

# R *the* HINESBURG Record

January 22, 2015

## Memorial Service Held for Kevin Riell, CVU's Activities Director

BY MARY JO BRACE

On January 3 a memorial service was held for CVU administrator Kevin Riell who passed away unexpectedly on December 15, while attending a National Athletic Directors conference in Washington D.C. Kevin, age 56, was a husband, father, son, brother, and friend to many. Kevin started at CVU in 1986 as a physical education teacher and coach and became Activities Director/Athletic Director in 1988.

The service, held in the CVU gymnasium where he spent many hours over the years, was attended by hundreds of students, faculty, coaches, administrators, friends, family and community members from around the state. Kevin was described as always being cheerful, willing to help, organized, supportive, trustworthy, a good listener, a voice of reason, dependable and professional. He steered clear of credit and the spotlight; he did his job for nearly three decades at one of the state's largest schools that continues to grow in size and success every year.

From talking to friends and associates, many spoke of Kevin's approach and attitude about athletics including CVU Principal Jeff Evans, "CVU has a long history of athletic success, yet I never heard Kevin talk about 'winning' as a goal or driving factor. He understood the lessons of sportsmanship, collaboration, and perseverance in the face of adversity as the cornerstones of any quality athletic experience." Troy Paradee, a CVU teacher, added, "He was a man with such great perspective and understanding of the real reason our students participate in sports. His consistent and



Kevin Riell, CVU's Activities Director, who passed away on December 15.

calm nature led to many student athletes and coaches' success, and none of it had to do with a win or a loss. He will be missed and his legacy will carry on." Jeff Tobrocke who worked with Kevin at CVU for 15 years said, "Most days after work we went running. Kevin believed that wellness activities were as important for the adults performing them as they were for the kids observing the adults. Model what you seek."

In 30 years, Kevin touched the lives of many students, coaches, officials, parents, community members, the media, fellow teachers and administrators not only at CVU but all of Vermont. It's hard to imagine how many athletes, the number of officials, timers, scorers that he dealt with on the fields, the tracks, the rinks, the mats and the courts. "It

has been sad and hard since Kevin's passing", says teacher and coach Scott Bliss. "He was a great boss, great friend and great man. I really don't know how to react and can't imagine him not being my athletic director and seeing him at school every day. He hired me as the athletic trainer in 1990 which led to my teaching job. I probably owe him my career for giving me that chance and getting my foot in the door," Others at the service spoke of Kevin's insightfulness and his ability to suggest direction and push them forward to something more. Jeff Evans and Joe Solomon, each hired by Riell as coaches, remarked how Kevin had encouraged and pushed them to pursue teaching careers. As a coach, his 1986/87 team included Seth Emerson and Stan Williams who both now work and coach at CVU.

I, along with many who work the various sporting events, will continue to expect Kevin to walk through the doors or onto the fields. As a testimony to his impact on coaches and teams throughout the state, words of remembrance, moments of silence and the wearing of red has been observed by opposing teams.

Besides his athletic responsibilities at CVU, Kevin was in charge of buildings and grounds, the bus drivers, cafeteria staff, safety committee and co-curriculars which includes all clubs, drama, etc. Peter Coffey, a former CVU teacher and coach, will be handling some of his duties for the remainder of the school year.

Kevin leaves his wife Linda and daughter Lexa of Shelburne. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them and all his family and friends.



Memorial Service for Kevin Riell at CVU on January 3.

## Local Legends Concert Tomorrow

FROM RESPONSIBLE GROWTH  
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Reminder! The Local Legends concert is tomorrow, January 23 at 7:00 p.m. at the CVU Auditorium. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students. The concert benefits Responsible Growth Hinesburg. This year, like last year, there are three bands/performers. Two are new this year. The headliner is again Jamie Masefield of Starksboro with Tyler Bolles, Doug Perkins and Jon Fishman.



Pete Sutherland (middle) performing at last year's Local Legends concert, performing an original song about shopping local.

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## Thank You, Bus

In the Select Board summary article on page 4, Hinesburg's annual assessment to the CCTA (Chittenden County Transportation Authority) for the 116 Commuter bus route is discussed. Some people may feel that the cost is high. I urge the taxpayers to consider the bigger impacts of our town having a bus route. There are many ways that a bus route benefits you, even if you never use it. Any Hinesburg homeowner who decides to sell their house will find that many buyers consider a bus route to be a perk. Many people want to live in a town that has a bus route, and so the existence of the bus may help you sell your house and/or get a better price.

Karen Walton, the General Manager of CCTA, pointed out at the December 5 Select Board meeting that a large portion of the route is funded through federal congestion mitigation funds. Everyone who drives through Hinesburg benefits if more people take the bus and the traffic congestion is reduced – even if you yourself never take the bus.

It is worth far more to me than my bus fare and my family's property tax contribution to know that I can drop off my car at a local mechanic and take the bus to work. And, the local mechanics benefit from my business, rather than me being forced to drive to a mechanic in Burlington who will give me a ride to my office. Lantman's benefits from my bus ridership because if I'm not driving, I can't stop at Hannaford in South Burlington on my way home – I pop into Lantman's and other local businesses instead. Hinesburg businesses such as NRG may also benefit by being able to attract employees from other towns who would like to be able to take the bus to work. There are so many added and hidden benefits to public transportation besides just getting a person from point A to point B.

Cathy Ryan

# Town News

## Planning News

BY ALEX WEINHAGEN, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ZONING

### Rural Area Subdivision Deadline

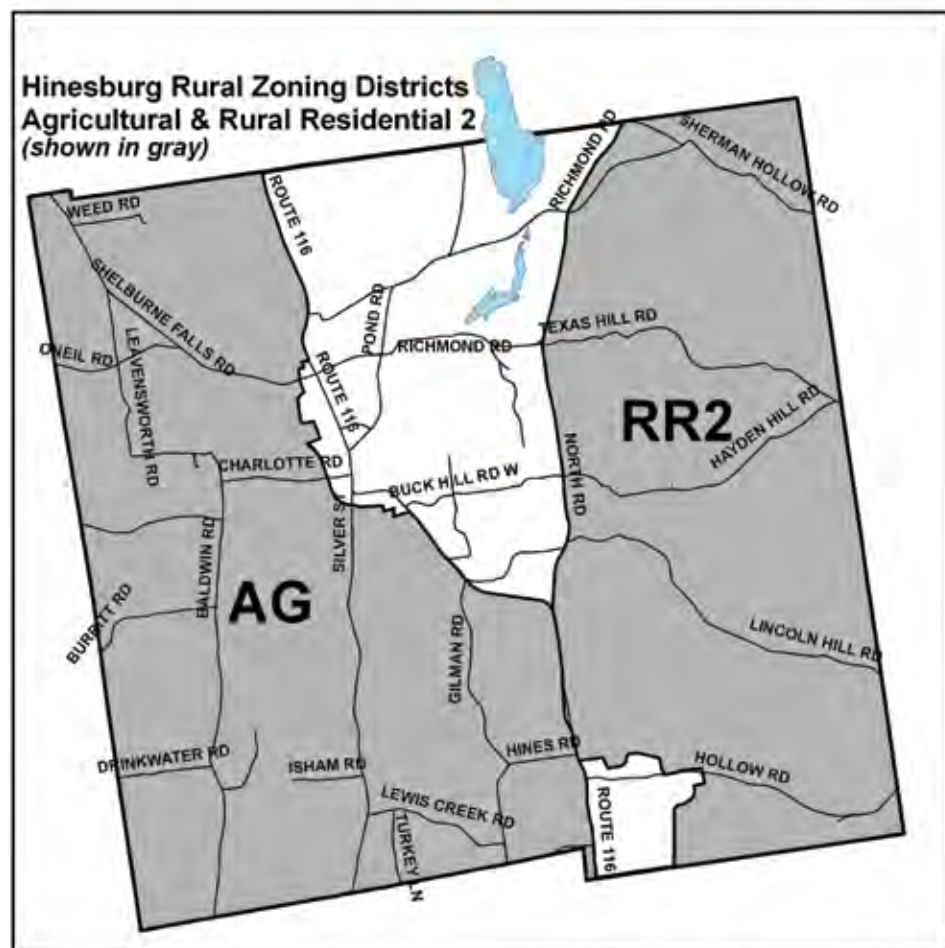
On November 5, Hinesburg voters approved zoning changes that defined future subdivision potential in the two most rural zoning districts – Agricultural district (west of Route 116) and Rural Residential 2 district (east of Richmond Road, North Road, and southern portion of Route 116). Pursuant to section 2.10.3 #2 of the Zoning Regulations, subdivision of 10-12 acre parcels in these two zoning districts will only be possible for a limited time. If you're interested in subdividing a 10-12 acre parcel in these districts, you must begin the review process by submitting an application to the Planning and Zoning Office by March 30.

there are less formal and less expensive alternatives than subdivision, which can still meet your objectives.

Even without subdivision, existing lots can still add a home business or a second residential use in the form of an accessory apartment – either as part of a house or in a separate structure. Existing lots also have access to some newly allowed uses that were added as part of the rural zoning changes passed in 2013. With that said, I know there are some landowners with 10-12 acre parcels that would like to pursue or at least consider subdivision. If that includes you, don't wait any longer! Get in touch with us in the Planning & Zoning Office as soon as possible.

### Town Plan Discussions and Speakers

The Planning Commission invites you to participate in shaping the vision for Hinesburg's future. We are currently working on revisions to the Town Plan,



Hinesburg Agricultural District (AG) and Rural Residential 2 District (RR2) where subdivision of 10-12 acre parcels will only be possible for a limited time.

The Planning and Zoning Office is here to help you explore your options. We can explain the subdivision process and help prepare maps needed for the initial application if you want to pursue it. There are upfront costs to do a subdivision, but they are fairly small for the initial application process – e.g., subdivision sketch plan application fee is \$210. The total cost to garner final subdivision approval can be substantial (surveying, septic system design, etc.), and there are related tax implications once a subdivision is formally approved. Just give us a call to set up an appointment to talk. We can walk you through the pros and cons based on your vision and objectives. Sometimes

which is our comprehensive plan for the community. As part of that process we are hosting community forums and bringing in speakers on the hot button topics of today. Mark your calendar for three upcoming events at the Town Hall:

**January 27, 7:00 p.m. – Traffic Congestion** – why do we have it and how do we fix it?

Speakers: Joe Segale, VT Agency of Transportation; Richard Watts, University of Vermont (and local Hinesburger).

**February 18, 7:00 p.m. – Good Development Design** – what does it look like and how do we get it?

Speakers: Brian Wright, Town Planning and Urban Design Collaborative; Michael Wisniewski, Duncan Wisniewski Architecture (and local Hinesburger).

**March 11, 7:00 p.m. – Sustainable Economic Development** – what is it and how do we do it?

Speakers: Bruce Seifer, author of *Sustainable Communities: Creating a Durable Economy*; Bill Maclay, Maclay Architects and author of *The New Net Zero*.

Regular Planning Commission meetings through the spring will be Town Plan

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discussion sessions – each focused on revisions to various sections of the plan. These Planning Commission discussion sessions are at 7:30 p.m. on the following days: February 11, March 25, April 8, April 22, and likely into May. Community members are welcome to attend! Once the Town Plan revisions are compiled, we will also hold a formal public hearing for additional community feedback and Q&A – possibly in May or June.



# CVU Students Focus on Hinesburg’s Old Town Forest

BY SUSAN RUSTEN, TRAILS COMMITTEE MEMBER

In the fall of 2014, Laurel Billingsley, a science teacher at CVU, directed the attention of her Natural Resources class to the Hinesburg Old Town Forest. Her major class assignment for the semester was for students to develop a project based on current and potential recreational uses in the Hinesburg Old Town Forest or to identify wildlife and habitat in the forest. Students were required to research their topic, gather data in the town forest, and to present their findings to students at Hinesburg Community School.

I had the opportunity to talk with Kyle Hinsdale about his project which focused on soil erosion. Kyle is a junior at CVU and a mountain biking enthusiast. During a presentation to the class early in the term by a representative of Fellowship of the Wheel, Kyle heard about the network of mountain biking trails so close to home and chose the Maiden Trail in the town forest as the focus of his research. His goal was to find where conditions exist along this trail that are



A hiker on the Maiden Trails in Hinesburg’s Old Town Forest.



Mountain bikers enjoying the Maiden Trails in Hinesburg’s Old Town Forest.

likely to see soil erosion and/or where there is evidence of erosion currently. He acknowledged that the work performed by Fellowship of the Wheel was very impressive. While working on this topic, Kyle developed a better understanding of the factors to be taken into account when siting a trail. He looks forward to applying this knowledge when he begins building his own mountain biking trails in the near future.

