

# the HINESBURG Record

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## Students Learn about Sheyann Webb-Christburg's Struggle for Freedom

BY HCS FIFTH GRADERS CASSIDY BOUCHARD, MERRILL JACOBS, AND ADDIE NEVITT

On January 24 at the Ira Allen Chapel at UVM there was a guest speaker. We were lucky to have Sheyann Webb-Christburg be the keynote speaker for UVM's Martin Luther King Jr. celebration. Webb-Christburg grew up in Selma, Alabama, where segregation was a major problem. She informed the audience of her life story. Fifth-grade students at Hinesburg Community School watched a film called, *Selma, Lord, Selma*. Local Hinesburg fifth-grade teacher, Paul Rocheleau, arranged tickets for about 20 fifth-graders and parents to go see the talk. Every one of them enjoyed the experience and is now very involved and interested in the topic.

Sheyann Webb-Christburg was "very inspiring" one fifth-grader said. Sheyann Webb-Christburg encouraged the



Sheyann Webb-Christburg with HCS fifth-graders

students to "Stand up against racism and segregation!" The fifth graders are grateful to Paul Rocheleau for making it possible for them to attend this wonderful event. We had a chance to interview Rocheleau and ask him questions about his experience.

Students: "What were you thinking when Sheyann was telling her life story to the audience?"

Mr. Rocheleau: "Not only was I thinking about what she was saying, but I was very moved and she had a lot of emotion. When she was talking about Bloody Sunday, I was thinking about how awful it must have been to experience that."

Students: "What intrigued you during Sheyann's speech?"

Mr. Rocheleau: "I was really impressed and intrigued by how silent the audience was, and how quiet everybody was. Her theme was peaceful involvement and how everyone matters. Also, we still have a long way to go."

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## Hinesburg Artist Series 20th Anniversary Concert

BY RUFUS PATRICK

The Hinesburg Artist Series began in 1997 with a performance of *Requiem* by John Rutter at the United Church of Hinesburg. The featured artist was soprano Guilaine Senecal a Burlington High School graduate and former student of Rufus Patrick. For the past 20 years, The Hinesburg Artist Series has provided, and will continue to provide,

opportunities for the community to experience and celebrate the arts. This year the March concert will feature the South County Chorus and Hinesburg Artist Series Orchestra under the direction of Rufus Patrick in a performance of the *Magnificat* by John Rutter, *Festival Te Deum* by René Clausen, *Hine Ma Tov* by Alan Naplan, and *Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace* by Mary McDonald.

The featured guest soloist will be soprano Amy Frostman. She will be joined by other soloists including Gary Moreau, bass; Amy Patrick, alto; Dan Frostman, oboe; and Margaret Roddy, clarinet. The concert will be held on Sunday, March 19, 4 p.m. at St. Jude Church in Hinesburg. Tickets will be \$20 for adults, and \$15 for seniors and students. Tickets will be available through Flyntix, the Hinesburg Recreation Department, Blue Cottage Gifts, and at the door.

Hope to see you there for our 20th Anniversary performance!



Gary Moreau, bass, Amy Patrick, alto, Dan Frostman oboe, and Margaret Roddy, clarinet.

## A New Season for the Growing Together Community Garden

BY KRISTY MCLEOD

If you would like to grow organic vegetables (and maybe a few flowers) for your family and friends to enjoy, please come join us. Our community garden has twenty plots, each with two growing beds, on a sunny, breezy rise next to the Community Alliance Church on Pond Road in Hinesburg.

You'll find the other gardeners are friendly and helpful. Two master gardeners, Enrique Peredo and Jean Kiedaisch, are at the garden an evening each week or available by phone or email to help answer questions. They also lead a gardening workshop on a Saturday in April with a chance to do some seed-swapping and sharing of gardening experience.

The cost for a plot is \$35 the first year and \$20 each subsequent year. Gardeners are expected to keep their beds weeded and crops harvested. All attend one workday in the spring and another in the fall to work on group projects to benefit the garden. The church provides topsoil and

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## House Donated for Fire Department Training

Through the beginning of March, the Department will be using an abandoned house at 8472 Route 116 for training with Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), search and rescue, simulated fire attack, and many other skills. There will be signs on Rte. 116 advising motorists of the training in progress. Please! If you go by when we are training, pay attention to the road and traffic.

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Letters

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Merrily Lovell Announces Candidacy

To my fellow Hinesburg Citizens,

I am pleased to announce that I am running for the three-year position on the Hinesburg Select Board. As a relative newcomer to the town of Hinesburg (I moved here in 2010), I was initially hesitant to run for Select Board. But then I realized that there can be much value in the views of an outsider, and newcomer. I have lived in many different cities and towns in New England, where I was raised and brought up my two sons. I have lived and worked in California and Europe. Not being encumbered by tradition, family ties, or entrenched points of view, yet informed by processes of growth I have seen in many other locations, I can bring fresh outlooks and new points of view to the issues Hinesburg is currently facing. Going to the Women’s March in Washington, I felt energized, as did many others, to come home and become more active in my local community.

I have been teaching for over 30 years. I have taught in elementary schools and college, but mostly in high school, and mostly biology and math. As a high school biology teacher, I have had to keep up with the intricacies and nuances of a constantly evolving science to understand complex new developments in biology. This has helped me refine the skills that Select Board members need to read, understand, and discuss the many complex issues they are presented with.

As a member of faculty groups at Waldorf schools in New Hampshire, California, and Vermont, I have needed to listen to colleagues with an open mind, especially if I did not agree with them. The ideal in a Waldorf school is for all decisions to be made by consensus, where all agree with the decision. This involves much discussion, being sincerely open to others viewpoints, and learning how to work with those with whom you disagree. I have spent many years in leadership positions at Waldorf schools, particularly on a three-person leadership team that ran the teacher meetings and was central in making decisions involving the whole school.

I have been a member of the Hinesburg Conservation Commission for almost two years, utilizing my background in Environmental Science in working on developing policies to protect natural resources as our town grows. The Conservation Commission played a vital role in working with the Planning Commission on the new Town Plan. Finding the balance between the needs for growth and the protection of the natural environment is a central focus of the Town Plan. As more challenges come to face us, especially the varied and complex issues of water quality and water treatment, I want to add my voice to the decisions that will be made.

I believe a well-functioning Select Board needs to involve open-minded listening to each other and the ability to work together to come up with the best solutions for issues facing our town. We need to always realize we are working not for our individual interests, but for the best interests of our town.

I am now retired from teaching. My time is my own, and I want to devote my energies to the service of this town I have come to love.

I would be honored with your vote for me for the three-year term to the Select Board. Please be sure to come to the Town Hall to vote on Tuesday, March 7, and to the Town Meeting on Monday evening, March 6 at CVU.

I would be happy to speak with you to answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to contact me at any of the options listed below.

133 New South Farm Road 482-5655  
email: merrilyforhinesburg@gmail.com.  
Facebook page: Merrily for Hinesburg

Merrily Lovell

Andrea Morgante Runs for Another 2-Year Term

I am pleased to announce that I am running for re-election to the Hinesburg Select Board on March 7. Serving in local government is an honor and responsibility affecting our everyday lives, from road maintenance to coaching kids’ sports. Elected and appointed officials, volunteers, and employees provide the critical services for our community. I have always been an advocate for an open, respectful, and inclusive local government. Given how divisive our national political climate has become, I think this more important now than ever before.

The critical issue facing our community continues to be maintaining a fiscally responsible approach to providing services and quality of life for current residents while managing and encouraging growth in a way that meets the goals established in the town plan.

My commitment to making the village a safe and attractive place for both residential and commercial growth began in the 1980s as I advocated to rebuild and extend the sidewalks in the core village. My persistent commitment to creating a walkable village resulted in me writing and securing a federal grant for over a thousand dollars to extend the sidewalk to the Commerce Park area. Subsequent grants for over a million dollars have allowed for the expansion of sidewalks all the way to CVU and the library.

I recognized the need and opportunity to revitalize the cheese factory site after Saputo vacated the village by organizing a collaborative approach to rezoning the area to successfully attract businesses that would create jobs, utilize waste water capacity, and provide revenue for the town. The site now houses four local businesses (soon to be five) and employs more people than before the Saputo fire.

Maintaining Hinesburg’s outstanding rural landscape of forests, fields, farms, and extensive trails and dirt roads for year-round recreation has been a primary focus of my service to the community. By obtaining local and state public grants and investments in conserving private and public land, Hinesburg has been able to continue its strong, local

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agricultural tradition as new and young farmers become stewards of the land. I have initiated many of these efforts and have worked to insure that these transactions are open and transparent and increase overall property values.

I look forward to serving another term and ask for your vote on Tuesday, March 7th.

Andrea Morgante

# Supporting Morgante and Lovell for Select Board Seats

I would like to encourage friends and neighbors to join me in supporting Andrea Morgante (two-year term) and Merrily Lovell (three-year term) for election to the Select Board.

