendy and Liz, took two weeks in February to explore the topic of love and friendship with their preschoolers and that made me think about what I have learned of love through our experiences at HNS.

Love is walking away from school when your little boy is crying, knowing that it’s the best thing for him and not only will he be fine in five minutes, but that he won’t want to leave school when you return to bring him home that same day.

Love is forgiving a friend for knocking over your sand castle, then giving him a hug when you leave for home.

Love is beaded bracelets strung on pipe cleaners, more beautiful than anything on display in a jeweler’s window.

Love is hanging your son’s “Sunflower” painting in the den (complete with sunflower seeds a-plenty) and proclaiming to anyone who will listen that it far outshines anything Van Gogh ever painted.

Love is playing princess with your friend, even though your favorite role to play is army guy.

Love is bidding on silent auction items you would have purchased anyway.

Love is also not bidding on items when you see your friend’s name on the list and know how much he wants that basketball hoop.

Love is hearing your name called from anywhere on the playground when you open the gate.

Love is taking the shovel when you really want the excavator.

Love is holding back that big hug when you learn your friend really just wants high fives.

Love is getting at least five hugs and five kisses before you walk out the door each morning.

Love is hand sanitizer in every possible location.

Love is admitting that Mommy’s monkey bread might be just as good as the monkey bread we made in school.

Love is a special trip to the library to find all the books about space exploration for your little boy, when you have never really had any interest in it before.

Most of all, Love is doing whatever it takes to make every day and every child be the best they can be. That’s what we parents try to do, and we can see without a doubt that Liz and Wendy love our kids, too.

Other Education New Research Study!!

Children and parents are needed for participation in a new research study at the University of Vermont on the cognitive processes of self-concept in children with attention problems or ADHD. Participating families will attend one testing session and will receive \$40 at the completion of the session. A report of results from a test of cognitive abilities also is offered free of charge! Children must be seven to 11 years old and pass an eligibility screening. Children who have attention problems and/or behavior problems will be considered for the project. For more information, please call Meghan Tomb (Principal Investigator) at (802) 656-9196.

Scholarships Available

Juvenile Arthritis College Scholarships

The Arthritis Foundation is offering three or more \$1,000 college scholarships to high school seniors or college undergraduates with arthritis living in one of the five New England states. Applications are due April 16.

Students must have juvenile arthritis that has been diagnosed by a physician. They must also be a resident of Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont or Northern New York (Clinton, Essex, or Franklin Counties). A volunteer committee judges scholarship applications based on academic achievement, disease impact and volunteer service to the school or community.

Juvenile arthritis affects an estimated 294,000 children in the United States, including 600 children in Vermont, according to the CDC. Children get arthritis, but with the support of community and schools, they can do many

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activities appropriate for their age group, according to the Arthritis Foundation.

Scholarship applications are available by contacting the Arthritis Foundation, Northern and Southern New England Chapter at (800) 639-2113 or info.nne@arthritis.org

Credit Union To Award 2010 STEM Scholarships

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To be eligible for NEFCU STEM Scholarships, applicants must be New England Federal Credit Union members. Anyone who lives, works or attends school in the six counties of northwestern Vermont is eligible for membership. Application forms are available at nefcu.com.

In addition to NEFCU membership, applicants must be pursuing one of these fields of study:

- Biological Sciences
- Physical Sciences
- Mathematical Sciences
- Computer and Information Sciences
- Geosciences
- Engineering
- Technology areas associated with the preceding fields of study.

Scholarships will be awarded to applicants who best demonstrate commitments to their fields of study. Completed applications must be postmarked no later than April 30. More information and application forms may be obtained from any branch, by calling (802) 879-8790, or from www.nefcu.com.

University Mall 2010 Scholarship of Excellence

University Mall has given away a total of \$250,000 in scholarships to area students since 2001. Each year University Mall awards \$25,000 to five area high school seniors. Each student receives \$5,000 toward their first year of college. University Mall's Scholarship of Excellence is designed to be awarded to students who embody excellence in academics, leadership and community service. The scholarship is open to graduating seniors in the Vermont counties of: Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille or Washington. To download an application, visit www.umallvt.com. Applications may be mailed to: University Mall, Scholarship Committee, 155 Dorset Street, South. Burlington, VT 05403. The deadline is April 16. For more information, please visit the website or call (802) 863-1066 x11.

Chess Championships

The Twenty-third Annual Vermont Scholastic Chess Championships will be held on Saturday, April 10, at Berlin Elementary School in Berlin, VT, conveniently located in central Vermont just off Interstate-89 exit 7. All Vermont students from Kindergarten through Grade 12 are eligible to compete for State Championships in each category: Kindergarten through Grade six, Middle School (Grades seven and eight) and High School (Grades nine through 12). All abilities are welcome and encouraged to participate.

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



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Hinesburg Historical Society

By Ann Thomas

A follow-up to the Hinesburg Historical Society question from the last issue of the Record; "What happened to the Hinesburg Academy?" According to two older, knowledgeable residents, it was confirmed that the building was possibly dismantled first and then moved slightly to the south to become the Mead and McKenzie Garage. Is it still there? We don't know. Perhaps parts are, since buildings were recycled more often in the past. Anyone with more information can contact the Historical Society through its website. www.hinesburghhistoricalsociety.org.



Mead and McKenzie Auto; 1930. left to right; Ed Burleigh, Erle Mead (owner) Walt McKenzie (not owner), Hugh Hart, Charlie Hubbell.

The Historical Society was given a copy of Ila Crowley's memoir (she died this past August 6 at 96 years old). Her father, Thomas McKenzie was the co-owner of the Mead-McKenzie garage. She says, "In the early twenties, Dad and Earl Mead formed a partnership to sell and service cars. Earl was the office manager while Dad took over the sales and mechanical work. The office was situated in the Mead home while the garage was in the building vacated by the old Academy. It was situated on the hill in back of the Mead home."

This confirms what the two older, knowledgeable residents have told us. Anyone with more information can contact the Historical Society through its website. www.hinesburghhistoricalsociety.org



Aerial photo from 1938 shows the academy building right behind the Mead house. What happened to the building after the garage closed, we still don't know.