Kyle stated, “I mounted a camera on the front of my bike so I could film the trail while riding. I used the film in my presentation, and the HCS kids really liked it.” His love of sport as well as science is infectious. Additionally, Kyle expressed his appreciation of the Hinesburg trail network and volunteered to help either Fellowship of the Wheel or the Hinesburg Trails Committee with trail maintenance.

Most of the students in Laurel Billingsley’s Natural Resources class had little awareness of the Hinesburg Old Town Forest prior to taking this course. By sharing their projects with Hinesburg Community School classes, they spread the word about an important natural resource in our own back yard. Hopefully this assignment will foster greater curiosity about all of our town trails and encourage a new generation of stewards of the land.

On a final note, the December snowstorm did extensive damage and resulted in many trails being blocked by fallen branches and toppled trees. The Trails Committee anticipates that volunteers will be needed to help clear trails. If you’re willing to lend a hand, please contact Lenore Budd at buddfamily@gmavt.net.

## Select Board Meeting Summary

BY CATHY RYAN

The January 5 Select Board meeting was primarily comprised of budget presentations for the board, by the following organizations that are requesting funding in the town budget.

### Carpenter-Carse Library

Library Director Sue Barden presented the library budget. She stated that some of the line items that have changed are partially due to a survey they did as part of a strategic five-year plan that they are working on. Some concerns raised by survey participants included increasing the collection, expanding programming, and changing and/or adding to hours of operation. Another concern that was raised was building maintenance, but many of those issues were dealt with this fiscal year.

Due to the concerns raised, the library staff did increase the media and programming budgets in this year’s request. Barden said that the children’s librarian has lots of new ideas and would like to expand and add new programs but didn’t have the money to do so in last year’s budget. The library has already doubled the number of children’s programs provided each week. Children’s books comprise about 85% of the total book circulation (borrows) but the budget is about a third of what it is for adult books and media.

The library is planning to add to the hours that they are open, at first just by opening one hour earlier, at 3:00 p.m. instead of 4:00 p.m., on Wednesdays and Fridays. They will also consider other changes that may be necessary to make the library hours work for everyone. That is part of the reason for the salary increase. Another reason is because one librarian is getting her certification, and the library’s agreement with that

employee is to recompense her more fairly once she has this training. Barden said they are also always trying to hold on to the highly-valued staff that they have had for a long time.

Barden reported there was more than a 10% increase in patron visits over the previous fiscal year. Annual check-outs of books and media was over 46,000, which is an increase of more than 8% over the previous year. More than 1,000 of those check-outs were ebooks (a 65% increase over the previous year). Barden pointed out that although many people read ebooks, the most vocal group clamoring for more books is those who want physical books.

The library has implemented some new practices with the Board of Trustees, including creating a subcommittee which focuses strictly on financial matters. Barden believes this has been really useful.

The library will now be using some of the revenue from their endowment for expenditures, rather than always reinvesting it, in order to help out the taxpayer with library expenses. Select Board member Andrea Morgante asked what percentage of the endowment’s interest income will be spent, and which categories they will put that money towards. Barden said the library’s board of trustees doesn’t have a plan for that. It will be decided year to year. Morgante asked if the budget they presented that night shows any income from the interest income. Barden said that some of the money listed under “income” does indeed come from the endowment, but it is lumped together with other income and not listed separately. Barden said she could compile a list of things they’ve paid for using the endowment, such as the new roof and carpeting, which, she said, were not paid for by taxpayers. She pointed out that the only complication with sharing that information is that Carpenter-Carse Library is not a fully municipal library, but instead is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with its own funds, but very dependent upon the town for funding. The Select Board indicated that it would be helpful to know what the library’s policy is in terms of how much of the endowment’s interest income was being spent, and some of the capital improvement projects that it is going towards. Barden emphasized that there isn’t a policy that is being kept secret, rather there is no policy, and one needs to be developed.

### Agency Request Review Committee

Each year, the Town of Hinesburg receives many funding requests from various agencies that provide services to Hinesburg residents. The Agency Request Review Committee reviews these requests and submits their recommendations to the Select Board. Committee members Sue Marino, Kate Dodge, Katherine Newton, and Kate Schubart were present at the January 5 Select Board meeting to discuss their recommendations. Select Board Chairperson Jonathan Trefry expressed his thanks to the committee for their work. Kate Dodge said that they actually received fewer requests this year than in the past. They received requests from 13 organizations and the com-

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Act 148 is Vermont’s Universal Recycling and Composting Law. It requires that all trash containers provided in public spaces owned or controlled by municipal or state government must be paired with a recycling container by July 1, 2015.

Is YOUR town or city ready? Get the grants while they’re hot! Visit CSWD’s grant page at [tinyurl.com/HRCSDW2](http://tinyurl.com/HRCSDW2) for more information.

## Building Contractors: Does Act 175 Apply to You?

Act 175 does apply to you if you have a project with a C&D waste hauling contract starting after January 1, 2015 – as long as all the conditions below apply to your project:

- The project is within 20 miles of a facility that will recycle C&D waste.
- The project is a commercial building OR is a residential building with two or more units.
- The project will create any of the following architectural material leftovers: drywall, metal, asphalt shingles, clean wood, plywood, oriented strand board (OSB).
- Materials listed above generated by the project would fill a 40-cubic-yard container (for example, a roll-off box that is 6 feet, 10 inches high and 22 feet long).

If all four conditions apply to your project, then Vermont’s Act 175 requires that you make sure those materials are

either reused or recycled. You cannot send them to a landfill. Visit CSWD’s C&D info page at [tinyurl.com/HRCSDW3](http://tinyurl.com/HRCSDW3) to find recycling and reuse facilities in Chittenden County.

Keep waste reduction in mind at every phase of the job and you can decrease the amount you send to the landfill – and potentially reduce your costs.

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Are you a rampant recycler? Do you carry your banana peel home when you can’t find a compost bin? Are you on a mission to reduce waste and spread good fun in the process?

If so, we want you! We’re looking for friendly, enthusiastic, volunteer Waste Warriors to help bring our waste reduction mission to life at Chittenden

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# Legislature

## Senate Update

BY TIM ASHE, CHITTENDEN COUNTY STATE SENATOR

On December 17, Governor Shumlin determined that he could not go forward with a fully tax-financed health care system at this time. That does *not* mean, though, that everything is just fine with Vermont’s health care delivery system. We can and must make improvements moving forward.

My primary goals this year in the Senate are making sure every Vermonter has insurance, mapping out the path and timeframe to globally budget every Vermont hospital, and harmonizing the billing and claims processes of the various insurers. It is my goal to do this in 2015, and I believe it can and should be done.

I believe that dollars *already in the system*, plus the federal credits and subsidies available to many of the uninsured, go a long way toward paying to insure the uninsured. Both critics and supporters of the Green Mountain Care concept have stated their enthusiasm

for getting every Vermonter covered, and now is the time to do it.

The Green Mountain Care Board has authority to move forward with hospital global budgets, but I believe the legislature needs to be a partner in this. As we move forward, we need to be conscious of reducing administrative costs and excluding any excessive expenditures prior to green-lighting a global budget.

Unifying billing codes and claims processing has been a goal of the Legislature for a number of years. I call it the Tower of Babel problem. With each payer using a different language, we need many interpreters to translate from language to language. If we reduce the number of bureaucratic “languages” in our health care system, we can reduce the number of “interpreters”. This is critical to saving on administrative costs. It’s way past time to make this happen.

These are key elements to reform. I’m determined to work with Ginny Lyons, who serves on the Senate Finance Committee with me, and the other Chittenden Senators to see them through.

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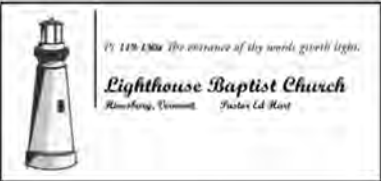
Wellness (noun) physical, mental, spiritual, and emotional health





An opportunity for members of the community to visit with new and existing establishments in a low pressure environment. Will a professional massage really help my aching back and improve the range of motion in my neck? What do all those "machines" do in Catalyst Physiotherapy? Can I sit in one of those comfy looking chairs at Elements Nail Salon? I'm new to the community and am exploring churches; can I come in and chat for a few minutes? Is paddle yoga for someone like me? I have always wondered if that space would be perfect for my business. I wonder who the Landlord is?











### Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road,

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- How to determine what goes into recycling and composting containers. It's not always as easy as you think because there are a lot of different kinds of materials and products out there.
- How to communicate with attendees in ways that help them learn.
- How to help an event up their game in making sure as much as possible stays out of the landfill.
- And more!

Visit the Waste Warrior page at [tinyurl.com/HRCSDW4](http://tinyurl.com/HRCSDW4) and sign up for a training session today! Sessions will be held on the following days:

Monday, February 2, 5:30-6:30pm, Con-tois Auditorium (City Hall), Burlington.

Thursday, March 12, 5:30-6:30pm, Con-tois Auditorium (City Hall), Burlington.

Volunteer as a CSWD Waste Warrior for any event and you'll get a Waste Warrior team bandanna and that special feeling that comes with helping your community become a cleaner, greener place.

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## What's in YOUR Fridge?

According to Bloomberg Businessweek, Americans waste about 20 pounds of food each week. Seriously, 20 pounds? A week?! Yep.

In an unscientific survey of CSWD staff, the list included several forms of bread, brown guacamole, chipotle paste forgotten in the back corner of the fridge, some memorably moldy baked beans, a melancholy head of lettuce, spongy apples, and (gasp!) kale. Don't worry: We have rescinded Mr. Throw-Out-Kale's certificate of Vermonthood until he changes his ways.

There are all kinds of ways to cut down on food waste, but who has time to change habits, convenience, and buy weird forms of food? Well, when you put it that way, we don't have that kind of time, either! Fortunately, it doesn't take that much effort to trim down your foodular waste stream. Try any one of these and you'll be taking a step in the right direction. Then, try another!

**1. Get yourself some glass storage containers.** Not plastic. With glass, you can reheat leftovers right in the container without worrying about melting plastic or wondering if it's true what they say about nasty chemicals leaching into your food. You can also easily see what's in them to remind you that you have yummy leftovers! Pro tips: Write the date you cooked it on a piece of tape and stick it on the container AND keep the container at the front of the fridge so you don't forget about it!

**2. Treat yourself like a guest in your own home.** When you have a special guest for dinner, you probably take some time to plan out the meal: the apps, the main dish, the sides, the after-dinner treat. Why shouldn't you give yourself the same royal treatment? Plus, if you cook as if you have guests, you'll have plenty of leftovers for a couple of lunches or dinners that you can store in your nice, new glass storage containers! So before you leave for work tomorrow, give yourself 10 minutes to check out a recipe, see what ingredients you need vs. what you already have, write it down (or take a picture of it with your cell phone) and shop on your way home. When you finish the last of the leftovers, repeat the process.

**3. Challenge yourself to use only what you already have.** Take those random servings of leftovers, bread, cheese, produce, and pantry items and make an inventive meal from what you already have in stock. Use it up before you have to throw it out! Here are a couple of online tools to help you figure out what you can make with what you've got: Supercook.com, Recipepuppy.com.

And here's a tool to determine how long something can hang around your kitchen before you should toss it in the compost bucket: Stilltasty.com.

Start the new year with a resolution to slice your food waste to a minimum. And please – share your ideas with us! Send your tips to [info@cswd.net](mailto:info@cswd.net).

## Grants Available to Help Turn Waste Reduction Ideas into Reality

Have a great idea for how to reduce waste in your community but just need the cash to make it happen? You've come to the right place! Read on:

CSWD has grant funding to help fund creative ways to reduce the amount of waste heading to the landfill.

Here are some examples of past projects:

- The Town of Huntington built a packaging reuse shed, located behind the fire station. Have extra bubble wrap or need some? Check the shed!
- Hinesburg Community School installed water bottle fill stations and water filters. Coupled with a school-wide education campaign, they significantly reduced plastic bottle waste at the school.
- Charlotte Central School built a compost shed as part of a school educational program and community-wide closed-loop system whereby school food scraps are composted on site and then finished compost is tilled into the school garden where delicious fresh produce is grown to supplement the school lunch program. A win-win-win!
- Champlain Valley Union High School used a grant to build a cafeteria sort station to help them separate recyclables, compostables, and trash to reduce their waste stream.

Learn more and read about other past projects funded with CSWD Waste Reduction grant funds on our grant page at [tinyurl.com/HRCSDW5](http://tinyurl.com/HRCSDW5). Got questions? Email [mkeough@cswd.net](mailto:mkeough@cswd.net).

## Late Bloomer Vows to Plant a Garden in 2015

BY CLARE INNES

I have a hundred reasons for not having a garden. Most seem to be rephrasings of the top three: Not enough time. Not enough space. Not enough know-how. My New Year's resolution is to turn those reasons inside out and figure out what kind of garden I can have. Here are the main excuses I've used successfully – until now:

**Not enough time.** This is true – but only because I usually dream about having a garden that is too big for the amount of time that I DO have. I do have time for a garden – just as long as it's not an epic one. This year, I'll figure out what kind of garden I actually have time for.