I served for six years on the Select Board alongside Andrea and was always impressed by her vision, astute questioning, and commitment to the future of our beautiful town. Serving on the Select Board can be a thankless job — I know! Andrea’s willingness to continue to serve the town in this capacity is a testament to her passion for maintaining and creating a healthy, vibrant community that we all want to call home.

The list of projects that Andrea has spearheaded in this town is unparalleled. We have an increasingly walkable community thanks in large part to Andrea’s vision, energy, and skill at helping us secure funding for the various sidewalk/bike path projects. Not only did Andrea help us secure the funding, she then put in countless hours of volunteer time doing the work needed to bring these projects to fruition. The list of conservation and water quality projects that she has provided leadership for is equally amazing. The redevelopment of the cheese factory after the disastrous fire has been another example of Andrea’s leadership and vision. Andrea’s support for smart development, as opposed to unfettered development, will leave a lasting impression far into the future.

On a personal note — when my family was trying to figure out the future of our farm, which lies in the center of the village, Andrea was there to help guide us through the steps of conserving the farm to assure that it would be perpetually open land accessible to all our neighbors. If you ever get out and hike on the “Russell Trails,” you’re walking on pathways that came about because of Andrea’s wisdom and guidance.

In short, I have known Andrea for over thirty years and have a deep and profound respect for her views and all she has done for this town. Andrea has been a stalwart and primary helper in our family maple sugaring operation every year, since back when my father was still alive. That just speaks to the kind of person that Andrea is — she pitches in and helps out wherever needed.

Merrily Lovell is running for the three-year seat on the Select Board. Merrily is a neighbor and friend who is a member of the town Conservation Commission. As a biology and math teacher for most of her 30 years in education, she knows well the importance of logical, methodical examination of issues. We can use more of that on our Select Board. She is a relative newcomer to town like many of our other neighbors. New blood and new perspectives are good things. I trust her to be thoughtful and meticulous in facing the challenging issues that our town will have to deal with now and in the future. One big issue that the town is going to be confronted with has to do with water quality and water treatment, areas where Merrily’s background and grasp of these issues will be a key asset to the town.

In sum, I hope you will seriously consider supporting both Andrea and Merrily for their respective Select Board seats. Like many of you, I suspect, I have been deeply disturbed and disheartened by what is happening in our country on a national level. I believe that having smart, thoughtful, and wise leaders locally is a critical part of what will help us weather the next four years. Please join me in making this happen. Vote for Andrea Morgante and Merrily Lovell on March 7th.

Howard (“Howdy”) Russell

# Andrea Morgante and Merrily Lovell for Select Board

Please join me in supporting Andrea Morgante and Merrily Lovell for Select Board. It may be funny to be talking about them at the same time, but I find Andrea and Merrily to share characteristics that are important to me in a Select Board member. I’ll be voting for them, because of their approachability, their motivations for running for Select Board, and I believe their approach to decision making will be holistic.

I find both these candidates to be approachable and accepting of other points of view. I believe Andrea has

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shown, in her years of service on the Select Board, that she encourages discussion, and welcomes input from the community. I believe Merrily would similarly be respectful of feedback.

I believe that Andrea and Merrily are motivated to be on the Select Board with the best interests of the community in mind. They will be concerned with what is best for us now, and in the future. Neither candidate has anything, economically, to gain from a position on the board.

I think they will make decisions based on what they think is the best for the community as whole. I see them as individuals who take economic, social, and environmental factors into account, when making a decision. They will strive for a town with a vibrant economy, healthy people, healthy environment, and an open government.

*James Donegan*

## Andrea Morgante for Select Board

Since moving to Hinesburg in 1978, Andrea Morgante has been dedicated to the community and its future. She is tireless, and has contributed to the community in more ways than any one of us knows. She is committed to stewardship of the water and soil, and pursued that commitment through such actions as organizing the local land trust and establishing the Lewis Creek and LaPlatte River Associations. She has brought thousands of dollars in grant money into the community for sidewalk and recreation paths.

Andrea is very approachable, and eager to listen and debate with anyone. She seeks out opposing points of view to challenge her beliefs and positions on issues. She has the unique ability to see solutions to problems that many of us

struggle to resolve. She organized our local recycling program long before the State mandated recycling, served on the Planning Commission, was the town's representative to the Metropolitan Planning Organization (now the Regional Planning Commission), and served for over 24 years on the Select Board. There are those who will point to her length of service on the Select Board as a reason to elect someone new. I argue that there is no one more open, qualified, or dedicated than Andrea. Please vote on March 7, and please support Andrea Morgante for the two-year Select Board term.

*Jonathan Trefry*

## Andrea Morgante Addresses the Changing Needs of Hinesburg

We are indeed fortunate to live in Hinesburg, a safe, vibrant, and family-oriented community. A community that values a variety of housing, business, cultural, and recreational opportunities.

Countless volunteers, appointed and elected officials work cooperatively with respect and open communication to contribute to the quality of life in our unique town

Andrea Morgante is among those who has strived for years to address the changing needs and issues facing our community, such as the pipeline, environmental issues, and our town's growth.

She has been effective because she asks direct, pertinent questions and listens respectively to the answers. And Andrea expects, from us, the same thing in return.

Please vote to keep Andrea on the Select Board working hard for this wonderful town and for all of us who call Hinesburg home.

*Jim Ross*

## Merrily Lovell for Hinesburg Select Board

I had the pleasure of serving with Merrily on the Conservation Commission and was impressed from the beginning with her inquisitive and thoughtful nature. She always took the time to understand an issue and encourage discussion. She often raised questions and shared points that had yet to be taken into consideration, and in turn challenged the group in the best of ways to dive into the issue at hand. Her commitment to respectful and open dialogue was always apparent.

Merrily not only brings valuable skills and life-experience as a teacher, but also brings to the table the role of a continual learner. She examines issues and welcomes new points of view with a listening, respectful ear. I deeply admire her ability to take in new information, challenge her assumptions and the assumptions of others, and seek common ground and consensus.

As a younger, newer resident to Hinesburg, I am excited about the perspectives Merrily can bring to the Select Board and to the challenges and opportunities facing Hinesburg now and in the future. Her diverse life and work experiences, yet her rootedness in New England, blends an understanding of local government in Vermont with the ability to share points of views informed from the other places her path has crossed, a wonderful asset to Select Board discussions and decision-making.

Merrily is committed to stewardship of our natural landscape and resources. She is committed to our working landscape and economic vitality. She is committed to a vibrant Hinesburg community. Her thoughtfulness, dedication, openness, and diverse experiences will serve all Hinesburgers well; the young, young at heart, and anyone in between! Please vote on March 7, and please support Merrily Lovell for the three-year Select Board term.

*Alison Lesure*

## Support for Andrea Morgante

I would like to express my support for Andrea Morgante for the two-year Hinesburg Select Board position. I've known Andrea for more than 30 years, and for five of those years, I had the honor to serve with her on the Hinesburg Select Board. In my opinion, Andrea sets a very high bar when it comes to meeting preparation, understanding of issues, knowledge of governmental processes, and experience on regional and state governing boards. Andrea is always respectful, listens closely to everyone's opinion, and never wavers in her dedication for an open and honest town government. She will not shy away from an issue, even if only to insure all voices are heard. This is what democracy is all about. I personally learn and benefit from her leadership.

I believe Hinesburg also benefits greatly from Andrea's leadership. It is hard for me to identify another person in Hinesburg who has volunteered more time to better our community. From large projects, such as land conservation to baking apple pies for our local chicken pie supper, Andrea always steps up for this town.

I would like to point out one other important observation concerning Andrea's leadership. Andrea is always on the front-end of issues or values. Andrea helped start the first volunteer recycling program in Hinesburg. We now all see and understand why recycling has become part of our lives. Andrea was concerned and worked on stormwater quality before state standards and rules were even drafted. This has put Hinesburg in front of the regulatory curve. Andrea led some of the first efforts to conserve land in this town which not only saves tax dollars but is a leading reason why Hinesburg has become a desirable community. Finally, Andrea helped turn Hinesburg's village into a safe, walkable community. Her focus on sidewalks and trails provides value to everyone, makes our village welcoming and allowing our children to safely walk to their schools.

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town. I hope you will join me in honoring Andrea's example of service by practicing small-town democracy and attending our annual town meeting on March 6th and then voting on March 7. If you value the type of leadership Andrea has demonstrated, please join me by casting your vote for Andrea to continue her legacy of service.

*Phil Pouech*

## In Support of Andrea Morgante for Select Board

I enthusiastically support Andrea Morgante's candidacy for Hinesburg Select Board. Having known Andrea for many years, I have been both impressed and inspired by the amount of time and effort she puts into service to the town. As a Select Board member, Andrea has represented Hinesburg citizens with an open mind and come to independent decisions, been proactive in encouraging redevelopment of the Saputo Cheese site which is vital to village prosperity, and supported efforts to protect the town from future storm water mitigation costs among her many accomplishments. In addition, as a private citizen, Andrea has worked to conserve working farm land such as the LaFreniere farm that define Hinesburg as a town with both agricultural roots and an agricultural future which I believe is critical for future livability of our town.