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The Hinesburg Silver Cornet Band

The following account (in italics) is taken from “Recollections”: The 1960 Scrapbook of Leonard Carpenter, from the Carpenter Carse Library.

“The band consisted of about 20 members. Edgar L. Degree was the leader. The members were: Daniel Patrick, Guy Carpenter, Ernest Partch, Earl Brownson and Erle Mead, cornets; Waldo Davis and Leon Eddy, baritones; Frank Patrick, bass; Frank Post, David Patrick, Elon Martin, Charles Martin and Fay Kenyon, altos; Noble Love and John Hart, trombones; Harry Page and Willie Martin, clarinets; Leonard Carpenter, euphonium; Clark Pierce, trap drum; Rufus Patrick, bass drum. The band had been organized several years previously with John S. Patrick as leader.

On Saturday nights during the winter, practicing was done in the town hall, then located just south of the Baptist (now the United) Church. Girls from the town would dance during the practice sessions.

The band furnished music for the fourth of July and Memorial Day ceremonies, and for other occasions. There were concerts in the bandstand in front of the Academy (now the site of the Sarah Carpenter Memorial Library) during the summer months. For several years the band furnished the music at the Waterbury Fair. One year it went to St. Albans to play at a Saint John’s Day celebration. During winters towns nearby were visited for concerts.

When enough money had been raised for uniforms, a salesman came to town and measured the players for uniforms of Union blue cloth, very heavy and uncomfortable in warm weather. Confederate grey would have been more appropriate for the dusty conditions of the roads, but was passed up for patriotic reasons. Several members were growing boys and before long had uncomfortably outgrown their uniforms.

On Memorial Day the band assembled at the G.A.R. (Grand Army of the Republic) hall (now the Grange

hall) where they were decorated with bouquets, and led the parade to the cemetery, followed by uniformed Civil War Veterans and Sons of Veterans, and others. After the graves had been decorated the paraders marched back to the village, their blue uniforms thoroughly saturated with dust.*

The Fourth of July celebrations were colorful affairs held near the bandstand. It was one of the times when pink lemonade and bananas were available. The speaker of the day held forth with a patriotic address, which with the band music seemed to satisfy the assembly of townspeople and visitors.

At one time Professor Russell, a minister and an expert on the cornet, was the leader of the band. Under his leadership several Sousa marches were ordered and “mastered.” Among them, Manhattan Beach, High School Cadets, Washington Post, King Cotton and Liberty Bell. The Poet and Peasant Overture was struggled with until it could be rendered without stopping. A practice session for it was held one afternoon at Hinesburg Pond near the cottage where Professor Russell spent his summers into the 1950s.

One time, Bill Andrews, who had a bicycle shop near the present day creamery, arranged for the band to make a recording. The selection chosen was the General Nelson A. Miles march. The members did their best but the record did not turn out very well. The band served a useful purpose. Without it the town would have suffered in comparison with other towns having bands. It was a wholesome enterprise for young men in the town.

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In Leonard Carpenter’s account he named 20 band members and there are 20 band members in the photo. Further, Carpenter mentioned H. M. Page as a member of the band, and we used the academy photo to ID him in the cornet band photo. There is also the mystery of the ghostly person in the background in the far right of the photo. Perhaps family members can match Carpenter’s names list to people in the photo and maybe someone even knows who the person in the background is. Email the Historical Society at our website; <http://www.hinesburghhistoricalsociety.org>



The Coronet Band Circa 1890’s, on the steps of the Hinesburg Hotel. The inset at the top is Henry M Page, cropped from the Academy photo from the last Hinesburg Record Issue.

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Contact Jane Gage @ 482-6096 to volunteer or for more information.

Farmer’s Market Update

By James Donegan

Farmer’s Market Launches Website

The Hinesburg Lions Farmer’s Market now has a website; www.hinesburglionsfarmersmarket.org. The site provides some basic information on the place and time for the summer market season, it gives information on how to become a vendor at the market, summarizes the sponsoring organization (The Lions Club) and profiles vendors who currently sell their products at the market. The vendor profiles can be found under the “members” link. This will help customers become a little more familiar with the vendors or could give prospective shoppers an idea of the products that they can expect to find at the market. The profiles also provide



Raised garden beds at Entwood Farm



Greenhouse at Entwood Farm

contact information for many of the vendors. This can be valuable for someone who would like to purchase a vendor’s product outside of the market season.

Space for the website was donated by Green Mountain Access, and Hinesburg resident and farmer’s market vendor Sandy Rivkin developed and updates the site on a volunteer basis.

Vendor Profile Sam and Sandy Rivkin

This coming summer will be the second year that Sandy and her husband Sam sell their products at the Hinesburg Farmer’s Market. The Rivkin’s products are breads, muffins, granola, jams, salsa and some vegetables. They sell mainly at the summer and fall markets, but will take orders at others times of the year (telephone: 482-4354). The Rivkins call their venture Entwood Farm. Entwood is a reference to the fantasy novel Lord of the Rings. The name follows them from a former farm in Virginia, where large old trees were a significant presence on the farm. Sandy and Sam moved to their property on Pond Brook Rd, Hinesburg in early 2008, to be close to family. The move was a difficult one because they left behind a property, animals and a community that had become a very important part of their lifestyle.

The first year the Rivkins lived in Hinesburg, they were regulars at the Farmer’s Market, but not as vendors, they were customers. After nearly 20 years of participating as vendors at markets in Virginia, and significantly longer growing and producing healthy products for themselves, there was something missing. “We thought we could stop, but after raising our own animals and growing our own vegetables for years and years, we have to keep doing it,” said Sandy. They quickly built raised garden beds, planted fruit trees, started keeping a small flock of hens, Sam built a greenhouse, and Sandy told Farmer’s Market Manager Jo White that the market should have a website, and got one up and running. Sandy says they became vendors at the market in 2009 because they “enjoy producing things for ourselves, but we also want contact with others...want to be part of the community.” Their involvement is also part educational, part political. They want others to “eat well, eat right, eat fresh food a grow some for themselves.” Though the Vermont climate is a new gardening challenge for the Rivkins, they want people to know that, with the help of greenhouse or hoop house, Vermonters can eat their own vegetables right through the winter. They are strong believers in organic agriculture and opponents of the mass marketed genetically engineered (GE) crops. Sandy had a recent lesson on GE corn in her chicken coop. She was feeding her chickens a widely available mix of wheat, barley and cracked corn. She found the chickens would eat up all the wheat and barely, but not the corn. After doing some research, she found that the corn in her mix was GE but that wheat and barley had not yet been altered, and that other people were having the same problem.