**Not enough space.** Really?! No. I can find space for:

...a planter just big enough to wrap my arms around, on my back deck. That way I can grow some herbs that I can

pick fresh to add to a meal while I'm cooking.

...a raised bed, 3-feet square. Just big enough to give it a go and see how much time it actually soaks up. It'll be big enough to have a section for salad greens. The rest of the space will contain the easiest-to-grow veggies I can find – and maybe a few flowers ... and maybe ... well, we'll see how much makes sense in my nine square feet of space.

**Not enough know-how.** Lucky me, for two reasons:

1. I am launching myself into a world offresh, new mini-adventures. I'm anticipating learning just enough to maybe want to learn a little more... and then a little more, and slowly ease my way into that world where friends and coworkers glowingly share their gardening triumphs, tragedies, tricks, and tips – and into a world of fresh food and flowers.

2. My office is in CSWD's administrative building in Williston, right across the street from the compost and gardening gurus at Green Mountain Compost. I can get great advice and creative encouragement that will help me figure out how to fit just the right amount of gardening into my life. I'll share what I learn over the coming NewsFlash editions.

**Why do I want to put what little spare time and space I have into a garden?** Here are some reasons gleaned from the folks at CSWD's home office:

• "Gardening is relaxing, even therapeutic. It switches the gears in your head from overdrive to ahhhhhhhhhh."

• "Smelling the soil makes me happy. It rejuvenates me, creating more positive energy."

• "I get giddy like a little kid when I see things growing in my garden."

• "When you stick your hands in the soil, you can feel a primal connection to all of life."

• "You can watch the progression. It's a new miracle every day out there."

• "You know that if you plant a bean you'll be eating the fruits of your labors in just 8 weeks."

• "I love to wander out into the garden after work with my kids. We all get so excited when we see what's growing."

**OK. I'm in.** And I'm sharing my New Year's resolution with the greater world, so there's no going back. Alrighty then, in the February CSWD NewsFlash, I'll share what I learn about how to get myself ready for my two little gardens. Now that the days are growing longer, my gardener friends are already licking their chops over their seed and supply catalogs. This time, I'll be right in there with them!

Are you thinking about starting to garden for the first time? Let us in on your process! Email me at [cinnes@cswd.net](mailto:cinnes@cswd.net) and let me know what you're thinking about for a garden in 2015. Will it be your first one or are you an experienced gardener with some great tips to share? Let's grow!

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# Police

## Chief’s Corner

BY CHIEF FRANK KOSS, HINESBURG COMMUNITY POLICE

As we begin a new year, I would like to wish everyone a safe new year and to thank everyone for the support our department receives in Hinesburg. I would also like to ask everyone to reflect on your own safety and security and the help you can provide to your public safety agencies in the event you need to call.

The first is to make sure your address is clearly marked, preferably by a reflective address sign. These signs can be purchased from the fire department for \$25. We work in a profession where a minute can make a huge difference.

The next is to take inventory of your possessions, particularly serial numbers of electronics and firearms and photographs with descriptions for jewelry and other valuables. On January 1, the Vermont Department of Public Safety will be initiating a Stolen Property Notification System related to the theft of precious metals. An integral part of the new system are photographs of the stolen items and the rapid dissemination of information to precious metal dealers. The people that break into homes to steal are then walking into a place to sell the items. This is the best chance to catch them.

## Incidents

### Family Fight

On Wednesday, November 5 a female came to the office to report that she had been in an altercation with her boyfriend at their residence in Sunset Mobile Home Park. She was requesting to be accompanied back to retrieve some personal property. She was escorted back and was able to remove property without incident.

### Criminal Driving While Suspended

On Friday, November 7, an officer stopped a vehicle for the license plates not coming back to the vehicle. It was determined that Pamela Ward, 49 years old from Starksboro was driving with a criminally suspended operator’s license. She was arrested and taken to the station for processing.

### Criminal Driving While Suspended

On Saturday, November 8, an officer stopped a vehicle for speeding in St. George. A check of the driver indicated that Charles LaPlant, 48 years old from Starksboro was driving with a criminally suspended operator’s license. He was cited into court.

### Animal Problem

On Sunday, November 9, an officer responded to Richmond Rd. and Magee Hill Rd. for a reported cow in the road. Upon arrival, a male was present holding the cow with a leash on Magee Hill Rd. The man who found the cow on Richmond Rd. was able to move it off the road. The man’s wife was able to

contact the owner who was then able to “walk” the cow home on the leash. Thanks to the citizen for the assistance. Having worked Cow vs. Vehicle accidents in the past, it does not go well for the vehicle and doesn’t do the cow any good either.

### Theft

On Tuesday, November 11, a Starksboro resident contacted the police and stated that her debit card had been stolen by a woman and used at a Hinesburg business. After an investigation, Cassandra Fraser-Brown, age 23 years old of Starksboro was charged with petit larceny

### Agency Assist

On Wednesday November 12, an officer responded to Dorset St. in Shelburne after he monitored a Shelburne officer radio for assistance. A male had become combative and was resisting when taken into custody.

### Suspicious Vehicle

On Thursday, November 13, an officer responded to the town forest off of Hayden Hill Rd. for the report of a suspicious vehicle. A vehicle was located and the operator had been determined to be drinking but was not under the influence. The 54 year old driver was cited for open container and released.

### Agency Assist

On Saturday, November 22, an officer responded to the Sunset Mobile Home Park to assist a Bristol Police officer in locating a 17 year old male who had run away from a foster home. The juvenile was located and the biological mother arrested for violation of probation. Two other females that live in the Park were cited for harboring a runaway.

### Criminal Driving While Suspended

On Wednesday, November 26 an officer responded to a vehicle off the road and it was determined that David Minor, age 55 years of age was driving on a criminally suspended license. He was arrested, taken to the station for processing and released.

### Agency Assist

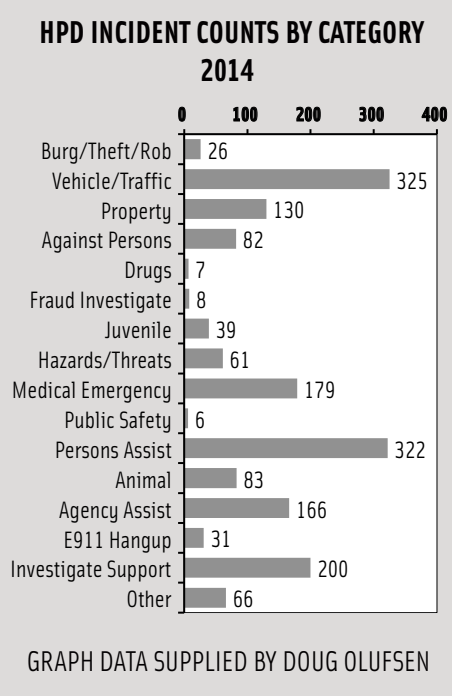
On Friday, November 28, officers responded to Texas Hill Rd. in Huntington to assist with a fatal motor vehicle accident.

### 911 Hangup

On Friday, November 28, officers responded to Hillview Terrace for a 911 hangup. Upon arrival, yelling could be heard from the inside of the residence. The male that answered the door was evasive and did not want officers to verify that there was not a problem. The male subsequently allowed officers in and there had been a verbal altercation but not physical. It was determined that the male had violated his parole by drinking.

### Criminal Driving While Suspended

On Wednesday, December 3, an officer was on patrol and stopped a vehicle for



expired registration. Justin Bushey, 32 years old was determined to be driving with a criminally suspended license. Bushey was arrested and taken to the station for processing.

### Assault

On Thursday, December 4, the on-call officer and an off-duty officer responded to North Rd. for a reported assault. The male suspect had left the resident and after crashing his vehicle, returned to the residence. Upon arrival of officers, he was sitting on a couch and was taken into custody without incident. Derick Benoit, 31 years old from Charlotte was charged with two counts of aggravated assault after he pushed his way into the residence because the girl he was seeing was in the company of another young man. During the altercation, the 78 old resident was hurt requiring transport to the hospital and a 24 year old male sustained a cut to the face. Benoit was transported to the station, processed and then booked into the Chittenden County Correctional Center.

### Burglary, Forced Entry

On Sunday, December 7 officers responded to Pond Rd. for an occupied residence that had the door kicked

in. A 16 year old girl was home when someone knocked on the door. When she did not answer, the male went to a side door and kicked the door in. When she showed herself, the male ran and got into a vehicle and left the scene. Within 30 minutes, Richmond Police responded to Richmond Rd. for another forced entry. This time, relatives of the homeowner tackled the suspect and held him for the police. The connection between the two incidents is still under investigation.

### Citizen Dispute

On Sunday, December 7, officers responded to Sunset Mobile Home Park for a reported citizen dispute. Officers determined that an altercation occurred when a female arrived to pick up a child and another female refused to let the child go until the father came home. The child was taken and transported to the grandmother who had legal custody. No further involvement was necessary.

### Citizen Dispute

On Sunday, December 14, an officer responded to the Village Cemetery for a reported assault. Upon arrival, a female was folding up a pocket knife. Another male and female were walking down the road. These people knew each other and were not friends. None of these people were Hinesburg residents but arrived coincidentally at the cemetery within minutes of each other to locate a “Geocache”. Statements were taken and no one wanted to press charges.

### Welfare Check

On December 18, an officer responded to Hillview Terrace to check on a woman at the request of her daughter. It was learned that the mother left the state and had been gone for several months. The woman called the office to confirm she was okay.

### Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

On Thursday, December 18, officers on patrol received a report of a vehicle be-

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ing driven in an erratic manner. Officers observed the vehicle on Texas Hill Rd. and subsequently determined Jessica Friedman, 35 years old from Hinesburg was driving under the influence of alcohol. She was arrested and transported to the station where she was processed and then cited and released.

### Family Fight

On Saturday, December 20, officers responded to a family fight in the Mountain View Mobile Home Park. Upon arrival, it was determined that an altercation had occurred and Nicholas Race, 23 years old from Hinesburg ran into the woods with a hunting rifle. At that time, an officer from Shelburne Police and off duty Hinesburg officers also responded. The Vermont State Police were contacted for a canine and a search began after their arrival. A short time later, the subject returned to the residence and was detained without incident. He was transported to the station, processed and released to his father with a charge of domestic assault.

### Citizen Dispute

On December 20 an officer was contacted by a Hinesburg resident regarding a child that she picked up after the mother from Winooski had attempted suicide. The mother left the hospital and called wanting the child back. Over a period of several hours and with the help of DCF, the child was placed with a relative of the mother.

### Driving While Criminal-ly Suspended/DUI

On Saturday, December 27, an enforcement stop was made on Richmond Rd. Arnold Sweeney, 23 years old from Hinesburg was determined to be criminally suspended and was processed for DUI. He was taken to the station for processing and released on a citation to appear.

### Criminal Driving While Suspended

On December 28, a vehicle was stopped for speeding on CVU Rd. The driver, Elizabeth Kleinfeldt of St. George was determined to be criminally suspended. She was arrested, taken to the station for processing and released on a citation to court.

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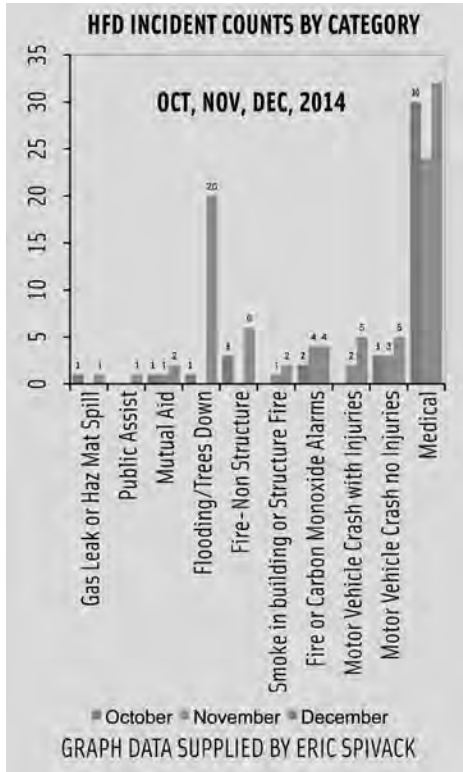
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## Fire

Due to a publishing error, the graph with the last article did not show the correct call breakdown for October 2014. With this article, we are showing three months of calls. We responded to 41 calls in October; 35 calls in November; and 78 calls in December.



\* an example of a non-structure fire would be a telephone pole, car, or grass/brush fire.

## Winter Storm Keeps Department Busy

On December 9, a winter storm arrived in Vermont. By the time the storm left, there was up to a foot of snow in areas and members of HFD were kept busy with calls. Members were staying at the station and during part of the storm, HFD was self-dispatching.