Please consider supporting Andrea Morgante for Select Board this March.

*Joe Iadanza*

## In Support of Andrea Morgante for Select Board and Highway Garage Bond Vote

I am pleased to support Andrea Morgante's candidacy for the Select Board. As a long time Hinesburg resident and small business owner, Andrea's contributions over the last several years have been a big plus for Hinesburg.

As a Select Board member, Andrea was proactive in ensuring that the former Saputo cheese plant site remained a place where food was processed. The redevelopment of that site has brought Vermont Smoke and Cure, Green Mountain Organic Creamery, Hinesburgh Public House and Senix to Hinesburg. The businesses now have more employees than under its previous use.

The reality of village growth and the infrastructure requirements needed to support it will require thoughtful evaluation and a transparent public process that Andrea has always demonstrated as a public servant. Having served on the Planning Commission, it is evident to me that proposed growth is much greater than the gradual growth originally anticipated.

The rural zoning which Andrea supported has allowed the Town to better understand its developmental impacts on

our rural roads particularly in the area of storm water runoff. If our waterways become impaired, it will fall to the Town and thus its taxpayers to pay for remediation. Unfortunately, obtaining State storm water permits does not guarantee the water quality of our waterways.

In addition to service on the Select Board, Andrea has been a moving force in Hinesburg's efforts to conserve some of its rural land. One of the most important of those endeavors was a large portion of the Bissonette farm. This conservation enabled Full Moon Farm to purchase some of the conserved property and move its farming operation to Hinesburg. Other important aspects of the transaction were the protection of the LaPlatte River, the creation of the 300 acre LaPlatte Headwaters Town Forest and the resulting long-term benefit that it will provide to Lake Champlain.

I join Andrea in supporting the construction of a new highway garage. The Town employees deserve a safe and adequate work space. Construction and site work will remediate stream impairments that may allow the project to be eligible for some funding through private and public grants. It is also the right time to take advantage of low interest rates for a bond.

Andrea is one who leads, who researches and believes in a transparent process with opportunity for public input. I urge you to join me in supporting Andrea's election to the Select Board and the bond issue.

*Jean Isham*

## Andrea Morgante for Select Board

In the just over six years I have called Hinesburg home, Andrea Morgante is someone who stands out as person who is passionately dedicated to the Town of Hinesburg. She has a longstanding involvement in the community of Hinesburg and has been engaged in countless ways over the years. She is committed to stewardship of our natural landscape and resources, and our rural working forested and agricultural landscape; she is committed to the economic success of our community; she is committed to a vibrant, walkable village area as demonstrated by the thousands of dollars she has brought in for sidewalks and other recreation trails. Her approach in all of these areas is holistic — considering environmental, health, social, and economic factors — to achieve what is best for Hinesburg and our future.

Andrea is also one of the most approachable, thoughtful, welcoming, and considerate people I have come to know. She is committed to encouraging all voices to be heard, engaging with residents new and old, young and young at heart to participate, and easily makes you feel a part of Hinesburg. This is continually reflected in her service on the

Select Board where she demonstrates a commitment to transparent and inclusive local government. She takes the time to understand an issue, consider different viewpoints, and encourage respectful discussion. Her ability to take on and understand complex issues, and consider all aspects of an issue is a tremendous asset to the decision making process in Hinesburg.

Her thoughtfulness, approachability, energetic dedication, engagement with others, and openness serves, and will continue to serve, Hinesburg well for any current and future challenges and opportunities we face as a community. Please join me on March 7, in supporting Andrea for the two-year Select Board term!

*Alison Lesure*

## In Support of Morgante and Lovell

I am writing in support of Andrea Morgante and Merrily Lovell for the Hinesburg Select Board. There are many reasons I support these two talented women to serve our town, but I will focus on just one issue to keep my letter short. I initiated the creation of an Affordable Housing Committee back in 2006, and I have served on the committee since then. I am not speaking on behalf of the committee but just for myself.

Andrea has never wavered in her support and understanding of the need for more affordable housing in Hinesburg. She supported the Housing Needs Assessment completed in 2010, and when the Select Board opposed updating this important document last year, she attempted to find other funding to cover the cost. She fully supported the Town applying for needed federal funds so the Green Street affordable housing project could happen, and she had no reservations about the need in the Town's FY2018 budget to include the funding to update the outdated Housing Needs Assessment.

Merrily has affordable housing as part of her vision for Hinesburg, as she sees it as important to a diverse community offering opportunities for young families and retirees alike to live here. She believes the Green Street project and its 23 units of housing are an asset to the town. I know she, like Andrea, will support efforts by the Affordable Housing Committee to bring future affordable housing projects to fruition in Hinesburg.

Andrea and Merrily best share my values and would best represent my views, including those on affordable housing, so I hope you will join me on March 7 and vote for Andrea Morgante and Merrily Lovell for Select Board. Thank you.

*Carl Bohlen*

## Morgante and Lovell Share My Values and Vision

Both Andrea Morgante and Merrily Lovell have my support for the 2-year and 3-year terms, respectively, on the Hinesburg Select Board. These two women share my values and vision for the future of our community.

From starting the Hinesburg recycling program to her Green-Up Day village tree planting program, from her efforts in making the village a walkable community, to her thoughtful approach to preserving our rural landscape and agricultural traditions, while also recognizing the need for commercial and residential growth, Andrea has always demonstrated leadership in meeting the challenges and opportunities facing Hinesburg with an unparalleled work ethic and dedication.

Merrily's background in teaching, science, and educational leadership roles will be invaluable as the Select Board faces the challenges associated with the newly adopted State water quality standards for municipal systems. As chair of the Hinesburg Conservation Commission, she has thoughtfully considered the Town Plan and the need to balance responsible, planned growth with the protection of our natural resources.

Please join me in voting for Andrea Morgante and Merrily Lovell for the Hinesburg Select Board as they each bring an important voice and perspective to our town government.

*Kristy McLeod*



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# Town News

## Town Clerk and Treasurer

BY MISSY ROSS

### Town Meeting Day

Town Meeting Day is just around the corner! Ballots are here and available for early voting. You may request a ballot via e-mail at [mross@hinesburg.org](mailto:mross@hinesburg.org), by calling 482-2281 x2, or by stopping in at the town clerk's office during our regular Monday through Friday hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. You may request a ballot for a family member and we can mail it to them. You can take your own ballot home with you if you want to vote at home and return to us later. All ballots must be in hand by town meeting day in order to be counted.

For the second year, town reports will not be mailed out to all households in town. This is a cost saving measure, as the printing and mailing costs are quite high. We also used to find many, many town reports disposed of at the post office in the recycling bins. Town reports will be available at the town hall if you would like to pick one up, and can be viewed online and downloaded as a PDF at [hinesburg.org/annualreport](http://hinesburg.org/annualreport).

Town Meeting Day will be held on Monday, March 6 at 7 p.m. at the Champlain Valley Union High School auditorium.

Discussion and voting on the town budget will take place at this meeting. Australian ballot voting for the election of town and school district officers, as well as voting on the highway garage bond will take place on Tuesday, March 7 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. There will also be a ballot for the consolidated Champlain Valley School District budget on the same day. The CVSD ballots will be taken to CVU and co-mingled with the other town's ballots before being counted.

We have two contested races on the ballot this year. Michael Bissonette will square off against Merrily Lovell for a three-year seat on the Select Board, while Veronica "Roni" Estey will take on Andrea Morgante for a two-year seat on the same board. The ballot will also contain the bond vote for a proposed new town highway garage. There are various other uncontested town officer positions to be voted on, so be sure to exercise your right to vote!

### Dog Licenses Due by April 1

Dog licenses are required on an annual basis in the State of Vermont. The purpose for the law requiring annual licensing is to insure that all dogs are vaccinated against rabies, which has periodically been a public health threat in Vermont. It can also assist us in returning lost dogs to their owners. The fee for a dog license is \$10, with \$5 going to

the State for rabies eradication and for reduced cost spay and neuter programs. The only thing you need to bring with you to obtain your pet's license is a current rabies certificate. If you licensed your dog here last year, we may very well have the rabies certificate on file. Feel free to call to check whether or not we have it on file.

### Homestead Declarations and Property Tax Adjustment Claim Form (HS-122)

Income tax time is here once again. If you have misplaced a copy of your property tax bill, you can get another copy via e-mail or you can stop by to pick one up at the clerk's office. You will need the information on the bill for your income tax return and to file for a property tax adjustment if you qualify for one. You must file an income tax return in order to request an adjustment. Households with income up to \$141,000 are eligible to apply for a property tax adjustment.