Sandy now makes her own mix, using non-GE corn, and the chickens eat it along with the rest of the grains.

Despite the challenges of moving to a new place and trying to start farming all over again, Sandy does see a difference in people’s attitudes between Vermont an Virginia. “I’ve never seen it like this before,” she says. “Vermonters are really trying to support local. The willingness of the citizens is much better.”

All of us involved in the Farmer’s Market thank Sandy for her work on the website. To learn about the Hinesburg Lions Farmer’s Market or any of the vendors check it out at: www.hinesburglionsfarmersmarket.org.

It’s Easter Egg Hunt Time Again!

By Margery Sharp

It’s a sure sign of spring when the snow melts and the Hinesburg Lions Club holds its traditional Easter Egg Hunt for the children and visitors’ children of Hinesburg. It will be held this year on Saturday, April 3, the day before Easter. This is a rain, shine, sleet or snow event!

Bright and early (9:00 am) a colorful army of small folk armed with baskets and buckets will lead sleepy parents to the Hinesburg Elementary School playground where the determined hunters will disperse by age groups into the hinterlands to find the carefully hidden colored eggs around the grounds.

Participants will include children up to and including age eight. There will be three age groupings and three separate gates behind which the children will line up. No child will leave without a stash of eggs. Prior to the start of the race, the Lions will give out raffle tickets which will be drawn and prizes awarded to winning ticket holders.

Everyone who attends is encouraged to wear an animal costume or other appropriate spring garb in keeping with the start (we hope) of the spring season.

Hinesburg Blood Drives Receive Commendation from Red Cross

Susan Palmer, Chief Executive Officer of the Northern New England Blood Services Region, recently notified the Hinesburg Blood Drive Committee of awards to the Hinesburg Community earned in 2009. Portions of the letter follows:

“I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your valuable sponsorship of the American Red Cross program. This past year the Northern New England Region of the American Red Cross launched a new program, named Life Share. The Life Share program helps sponsors understand their role in maintaining the community blood supply and provides a platform for recognizing the most dedicated sponsors. Life Share is about helping save lives by doing your “fair share.” By working together, we can ensure that there is an adequate blood supply365 days of the year.

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achieved the Silver Level based on donations during 2009. The enclosed certificate is a token of our appreciation for your hard work and support of the program. That's why we would like to sincerely thank you for your support. We couldn't continue to help those in need without your dedication.

Congratulations again on your Life Share achievement. On behalf of all the hospital patients we serve, thank you for your support. With your commitment, leadership and action, your organization is well on the way to reaching the Platinum level recognition. We look forward to a successful partnership in 2010."

Thank you to everyone who donated blood to make this achievement possible. The Silver Level Award is given to those organizations that achieve a participation rate of 5% of all donations in our area in 2009.

A special thank you to Carol King and Sue McGuire for their hard work with these events.

Share the Pleasures of Hinesburg

By Deb Olsen,

Fresh Air Fund Chairperson: Hinesburg

March snows begin to recede and spring seems within our grasp. The days grow longer, nature comes alive around us and summer plans begin to take shape. Summer provides an opportunity for us to share the sights and sounds of our

community with others less fortunate. We often take for granted the wonderful things our communities offer. The hiking trails and beach at Lake Iroquois, Geprags Park trails and let us not forget the BEST Fourth of July parade around. These are just a few of the great things Hinesburg has to offer! Just imagine sharing these simple pleasures with a child from New York City!

Since 1877, The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit agency, has provided free summer vacations to more than 1.7 million New York City children from low-income neighborhoods. Through The Fund's Friendly Town Program, young New Yorkers, ages six to 18, experience the joy of summer during visits of two weeks or more with volunteer host families.

The Fund is looking for more volunteer families to provide an inner-city child with a two-week respite from the hot streets and crowded concrete playgrounds. Please consider how you can make a difference in the life of a child this summer by opening your heart and your home.

In 1995 my family started our journey as a Fresh Air Fund host family. Since then we have hosted five children. Three of them came for six or more years. In 2003 eight year old Khalil Fredericks entered our lives. We look forward to having 15 year old Khalil again this summer! Eleven year old Nina Psoncak arrived that same summer. We look forward to our continued relationship with 19 year old Nina and her family each year in NYC.

For more information on how you can become a host, please call Deb Olsen at (802) 425-2957 or The Fresh Air Fund at (800) 367-0003. You can also visit The Fund's Web site at www.freshair.org.

Blood Drive May 19

The next Blood Drive in Hinesburg will be at St. Jude Church on May 19. We hope to see you all there.

Republicans to Hold Dinner Meeting

By Monique Breer

Everyone is invited to a dinner sponsored by the Chittenden County Republicans on April 22. Supper will be served at 6:00 p.m. at the South Burlington High School and will be followed by a meeting at 7:00 p.m. Lieutenant Governor, Brian Dubie will be there as well. The Chittenden County Republicans are holding semi-monthly meetings in different locations throughout Chittenden County so please stay tuned for further details on our next meeting. We aim to inform and engage everyone in the political process, so there will be a variety of topics at these meetings and we look forward to seeing you all there. Please, RSVP to Monique Breer, Secretary at moniquebreer@gmail.com or 482-2945 or Agnes Clift, South Burlington Chair at agclift@yahoo.com or 658-0690 so we have an accurate count for dinner. Thank you.



Saturday Night Fiddle Concert and Dance

Old Sledge Comes to Hinesburg Town Hall

Old Sledge, a trio of young traditional musicians that includes Hinesburg's own Anna Roberts-Gevalt, will be performing at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, April 3 at the Hinesburg Town Hall. The concert will be followed by desserts and a square dance with caller that begins at 8:30 p.m.