The Fire Station and radio communications system at Mt. Pritchard are equipped with backup generators. In the event of a power failure, the generators automatically switch on. This allows us to use the station and also continue our communications with Shelburne Dispatch. At some point after power was lost at Mt. Pritchard, the generator stopped working. Upon investigation, it was found that the generator had failed. HFD was able to dispatch using the radio equipment in our station, and stay in contact with Shelburne by phone.

By Saturday, HFD had responded to

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over 40 calls including downed power lines, blown transformers, fallen trees, and providing assistance to the Community Police with traffic control due to the number of cars sliding off the road and minor accidents.

Due to the number of calls for trees down and limbs on power lines, HFD only responded to those calls in which there was imminent danger. If, at any time you observe limbs on a power line, you should contact your power company. They have the proper equipment to reach the limb and safely remove it. HFD will respond if the lines are down or arcing.

We also received calls for Carbon Monoxide (CO) detectors sounding. Unfortunately, not all the CO calls were for faulty detectors. In some cases, there was CO in the house. The cause was found to be the result of a generator in use near the residence or in a garage underneath. Fortunately, the CO alarms worked and no one became seriously ill. REMEMBER – Do not run generators in/near your residence or garage. They should only be set up outside, away from vents.

## Motor Vehicle Crashes

At about 5:15 p.m. Friday December 12, HFD was dispatched to a report of a motor vehicle crash on Route 116 near Billings Farm Road. On arrival, responders found a two-car head-on collision, blocking most of Route 116. As EMTs assessed the occupants, Firefighters worked to secure the scene and open one lane of traffic. One occupant was treated for injuries and transported to UVM Medical Center by St. Michael's Rescue.

HFD was dispatched to another crash, this one located at the Route 116 and Silver Street intersection, around 8:25 p.m. This was a two vehicle crash on the curve. One vehicle blocking the northbound lane, with the second vehicle across the street at the top of Silver Street. There were three occupants in the two vehicles. One occupant was treated and transported to UVM Medical Center by St. Michael's.

## Possible Structure Fire

At approximately 6:30 p.m. Saturday December 13, HFD was dispatched to Hinesburg Hollow Road for a report of a possible structure fire. The fire was mostly out when the first firefighters arrived. The fire was contained to the room of origin, and appears to have started near an in-use generator. All residents safely evacuated the home and there were no injuries. HFD was on scene just over an hour and was assisted at the scene by Richmond and Starksboro Fire Departments. Williston Fire Department responded to the Hinesburg station for coverage.

Be sure to visit our website [hinesburgfd.org](http://hinesburgfd.org)

## Business

## Greentree Real Estate Welcomes Siffermann

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Greentree Real Estate is delighted to welcome Leanne Siffermann as their newest licensed Real Estate Agent. Leanne joined Greentree at the end of 2014 and has been licensed as a Realtor since 2007.

Leanne's real estate career began with property management for Pomerleau Real Estate. She enjoyed the work so much she obtained a real estate license a year later. She has also worked with Century 21 Jack Associates as a foreclosure specialist and the Conroy and Company group at Keller Williams as a Sales Manager in charge of the listing department. Most recently, Leanne was an independent agent at Keller Williams where she greatly enjoyed working with both buyers and sellers.

Leanne has a BS in nutrition from Pepperdine University and is also a graduate of Platt College for graphic design. She has had her own painting and mural business since 1991 and is also a certified home stager. She has been a care provider for the VNA in Vermont since 2004.

Leanne lives in Monkton and appreciates Vermont's outdoors through kayaking, hiking and bird watching. She can be reached at [Leanne@vermontgreentree.com](mailto:Leanne@vermontgreentree.com) or 233-4013. Greentree Real Estate is located at 1317 Davis Road, Monkton, Vermont and is owned by Bill and Phyllis Martin and Katrina Roberts. Greentree Real Estate serves both buyers and sellers primarily in Addison and Chittenden Counties and throughout the Champlain Valley. For more information, please visit [vermontgreentree.com](http://vermontgreentree.com).



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Checks are payable to Hinesburg Recreation Department.

**When:** Sundays – January 25, February 1, 8, March 1 and 8.

Register and pay through HRD by Thursday at noon for each Sunday. All forms are available on the website, hard copies are at the Recreation Department or e-mail [hinesburgrec@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgrec@gmavt.net) for copies.

Lesson time is 1:00 pm. Children must be at least 6 years old for a lesson through this program. Meet Group Leader between 8:30-9:30 am in the Village Lodge on the first floor Pizzeria (look for "Hinesburg Recreation" sign).

## Family Swim at the Sports and Fitness Edge

Bring your family to swim at the Sports and Fitness Edge, at 10 Wellness Drive in Williston. Enjoy an indoor heated pool activity with your family this winter.

**Who:** Hinesburg residents

**When:** January 25, February 22, and March 29

**Time:** 1:00-5:00 pm.

**Cost:** \$25 per group

Please sign up at the Recreation Department 482-2281 ext. 230 and [hinesburgrec@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgrec@gmavt.net) by Thursday at noon.

Pay at Sports and Fitness Edge.

## Dance for Pre-Schoolers with Miss Jeanne

**Who:** Ages 3 & 4 years

**Where:** Town Hall

**When:** Fridays

**Time:** 10:30 to 11:30 am

**Cost:** \$40 per month. Checks are payable to HRD.

Please register with the Recreation Department at 482-2281 ext. 230 or [hinesburgrec@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgrec@gmavt.net)

## Driver Education

Kevin Browne offers this class for students pursuing a driver's license. This class is for those who already possess a learner's permit. Classroom instruction will take place in Town Hall. Driving time will be scheduled outside of classroom hours. Kevin provides the option to test for the driving exam. He can be contacted to arrange for the exam. For questions regarding the class or to enroll please contact the Recreation Department at 482-2281 ext. 230 or [hinesburgrec@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgrec@gmavt.net).

**Where:** Hinesburg Town Hall – Main Room

**When:** Monday, Wednesdays and Thursdays. 3/9, 3/12, 3/16, 3/18, 3/19, 3/23, 3/25, 3/26, 3/30, 4/1, 4/2, 4/6, 4/8, and 4/9.

**Time:** 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Cost:** \$675

Please make checks payable to Kevin Browne. Registration and payment is due to Rec. Dept. by 2/13/15. HRD, 10632 Route 116, Hinesburg, VT 05461. Students may ride a bus after dismissal from CVU that stops at Town Hall.

# Library

## Winter Library Hours

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

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

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## We Deliver

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

## Trustee Meetings

Carpenter-Carse Board of Trustees meetings are held on the fourth

Wednesday of each month unless otherwise warned. All meetings are held at the library at 7:00 p.m. and are open to the public.

## Ongoing Library Programs

### Toddler Storytimes

Storytimes for toddlers (ages 0-3) are held every Tuesday from 9:30-10:00 a.m. Join Sara for age-appropriate stories, songs and games. Walk-ins are welcome. Recent storytime themes were: snow/snowmen, family, under the sea, bathtime, barnyard and bears.

### Preschool Storytimes


Kids ages 3-5 are invited to Preschool Storytime every Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. – noon. Come and enjoy stories, songs and a snack with Sara. No preregistration is required. Some of our fall themes were: ice skating, family, Jan Brett, Neil Gaiman.

### Lego Club

Lego Club happens at the library every Thursday after school from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m., following the school calendar.

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Book Discussion Group

Avid readers are invited to join our library’s book club (for adults), which meets monthly in readers’ homes. The next discussion features *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie on Tuesday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m. The March selection is: *Paris Stories* by Mavis Gallant. Meetings are held in readers’ homes with refreshments served. Please phone Elizabeth at 793-7552 for information on meeting location and more.

December/January Acquisitions

Adult Fiction:

- Atwood, Margaret, *Stone Mattress: nine tales*
- Baldacci, David, *The Escape*
- Connelly, Michael, *The Burning Room: a novel*
- Diamant, Anita, *Boston Girl: a novel*
- Dingman, Carolyn T. and Tavia Gilbert, *Cancel the Wedding: a novel* [print and audio]
- Ford, Richard, *Let Me Be Frank with You*
- Green, Jane, *Saving Grace*
- Hayes, Terry, *I am Pilgrim: a thriller*
- Horowitz, Anthony, *Moriarty: a novel*
- Johnson, Denis; Scott Shepherd, *The Laughing Monsters: a novel* [audio]
- King, Stephen, *Revival*
- Klay, Phil, *Redeployment*
- Mandel, Emily St. John, *Station 11*
- Martin, George R.R., *Rogues*
- Ng, Celeste, *Everything I Never Told You*
- O’Neill, Joseph, *The Dog*
- Patterson, James, *Hope to Die*
- Wiley, Michael, *Blue Avenue*

New in LARGE PRINT:

Clark, Mary Higgins, *The Cinderella Mur-*

- der: an Under Suspicion novel*
- Cornwell, Patricia, *Flesh and Blood*
- Deveraux, Jude, *Change of Heart*
- Picoult, Jodi, *Leaving Time*
- Scottoline, Lisa, *Betrayed*
- Steinhauer, Olen, *Cairo Affair*

Adult Nonfiction:

- Ackerman, Diane, *The Human Age: the world shaped by us*
- Anderson, William and Dan Andreasen, *Pioneer Girl: the story of Laura Ingalls Wilder*
- Brown, Flip, *Balanced Effectiveness at Work: how to enjoy the fruits of your labor without driving yourself nuts*
- Bush, George W., *41: a portrait of my father*
- Chodron, Pema, *How to Meditate: a practical guide to making friends with your mind*

Croke, Vicki, *The Elephant Company: the inspiring story of an unlikely hero and the animals who helped him save lives in WWII*

- Farinella, Matteo; also Hana Ros, *Neuro-comic*
- Gawande, Atul, *Being Mortal: medicine and what matters in the end*
- Hall, Donald, *Essays after Eighty*
- Herbert, Bob, *Losing Our Way: an intimate portrait of a troubled America* [print and audio]
- Manning, Molly Guptill, *When Books Went to War: the stories that helped us win WWII*
- Sussler, Betsy, *Bomb: the author interviews*

Coming Soon:

**New Titles by: (fiction),** Sarah Addison Allen, Alan Bradley, William Gibson, Paula Hawkins, Tim Johnston, Anne Rice, A.G. Riddle and Jacqueline Winspear (March). **Non-fiction by:** Naomi Klein, Ann Lamott, Amanda Palmer, Rebecca Solnit and Eric Topol, MD.

Special Events

Tea Party Storyhour

Mark your calendars and plan on joining us on Thursday, January 22, 6:00 -7:00 p.m. Cozy up with a cup of tea as we journey to other fantastical tea parties. We will read books, have a real tea party, and save some time for crafting as well. Wear your tea party attire! All ages welcome; recommended ages 3-8.

Concert with Mr. Chris

Join us on Saturday, January 31 for a sweet sing-songy time with local children’s musician Chris Dorman. He has wee ones in mind when performing and engages young children with music that “inspires laughter, wonder, and warmth between parents, and caregivers, and their children.” We are thrilled to have Chris here and plan to get cozy in the community room! Everyone welcome; recommended ages are 0-5.

Coming in February

LEGO Family Fun Night

Families – Come to have fun with LEGO’s on Tuesday, February 24th from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Children of all ages are welcome with an adult; recommended ages: 2 and up. Free. Further details will follow in the next Hinesburg Record.

Animal Tracking Workshop with Kristen Littlefield

Environmental educator Kristen Littlefield shares her knowledge and love of the natural world on Saturday, February 28 at 1:00 p.m. Registration is required. Our Youth Librarian will post further details in the next Hinesburg Record.

Adult Program – Film and Discussion

Just in time for Valentine’s Day the Film Discussion Group will be showing a favorite vintage classic movie. Join us Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m. for this FREE event with complementary popcorn. Larry Parker, former Associate of the Savoy Theater and the Green Mountain Film Festival, will generate an insightful and lively discussion following the film. Please call the library at 482-2878 for more information.

Special Adult Program: India

Join us for an inspiring program on India presented by Hinesburg resident Allison Cleary, and student members of MOVE, Mobilization of Volunteer Efforts, at Saint Michael’s College. Allison is an Instructor of Media Studies, Journalism and Digital Arts and also is Coordinator of International Service at Saint Michael’s College.

Volunteers involved in this program work with the poorest of the poor in Kolkata, India, where millions are homeless, living in train stations or on the streets, and many more are living below the poverty line. Much of their time is spent volunteering at Mother Teresa’s homes, which include orphanages for



Hinesburg resident Alliston Cleary will be giving a presentation at the library in February on the St. Michael’s College volunteer program MOVE, which includes volunteer work in India.



malnourished children and severely handicapped children, and homes for the destitute and dying of Kolkata. Volunteers also work with organizations that provide homes, education, and sustainability for children taken out of the red-light district in Kolkata, a place where most young girls turn to prostitution merely to survive.