## Highway Garage Bond Vote

### TOWN OF HINESBURG PRESS RELEASE

The Hinesburg Select Board is asking voters to consider whether or not to approve a \$3.1 million bond for the construction of new highway garage.

In addition to the construction of an 11,500 square foot, energy efficient new garage on municipally-owned land on Beecher Hill Road, the project also includes a salt/sand shed capable of storing a much greater supply of materials, and needed stormwater and river corridor improvements to the site.

The Chittenden Solid Waste District, which operates a drop-off center on site, would remain, albeit in a new location.

The Town is seeking authorization to borrow \$3.1 million from the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank for a 30-year term. The interest rate used for analysis, quoted by the Bond Bank in early February, is 3.532%. If approved, and if the full \$3.1 million is borrowed, average annual payments will be more than \$158,000 per year. There is the potential for grant funds to offset some costs, such as river corridor restoration and stormwater improvements. Based on the projected grand list for FY2018 alone, and with no other funds used to offset the costs, the bond would require an increase of 2.96 cents per \$100 of assessed property

value.

The current highway garage is under-sized, inefficient, and presents safety challenges for staff. The Town has worked hard to maintain the facility and improve safety, but is ultimately limited by the size, age, location, and condition of the structure. An open house is scheduled for Saturday, February 25 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. March 4 is the "snow" date (the alternate date in the event of a storm). The Town is also holding two public hearings on the bond. The first already occurred on February 20; the second is on Monday, February 27 at 7 p.m.

For more information, and to view site plans and architectural renderings, please visit the Town's website at [hinesburg.org](http://hinesburg.org), or contact the Town Administrator's office ([tlashua@hinesburg.org](mailto:tlashua@hinesburg.org) or [rmarshall@hinesburg.org](mailto:rmarshall@hinesburg.org), 482-2281).



## Is Hinesburg Great or What?

BY CHIC MCARTHUR, HINESBURG TRAILS COMMITTEE MEMBER

It's been almost a year since I moved from Los Angeles, CA to Hinesburg, VT. I could have ended up almost anywhere and it was just dumb luck that I ended up in such a great place. The town is filled with wonderful people and, the last time I looked, has one of the lowest crime rates in the state. We're lucky to have our own community-minded police department and volunteer fire department. We also have Lantman's, which I think is one of the best markets anywhere. It's not often you find a market this size providing both good value and interesting gourmet items. Then there's the Good Times Café, with its great pizza AND killer gumbo and jambalaya. How cool is that? And The Hinesburgh Public House which, in addition to its delicious menu and friendly bar, puts on all these excellent events and community dinners. And how about CVU, the best public high school in the state? It's amazing how many great places there are in our small town.

But by far, one of the most treasured resources we are lucky to have is our trail system or HART (Hinesburg Area Recreational Trails). Let's face it, one the reasons we love Vermont is its natural beauty. And there's no better way

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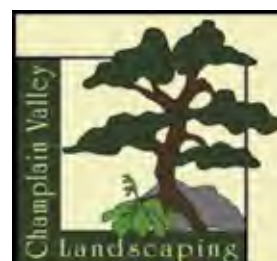
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to experience that beauty than on one of Hinesburg's trails. And, we have one of the best trail systems in the state. There's the 837 acres of the Old Town Forest with its miles of hiking, running, and mountain biking trails, or the peaceful and accessible trails in Geprags Park. There's something for almost everyone regardless of your fitness level. You can take a leisurely stroll or go for an energetic work out in the LaPlatte Headwaters Town Forest; it's a great place for hiking, running, skiing, and snowshoeing. Or enjoy two miles of trails around a 63-acre working farm thanks to the Russell Family.

After a year living here and being a member of the Trails Committee, I feel like I've barely scratched the surface when it comes to experiencing all these beautiful trails. It makes me wonder how many of us have yet to take advantage of this immensely valuable resource. It reminds me of living in New York City and not going to the Empire State Building or the Statue of Liberty. It's always there so it's taken for granted. If you live here, and haven't taken the opportunity to enjoy the natural beauty of the HART trails system, what are you waiting for? I guarantee it will positively add to the quality of your life. It sure has improved mine. There are maps available at every trail head and maps, descriptions, and directions online at the town's web site, [hinesburg.org/hart.html](http://hinesburg.org/hart.html). So yes, I'd say it's pretty great!

And, a reminder from the Trail's Committee: please don't forget to clean up after your dog and keep him/her under strict supervision or consider using a leash. Don't litter, and be courteous and respectful to the nature around you.

## Invasive Plants: An Endpoint?

J. ETHAN TAPPER, CHITTENDEN COUNTY FORESTER

As the Chittenden County Forester for the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, my job can be broadly described as negotiating the relationship between humans and the forested ecosystems of Chittenden County. To this end, I serve as a resource for landowners, communities, and individuals interested in forests, forest management, and land stewardship. Through my work I have the opportunity to observe the "big picture," the trends and forces that influence our forested ecosystems over time. One of the most disturbing of these trends is the threat posed by invasive exotic plants, which present a disturbing vision of the future of our forests. In my view, the presence of these species represent a theoretical "endpoint" in the growth and development of our forested

ecosystems.

In the remarkably diverse forested ecosystems of the northeastern United States, we are blessed with a suite of native species that regenerate readily following disturbance events. Our forests utilize a simple scheme to do this: when some trees die, others capitalize on the opportunity to establish and grow. While this may seem obvious, in many parts of North America the regeneration of native trees is no easy thing, and it is the exceptional diversity and richness of our forested ecosystems that make this possible. We humans benefit from this capacity by having new trees constantly establishing and growing, ready for us to tend, harvest, and enjoy.

In the midst of this abundance, it is easy to ignore invasive plants as they establish and slowly spread through the understory of a forest. We put off their removal, saying that we will address the issue when these species become a problem. However, when trees in the overstory of a woodlot succumb to natural mortality, become mature, or start to decline, we are forced to encounter these invasive species head-on. I have seen many cases where the loss of an overstory, which is normally rewarded with a diverse crop of native seedlings, is met only by a sea of invasives. Unless they are removed, these invasive plants will occupy these areas, inhibiting the forest's natural regeneration process, indefinitely. This is the "endpoint" to which I refer, a moment at which the cycle of life in a forested ecosystem is arrested into the indefinite future.

I can see this trend applying to many of our forests, given enough time and inactivity. So, what do we do? The days may be gone when any disturbance will automatically trigger an abundance of native regeneration, but this doesn't mean that our forests' days are numbered. These days, when I see a single invasive plant on a landowner's property, I tell them that they have an invasive plant problem. The truth is that all of us, even those who have never seen one of these plants, have an invasive plant problem. My dream is to see concentrated, community-wide efforts in the removal of these species, in recognition of the fact that these species don't stop at property lines, and neither do our forests. I hope that we can use these actions as a springboard to talk about how to make the forests in our region, and all those reliant on them, healthy for the future.

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Looking ahead into our 30th year as an organization, and armed with a new general manager, we've been gazing into our crystal recycling bin to see if there's any way to include more types of material. Not only do we have to make sure that there are viable recycling markets for whatever we accept, but we also have to make sure we can process it at our Materials Recovery Facility. We recycle about a bin and a half per second there, and have finite space in which to handle each material stream.

Happily, we found some items that we can work into our system. For those of you who pore over every word of the Chuck-it Guide (you're amazing!), you'll recognize some of these as changes to our past recycling policy.

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• **Pizza boxes** — You can recycle a pizza box, even if it's lightly greasy! No great globs of grease, and absolutely no stuck-on food. Food and recycling never mix! If you're unable to remove food, the item belongs in the trash (or, in the case of a cardboard box, it could be composted).

• **Bakery boxes** — Bakery boxes can go in your recycling bin—with or without a plastic window. No stuck-on food!

• **Cash register receipts** — The thermal receipts you usually get at the gas pump and many retailers were once considered unrecyclable due to the chemicals used for thermal printing. That's no longer an issue.

• **Paper ream wrap** — When you buy a ream of paper, it often comes wrapped in a layer of paper. Paper wrap was once considered unrecyclable due to moisture-resistant treatment used to protect the paper inside. That is not an issue anymore. However, any wrap made from plastic, or that has a thin plastic liner (usually visible when you tear the wrap) is still not recyclable.

• **Metal jar lids** — In the past, the rubbery seal on the underside of many jar lids meant that they couldn't go in the blue bin. That seal isn't a problem for recycling companies anymore. Of course, we still take them at all of our drop-off centers as scrap metal, too! Metal jar lids must be separated from the containers they come on.

• **Foil tops** — As long as they are collected in a two-inch foil ball, foil tops from yogurt and drink containers can be recycled in your blue bin. If a foil top goes in a blue bin by itself, it acts like paper — and ends up contaminating the paper recycling stream.