Old Sledge includes fiddle, banjo, guitar and singing and traditional songs from the Virginia and West Virginia mountain communities where the band's members now reside. Inspired by the tradition around them, Old Sledge plays ballads and hymns full of joy and sorrow, along with rousing banjo and fiddle tunes guaranteed to make you want to dance and passed down from a tradition where square dances went on into the wee hours.

The trio, consisting of Chance McCoy, Anna Roberts-Gevalt, Sabra Guzmán, on fiddle, banjo and guitar, have earned awards for their playing at festivals throughout Appalachia including first place honors in the 2009 band contest at the Appalachian String Band Festival (WV) and the West Virginia State fiddle, banjo and dulcimer championships. Members of the band have performed on the BBC, The Kennedy Center and PBS, and are in demand as teachers of the tradition, serving as faculty at the Cowan Creek Mountain Music School (KY), Augusta Heritage Center's Old Time Music Week (WV), Allegheny Echoes (WV), and Pinewoods American Dance Week (MA).



Chance McCoy, Sabra Guzman and Anna Roberts-Gevalt of Old Sledge

Anna Roberts-Gevalt (annarobertsgevalt.com and myspace.com/annarobertsgevalt) grew up in Hinesburg, graduated from CVU in 2005 and from Wesleyan University in December 2008. She followed the sounds of banjos and sawing fiddles, during college, and steeped herself in the musical communities and rhythms of Kentucky, West Virginia and Virginia, learning from some of the living masters of the tradition. Now living in Virginia, she is a prize-winning fiddler and banjo player and in the midst of a grant-sponsored research project about female fiddlers and banjo players.

Sabra Guzmán (myspace.com/sabraguzman) grew up in California where she first heard and fell in love with recordings of the Carter Family and early country music singers. Inspired, she took up guitar herself, charming audiences with her singing, performing with The Mercury Dimes and The Crooked Jades, and The Flat Iron String Band. She lives and teaches guitar, singing and bass in a home on the banks of the New River, in Giles County, Virginia.

Chance McCoy (myspace.com/chancemccoy) a West Virginia native, has steeped himself in the songs and tunes of the mountains he grew up in, emerging from the youngest



The Olsen family hike Mt Mansfield in 2003 with their Fresh Air guests. Front left to right; Nina Psoncak, Khalik Fredericks and Deb Olsen. Back left to right: Emily, Bob and Josh Olsen.

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generation of old time players, as a masterful steward of the tradition. His fiddling and banjo playing have won him blue ribbons at contests throughout the southern mountains, including the West Virginia State Fiddle and Banjo contest, and the Appalachian Stringband Music Festival (Clifftop).

Suggested donations are \$10 at the door. To reserve tickets, contact Ginny Roberts or Geoffrey Gevalt at 482-5625.

For a sampling of their music and more info: <http://www.myspace.com/oldsledge>.

Hinesburg Residents Featured in Lyric Theater Production

La Cage aux Folles will open on Thursday, April 8 on the Flynn Center Main Stage, with five performances. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2:00 p.m. matinees on Saturday and Sunday. The matinee performance on Sunday, April 11, will be audio-described for the blind/visually impaired.

Artistic Director Syndi Zook, Choreographer Taryn Noelle, and Music Director Craig Hilliard compose the directorial team for this \$100,000+ production. The 32 member and 100 member crew hail from 17 Vermont communities. Cast members from Hinesburg are Christopher Hart as Jean-Michel and Greg Zengilowski as Pepe.

La Cage aux Folles is the glamorous musical that inspired the film “*The Birdcage*” with Robin Williams and Nathan Lane. It began life as a stage play in 1973 and was then adapted into a wildly popular French film premiering in 1978. This is an old-fashioned musical in many ways, with beautiful melodies by Jerry Herman including, “*The Best of Times is Now*” and “*I Am What I Am*.”

Tickets are now on sale for *La Cage* through the Flynn Center Regional Box Office in Burlington and Copy Ship Fax Plus in Essex Junction. Order by Phone at (802) 862-FLYNN or online at www.flynntix.org



Left to Right: Roy Cutler (Jericho), Chris Hart (Hinesburg), Greg Zengilowski (Hinesburg), Lyn Feinson (Richmond), and Hannah Brown (Richmond). PHOTO CREDIT: STEPHEN MEASE

VYOA Announces 2010 Music Day Camp

Band, Orchestra and Small Ensemble Provide Learning Experience for Young Musicians

The Vermont Youth Orchestra Association is accepting applications for Music Day Camp, held Monday through Friday, June 28 through July 2. Camp sessions are held daily from 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Elley-Long Music Center at Saint Michael’s College.

Music Day Camp offers young musicians an opportunity to develop musical skills while making music in both large and small ensembles. Daily activities include classes in symphonic band, orchestra, chamber music, small ensemble participation, master classes and individual instruction. Additionally, expanded levels of Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble now accommodate more students in wider ranges of playing ability. Electives are offered in jazz band, improvisation, chorus, music theory and composition. Special camp features include outdoor recreation and arts and crafts.

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Ensemble placement will be offered to students in both Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble. Placement is based upon different variables, including playing experience, and proficiency with required scales, keys and rhythms. Ensemble placement occurs after a student has registered for Music Day Camp. For more information, please refer to the Music Day Camp application, now available online at www.vyo.org

Tuition for Music Day Camp is \$255. Financial aid is available.

Registration and financial aid forms are available online at www.vyo.org or by calling the VYOA office: 655-5030. **The deadline for registration is May 28.** Register early, space is limited and camp fills up quickly!

Music Day Camp is generously sponsored by Ellis Music Company of Bethel, VT.

Sugar on Snow Parties

Palmer’s Sugar House in Shelburne will be holding “Sugar on Snow Parties,” Saturdays and Sundays, noon to 4:00 p.m. through April 25. The price is \$4, parking is free. Call 985-5054 for more information

MMU Presents Musical

The Mount Mansfield Union High School Theatre Department will present *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* on March 26, 27, and 28. The Friday and Saturday performances will be at 7:30 p.m.; the Sunday show will be at 2:00 p.m.