This international service experience helps students understand social justice issues and the role they may have

in making change happen in our world. By graduation, nearly 70% of Saint Michael’s students will participate in MOVE in some way, which is a very high participation rate for any organization on campus.

Join us for this free event and meet the dynamic students involved! Donations will be gladly accepted to support their important work in India.

Please call the library for the specific date and time: 482-2878

Winter Book Sale Success

The Library’s annual winter book sale offered in November and December gave our adult book budget a welcome lift. The sale of like-new books brought in \$344.00 this year, thanks to enthusiastic shoppers who purchased items priced between \$3.00 and \$5.00, and to the efforts of Adult Services Librarian Jane Racer, who organizes the sale each year. Well done! We will use the proceeds for new books and other media.

Websites

- safekids.org/tip/toy-safety-tips** – Keeping kids safe: facts and parent education
- ilovelibraries.org** – “Supporting one of our nation’s most important resources”
- ted.com/topics/creativity** – Understanding and nurturing creativity

**therumpus.net** – The Rumpus: “the bottleneck is the crucible of creation”; great writers contribute to and edit the site daily.

- granta.com** – Granta: “the magazine of new writing”
- greenlivingjournal.com** – “A practical journal for friends of the environment”

It Takes a Village

Next month we will take time to thank the wide range of people and groups who have supported the library in many, many ways. Each month we will focus on a different kind of support the library has received. It gives us great pleasure to look back and realize how many people have contributed in some way to making our library a vital part of the community.

Quote of the Month

“The problem isn’t coming up with ideas, it is how to contain the invasion. My ideas are like uninvited guests. They don’t knock on the door; they climb in through the windows like burglars who show up in the middle of the night and make a racket in the kitchen as they raid the fridge. I don’t sit and ponder which one I should deal with first. The one to be wrestled to the floor before all others is the one coming at me with the most vehemence. I have, over the years, developed methods to deal with the invaders as quickly and efficiently as possible, though the burglars never stop coming. You invite a handful of friends for dinner, but the door bursts open and a hundred people are pushing in. You might manage to get rid of them, but from around the corner another fifty appear almost immediately.... But you relish dealing with these ‘burglars.’ I am glad to be rid of them after making a film or writing a book. The ideas are uninvited guests, but that doesn’t mean they aren’t welcome.”

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# Education

## CVU School Board Update

BY SUSAN GRASSO, LIA CRAVEDI, AND KIM SCHMITT – CVU SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

### Update on Standards Based Learning at CVU

What should our students know after four years of high school? What should they be able to do? How do we know when students have achieved these goals? What does a grade or report card tell us about what a student knows, understands and is able to do? Can grading be made less subjective and more objective? Can our educational system honor students as individuals, characterized by unique background knowledge, learning styles and personal goals?

These are some of the very challenging

questions that have long engaged CVU educators. The educational shifts that are currently ramping up at CVU are driven by this inquiry and intended to improve learning, increase rigor, and keep CVU at the front of education in VT and the US. Referred to as standards based learning (SBL), this clearer articulation of public education is based on the most current research we have on the brain and learning. We hope this Q&A from CVU school administration will help our community better understand the work CVU is undertaking to help all our students achieve.

#### What is standards-based learning?

One way to think about SBL is through the metaphor of a Global Positioning System (GPS). Our goal as educators is to help students reach their destinations—the standards. In a standards-based system, education focuses on three areas:

**Articulate:** Educators design Learning Targets for their classes aligned with

national, state, and local standards. These targets clearly articulate what students should know, understand, and be able to do for each unit of study. The targets are like the “destinations” in a GPS. We decide where we want to go, and we enter the location—we need to be specific about our destinations in order to get the best directions. Teachers, students, and parents are aware of the destinations, so there is no mystery about where we are headed.

**Differentiate:** Educators examine the strengths and needs of each student and determine strategies to help all students meet or exceed the articulated standards. Think of this as the actual map to the destination. Not all students are starting from the same location, so the routes they take may differ. It is the teacher’s job to know the map (and students) well enough to anticipate roadblocks, determine alternate routes, or to suggest scenic opportunities. In most cases, the students have the same destinations, but how and when they get there may vary.

**Communicate:** Educators report student progress and achievement at the end of each unit of study. These reports are aligned with the articulated Learning Targets. Think of these reports as

the “blue dot” on a GPS. At any given time, we know our exact location towards the destination. The blue dot tells us where we are and how far we are from where we want to be. This is what the standards reports do as well: they let teachers, students, and parents know where the learners are in relation to specific destinations.

#### How are grades assigned in an SBL system?

Standards-based grading (SBG) is a necessary component of standards-based learning. When we instruct and assess based on standards, our grades need to communicate student achievement of these standards.

At the beginning of each unit, teachers will clearly articulate the required standards (or targets) for that unit. At any time, students and parents may contact the teachers to request these targets. Throughout the unit, students are assessed in a variety of ways (everything from homework to classwork to quizzes to discussions to projects to essays... all of the ways teachers have always assessed understanding) to see where they are in relation to the targets. Students receive feedback on these assess-

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ments, and the teacher uses the data to design learning experiences and differentiate instruction as necessary.

At the end of the unit, the teacher determines where the student is in relation to the target using evidence of learning gathered throughout the unit. The teacher's goal is to provide as accurate a picture as possible of the student's learning on each target. Students and parents will receive reports at the end of the unit that break down achievement of each target; this level of detail helps encourage conversations about learning and helps all parties understand areas of success and challenge.

Because we still need to provide a single letter grade at the end of each unit, final scores from each target are combined into a composite score, which is then converted into a letter grade using a traditional GPA conversion chart.

**This year, we saw a broad roll out of SBL and SBG. Can you tell us about it?**

It's important to understand that historically, all CVU teachers had the autonomy to develop their own system for determining one of thirteen grades (A+, A, A-, etc.) to assign at the end of a course - that is still the case. What is different from the past is that teachers who choose to determine those grades using SBG are applying a set of common agreements about grading.

Currently, about 40% of the CVU faculty is fully standards-based, including all 9th grade (core) teachers. An additional 40% of faculty is standards-based in at least one course. Many of these teachers took a course last summer to help prepare for the year, and there is ongoing professional development to support their learning. We have learned

a lot this year about the importance of clarity, information, and transparency, and these lessons will continue to help us as we move forward.

**Why are we adopting a standards-based learning system?**

Though this all may seem new, we have been moving towards SBL at CVU for over 20 years, beginning with the creation of our school Expectations for Student Learning. We have always been a community that prides itself on doing what's best for all students and staying at the forefront of educational and brain research. With the adoption of Common Core State Standards, the Next Generation Science Standards, national testing, and state requirements to shift to proficiency-based graduation, our work with SBL positions us to improve upon an already exceptional educational experience for all CVU students.

In addition to being based on what we know about learning and the brain, using standards to determine student progress is soon going to be mandatory. A recent Vermont law requires that all schools shift to proficiency (standards)-based graduation requirements. According to the Vermont Agency of Education, "This establishes the expectation that the transition to a proficiency-based system for determining progress and graduation will begin with the incoming seventh grade students of 2014 and be phased in over the following years." Because of our work over the past few years, CVU is well positioned to meet this requirement and continue to develop and implement SBL strategies that improve learning for all students.

**What has been the reaction from students, parents and faculty?**

Overall, the reaction from the whole community has been positive. Parents and students who had experienced SBL and SBG in the Core program had fewer

questions, and a greater understanding of the philosophy and the practices that support learning. Due to the large number of faculty who chose to implement SBL in their classes this year, there were many parents and students who were new to SBL; there was certainly a steeper learning curve in these cases, but when we were able to provide resources and answer questions, the response became more positive. After the initial concerns were addressed, our teachers, students, and parents seem to have settled into the new ways of learning and talking about learning.

**There have been some concerns from parents, faculty and students about transitioning to a fully-implemented SBL system. Can you describe some of them?**

Impact on grade distribution - there was some concern that the transition to standards based learning would result in lower grades for students. Analysis of our first quarter data showed that there was little difference in the grade distribution this year when compared to last year. We will continue analyzing this data throughout the year.

Applying to college - There were concerns raised that the move to SBL would impact students getting into college. Colleges will receive the same information about students from CVU as they always have. All students will have a grade on their transcript for every course that they have taken and a GPA calculated from those grades. From our school profile, colleges may learn that many of our courses are standards-based. Our research indicates that colleges value grades that are based solely on evidence of student achievement.

**What steps have you taken to address these concerns?**

The approach with the majority of the concerns has been further education and communication. We have found that the vast majority of issues have been a result of misunderstandings, and that with clearer information we have been able to ease the fears some people were bringing to the table.

Some of the concrete steps we have taken to improve clarity and to further educate the public:

- All teachers have posted clearly-articulated grading policies on their Moodle pages or websites; this allows students and parents to understand how teachers will be determining grades.
- We had a parent evening to address initial questions and concerns, and then created an SBL FAQ to address the most common of these. All teachers who are standards-based have posted this FAQ on their Moodle pages or websites.
- We held lunchtime student question and answer tables to address concerns from our student body; these sessions have led to further professional development to improve communication between faculty and students.
- Our Direction Center has been working closely with college admissions officers in order to ensure that CVU's transition to SBL and SBG is smooth

and easily understood.

**How does SBL/SBG fit into our K-12 district educational plan?**

A district team comprised of representatives from all CSSU schools is developing a K-12 implementation plan for SBL. This team will soon be communicating next steps with all stakeholders in the district. This team is working with representatives from the VT AOE, Great Schools Partnership, and districts across Vermont to establish graduation standards aligned with the state's Education Quality Standards, systems to support proficiency-based graduation requirements, and professional development strategies.

For more information, please visit [cvulearns.weebly.com](http://cvulearns.weebly.com).

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## CVU Wrestling Team Participates in Invitational Tournament

BY JENNIFER OLSON

The CVU Wrestling Team participated in the Saratoga Invitational Tournament on Saturday, January 3, in Saratoga Springs, NY. CVU was the only high school from Vermont - the balance of the 20 teams were from New York (18 teams) and New Hampshire (1 team).



CVU Wrestler Kienan Kittredge at the Saratoga Invitational Tournament.



CVU Wrestler Alex Legg at the Saratoga Invitational Tournament.

Alex Legg of Williston, a CVU Senior, took third place in the 145# division.

Kienan Kittredge of Charlotte, a CVU Junior, took third place in the 182# division.

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Hinesburg Nursery School students and siblings sing together at their Holiday Party on December 20.

# Hinesburg Nursery School to Host Annual Breakfast and Silent Auction on Feb. 7

BY JESSICA ABBOTT

Mark your calendar now so you'll be sure not to miss a delicious Hinesburg tradition! On Saturday, February 7, Hinesburg Nursery School will serve up its 17th Annual Waffle Breakfast and Silent Auction, from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Hinesburg Community School cafeteria. Come and enjoy a hearty breakfast of waffles with Vermont maple syrup, strawberries and whipped cream, served with sides of bacon, bagels, fruit and more. After you've had your fill of breakfast, be sure to check out the fabulous items available for bids in the silent auction. This year you could win passes or tickets to family destinations and events, gift certificates, kids items, and a wide array of local and handmade items.

Breakfast costs \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 2-12. Tots under 24 months of age eat for free.

All proceeds benefit Hinesburg Nursery School, a non-profit parent cooperative preschool. More information, including details regarding 2015-2016 enrollment, is available at [hinesburgnurseryschool.org](http://hinesburgnurseryschool.org).

Have news? 482-2350 or [news@hinesburgrecord.org](mailto:news@hinesburgrecord.org).

# Exchange Students Share Holiday Traditions

BY JAN BEDARD, REGIONAL COORDINATOR, EF HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE YEAR

EF High School Exchange Year students attending Champlain Valley Union High School gathered in December at the home of Susan and Domenico Grasso in Shelburne to share their holiday traditions. Many dates are celebrated in December and January as part of the holiday season. Christmas in many cultures is not as overwhelming and less about gift giving and glitz and more about being with family and friends, and sharing



From left: Exchange students Anne-Sofie and Oscar (Norway), Geraldine (Italy), Johan (Sweden), and Filippo (Italy).

good food. Students prepared food and talked about the role and significance their dish would play in celebrations at home. Advent calendars filled with little treats, stockings, and gifts under the Christmas tree were common in many countries. Watching Donald Duck is a tradition for Christmas Day in Sweden. Santa Lucia is celebrated in Italy and in Sweden, but the vision of Lucia is strikingly different.

Geraldine commented that "It was a great moment for me to share with the other exchange students and families about our traditions for Christmas, and to hear about American traditions. It was also an opportunity for each one to thank our families for everything they do for us, which is not always possible in the everyday life. These four months here were the best I could ask for, it's just great to feel a part of the community and have the possibility of sharing my culture and to learn so much about this new one."