## Know thy Garbage: Five Tips to Reducing Trash at Home

BY MEREDITH BAY TYACK

*This is a guest post by Burlington resident Meredith Bay Tyack. The views and opinions expressed are the author's own, and do not necessarily reflect the policy or practice of CSWD.*

Just because New Year's Day has passed doesn't mean it's time to give up on the rest of the year. If anything, it's time to get moving! Any day is a great time to look closely at our habits and commit to making positive changes.

If you're sick of sending so much to the landfill every week, here are some tips you can put into practice today, to start dramatically reducing your personal or household waste. Consider it a trash diet, with the aim of trimming down your "waste" line.

### 1. Get familiar with your own garbage

Your trash is like a snowflake: It's totally unique. Even two different garbage bags from the same household will contain different stuff. It's time to get up close and personal with what you're throwing away

if you want to figure out how to reduce it.

Look inside the can — at work, or at home. Choose a few items or categories of trash that frequently end up in your bin, and tackle them one by one. (You'll have a better chance of success if you start small.) Find alternatives, or think about how you can avoid it in the future (see Tip #5).

If you see a lot of food waste, for example, set up a compost system. No need to get complicated at first; a bowl in your freezer takes 10 seconds to set up.

Maybe you still have a lot of plastic in your garbage bin from food or product packaging. Start looking for products with less plastic packaging — items made locally usually require less packaging (they aren't shipped across the country), and fresh food doesn't need wrapping. Plus, it tastes better anyway.

### 2. Switch to cloth

Disposable paper towels, napkins, and even tissues can be replaced with durable, reusable cloth alternatives. In addition to lasting for years, they'll likely work better than their disposable counterparts. The upkeep is as simple as throwing the cloth in the laundry.

Keep a stash of paper on hand if you feel you need a safety net at first, but commit to giving cloth a good try. Cut up an old sheet or a beyond-hope flannel shirt, or browse "un-paper towels" on Etsy or Pinterest for more ideas.

Even "gross" messes can easily be cleaned up with a reusable towel and thrown in the washing machine. Cloth napkins are available at any price point in many colors and styles.

### 3. Pack a Waste Free Kit

Include a water bottle, coffee mug, cloth napkin and reusable utensils. Put them in your bag, car, or purse so you have no excuse to accept single-use items.

If you love drinking out of straws, buy a reusable one and tote that along. Bring a glass jar, too. It can be used for any liquids, leftovers, or even to bring compost home from an establishment that doesn't offer composting to customers.

A plastic straw, paper cup, or plastic bag is designed to be used for just a few minutes but it will sit in a landfill (or worse — in our forests, rivers, and oceans) for hundreds of years.

### 4. Just say no — at the source

Refuse disposable items at their source. Request "no straw, please" in your drink when you're out to lunch or at the bar. That free plastic pen from the bank might be tempting, but you likely have enough pens at home and work. Ask for your receipt to be emailed instead of printed.

Take it to the next level and reach out to the businesses and restaurants you frequent and ask them to change to more low-waste practices. For example, a restaurant can dramatically reduce their waste (and yours) by offering disposable straws only by request instead of automatically.

### 5. Give yourself some tough love

Push yourself a little bit — being strict can seem stressful but it's really helpful. Perhaps you decide you won't use any single-use, disposable coffee cups for the week, month, or even a year. Then, one day, you forget your reusable coffee mug.

Tough love time: you don't get coffee-to-go that day. Instead, have a seat in-house and enjoy the brew in a reusable "for here" mug — or suffer through a cup of your office's sub-par brew.

Did you forget your reusable grocery bags in the car? Oops, it happens to everyone. Instead of opting for paper or plastic "just this one time," load all of your groceries back into your cart and pack up your bags once you get to the car.

Don't let little lapses get you down. Long-term waste reduction is the goal, so be kind to yourself while still holding yourself accountable. It's not about feeling guilty that you forgot your coffee mug — it's about being mindful.

Celebrate victories big and small, and make changes that are sustainable for your lifestyle. Keep yourself motivated: Get your family and friends involved, and read blogs of real people making big differences in their daily life — one change at a time.

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# Police

## Chief's Corner

BY CHIEF FRANK KOSS, HINESBURG COMMUNITY POLICE

The issue of racial bias is big in the news these days. On January 9, WCAX broadcasted a report published by UVM Professor Stephanie Seguino. This news report stated "blacks have a 50 percent higher chance of getting pulled over than whites in Hinesburg." A retired engineer, who volunteers for the department, worked with our statistics and disagreed with Seguino's statement. He concluded that Hinesburg only was found to pull over black drivers at HALF the rate based on the racial share distribution and not 50 percent higher than the normal rate. Professor Seguino agreed and WCAX subsequently corrected the story.

Even with the positive data out of Hinesburg, my ultimate goal however is to no longer have published, analyzed pre-stop data. It is impossible to come up with an accurate estimate of the racial share of drivers on our roads at any specific time given the available information. Additionally, the numbers are so small that a few numbers either way can have a significant effect. This is not to say that there is not value in the post-stop data. Those statistics can be analyzed, one by one if necessary, to determine if there could be an issue.

Now a comment about the protests against police, specifically about the protest outside the Burlington Police Department several weeks ago. There is no chief who has done more to address racial disparity than Chief del Pozo. He has done an exhaustive study on over a thousand applications submitted by those hoping to get into the police academy. Del Pozo determined the racial makeup and where candidates dropped out of the process. He has studied the application process to get into the academy, and is currently working on a change to the written entrance examination. Before the protest, on December 28, the Burlington Free Press did an article that reflects BPD's move towards a more diverse police force. Burlington Police Department's website is a textbook example of transparency in police operations.

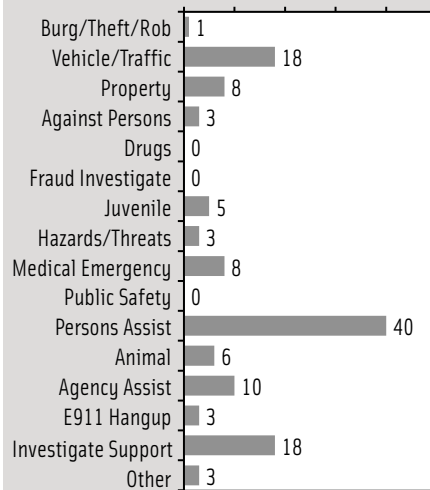
The point of my comment is this. To some activists, there is nothing any police department can do that will ever be enough. They will continue to say nothing is being done, when in fact, places like the Burlington Police Department are taking the issue seriously and are making positive strides. I urge readers to base issues on facts instead of conjecture in order to lead to a more positive discourse.

## Incidents

### Criminal DLS/Warrant

On Wednesday, January 11, an officer made a traffic stop on Texas Hill Rd. He determined that Harley Allen, 18 years old from Bristol, was driving on a criminally suspended license, and had a warrant for his arrest. The male was taken into custody, processed at the station, and transported to the Chittenden County Correctional Center.

### HPD INCIDENT COUNTS BY CATEGORY JANUARY 2017



GRAPH DATA SUPPLIED BY DOUG OLUFSEN

### Theft

On Wednesday, January 11, a resident on Gilman Rd. reported that two packages were missing that had been delivered. There was no evidence and the report remains open.

### Theft

On Tuesday, January 17, a resident on Gilman Rd. reported that her vehicle had been broken into and property removed. There was no evidence and the report remains open.

### Theft

On Sunday, January 22, a village resident reported that several children's items were missing from underneath a covered porch.

### Missing Child

On Thursday, January 26, officers were notified that there was a missing child that had got off a bus on North Rd. and then got into another vehicle. The mother reported that she had not come home. Officers were sent to the area as well as to the school. An interview with the bus driver was set up when it was reported that the child had not actually got off the bus.

### Welfare Check

On Friday, February 3, an officer was notified by a woman from out of state looking for her son whom she had not heard from since before Christmas. The officer started with an address in Hinesburg and through a series of contacts, determined that he was possibly employed by a company in Williston. The information was passed onto the woman.



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# Fire

## Thank You Brad Wainer – 50 Years of Service

Brad Wainer is the son of the late Dr. Louis and Rebecca Wainer. He grew up in Hinesburg and has lived here all his life. Since 1967, he has resided on Shelburne Falls Road where he raised five sons. His son Jonathan is a captain and has been with the Department for over 15 years



Brad Wainer

Brad joined the Department in 1967. When he joined, Bernard Giroux was fire chief. Brad recalls the night he was voted in to the department. He was one of two members voted on that evening. Bernard stated that they had voted two members tonight, one he said would be a great addition, but the other (Brad) he was not so sure about. Brad proved Bernard wrong and over the years the two became close like a father and son.

With Bernard's mentoring, Brad's involvement and dedication to the department grew. In 1971, Brad was elected lieutenant and he served in an officer's position until 2010, when he announced he wished to step down from the position of first assistant chief. Brad also served as treasurer of the Firemen's Association for many years.