All performances will be at the Jane Stickney Auditorium at MMU on Brown Trace Road. Tickets are \$7 for general admission and \$5 for students and children.

Sports

CVU Wrestling

By Rahn Fleming

Regular Season Final

CVU’s RedHawk wrestlers ended their regular season with trips to Enosburg and Essex High School in early February. The team won one and lost one, to end the season with an even 6-6 record. With varsity wrestlers in only eight of the 14 weight divisions, though, team morale is high, and the coaches are pleased with the season. “We basically wrestled every dual meet with one-half of a full team. Our record this season is testament to the dedication and determination of our athletes.”

At Enosburg, the match took less time than the drive up, ending in a 47-24 victory for the RedHawks. Ryan Fleming (160#, sophomore, Charlotte) set the tone for the night by pinning his opponent in just over a minute. Sam Fortin (171#, sophomore, Hinesburg) and James Dattilio (229#, senior, Williston) each followed with pins in under a minute. Ryan Stearns (135#, junior, Williston) scored a team record seven take-downs on his way to a 22-5 tech-fall win. Tucker Austin (152#, sophomore, Williston) capped the evening by executing four take-downs, before pinning his Enosburg opponent.

The RedHawks faced the rival Essex Hornets in their final dual meet of the year, which ended in a 42-33 loss. The meet could have gone either way, with the score 36-33 in Essex’ favor going into the final match of the night. “I’m almost never disappointed in these guys. The team wrestled hard, and gave us a pretty exciting night,” said Coach Gunnar Olson. The highlight of the night was undoubtedly a 7-6, triple overtime, win by senior Bryant Grey (119#, Shelburne). “Bryant wrestled the match of his life tonight. We couldn’t be happier for him,” declared Coach Fleming. Team Captain Ryan Stearns turned in another dominating performance, scoring five take-downs on his way to a pin. Captain Sam Fortin dispatched his opponent, as well, with another pin in just over a minute.

The Junior Varsity completed their season last Saturday, with a tournament at Vergennes. Shane Haley (119#, freshman, Shelburne), Patrick Shea (112#, freshman, Charlotte), Schuyler Himberg (130#, sophomore, Williston), Harvey Ottinger (160#, freshman, Shelburne), Tucker Austin, and Ryan Fleming comprised a team that won ten matches on the day.

At day’s end, on the way out to the team RV, driven by dedicated mama-bear Jennifer Olson, Coach Gunnar Olson reflected: “Our guys have come a long way this year. The future looks bright for CVU wrestling. I can’t wait!”


JV State Tournament

On Saturday, February 20, the CVU RedHawks traveled to the Junior Varsity State Wrestling Tournament at Spaulding High School. Eight young athletes made the trip. Five finished on the podium. Two won championships in their weight divisions. And one was named Outstanding Wrestler of the day. As a team, CVU finished fifth out of 24 squads from throughout the state. At day’s end, Coach Gunnar Olson observed “We’re not surprised, just happy. We knew they’d wrestle tough. It’s been a very good day.”

Liam, “First Shot”, Bowley (103#, freshman, Williston) and Patrick, “Pit Bull”, Shea (112#, freshman, Charlotte) anchored the team’s success with outstanding efforts in their divisions. Although neither finished on the podium, both contributed to the team score and team spirit on the day. “Each of these guys is going to be major contributor over the next three years, you watch” promised a proud Coach Fleming.

Shane Haley (119#, freshman, Williston) was the first of CVU’s champions to emerge from the tournament. Seeded fourth in his bracket, Shane’s wins included a tech-fall (16-1) and a third period pin of the number one seed from Mt. Anthony on his way to a first place finish. Haley, also a talented soccer player who had played a full 60-minute game the night

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before, gasped: “I’m so tired, but so happy right now.”

Bryant Grey (125#, senior, Shelburne) went 2-1 on the day, got to the finals, and capped his four year career with a JV States second place finish. “Bryant wrestles with a particular brand of intensity. If everybody had his spirit, we’d be unstoppable. He’s a natural leader and a team-favorite,” said Fleming.

Schuyler Himberg (125#, sophomore, Williston) scrapped his way to a third place finish. Before his consolation finals match, Himberg observed “I’m exactly where I was last year at this time.” Himberg then pinned his opponent in the last 10 seconds of the match to claim a third place finish, one spot better than last year’s finish.

Tucker Austin (160#, sophomore, Williston) won three, two by pin, on his way to a championship finish. “Tucker’s a beast. He’s so strong, and naturally aggressive. He gets better every time he steps on the mat,” said Olson. Austin’s talents were also noted by the coaches at the tournament, who voted him the day’s Outstanding Wrestler. “I didn’t expect this award at all. I just gave everything I had, all day long. This is nice,” said Austin of the award.

Ryan Fleming (160#, sophomore, Charlotte) and Harvey Ottinger (160#, freshman, Williston) were also in the bracket that Austin won. “I was really hoping to wrestle Tucker in the finals,” said Fleming, who did not wrestle his last match due to a contusion on his forehead. Cleared by the trainer on scene, Fleming won twice despite the injury before being pulled from the consolation finals. He was awarded a third place medal for his efforts. “Sometimes being a coach and being a dad blend perfectly. I was protecting both my son and an intelligent, technical wrestler with a bright future,” said Coach Fleming of the decision. Ottinger finished his first year on a high note, too, winning by pin in the first round of the tournament.

CVU’s Wrestling Season ended February 26 and 27, with the Varsity State Tournament at Vergennes High School.

Varsity State Tournament

On Friday, February 26, eight CVU wrestlers traveled to Vergennes for the 2009-2010 State Finals Tournament. Liam Bowley (103#, freshman, Williston), Shane Haley (119#, freshman, Williston), Bryant Grey (125#, senior, Shelburne), Schuyler Himberg (130#, sophomore, Williston), Ryan Stearns (135#, junior, Williston), Tucker Austin (160#, sophomore, Williston), Sam Fortin (171#, sophomore, Hinesburg), and James Dattilio (229#, senior, Williston) all

made the trip.