For information on hosting, please

contact Jan Bedard at 482-3494, [gbedard920@gmail.com](mailto:gbedard920@gmail.com) or go to [efexchangeyear.org](http://efexchangeyear.org).

# Early Childhood Education...Full Steam Ahead!

BY ANDREA SAMBROOK, DIRECTOR, ANNETTE'S PRESCHOOL

In the local coffee shops, in the grocery line, at the library and at the state house, it is hard to miss the interest in and dialogue about the importance of early childhood education. It is a primary focus not only here in Vermont, but at the federal level too, and the recent passing of Act 166 now mandates funding for 10 hours of universal pre-K for all 3 to 5-year-olds in Vermont. Regardless of parental income or circumstance, all children who are age 3-5 on or before September 1, 2015 are eligible to receive high quality early learning experiences.

Early childhood education is a profession, and teachers who train to understand development in the early years know that 80% of the brain architecture before age five is being "built" before our eyes as synapses are formed, strengthened and pruned according to the quality of the stimulation, problem solving and positive interactions the child is exposed to. The Let's Grow Kids Campaign has brought this message to the forefront for parents, doc-

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tors, neighbors and the general public. Act 166 is a great benefit for parents as it values the critical importance of the early years and also reduces the cost of high-quality education by approximately 25% for full time working families. For part time programs that offer 10 hours of PreK, it is free. However, every child, regardless of whether parents work or are at home, deserves to have the benefit of high-quality early care and education.

How do you define which early learning programs provide experiences that are high quality and which might not? High quality experiences for 3-5 year olds are play-based and are created through an intentional framework which includes highly trained, licensed teachers, a rich environment with manipulatives, natural materials and books full of print, numbers, pictures and stories. These environments are rich with questioning, “I see you are clipping the rings together to make a very long chain. I wonder how long it will be when all the links are connected?” Sometimes preschoolers take many minutes to articulate their ideas, so waiting and watching is important! Helping children give words to their feelings fosters social interaction and self-regulation by helping a friend or waiting a turn. In addition, high quality environments offer opportunities for children to develop deep interests and mastery motivation by learning to do new things “all by myself” such as banging with a hammer, designing a new yoga move, or building a higher, faster ramp for a car to fly off of!

The STep Ahead Recognition System (STARS) is Vermont’s quality recognition system for child care, preschool, and afterschool programs. Programs that participate in STARS are stepping ahead — going above and beyond — state regulations to provide professional services that meet the needs of children and families.

The more stars a program has, the more it is involved in a wide range of practices that support children, fami-



“How can we go higher and farther at the same time?...We could build a ramp!”

lies, and professionals. Prequalification to be an early learning partnership provider requires a number of factors such as having four or five stars in the star system, providing a licensed teacher on staff (or have access to the services of one), conduct focused observations and documentation of growth and learning, and supporting families in learning about their child.

School districts are currently voting to decide if they will become an early adopter of Act 166 by July 1, 2015 or wait one year to implement once all of the rulemaking is complete. Chittenden South Supervisory Union has endorsed an early adoption position so that all 3-5 year olds can access \$3,000 through a 4 or 5 STAR early education program providing these services.

Another provision of the law allows for parents to choose the early education program for their child regardless of the school district in which they reside, and to access the grant through their selected prequalified program.

Early Learning Partnership Grant Applications are available for the 2015-2016 school year, and families should call the



Annette’s preschoolers explore sound, music and friendship with the new outdoor music walls

early learning partnership coordinator in their local school district, contact their preferred early care and education program director, or attend an informational session in their school to get more information.

## SCHIP News

### FROM PRESS RELEASE

As we begin the New Year, SCHIP wants to thank all who helped make our Tenth Anniversary year a celebration to remember. We started off the year with a great community dinner at Hinesburgh Public House. Many people attended and enjoyed great food, companionship and learned a little more about SCHIP and our mission. We realized over \$1200 in that fundraiser. Look for another of these coming up soon.

Because we were celebrating our tenth year, we had three separate raffles and had a wonderful response from our local artisans and business people who provided wonderful prizes. We were so pleased to be able to raise money and award great gifts to followers of SCHIP.

We continue to be able to award grant monies three times a year to non-profits serving the communities of Shelburne, Hinesburg, and Charlotte. In addition to those grants we regularly meet the requested needs of the food shelves of our three towns, provide vouchers for clothing and other goods to those in need and meet the emergency requests that may come in from our various faith communities.

Those communities are All Souls Interfaith Gathering of Shelburne, Charlotte Congregational Church, Hinesburg United, Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Charlotte, Shelburne United Methodist, St. Catherine of Siena in Shelburne, St. Jude’s of Charlotte, Trinity Episcopal of Shelburne, and the Vermont Zen Center of Shelburne. Each church holds two places on our board.

This year sales are up and expenses are down and we look forward to being able to add to our some \$500,000 plus that has been already awarded over the past ten years. Please come shop, donate, volunteer....become a part of a great venture that continues to enrich the lives of many who need our help.

Find us on Facebook, at schipstreasure.org, or come in and see us at 5404 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne Village in the distinctive yellow house.

## Grant Application Deadline January 31

Since SCHIP began making grants in 2004, we have granted more than \$500,000 to projects in our communities continuing our mission to raise funds to improve the lives of our neighbors and strengthen our communities. Grants have ranged from a few hundred to several thousand dollars. Grants may not exceed \$5,000.

Applicants must be a 501 (c)(3) or submit their application through such an organization. Projects must serve residents of the communities of Shelburne, Charlotte and/or Hinesburg. An organization with the exclusion of Food Shelves may apply once within the calendar year. Funds may not be applied to annual operating budgets or permanent staffing. To obtain an application email [schipgrant@myfairpoint.net](mailto:schipgrant@myfairpoint.net) or stop by the shop at 5404 Shelburne Rd, Shelburne.

January 31 is the first of three annual deadlines (the other being May 31 and September 30).



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## Audubon Vermont Events

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The meeting place for all activities, unless otherwise noted, is the Education Barn, Green Mountain Audubon Center, 255 Sherman Hollow Road, Huntington. More information can be found at [vt.audubon.org/calendar-events](http://vt.audubon.org/calendar-events).

### Winter Wildlife Tracking: Bobcats to Birds

**Sunday, January 25, 8:15 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

Winter snow offers an unequalled opportunity to trace the travels of wildlife. Join Sue Morse of Keeping Track and Sophie Mazowita of Audubon Vermont for a full day of reading the winter woods at Wolfrun in Jericho.

**Ages:** Adults

**Meeting Place:** Richmond Park-and-Ride

**Fee:** Members \$55, Non-members \$60

**Pre-registration and pre-payment required:** 434-3068 or email [vermont@audubon.org](mailto:vermont@audubon.org)

### Sharing the Wonder of Winter: An Early Childhood Workshop

**Saturday, January 31, 10:00 a.m. – noon**

Are you looking for new ways to share nature with children? This professional development workshop will focus on building your toolkit of natural history knowledge, outdoor activities, and mentoring techniques.

**Ages:** adults and teens

**Fee:** \$15

**Pre-registration is required:** see [tinyurl.com/HRAudubon1](http://tinyurl.com/HRAudubon1)

### Family Night Owls

**Saturday, February 7, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Who's that hooting? Venture out into the winter woods, awakening your night-time senses as we look and listen for owls. We'll leave our flashlights behind and travel by the light of the moon on a family-friendly walk, stopping for stories and calling out to the night birds. We'll come back from our adven-

ture to warm up around the glow of a winter campfire.

**Ages:** Families with children ages 5 and up

**Fee:** Members \$10 adult-child pair, \$4/ additional child

**Non-members** \$12 adult-child pair, \$5/ additional child

**Pre-registration is required:** 434-3068 or email [vermont@audubon.org](mailto:vermont@audubon.org)

### Tricky Tracks

**Thursday, Feb. 12, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

Preschool Program: Winter is a wonderful time to learn about the comings and goings of our furry and feathered friends. We'll hop, bound, walk and waddle through the snow, as we move outdoors in search of fresh tracks. You never know whom we'll find in the snow!

**Ages:** 3-5 with adult companion

**Fee:** Members \$8 adult-child pair, \$4/ additional child

**Non-members** \$10 adult-child pair, \$4/ additional child

**Pre-registration is required:** 434-3068 or email [vermont@audubon.org](mailto:vermont@audubon.org)

### February Vacation Days

**Ages:** 6-12 years

**Fee:** Members \$55/day or \$150 for three days

**Non-members** \$60/day or \$165 for three days

**Pre-registration is required:** 434-3068 or email [vermont@audubon.org](mailto:vermont@audubon.org)

**Winter Forts and Fires:** Monday, Feb.

23

Do you like to build forts and roast marshmallows over a campfire?

**Wild in the Winter:** Wednesday, Feb. 25

Spend a winter day following the comings and goings of our furry and feathered friends!

**Over the River and Through the Woods:** Friday, Feb. 27

Journey to the most secret spots at Audubon as we explore the winter wilderness.

**Maple Sugaring Day:** Tuesday, March 3

Kick off our sweetest season with a fun-filled, active day that is all about making maple syrup!

## Birds of Vermont Museum Events

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The meeting place for all activities, unless otherwise noted, is Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Road, Huntington. More information can be found at [birdsofvermont.org/events.php](http://birdsofvermont.org/events.php).

### Bird Monitoring Walk

**Saturday, Jan. 31, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

Join experienced birders on the monthly bird monitoring walk on the Museum's property. We go out the last Saturday of every month. Note: we start earlier in the summer than in the winter!

Most fun for adults, older children, and somewhat more experienced birders. Please bring your own binoculars.

Free. Please pre-register by emailing [museum@birdsofvermont.org](mailto:museum@birdsofvermont.org) or calling 434-2167.

## Open Museum for the Great Backyard Bird Count

**Saturday, Feb. 14, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Launched in 1998 by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and National Audubon Society, the Great Backyard Bird Count was the first online citizen-science project to collect data on wild birds and to display results in near real-time.

Since then, more than 100,000 people of all ages and walks of life have joined the four-day count each February to create an annual snapshot of the distribution and abundance of birds.

Drop by the Museum to find out more about the Great Backyard Bird Count! New to the count? We can tell you about it and help you participate. Seen a great bird and want to let us know? Sounds good! Need help identifying a bird? From apps to field guides, we can help. You'll need to know your field-marks, though!

More info: [gbbc.birdcount.org](http://gbbc.birdcount.org)

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## Vermont Genealogy Library Classes

### FROM PRESS RELEASE

The Vermont Genealogy Library has sixteen classes scheduled for the new season. Classes are held at our library at 377 Hegeman Ave. (Across from State Police), Fort Ethan Allen, Colchester. All classes begin at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted. The fee is \$5 for classes and \$10 for workshops (denoted by \*). You do not need to register for classes. Just plan to arrive before 10:30 a.m. Be sure to check the website, vtgenlib.org, for

additional details.

**February 7:** Beginning Genealogy - Sheila Morris

**February 14:** DNA Tests: Maternal and Paternal Lines - Ed McGuire

**February 21:** Resources and Tools at vtgenlib.org - Bill Craig

**February 28:** Finding Cousins with Autosomal DNA (Part 1) - Ed McGuire

**March 7:** Online Newspapers: Chroni-  
cling America: Using Historic Newspa-  
pers in Genealogical Research - Erenst  
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**March 10\*:** Researching Your Irish  
Ancestors Irish History Festival. This  
class will be on a Tuesday evening at  
7:00 p.m.

**March 14:** Recording Your Ancestry  
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**March 21:** Finding Cousins with Autosomal DNA (Part 2) - Ed McGuire

**March 28:** Genealogy Research in New York State - Gloria and Anastasia Pratt

**April 11:** Daughters of the American Revolution: Their History and the DAR Research Process - Carol Schwenk

**April 18:** Using Drouins LAFRANCE website and its databases - Tom DeVarney

**April 25:** Finding Your Ancestors in Print at GenealogyBank.com - Joanne Polanshek

**May 2:** Beyond Pension Files! Discover Your Civil War Veterans in Federal Publications - Connie Reik

**May 9:** Maximizing Your Use of Census Records - Lynn Johnson

**May 16:** Finding Your Scottish Ancestors - Sheila Morris

# Health

## Yoga for the New Year

**LAURA WISNIEWSKI, DIRECTOR OF BEECHER HILL HEALTH**

If you are practicing Yoga at home and/or in a class, you already know in your bones (literally) how wonderful Yoga is. But if you are new to Yoga you may be wondering what's all the fuss over downward facing dog.