When he first joined, the apparatus consisted of Engine 1, a 1945 Ford pumper,

and a 1956 Ford tanker which carried 1,500 gallons of water. Brad recalled how it was one of the first tankers in the county. The first mutual aid call with the tanker was to a fire at the Old Lantern in Charlotte. The Charlotte Fire Department was so impressed with how quickly it was able to deliver water, that they ordered a tanker for their department shortly thereafter.

One of the many things Brad has done within the department was to help with fundraising. In 1971, he and Bernard set out on a mission to build the fire station we have today. A new engine had just been purchased, and it would not fit into the old station at the corner of Rte. 116 and Mechanicsville Road. They visited everyone in town, and raised over \$15,000. With volunteer labor, and

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materials provided at cost by local businesses, the station was built for less than \$14,000. Since then, two additions have been added to the station, all paid for through donations from Hinesburg businesses and residents and built with volunteer labor.

In the late 1980's Brad was honored to be a part of the station being dedicated to Bernard as thanks for over forty years of service. In 2002, Brad was honored by the Fire Department by having the newest addition, which consisted of the meeting room, display room for restored Engine 1, and office space, dedicated to him as thanks for his thirty-five years of service. Brad felt honored not only by the dedication, but also because it was a room in Bernard's Fire House.

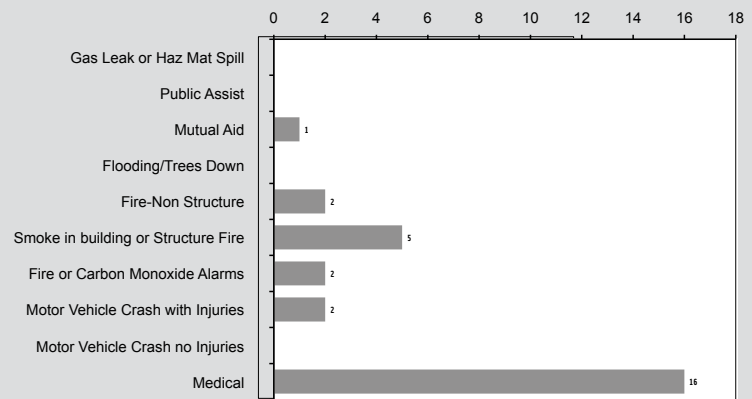
Over the years, Brad has also been a strong supporter, advisor, and friend of St. Michael's Rescue. Pete Soons, retired chief of St. Michael's Rescue, recalls the gatherings Brad used to hold at his home for the members. St. Michael's has hon-

ored Brad with a lifetime honorary membership, one of a few they have bestowed.

Among many of Brad's accomplishments was his being a leader in forming what is now the First Response Squad. When the squad was initially formed, it was a separate unit sponsored by the Hinesburg Fire Department. The squad grew on its own. Members assisted Williston's squad with calls, and vice versa. Eventually the squads combined into Iroquois First Response, covering the towns of Hinesburg, St. George, and Williston. Over the years, the towns grew, and so did the call volume within each town.

In late 2000, it was becoming apparent the number of calls had become too overwhelming for one squad to handle. By July 2001, Hinesburg and Williston First Response squads were operating as part of their respective fire departments. Fire Department members now devote their time to fire, medical, or both. St. Michael's Rescue, of which Brad is a long-term member, continues to serve Hinesburg as the primary ambulance responder.

HFD INCIDENT COUNTS BY CATEGORY, JAN 2017



GRAPH DATA SUPPLIED BY ERIC SPIVACK

HFD responded to 28 calls in January.

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

From 1976 through 2002, Brad was in charge of the Fourth of July Fireworks for the town. For many of those years, he would organize members of the Fire Department into a firing team, which would use flairs to shoot off the fireworks. To this day, he is extremely proud of his firing teams' safety record. At the end of the night, everyone went home with all their body parts, and without a burn or injury. After 9/11, the increase in restrictions, regulations, and insurance costs prohibited the Fire Department from actually lighting the fireworks. Starting in 2003, the Town hired a professional fireworks company for the annual display.

In addition to being a member of the Hinesburg Fire Department for fifty years, Brad has also served the community as selectman, chairman of the board of selectmen, a member of the zoning board, and cemetery commissioner.

As Brad looks back over the years, he wonders where they went, and is

amazed how things have progressed from the days of the station siren sounding at all hours to call the volunteers, to today when we have pagers, dispatching, and mapping apps for our cell phones and radios. He can still be seen taking rides through town, seeing how much it has grown, and remembering the calls he has been on at many of the addresses he drives by.

Brad still responds when the pager goes off. Sometimes he is driving Engine 3, sometimes Med 100, and other times he is at the station base radio monitoring communications and sending additional station resources.

The Hinesburg Fire Department and Firefighters Association would like to thank Brad for his fifty years of service and dedication to the department and town. It has been thanks to volunteers like Brad that the Fire Department is what it is today, including the station, apparatus, and equipment.

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## H.F.D. to Host Firefighting Class

The Hinesburg Fire Department will be the host for the spring Chittenden County Basic Class. The class starts March 3, continuing on Thursdays and Saturdays through mid-April. The instructors are officers and senior firefighters from Chittenden County Departments.

The class is a basic firefighting course during which new members learn firefighting skills including proper use of protective equipment, self-contained breathing apparatus, ladder placement and positioning, and hose advancement. The last two classes consist of written and practical exams.

Hinesburg Fire Department will be well represented in the spring class, with approximately 10-12 new members who will be attending.

## Structure Fire

At 11:30pm, January 17, HFD was dispatched to Birch Road in St. George for a report of a fully involved structure, with all residents evacuating the building. Based upon the caller's information, and the potential for a delayed response due to the snow storm and road conditions, Shelburne Dispatch automatically sent a full 2nd alarm assignment which included engines and/or tankers from Williston, Shelburne, Monkton, and Charlotte.

The first firefighter to arrive on scene reported finding an electrical fire in the ceiling, which he was able to use extinguishers to put out. Chief Barber arrived on scene, and upon confirming the fire was out, cancelled all mutual aid companies.

Hinesburg firefighters began the task of ventilating the building, and checking the walls and ceiling for any extension. EMT's treated one resident, who refused transport, for minor smoke inhalation. There were no other injuries.

Approximately two dozen responders, an engine, tanker and Med 100 were on scene for about an hour.

# Business

## Paisley Hippo Sandwich Shop Starts New Year with New Owner

BY JEAN ISHAM, HBPA

On January 3, Ethan Martin became the new owner of Hinesburg's popular sandwich shop, the Paisley Hippo. This well-established sandwich shop was started by John and Karen Goettlemann approximately ten years ago.

Ethan comes from a small business background and had always wanted to own a restaurant. He grew up and still resides in South Burlington, graduated from South Burlington High School, attended prep-school in Maine and college in Arizona. Ethan's parents own two small businesses, Bertha Church located in Burlington and Belle Mode located in Virginia. Ethan's involvement with the stores has been on the accounting side of the businesses. Before bringing his love of food to the purchase of Paisley Hippo, he sought advice from numerous friends in the local restaurant business. Ethan said he wants to thank John and Karen for giving him the opportunity to take over this wonderful, established business.

John spent five weeks assisting Ethan in the transition. Ethan believes in consistency: "If it's not broken, why fix it?" All of the employees are staying, he is using the same vendors and the menu/recipes are not changing. The only change he has made thus far is that the Paisley Hippo is now accepting credit cards. Future changes may include opening more hours/days, offering delivery service to Hinesburg businesses for orders of \$50 or more, doing some catering, and even adding locations. Accomplishing these plans means hiring more people. Ethan is now hiring cooks or anyone with culinary experience. If you are interested, he encourages



Paisley Hippo Sandwich Shop's new owner, Ethan Martin.

you to stop by or call the shop.

Currently, the Paisley Hippo is open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. The restaurant may be contacted at 482-2345.

This busy entrepreneur devotes his spare time to sports and physical fitness. He enjoys assisting his father who is the boys' varsity soccer coach at South Burlington High School.

The Hinesburg Business and Professional Association is pleased to welcome Ethan to the Hinesburg business community.

## 20th Celebration

*Hinesburg's Business Neighbor and Independent Bookstore, the Flying Pig, Celebrates 20 Years*

BY JEAN ISHAM, HBPA

Partners Elizabeth Bluemle and Josie Leavitt moved to Vermont from Manhattan in 1996, seeking green grass, fresher air, and a less hectic life. They settled in neighboring Charlotte. When a "for lease" sign appeared on a

small building that at one time was a post office, the partners started brainstorming on how they could use that building. Elizabeth said it took about fifteen minutes for them to determine that a bookstore, specifically a children's bookstore, was the only endeavor they had any business considering. Keep in mind that both partners had teaching backgrounds, master's degrees in education, and experience with kids from age three through high school. Both had taught reading to literacy students, had entrepreneurial enthusiasm and, most importantly, a knowledge and love of books.