The RedHawk Eight were part of the largest tournament in recent Vermont wrestling history. Nearly 200 wrestlers, representing 24 schools, participated in the double-elimination event. After one loss, competitors move to the consolation bracket. After two losses, a wrestler is out of the running.

Friday night ran long, finding senior team Captain James Dattilio wrestling his last match at almost 11:00 p.m. “I’ve never seen anything like this,” said Coach Rahn Fleming, “we’re asking kids to wrestle when we’re usually asking ‘em to be in bed!” By Saturday morning, only three RedHawk wrestlers remained: Shane Haley, Schuyler Himberg, and Captain Sam Fortin. By Saturday afternoon, only Fortin was still on the mat. Coach Gunnar Olson took a philosophical approach: “This tournament has the best of the best, and all on their best game. It’s never easy.”

The highlight of the day on Saturday was Fortin’s 9-3 consolation-finals victory over Spaulding’s Taylor Dorsett, an opponent to whom Sam had lost four times in the regular season. “He saved his best for last,” said Coach (and Uncle) Jeff Fortin. “We knew he could do it. He just had to believe it.” With the win, Fortin, who finished the year with an impressive 33-8 record, claimed third place in the State. The top three wrestlers in each weight division will continue to the New England Regional Tournament in New Haven, CT, on March 5 and 6. Fortin will be CVU’s lone representative.

As a team, CVU finished seventeenth in a state tournament that was won by Mt. Anthony for the twenty-second time in a row. “We don’t intend to finish this far off the pace ever again,” said Olson. Testimony to Olson’s declaration was the scene in a separate gym, where Captain Ryan Stearns (25-12 on the year) was leading his RedHawk teammates in an impromptu roll-around practice while the tournament continued down the hall. “Next year starts now,” said Stearns. “I don’t think anyone in the building is more disappointed, or more determined, than Stearnsy is right now,” reflected Coach Fleming. “We’ll make sure they get some much needed mental and physical rest, then we start on the road to next year’s success.”

The CVU grapplers finished 7-6 on the season, including non-league competition. Many will continue to train into the off-season, in preparation for the 2010-2011 season. “Lots of our guys have only been wrestling for 90 days in their entire lives,” exclaimed Coach Olson. “I’m very impressed with spirit, the level of talent, and the commitment this team has shown. I can’t wait to get back on the mat with them!”

As at the start of the season, so too at its end: the future looks bright for the CVU Wrestling RedHawks.

Hockey State Champions!

By Rick Leonard

Congratulations go out to our local Hinesburg Youth Hockey player Quinn Francis for winning the State Squirt AB Championships in Montpelier with his Chittenden-South Burlington (CSB) Squirt AB team. The team now advances to the Squirt Tier 3 Sectionals in Connecticut on March 19-21.



Team championship picture: left to right Row 4: Assist Coach Bob Lobel, Head Coach Rick Leonard, Assist Coach Harry Locker. Row 3: Ethan Leonard, Max Akey, Jennings Lobel, Quinn Francis, Jack Locker. Row 2: Isaac Paquette, Cam Hudson, Ty Bodette, Kyler Murray, Xander Tan. Row 1: Max Plunkett (Goalie). (Jack Scotniki not shown)



Quinn Francis

NAMES In The NEWS

Hinesburg’s Newest Residents

A baby girl, Margaret Hannah Miller, was born February 6, to Gary III and Robin (Lanphear) Miller at Fletcher Allen Health Care. (FAHC).

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Area Students at Champlain College Earn Top Honors

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Being named to the Dean's List requires a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or more as a full-time student.

Students Named to Vermont Tech Fall Academic Honor List

Jaime Ciffo and Allison Miller were recently named to the Vermont Technical College Dean's List for the fall 2009 semester.

To be recognized as a Dean's list scholar, students must be seeking a degree, carrying at least 12 credit hours, and be not receiving a failing or incomplete grade in any subject

during the semester

Dinitz Named Dana Scholar at Colgate University

Thomas J. Dinitz, a member of the Class of 2011 at Colgate University, has been named a Dana Scholar in recognition of superior academic achievement as well as demonstrated leadership in the campus community.

Selection as a Dana Scholar is a significant honor. The awards were established in 1965 by the late Charles A. Dana.

News from Fairfield University

Kelsey Francis was named to the Dean's List at Fairfield University for the fall 2009 semester. Kelsey is a junior studying in the College of Arts and Sciences.

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Palm Sunday at 9:30 am, the children of the church will distribute Palms. Special music by the Junior and Senior choirs.
Holy Thursday, April 1 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, a Tenebrae service will be observed. It is a somber time of remembrance of the last night of Jesus’ life. We gather at tables set with candles; Communion is served.
Good Friday, April 2. From noon until 3 pm, the Sanctuary will be open for personal prayer and meditation. At 3 pm, there will be a service of prayer and hymns as we remember Jesus’ journey to the Cross.
Easter Sunday. Two Services are offered - a Sunrise service at 6:15 a.m. at the home of Susan and Tony Lamb, 24 Beebe Lane, overlooking Lake Iroquois. A breakfast buffet follows. An offering will be received to benefit the youth of the church who are going on a mission trip to Nicaragua in July. At 9:30 am, we will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus with joyful hymns, special music by both the Junior and Senior Choirs, and sermon by Pastor Joan Newton O’Gorman.
The church is an Open and Affirming, Reconciling congregation and is located at 44 North Williston Road, Williston. For information, call 878 5792.


United Church of Hinesburg

Church Phone: 482-3352
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Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.
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Register at : www.hinesburgcma.org
Life Groups: Various times and days throughout the week.
Community Alliance Church invites you and your family to be part of our Easter season of events. We begin with Palm Sunday’s 10 a.m. service on March 28th, which



will feature a congregational dramatic reading and music. We continue with Good Friday’s 7 p.m. service of candlelit contemplative readings and music on April 2nd. Easter Sunday services, on April 4th at 8:30 and 10 a.m., will be a joyful adventure into Easter: The “Rest” of the Story - Living a Stress Free Life. Nursery care and children’s programs are available on Palm Sunday and at the second Easter Sunday service. Come, join in the celebration!
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Masses and Events

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There will be a Fish and Chips Dinner every Friday during Lent (February 19 and 26, and March 5, 12, 19 and 26) from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude’s. The cost will be \$8/adult; \$5/child or senior and \$25 per family for four or more. Dine-in or take out orders will be available.
This is not a church event. These dinners are a fundraiser

for Justin Boutin, a 12 year old student and parishioner of St. Jude’s, and all proceeds raised from the dinners will directly benefit Justin’s trip to Europe with People to People Student Ambassador Program.