What is Yoga, actually? Developed originally in India several thousand years ago, Yoga is a comprehensive system designed to help people eliminate the suffering and obstacles created by misguided habits of body and mind. Inherent in Yoga is the understanding that

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- Calculate astrologically
- Exploitative type
- Old war story
- Unattractive tangelo?
- Bad idea
- Sugar \_\_\_\_
- Happiness
- Eton and Epstein, e.g.
- Blonde shade
- Vietnamese musical instrument
- Relax
- "My bad!"
- For fear that
- Rosary recital
- Sharp
- Post office department
- For her and him
- Interpretations
- Fix firmly
- Start of an idea
- Congel
- Canal locale
- Pie in the sky?
- He leads a band
- Large, flightless bird
- Short musical piece
- Greek earth goddess: var.
- Ancient Andean
- Fat
- Tolkien creatures
- Observer
- Beats it

#### Down

- Favor one side?
- Banned orchard spray
- Dwelling: var.
- Confection

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- Die
- Seasons
- Is remiss
- Church offering
- Biblical connector
- Music category
- Expires
- Beluga yield
- H+, e.g.
- Where the heart is
- Hard to pin down
- Media attraction
- Photo finish?
- Engine need
- Man with a mission
- Son of Jacob and Leah
- Balances
- Conductor Koussevitzky
- Assignment
- Entanglement
- It may follow you
- Go quiet
- Maximum
- Suffix with auction
- Apple variety
- Mania starter
- Cliffside dwelling
- "\_\_\_\_ So Good," Mangione song
- Sight-related
- Brand, in a way
- Grand
- Handwoven rugs
- Riviera city
- Rimsky-Korsakov's "The Tale of \_\_\_\_ Saltan"
- Insect stage
- Trim to fit, maybe
- Catsup and strawberry
- Opposite of hence

ANSWERS are on inside of back page



we have within us the resources we need to attain balance, well-being and liberation.

Yoga offers a variety of paths and practices. In the West, we are most familiar with the physical practice of Hatha Yoga (poses and breathing techniques). Yoga, however, goes beyond ‘the mat.’ For example, Yoga outlines ways to nourish and care for our bodies, act ethically, express devotion, and reframe our thinking.

In the Yoga system, body and mind are not separate. The physical practice of Hatha Yoga can change how we think, feel and act as it transforms our bodies. Practicing Yoga will help you get stronger and more flexible. It can reduce tension, improve posture, resolve back pain, help balance hormones, lower blood pressure, improve sleep...to mention only some of the physical benefits. Practice regularly and you will notice deeper positive changes as well.

How do you start? It’s often very helpful to have a teacher to guide you in the beginning. A group class is a great way to begin. Practicing in a group is energizing and motivating. . Another alternative is to work individually with a Yoga teacher. Most teachers offer this option. In a private session, your teacher can design a practice suited specifically to your needs, your nature and your goals.

Choose your teacher and class carefully. Here are some things to consider:

**Teacher’s Training and Credentials:**

If a teacher is registered with Yoga Alliance her/his training has met yoga teacher training requirements. At 200 level, a teacher has met the minimum requirements. At 500 level, s/he is a master Yoga teacher. Find out how long s/he has been teaching. Find out if s/he has her/his own practice.

**Class Level:**

Some classes are mixed level... appropriate for beginners and experienced students. Other classes are designed for specific levels. If you are a beginner, look for a mixed level or beginner level class.

**Individual Attention:**

Look for a teacher who gives individual attention to students during class. Yoga teachers are trained to gently adjust your position. If the adjustment does not feel gentle or safe, keep looking.

**Non-competitive Tone:**

Yoga calls for non-violence... including against oneself. Look for a non- competitive class, a class that encourages you to discover and work at your own ‘edge.’

**Trust Your Intuition:**

Different classes are right for different people. Find a teacher who feels trustworthy and a class that you look forward to attending. It is said, that when the student is ready, the teacher appears.

If you’d like to learn more about starting Yoga feel free to contact Laura at bhy@beecherhillyoga.com.

Advertising and news deadline is February 3 for the next issue. Publication date is February 19. Call 482-2540 for more information. Material not received by deadline will be considered for next issue.

People

College Honors

**Eric Palmer** of Hinesburg has been named to the Fall 2014 Dean’s List at Keene State College. To qualify for the dean’s list, Keene State undergraduates must be enrolled in a degree program and must have completed a minimum of six credit hours in the semester, receiving no failing or incomplete grades. Students must achieve a 3.5 or higher grade point average on a 4.0 scale to earn dean’s list honors.

Willsey Takes Fifth Place at Nationals

Hinesburg resident **Cooper Willsey** competed in the US Cyclocross National Championships on January 12 in Austin Texas. In difficult, muddy conditions, he took fifth place in the Male Junior 17-18 event. Cyclocross cycling races consist of many laps on a short (1.5–2 mile) course that can feature pavement, wooded trails, grass, steep hills and obstacles requiring the rider to occasionally get off and carry their bike for a short stretch.

Following the completion of the cyclocross championships, USA Cycling announced the 23 athletes selected to represent the United States at the 2015 UCI Cyclocross World Championships taking place on January 31 and February 1 in Tabor, Czech Republic. Willsey was one of six selected for the Junior Men team.

Hinesburg Resident Accepts New Role with PGA

FROM CAROLINAS PGA PRESS RELEASE

The Carolinas PGA Section is pleased to announce the addition of Liz Muroski to its team as Media and Promotions Director. Liz will support the company’s mission to grow, nurture and improve the quality of the game for the thousands of golfers using its member facilities.

After graduating cum laude with a bachelor’s degree in Public Relations from Champlain College, located in Burlington, VT, Liz pursued her passion for PR and marketing as an Account Executive at People Making Good Public Relations. In this role, she managed PR and social media for an array of lifestyle, outdoor, and specialty food brands, developing and implementing innovative PR and social media campaigns, obtaining major media placements, identifying media trends and establishing long lasting relationships with the press and key influencers to maintain on-going coverage on behalf of clients. Her clients have been featured in publications including, The New York Times, National Geographic, Oprah Magazine, The Today Show and more.

“Liz’s boundless passion for public relations and enthusiasm for the sport of golf will allow her to create strategic public relations and social media campaigns to increase exposure, engagement and support for the Section, our PGA professionals and sport as a whole,” said Carolinas PGA Executive Director, Ron Schmid.

For the past 20 years, Liz has resided in Hinesburg, Vermont. Outside of the office, she is a music enthusiast, self-proclaimed bookworm, skier and dancer with interests in photography, art, writing and volunteering.

Just Because

The Vermont Diet

BY BILL SCHUBART

Originally aired on VPR

Vermont needs to lose weight. Although our population is stable, our demography is changing. We’re older and becoming more urban. The local institutions that nurtured us when our dispersed villages were economically robust and filled with children and working people have grown too expensive.

While income for the wealthy living on dividends and interest has risen along with our cost of living, income from labor has remained fixed for several decades. We now have a state that working Vermonters can’t afford and well-heeled Vermonters don’t want to pay for.

For example, we have too many competing community hospitals. Non-profit competition raises costs rather than lowering them. We’re redesigning a healthcare delivery network that will rely on fewer hospitals but more agile local clinics and primary care practices to better manage chronic disease and emergencies.

We can’t afford it all. This is not just about cost and taxes, it’s about excess supply degrading quality and creating inequities.

We have six state colleges, four of which are struggling seriously and seeking substantially increased funding from a legislature wrestling with a \$100 million-dollar deficit. Reduced market-demand, escalating costs, deferred

maintenance, duplicative administration, and underfunded employment and post-employment benefit plans are slowly oxidizing the finances of those colleges. At the same time, our legislators tinker with educational investments at both extremes of the juvenile age spectrum.

We have 100 public school districts with less than 100 students and four high schools that together graduate less than 70 students a year. In the last 17 years, our student population has fallen off by 21- thousand students or 20 percent, while teaching and administrative staff numbers remain the same. Our sentimental attachment to the value of small schools and class-sizes is belied by the facts. Hyper-local schooling makes good sense for early ages but, after that, most students benefit academically in better-resourced regional districts.

With input from communities, legislators must summon the courage to shrink the Byzantine architecture and governance of our public schools. But after everyone is heard, there must be action.

Jeb Spaulding, our incoming Chancellor of State Colleges, has the experience and political gravitas to guide the redesign of our post-secondary educational system to better serve the life-long-learning needs of Vermonters and streamline the system’s administrative costs.

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**Email:** unitedchurch@gmavt.net

**Address:** P.O. Box 39

**Website:** ucofh.org

**Sunday Worship Service:** 10:00 a.m.

**Choir practice:** 9:00 a.m. Sunday

**Sunday School:** Nursery and story time; Christian Education Kindergarten through 8th grade during academic school year.

**WIC Clinic:** First Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Senior Meal Site:** Every Friday 11:00

a.m.- 1 p.m. (except first Friday) Osborne Parish House

**AA Gratitude Group:** every Monday 7:00 p.m., Osborne Parish House.

## Lighthouse Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Reverend Ed Hart

**Church Phone:** 482-2588

**Home Phone:** 482-2588

**Email:** lighthousevt@netscape.net

**Website:** LBCvt.homestead.com

**Location:** Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road

**Address:** P.O. Box 288

**Regular Services:**

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m., Nursery provided, Kids Corner (puppets and songs)

**Sunday Evening Service:** 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting; Nursery provided.

## Community Alliance Church

Pastor: Rev. Scott Mansfield

Phone: 482-2132

Email: info@hinesburgcma.org

Web: hinesburgcma.org

Address: 190 Pond Road, Hinesburg (overlooking CVUHS soccer fields)

Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m. Children's programs, for nursery through elementary school ages, are available at both services. Middle School Students meet

together during the second service.

Middle School and High School Youth Group: Meets from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sundays. This is a great time to meet new friends, hang out and talk real life.

Weekday Life Groups: Various times, days, and locations throughout the week.

For more information, please contact the church.

Services on Sundays begin at 10:00 with children's programming during the service. For more information, call the church office at 482-2132, or visit hinesburgcma.org.

## Trinity Episcopal Church

**Address:** 5171 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482

**Church phone:** 985-2269

**Church email:** info@trinityshelburne.org

**Website:** trinityshelburne.org

**Worship service:**

Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m.

**Worship service and Sunday School:**

Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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**Website:** steeple.org

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**Activities:** Junior and Senior High Youth Groups; Men's Bible Study; Women's Book Group; Junior, Senior and Contemporary Music Choirs; Friendship Suppers; opportunities for mission and outreach in the community, country, and world.

**Service:** Sundays 9:30 a.m., Nursery/Child care provided; Sunday School during the service for pre-K through high school; Coffee/Fellowship after service in Fellowship Hall.

## Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

**Pastor:** Reverend David Cray, SSE

**Pastor's Residence:** 425-2253, dgcray@gmail.com

**Mailing Address:** 2894 Spear Street/P. O. Box 158, Charlotte, VT 05445

**Hinesburg Rectory:** 482-2290, Stjude@gmavt.net, P. O. Box 69, Hinesburg 05461, (10759 Route 116)

**Parish Secretary:** Marie Cookson, 434-4782, Rectory, 482-2290, marietcookson@aol.com

**Office Hours:** Mondays and Thursdays, 8:00 a.m. to noon.

**Parish Council Chair:** Ted Barrett, 453-3087

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**Buildings and Grounds Supervisor:** Buildings and Grounds Supervisor: Andrew Driver, 802-324-1193.

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:30 a.m., St. Jude Church, Hinesburg

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Church, Charlotte

**Weekday Masses:**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:00 a.m., St. Jude Church  
Tuesday, Thursday: 5:15 p.m. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Call the Pastor for appointment

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. at St. Jude Church and by appointment.

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

**Communion at Home:** Call Parish Office, 482-2290

**Confirmation Coordinators:** Dan & Roxanne Smith, 453-3522

**Religious Education Coordinator:** Marie Cookson, 434-4782

**Religious Education (CCD):** Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. for grades K-8. Registration is required. Classes begin in the fall.

**The 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades (Confirmation Years) meet once a month. This is a two-year program. Watch Sunday bulletins for dates and times.**

Please call Marie at 482-2290 (Parish Office) or 434-4782 (home) for more information.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Eucharistic Adoration is held the first Friday of each month following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Jude.

**Food Shelf Weekend:** Every third Saturday and Sunday. Parishioners are asked to make an extra effort to bring non-perishable canned and dried food in weekly for the Hinesburg Food Shelf. Food Collection baskets are in the entry for your convenience.

**Senior Meals:** St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome. Food will be prepared by Meals on Wheels. There will be cards, board games and door prizes. Cost is \$4.00 donation. Please call in advance so we have plenty of food on hand. For reservations call Ted Barrett at 453-3087 or Marie Cookson at 482-2290 (parish office) or 434-4782 (home). Hinesburg Rides will pick you up and bring you home at no charge. For more information, call the parish office at 482-2290.