The Flying Pig Bookstore opened in just ten weeks. They soon found their customers enveloped the spectrum from the young to senior citizens. They added more books and the space eventually became too small. In September of 2006 the store moved to neighboring Shelburne, doubling its 850 square foot original store.

Throughout the last twenty years, this independent bookstore has provided superb customer service, assisting customers with their selections, hosting author events, and giving back to its communities. The Flying Pig Bookstore has

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weathered the rapidly changing face of bookselling, including e-readers and decisions on what to publish resting in the hands of fewer people, thus resulting in fewer publishers and fewer markets.

I was one of those early shoppers, taking my grandchildren there to pick out books for their birthdays. My grandson Corey Warren was six years old when we started and remains an avid reader and customer to this day. He said: "The Flying Pig is a fantastic bookstore if one wants to delve into literature. The quaint little store has been a constant companion for me over its 20 years. Walking in always brings back memories of all the Harry Potter midnight releases I went to as a kid, very fun and full of excitement (plus a brand new book). And by the time I get to the counter, I am ecstatic to be getting something new to jump into when I leave. I thank The Flying Pig for giving me plenty to read."

Chris Tebbetts, Hinesburg resident and author of middle grade and young adult novels, including the middle school series which he co-authors with James Patterson, had this to say: "Flying Pig is just what I'd want a local, independent bookstore to be. I know the people who work there and they know me. They've also made themselves a true part of the community, supporting some huge number of



*Shown above at The Flying Pig's 20th celebration are past and present booksellers, from left to right, Darrilyn Peters, Matt Frassica, Josie Leavitt, PJ LaBerge, Elizabeth Bluemle, Laura Heabertin, Sandy First, David Kerr, Daniel Sobel, Emily Copeland, Kelly Dousevicz, and JP Schittina.*

schools, writers, and illustrators over the last twenty years, all while helping drive the local economy. For me, that kind of symbiotic relationship is one of the real pleasures of living in a small town."

On January 15, more than 100 people turned out to help The Flying Pig Bookstore celebrate its 20th year. Those successful twenty years not only speak to the community support this store has received, but to this independent bookstore becoming a fabric of the communities it serves.

Please note that Josie Leavitt has retired from the field and is now working in non-profit development at the Pride Center of Vermont. Personal messages can reach Josie at [josie.leavitt@gmail.com](mailto:josie.leavitt@gmail.com).

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# Recreation

BY JENNIFER MCCUIN

All spring and summer programs and events are available and open for registration [hinesburgrec.com](http://hinesburgrec.com).

## Spring Sports

### Tee Ball, Baseball, Softball

**Tee Ball** — Kindergarten and first grade on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30–7:30 p.m. CVU Field D, May 2–June 8. Cost is \$40 by April 7 and \$50 after. Deadline is April 14.

**Farm League Baseball** — Grades 2 and 3 on Monday and Wednesday 6:30–8 p.m. at HCS. May 1–June 7. Cost is \$40 by April 7 and \$50 after. Deadline is April 14.

### Shelburne Little League Baseball and Softball

Baseball registration deadline: March 11. Little league age calculator can be found at [littleleague.org](http://littleleague.org). Birthdates on or between May 1, 2005–April 30, 2012.

Girls' softball registration deadline: March 18. Softball age as of December 31, 2016. Birth dates on or between January 1, 2003–December 31, 2003.

Babe Ruth registration deadline: April 28 (baseball and softball). Ages 13–18. Fees: Minor/Majors (9–12) \$60. Softball Minor/Major (9–12) \$60. Softball Minis and Minors (7–8, 9–10) \$60. Babe Ruth (13+) \$115. \$50 late fee after deadline.

Registration fees include uniform.

To register online go to [shelburnevt.org/345/Shelburne-Little-League](http://shelburnevt.org/345/Shelburne-Little-League). Registration forms are available at Shelburne Recreation or [shelburnelittleleague.com](http://shelburnelittleleague.com). Skill assessments at The Field House in Shelburne (must be registered to participate).

Softball — Saturday March 18, 8–10 a.m. (mandatory).

Baseball Minors — Saturday March 11, 8–10 a.m. (mandatory).

Baseball Majors — Sunday March 11, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. (mandatory).

## Lacrosse

**Kindergarten/1/2 Co-Ed Lacrosse** is \$40 by April 7 and \$50 after. Deadline is April 14.

**3/4 Grade Boys Lacrosse:** May 1–June 7. Proposed Time: Monday and Wednesday 5–6:30 p.m.\* at Charlotte Central School and Lyman Park. Cost: \$80. An active U.S. Lacrosse membership (\$25) is mandatory to register. Registration deadline is March 17.

**3/4 Grade Girls Lacrosse:** May 1–June 7. Time: Proposed Monday and Wednesday 4:30–6 p.m.\* at Charlotte Central School East Field. Cost: \$80. An active U.S. Lacrosse membership (\$25) is mandatory to register. Registration deadline is March 17.

**5th/6th Grade Boys Lacrosse:** May 1–June 8\*. Time: Proposed Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 5:30–7 pm\*.

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**5th/6th Grade Girls Lacrosse:** May 1–June 8\*. Time: Proposed Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 4:30–6 pm\* at Charlotte Central School. Cost: \$80. An active U.S. Lacrosse membership (\$25) is mandatory to register. Registration deadline is March 17.

**7th/8th Grade Boys Lacrosse:** May 1–June 8\*. Time: Proposed Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 6–7:30 pm\* at Charlotte Central School and Lyman Park. Cost: \$80. An active U.S. Lacrosse membership (\$25) is mandatory to register. Registration deadline is March 17.

**7th/8th Grade Girls Lacrosse:** May 1–June 8\*. Time: Proposed Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 4:30–6 pm\* at Charlotte Central School. Cost: \$80. An active U.S. Lacrosse membership is mandatory to register. Registration deadline is March 17.

\*Please note there may be indoor and outdoor options available starting in mid-April. You will be notified upon registration with up-to-date program information. Practice times are subject to change to accommodate coaches' schedules and outdoor practices are subject to weather and field conditions. Any changes or updates will be communicated via e-mail. If you are interested in coaching or assisting with any of these programs, please contact the Recreation Department at 482-2281 ext. 230 or hinesburgrec@gmavt.net.

Please register for all HRD programs at hinesburgrec.com.

## Easter Mini-Cake Decorating

Join everyone's favorite baker for an Easter-themed mini-cake decorating class. Pastel colored icing, sprinkles, nonpareils, and jelly beans, along with anything bunny- or chick-themed to make it complete!

Who: K–8. Where: HNS (Hinesburg Nursery School — building next to HCS that shares parking lot.) Students will meet in Flex Space at HCS first, then walk to HNS with a helper. When: Thursday April 13, 2:45–3:45 p.m. Cost is \$17.

## AARP Smart Driver Course

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## Horseback Riding

### Horseback Riding During April Vacation

Looking for something to do for April vacation? Come spend part of the day at Livery Stables. Enjoy an hour of horseback riding with a lesson, learn basic horse care and grooming. Braid a mane, feed and water, and learn the routine of a horse barn! Wear boots with a heel, wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty, and bring your lunch.

Who: Ages 6–12. When: Monday–Friday, April 24–28 or choose a day. Time: 8 a.m.–1 p.m. or 8 a.m.–3 p.m. option. Cost: \$250 for 8 a.m.–1 p.m. or \$300 for 8 a.m.–3 p.m. More information is available at liveryhorsefarm.com.

### Middle-School Riders Club

The middle school horse club at Livery Stables continues! Riders can count on expanding their skills to include more advanced riding techniques, along with an introduction to drill team. More riding and further options for the rider that wants to navigate to the next level in horsemanship!

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Who: Ages 6–12. When: Tuesdays OR Fridays. Tuesdays: May 2–June 6 or Fridays May 5–June 9. Time: Tuesdays

2–4:30 p.m. or Fridays 3–4:30 p.m. Cost: Tuesdays \$220 and Fridays \$120.

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Who: Ages 3–5. Where: Town Hall field.  
When: Tuesday May 2–June 6, 10–10:45 a.m. Cost: \$85.

## Boater Safety

Recreation and Parks in conjunction with the Vermont State Police, will be offering a Boater Safety Course. The course is open to anyone 12 years of age and older. Participants must be present at all classes to be eligible for certification. The course is mandatory for any person born after January 1, 1974, who will be operating a motorboat on Vermont waters. Instructor is John Fick.

When: Mondays and Wednesdays May

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When: Session 1 is Saturdays May 13, 20, and 27. Session 2 is Thursdays June 1, 8, and 15. Session 3 is Wednesdays July 5, 12, and 19. Time: Session 1 is 9:30–11:30 a.m. Sessions 2 and 3 are 5:30–7:30 p.m. Where: Cedar Knoll Country Club. Cost: \$120 per session. Maximum: eight players per session.