For information and tickets, please contact Lisa or Justin Boutin at 879-2896. Please call in advance so we have plenty of food on hand. For reservations please call Ted Barrett at 453-3087 or Marie Cookson at 482-2290 (Parish office) or 434-4782 (home).

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Sunday mornings once a month story hour using books from PJ Library followed by a project: March 7, April 4, May 2.

Friday Night Tot Shabbat 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner: March 19, April 16, 5:30 p.m. followed by catered dinner.

RSVPs are requested, particularly for dinner. For information and to register: 802-862-5125 or www.templesinaivt.org

Rabbi James Scott Glazier, spiritual leader of Temple Sinai Reform Congregation since 1981, is offering a 12-week Conversion Class for those seeking to be a part of the religious community. Beginning on Sunday, March 14, the class will run through June 20 (three Sundays a month) and is open to those who are exclusively seeking conversion. Participants do not have to be a member of the congregation and there is no charge for the class although a nominal fee may be incurred for class books or materials.

Rabbi Glazier shares that, “Reform Judaism has always welcomed Jews by Choice. These Jews, in the pursuit of seeking a meaningful spiritual home, have made tremendous contributions to both our local faith community as well as the family of Judaism,” Adding, “I am extremely grateful that Temple Sinai has always been a welcoming an supportive community to those who have made this incredibly important life decision.”

Class dates are: March 14, 21, 28; April 4, 11, 18; May 2, 16, 23; June 6, 13, and 20. For those who feel conversion to Judaism would be spiritually meaningful please contact Rabbi Glazier directly at (802) 862-5125 or greenmnt@together.net. Temple Sinai is located at 500 Swift Street in South Burlington and is the only Reform Jewish Community in Northern Vermont. It is egalitarian in spirit and in action welcoming Jews by birth, Jews by Choice, and non-Jews alike to share in our worship and educational opportunities.

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Pastor Bill and Faith Neil Say Goodbye to Hinesburg

By Jean Isham

Pastor Bill and Faith and Pastor Bill’s daughter, Bethany, became a part of the United Church (the Church) and the Hinesburg community in 2002. I think their stay in Hinesburg can best be described as a mutual admiration society.

Pastor Bill graduated from Seminary in 1977 and spent the next two years as a volunteer at the Church of the Messiah in Detroit. The next two years found him in Akron, Ohio, as a neighborhood minister for an ecumenical ministry. Pastor Bill became a regular church pastor in 1981 and served churches in Ohio, Vermont and New York. The two communities where Pastor Bill and Faith have served the longest are Middlebury and Hinesburg. They met in Middlebury and were married there sixteen years ago



Pastor Bill Neil, and family

by the Reverend Gordon Mitchinson. It was Reverend Mitchinson’s retirement that provided the opportunity for Pastor Bill, Faith and Bethany to come to Hinesburg.

With Bethany living with her mother in Middlebury and Pastor Bill and Faith residing in the State of New York, it was becoming more difficult to spend time with Bethany because of her increased activities. The move to Hinesburg proved a “priceless asset” to the family as Pastor Bill would pick up Bethany on Friday after school and drop her off for school on Monday morning. Bethany now attends the Zion International School for Ministry and Mission in Grantville, Pennsylvania.

Pastor Bill said that he had long felt called into the United Church of Christ as a pastor. Because Hinesburg is a Federated Church with three denominations he did not have to leave Hinesburg when he changed his affiliation. However, Hinesburg’s church is more Methodist than United Church of Christ. One of the reasons for the change in affiliation was to allow Pastor Bill to perform civil unions and subsequently same sex marriages. Pastor Bill said that to him it is a matter of equity and justice between all people equally which is his understanding of Jesus and the Christian faith. The United Church of Hinesburg became an Open, Welcoming, Affirming, and Reconciling Church on October 18, 2009. “It has been wonderful to see an inclusive congregation.”

Pastor Bill noted that one of the privileges of being a pastor is presiding at funerals, marriages and baptisms. Those are precious moments of intercession over life. It is a unique time that we are honored and privileged to participate in. Faith and I are leaving Hinesburg with memories of those who have passed on to God’s eternal realms, those who have retired and moved away, the shared memories of those who have been members of the Church throughout our stay in Hinesburg, the many new members who have joined the Church over that period and our friends in the extended Hinesburg community.

Sandy White, said “Pastor Bill has helped our congregation grow spiritually and I will miss his sermons. He and Faith have contributed so much to our church and the community. They are leaving big shoes to fill and we wish them the best of luck in their new location.”

When I asked Pastor Bill and Faith what they most enjoyed about living in Hinesburg they did not hesitate to identify small town living, wonderful people, the schools and recreation department and particularly the Hinesburg Fourth of July celebration. Faith said that for the past eight years they have sat on their front lawn to enjoy the activities and the Boy Scouts have taken over the driveway for their concession stand. It has also meant living closer to Faith’s children and grandchildren.

Pastor Bill has been a participant in the South County Chorus and said he will look forward to being a member of the audience at the March concert. Rufus Patrick, Director of the South County Chorus, said “Bill Neil was not just the pastor at Hinesburg United Church, but a kind and caring individual who touched many lives during his time in Hinesburg. As Choir Director I certainly appreciated having Bill in the choir and could always count on having at least one bass on Sundays. He also performed several times with the South County Chorus. Thanks Bill for your many contributions to our community, your good sense of humor, and sharing your singing talent with us.”