## All Souls Interfaith Gathering Non-Denominational Service

**Pastor:** Rev. Mary Abele

**Phone:** 985-3819

**Mailing Address:** 371 Bostwick Farm Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482

**Services:**

Sunday 9:00 a.m.: Morning Meditation & Prayer

Sunday 5:00 p.m.: Evensong Service (with programs for children & youth!)

Crossword Answers

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# Iroquois Soccer Club

## Season Opens with a Bang

BY ZOE DAWSON,  
IROQUOIS SOCCER CLUB PRESIDENT

Iroquois Soccer Club (ISC) began accepting Registrations to its Spring 2015 Season on January 8. Online Registration is easier than ever at [iroquoissoccer.org](http://iroquoissoccer.org), plus there will be a raffle and registration event on January 24th at Hinesburg Community School.

### Register in Person or Online by January 24 to Win Big!

You can also win some really cool stuff if you register on or before January 24th.

Prizes include (but are **not** limited to) a full refund of your registration fee (up to \$150 value, a Munson Oil change, Annette's Club House gift certificates, water bottles, soccer balls and much much more!



The ISC board members and others will be there all morning ready and able to help get your kids signed up, raffle off a few more prizes and answer your questions. All you need to bring is your checkbook or credit card. ISC will also take pictures of new ISC recruits for their 2015 player cards or update those old pictures of U12 players that no longer look like U8!!

But *wait* there is *more!* ... Remember those resolutions we all made at the beginning of the year? ... *we do* and here's what we're doing!

### More for Less

Resolution #1 – we want to offer more for less! *It's official – we are reducing* our registration prices this year for all teams! Check out the pricing on our website to see it for real!

### Focus on Coaching

Resolution #2 – *for the first time* ISC will have professional development for both players and coaches. Included in Registration are four indoor Olympic Development Program dates provided by the Vermont Soccer Association for our young soccer stars *and coaches* at The Field House in Shelburne on Tuesday April 7&9, 14&16, from 6-8pm at no extra cost to you. Follow us on Facebook and the website calendar for information.

*Included are four indoor Olympic Development Programs provided by the Vermont Soccer Association*

### Increased Opportunities

Resolution #6 – we want to get more kids and parents involved! ISC is run by people just like you! It's regular Moms and Dads who have a passion for helping kids and ISC likes to say *thank you* to everyone who steps up to volunteer their time on or off the field by offering as much as 50% discount on regular registration. But it's not just for parents! If you have older kids that are looking

for a great way to earn extra money (think refereeing!), get some solid resume building experience and develop key professional and social skills, let ISC know! There are several key roles that need to be filled by people with energy and social-media know how.

We look forward to seeing you all on or before January 24th and don't forget to bring a friend or invite someone new! We welcome everyone interested in playing to another great year of soccer!

Like us on FACEBOOK ! Prizes go out to the 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90th LIKE with a special one for whomever is our lucky 100th!!!

### Find Out More at IroquoisSoccer.org

Below is the Iroquois Soccer Club Board for 2015 and, please, feel free to pick up the phone and call any one of them. Alternatively you can email us at [info@iroquoissoccer.org](mailto:info@iroquoissoccer.org).



Tom Giroux, Member at Large, 482-2894  
Jennifer Greenwood, Coaching Director, 482-5763  
Kevin Lewis, Event Coordinator, 482-4705  
Tanya Girard, Secretary, 603-723-6067  
Calen King, Treasurer, 318-3283  
Jay Pricer, Registrar, 489-5696  
Christine Jacobs, Vice President, 482-4618

Zoe Dawson, President, 571-533-5928

Iroquois Soccer Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing a rich soccer experience for youth age 6 to 14 in Hinesburg and the surrounding towns. Iroquois Soccer Club keeps its rates well below the usual club soccer level because all Coaches and Board Members are unpaid volunteers.

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# Calendar

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

January 22 issue of The Hinesburg Record published.

**7:00-9:00 p.m.** Hinesburg Historical Society meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall, Lower Level Conference Room.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

**8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.** Iroquois Soccer Club Registration / Prize Give-Away. Hinesburg Community School. More info at [iroquoissoccer.org](http://iroquoissoccer.org).

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

**6:30-8:00 p.m.** Hinesburg Lions Club Meeting. Papa Nick's Family Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information.

**7:00-8:00 p.m.** Conservation Commission.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

**7:00-8:00 p.m.** Carpenter Carse Library Trustees meeting. Carpenter Carse Library.

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Fire and Rescue/Fire Training.

**7:30-9:00 p.m.** Planning Commission. Town Hall.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

**4:30-5:30 p.m.** Lake Iroquois Recreation District meeting. Williston Town Hall. Public invited.

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Selectboard Meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall.

**7:30-8:30 p.m.** Vermont Astronomical Society meeting.UVM.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Advertising and News deadline for the February 19 issue of The Hinesburg Record.

**7:30-8:30 p.m.** Development Review Board.Town Hall.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Fire and Rescue/Medical Training. Hinesburg Fire Station.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Village Steering Committee meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

**6:30-8:00 p.m.** Hinesburg Lions Club Meeting. Papa Nick's Family Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information.

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Conservation Commission meeting. 2nd floor, Town Hall.

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Recreation Committee meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall.

**7:30-9:00 p.m.**Land Trust meeting. Interested parties should call Ann Brush at 482-5656 or [emailannbrush@gmail.com](mailto:emailannbrush@gmail.com).

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

**6:30-7:30 p.m.** Fire and Rescue/Heavy Rescue Training.

**7:30-8:30 p.m.** Planning Commission. Hinesburg Town Hall.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

**6:30-8:00 p.m.** Iroquois Soccer Club. Lower Meeting Room of Hinesburg Town Hall. All are welcome!.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Selectboard Meeting. Town Hall.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

**5:00-6:30 p.m.** CSSU School Board mtg. CVU.

**6:30-8:00 p.m.** Business and Professional Association meeting. Papa Nick's Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Tom Mathews at 496-8537 f or information or to make reservations.

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** CVU School Board meeting. CVU.

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** HCS Board meeting. CVU.

**7:30-8:30 p.m.** Development Review Board. Hinesburg Town Hall.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

**7:00-8:00 p.m.** Fire and Rescue/Business Meeting. Fire Station.

**7:00-8:00 p.m.** Hinesburg Trails Committee meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall lower level conference room. Stewart Pierson, Chair.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

February 19 issue of The Hinesburg Record published.

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Washington's Birthday.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

**6:30-8:00 p.m.** Hinesburg Lions Club Meeting. Papa Nick's Family Restaurant. Call 482-3862 or 482-3502 for information.

**7:00-8:00 p.m.** Conservation Commission.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

**7:00-8:00 p.m.** Carpenter Carse Library Trustees meeting. Carpenter Carse Library.

**7:00-8:30 p.m.** Fire and Rescue/Fire Training.

**7:30-9:00 p.m.** Planning Commission. Town Hall.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

**7:00-9:00 p.m.** Hinesburg Historical Society meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall, Lower Level Conference Room.

## REGULARLY SCHEDULED ITEMS

Town Clerk Office Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri. 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.; Weds. 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-2281. [hinesburgclerk@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgclerk@gmavt.net). Missy Ross, Clerk/Treasurer.

Town Administrator Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., other hours by appointment. Town Hall, 482-2096. [jcolangelo@hinesburg.org](mailto:jcolangelo@hinesburg.org) Joe Colangelo.

Town Planner Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619. [hinesburgplanning@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgplanning@gmavt.net). Alex Weinhausen, Planner.

Zoning Administrator Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Town Hall, 482-3619, E-mail, [hinesburgzoning@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgzoning@gmavt.net). Peter Erb, Administrator.

Listers' Office Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to noon, other hours by appointment. Town Hall, Contact Alex Weinhausen at 482-5594, [hinesburglister@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburglister@gmavt.net).

Hinesburg Recreation Director's Office Hours: Mon., Weds. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Jennifer McCuin, Director. 482-4691, Town Hall.

Recycling & Trash Drop-Off Centers: Hinesburg: Beecher Hill Road at the Town Garage; Sat., 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; 482-4840. Williston, Redmond Road; Mon., Weds., Fri., & Sat. 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; 872-8111. South Burlington: Land-fill Road (off Patchen Road), Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Sat. 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Fri. 9:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., 872-8111. CSWD website: [cswd.net](http://cswd.net).

Environmental Depot: 1011 Airport Parkway, South Burlington. Weds., Thurs., Fri. 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; Sat. 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. 863-0480.

Hinesburg Community Resource Center, Inc. Leave a message for Laura Hoopes at 482-3203. Heather Purinton (482-4061) is the contact for Friends of Families.

Hinesburg Food Shelf: Fri. 9:00 a.m. -12:00 noon. Tues. 5:30-7:30 p.m.

United States Post Office Hours: Window: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 2:00-4:30 p.m., Sat. 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Lobby & TriVendor: Mon.-Fri. 6:00 a.m-6:00 p.m.

## WEB PAGES:

[hinesburgrecord.org](http://hinesburgrecord.org). The Hinesburg Record news, contact information, publication deadlines, submissions guidelines, town calendar.

HCS: [hcsvt.org](http://hcsvt.org). Viking newsletter, cafeteria menu, email addresses for staff, department and team web pages, calendar information etc.

CVU: [cvuhs.org](http://cvuhs.org). CVU activities and programs, sports schedule, and more.

CCL: [carpentercarse.org](http://carpentercarse.org). Library hours, services, and online resources.

Hinesburg Town: [hinesburg.org](http://hinesburg.org). Official Town of Hinesburg web site.

[hinesburgbusiness.com](http://hinesburgbusiness.com) – FREE. POST NOTICE OF JOB OPENINGS. POST RESUMES. Sponsored by HBPA.

[seewhy.info](http://seewhy.info): Official website Connecting Youth (CY), the Chittenden South community-based organization dedicated to creating a safe and healthy environment for young people.

[facebook.com/connectingyouth](https://facebook.com/connectingyouth). Connecting Youth (CY) Fan Page: for parents and teens to connect with others in the CY community!

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN HINESBURG

### Make a Difference

**Hinesburg has always been a town of volunteers, stepping up whenever the call is put out for help. This column is a place for listing those needs.**

Do you need volunteers for a Hinesburg event or non-profit organization? Send us the information and we'll publish it here. The posting could be for continuing commitments or one-time events. Send any requests to [therecord@gmavt.net](mailto:therecord@gmavt.net). Use "volunteer need" as a subject line. Supply a brief description of the duties, requirements and times needed and we will add it to this list.

### Mentoring

Make a difference in the life of a child. Become a mentor at HCS. No tutoring involved, just being a buddy to a child who would benefit from adult friendship. And only one hour a week during the school year. Contact Ginny Roberts at [groberts@cssu.org](mailto:groberts@cssu.org) or **482-6271** for more information.

### Meals on Wheels

Help out local area residents who cannot easily get out of their homes. Become a Meals on Wheels driver. Routes take anywhere from an hour to an hour-and-a-half depending on the day. You need not commit to a weekly schedule. Call Jane Gage at **482-6096** for more information.

### Iroquois Soccer Club

The club accepts any level of volunteer participation and no special skills are required. Volunteer duties include repairing nets and lining fields, help with registration, or coaching during May and June. Contact Zoe Dawson at [zdawson@hotmail.com](mailto:zdawson@hotmail.com) or **571-533-5928** for more information.

### Visit a Senior

Hinesburg seniors need your help. Some seniors live alone with limited social contact and would love to share their gift of gab with you. Just an hour of your time can make a big difference in the life of one of the seniors in our town. CVAA is currently looking for volunteer visitors for two men in Hinesburg, one of whom would particularly enjoy a little male camaraderie. If you would be willing to help one of these seniors, contact Bev at **1-800-642-5119** for more information.

### Town Committees

Frequently there openings on town committees. Here are some of the recent ones.

- Affordable Housing Committee
- Agency Request Review Committee
- Conservation Commission
- Energy Committee
- Recreation Commission
- Town Forest Committee
- Village Steering Committee

Check the town web site: [hinesburg.org](http://hinesburg.org) for the most current committee openings, descriptions and instructions on how to apply. For more information contact Renae Marshall **482-2281 x227** or [rmarshall@hinesburg.org](mailto:rmarshall@hinesburg.org).

### The Hinesburg Record

Help publish your community newspaper which is produced by volunteers who write, edit and lay it out each month. The Record needs people to write and edit copy, take photos, and help with distribution and mailing. One-time or occasional submission of articles is more than welcome.

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HINESBURG BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OFFERS FREE JOB SEARCH AND POSTING SERVICE

BY JEAN ISHAM, HBPA

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association (HBPA) has added to its web site space for area businesses to post employment openings and for area residents to post requests and/or resumes when seeking jobs. The service is free of charge to members and non-members. The Association encourages area businesses and job seekers to use the site. Expanded usage will enhance the value of the site to the community.

To access this service simply go to the HBPA web site, [hinesburgbusiness.com](http://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.