Faith said that she is sad to leave Vermont as it is her home state and she has family members residing here. At the same time she is excited to know that there is a new community and a whole new group of friends to help, nurture and get to know. Faith added that they are hoping to retire back to Vermont in approximately twelve years. Their new community and church is in Lee, Massachusetts, where they have purchased their first home. Their new address is 36 Rose Avenue, Lee, Massachusetts 01238. The church in Lee sold its parsonage several years ago and provides a housing allowance for the minister. Ironically this move will put them three hours closer to Bethany in Pennsylvania and three hours closer to Pastor Bill’s mother in Ohio.

By the time you read this article Pastor Bill and Faith will be at their new home. They were honored at a pot luck supper at the United Church on March 20.

On a personal note, Pastor Bill and Faith were there to support our family through a very difficult time and to join us at a happier time for the wedding of our granddaughter. We will miss them and join the community in wishing them well.

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HINESBURG CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 25:

March 25 issue of *The Hinesburg Record* published
Fire and Rescue/Fire Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station
Hinesburg Historical Society meeting, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., ground floor conference room in the Town Hall.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28:

Palm Sunday

TUESDAY, MARCH 30:

First Day of Passover

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31:

Advertising and news deadline for April 22 issue of *The Hinesburg Record*

THURSDAY, APRIL 1:

Fire and Rescue/Medical Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station
Friends of CVU meeting, 7:00 p.m., all welcome

FRIDAY, APRIL 2:

Good Friday

SUNDAY, APRIL 4:

Easter Sunday

MONDAY, APRIL 5:

Selectboard meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall
Vermont Astronomical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., UVM Waterman Building, room 413
Lake Iroquois Recreation District meeting, 4:30 p.m., Williston Town Hall, public invited

TUESDAY, APRIL 6:

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 8:

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

MONDAY, APRIL 12:

CVU Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., CVU, room 106, Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall
Village Steering Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 13:

Lion's Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Papa Nick's Restaurant, call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information
Recreation Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall
Buy Local/Specialty Farming Task Force, 7:30 p.m., top floor of Town Hall. Contact Bill Schubart (bill@schubart.com 482-3287) or James Donegan.(doneganmaple@hotmail.com 482-3245)
Land Trust meeting, 7:30 p.m., 3rd floor Town Hall
Interested parties should call Ann Brush at 482-5656 or email nnbrush@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14:

HCS Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., CVU, room 101
Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall
CSSU Board meeting, 5:00 p.m., room 104, CVU

THURSDAY, APRIL 15:

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

MONDAY, APRIL 19:

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

Key To Abbreviations Used in Calendar

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 20:

Development Review Board, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall
Business and Professional Association (HBPA) meeting, 5:30 p.m., Papa Nick's Restaurant, contact HBPA President Tom Mathews at 496-8537 (tmathews@gmavt.net) for information or to make reservations. For information about the HBPA or Hinesburg businesses, check out the HBPA website at www.hinesburgbusiness.com.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21:

Hinesburg Trails Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., lower level or second floor of Town Hall, Colin McNaul, Chair

THURSDAY, APRIL 22:

Earth Day
April 22 issue of *The Hinesburg Record* published
Fire and Rescue/Fire Training, 7:30 p.m., Hinesburg Fire Station
Hinesburg Historical Society meeting, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., ground floor conference room in the Town Hall.

MONDAY, APRIL 26:

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 27:

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28:

Advertising and news deadline for May 20 issue of *The Hinesburg Record*
Planning Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall
Carpenter Carse Library Trustees meeting, 7:00 p.m., CC Library

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CALENDAR ITEMS

Town Clerk Office Hours: Mondays, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-2281. E-mail: hinesburgclerk@gmavt.net. Missy Ross, Clerk/Treasurer.
Town Administrator Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., other hours by appointment; Town Hall, 482-2096. E-mail: hinesburgtown@gmavt.net. Jeanne Kundell Wilson, Administrator.
Town Planner Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619. E-mail: hinesburgplanning@gmavt.net. Alex Weinhagen Planner.
Zoning Administrator Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and evenings as needed. Town Hall, 482-3619, E-mail, hinesburgzoning@gmavt.net.

Peter Erb, Administrator.

Lister's Office Hours: Mondays through Fridays, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619.
Hinesburg Recreation Director's Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Leave a message anytime. Jennifer McCuin, Director. 482-4691, Town Hall, P. O. Box 13.
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.

Recycling & Trash Drop-Off Centers: Hinesburg: Beecher Hill Road at the Town Garage; Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; 482-4840. Williston: At the end of Redmond Road; Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; 872-8111. South Burlington: Landfill Road (off Patchen Road), Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 872-8111. CSWD website: <http://www.cswd.net>.
Environmental Depot: 1011 Airport Parkway, South Burlington. Open Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 863-0480.

Hinesburg Community Resource Center, Inc. You may leave a message for Kathleen Patten at 482-2716. Elly Coates (482-3460) is the contact for Friends of Families.

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

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

WEB PAGES:

HCS: <http://www.hcsvt.org>. Learn about Viking newsletter, cafeteria menu, email addresses for staff, department and team web pages, calendar information etc.
CVU: <http://www.cvuhs.org>. Learn about CVU activities and programs, sports schedule, and more.
CCL: <http://www.carpentercarse.org>. Learn about library hours, services, and online resources.
Hinesburg Town: <http://www.hinesburg.org>. Official Town of Hinesburg web site.
Hinesburg Record: <http://www.hinesburg-record.org>. Contains contact information for advertising and news, publication deadlines, submissions guidelines, town calendar.
hinesburgbusiness.com – FREE. EMPLOYERS – POST NOTICE OF JOB OPENINGS. EMPLOYMENT SEEKERS – POST RESUMES. Sponsored by HBPA
www.seewhy.info – The official website of CY - Connecting Youth - the Chittenden South community based organization dedicated to creating a safe and healthy environment for young people.
www.facebook.com/connectingyouth – The CY - Connecting Youth Facebook Fan Page - for parents and teens to become fans and connect with other's in the CY community!

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By Jean Isham, HBPA

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To access this service simply go to the HBPA web site, hinesburgbusiness.com, and click on the appropriate option: Seek A Job; Post A Job; Search Resumes; Post Resume. We think you will find the application easy to use. If you do not have ready access to a computer, access may be available through your local library.

If you have any questions about this site or its use, contact Robert Stahl at bstahl2@gmail.com or at 482-3137.

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