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## Driver Education

Kevin Browne offers this class for those pursuing their driver’s license. Students must have a valid Vermont learner’s permit. Classroom instruction takes place at Town Hall and driving time is scheduled outside of the 3:30–5:30 p.m. class time. Where: Main room at Town Hall. When: Session 1 — June 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, July 5, 6 and 7. Session 2 — July 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26, 27, 31, Aug. 1 and 2. Time: 3:30–5:30 p.m. Cost: \$675. Session 1 payment due by May 5 and Session 2 due by June 23. Register online at hinesburgrec.com but checks are payable to Kevin Browne.

# Library

## Library Hours

**Monday and Saturday:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Tuesday and Thursday:** 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**Wednesday and Friday:** 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**Phone:** 482-2878

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

**Web Site:** carpentercarse.org

**E-mail:** carpentercarselib@gmavt.net

## We Deliver

Free delivery of materials is available to Hinesburg residents who find travel or physical access to the library building difficult.

## Outreach

On the third Friday of each month our library director visits a meal site for local seniors and lends large print books, magazines, audiobooks, music and DVDs. Each meal site visit is a special time for making new friends, and sharing good food, conversation and good books. The location of the meal site is Osborne Hall, adjacent to the United Church of Hinesburg’s parking lot on Route 116.

## Children’s Programs

### Youngsters’ Storytime

Babies and kids ages 0–4 with their caregivers join Librarian Sara every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30–10 a.m. at the library’s community room for stories, movement, songs, and snacks.

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February 8, for an evening of games, Legos, crafts, and more! From 5–6:30 p.m. the community room will be full of fun activities to keep the whole family busy. Pizza is available if you pre-register! Phone: 482-2878. Every second Wednesday of the month (unless otherwise posted). Drop in, or stay for the duration.

## Friday Afternoon Movie

Children and adults cozy into the community room for a free movie and popcorn on Fridays, February 24, and March 24 at 3 p.m. Movies take place on the fourth Friday of every month and are rated PG or G. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Call the library to ask what movie will be playing (482-2878).

## Mister Ethan Musical Concert for Children

Mister Ethan joins us at the library for music and musical activities on Wednesday, March 1 at 4 p.m., appropriate for ages 0–6. You may know Ethan from Music for Sprouts, and from hearing him play with local musician, Mister Chris. We are very excited and lucky to have him! We hope you and your little ones can join us for this special concert. Free.

## Adult Programs

### Vermont Song Farmers Gathering

The Carpenter-Carse Library in Hinesburg welcomes the Vermont Song Farmer, planting musical seeds to help our community grow, hosted by Rik Palieri. If you play an acoustic instrument such as: guitar, banjo, mandolin, fiddle, ukulele or hand drums — or just enjoy singing along, come join us for our second meeting on Thursday, March 6 from 6 to 8 p.m. This is a free library event and we look forward seeing you there!

### Book Discussion Group

Join avid readers for their next book discussion on Wednesday, March 8 for a discussion of the novel *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead. The group meets in readers' homes. For more information, including directions please, call Carrie at 482-4565.

### Hinesburg Community Writers' Group

Local writers: get your literary juices flowing in the library's Community Room at the Craft of Writing Night, March 7 from 7–9 p.m. There will be creative writing prompts and stimulating discussions about the how-to tips of writing, from style, to technique, to

breaking through the dreaded block. To submit a topic, prompt suggestion, or for further details, email Laura Wisniewski at bhy@beecherhillyoga.com

## Acquisitions

### Adult Fiction:

Arden, Katherine, *The Bear and the Nightingale: A Novel*

Chabon, Michael, *Moonglow*

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Drabble, Margaret, *The Dark Flood Rises*

Harper, Jane, *The Dry: A Novel*

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Kellerman, Faye, *Bone Box*

McGuire, Ian, *The North Water: A Novel*  
Rooney, Kathleen, *Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk*

Ruskovich, Emily, *Idaho: A Novel*  
Saunders, George, *Lincoln in the Bardo: A Novel*

Silvis, Randall, *Two Days Gone: A Ryan DeMarco Mystery*

Steel, Danielle, *Magic*

### LARGE PRINT:

Preston, Douglas J., *The Lost City of the Monkey God: A True Story*

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Amundson, Greg, *Firebreather Fitness: Work Your Body, Mind, and Spirit into the Best Shape of Your Life*

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Budbill, David, *Broken Wing*

Dutcher, Jim, and Jamie Dutcher with James Manfull, *The Hidden Life of Wolves* [illustrated]

Forhan, Chris, *My Father before Me: A Memoir*

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Wiking, Meik, *Little Book of Hygge: Danish Secrets to Happy Living* [print and audio]

Williams, Mary Elizabeth, *A Series of Catastrophes and Miracles: A True Story of Love, Science, and Cancer*

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\*Next month we will feature other folks who have helped us to assure the library's ability to continue to provide quality services for our community. We are truly fortunate to operate in a caring, supportive town!

## Quotation of the Month

*"I like libraries. It makes me feel comfortable and secure to have walls of words, beautiful and wise, all around me. I always feel better when I can see that there is something to hold back the shadows."*

—Roger Zelazny, American poet and writer of fantasy and science fiction short stories and novels, 1937-1995. George R. R. Martin wrote an in memoriam piece honoring Mr. Zelazny. We highly recommend it as nourishing food for thought.



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# Education

## A Focus on Community at Hinesburg Nursery School

BY SARA ARMSTRONG DONEGAN,  
PARENT VOLUNTEER

Hinesburg Nursery School (HNS) is a parent-cooperative non-profit preschool that has been serving Hinesburg families for 35 years. My husband, James Donegan, attended HNS in 1984; now our daughter is in her second year at the school. Many things have changed since then (including now having paid, certified teachers!), but the thriving community spirit, the fact that the school is managed by parent volunteers, and the focus on families has remained the same.

HNS hosted the 19th Annual Waffle Breakfast and Silent Auction on February 11. The midwinter event has become a staple event in Hinesburg. It serves as a fun family outing serving up delicious food, family fun, and fantastic auction items. This year was no differ-



Boy Scouts Thomas Frink and Caleb Nye show Kyle Walker "The Tractor Game" built by our local Scouts.

ent, and we are extremely grateful to all the local businesses that donated, and to all the families that came out to make this another successful year. Thank you!

This year's Waffle Breakfast event was extra fun with Big Blue Trunk keeping kiddos busy with awesome activities in the school gym, face painting, crafts, and a visit from Monty the Moose of University of Vermont Children's Hospital. Local Boy Scouts Thomas Frink and Caleb Nye built a fun game, "The Tractor



HNS students Nora, Tess, and Ella are all smiles and sweetness at the Waffle Breakfast.

Game," to challenge the kids, and we thank them for their attendance and support of HNS. The UVM Women's Lacrosse team also pitched in by volunteering, 34 players and two coaches helped us out! We could not have pulled it off without the stellar support of Hinesburg Community School's maintenance staff — a very big thanks in particular to Carrie Justice and Leonard Mungeon. Under the direction of Jess Mason, the spirit of the parent-cooperative model was evident in the hours of hard work put in by HNS families to serve up breakfast to over 250 people and made for a special morning in our community!



Community members enjoying a hearty breakfast.

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Monty the Moose from University of Vermont Children's Hospital putting smiles of the face of kids at Waffle Breakfast.



Monty the Moose joined the fun at Waffle Breakfast entertaining the kids and UVM Woman's Lacrosse Team.

In tandem with the waffle breakfast preparation, children in the HNS classroom were focusing on learning about Love and Friendship. They made valentines, practiced recognizing the letters in their friend's names, had a Valentine's Day party, and read books and sang songs all with a focus on Love and Friendship.

In March, the school will have an art show on display at the Carpenter-Carse Library. Artwork from throughout the school year will be showcased in the Community Room starting March 4 and ending on March 31. We hope you will drop in at the library and check out the

great work these kiddos have done! If you'd like to meet some of the artists themselves, HNS will be hosting a reception at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, March 6.

Hinesburg Nursery School is a parent-cooperative preschool located in the heart of Hinesburg. We are a STARS rated program for children ages three to five. For more information about our school call 482-3827 or visit us at [www.hinesburgnurseryschool.org](http://www.hinesburgnurseryschool.org). Registration is closed for 2017-18, but if you'd like to get on our waiting list, please contact Jen Morton at 482-4931.

## CVU's Future Entrepreneurs Polish Their Pitch

FROM CVU PRESS RELEASE

What do a food boat on Lake Champlain, a box that helps you save money, a non-profit that recycles used dancewear, and a drone video/photography company all have in common? These business ideas were pitched by the winners of this year's elevator pitch competition! Students had two minutes to convey the heart of their business to the judges: An-



From left to right: Carly Alpert, Caleb Sampson, Jeanne Albertson, Andrea Wolak, Johana Vigoreaux, and Flynn Freeman.

drea Wolak and Jeanne Albertson from Merchants Bank.

In just two minutes, students concisely outlined their business proposal, marketing strategy, and competitive advantage. Students learned that prospective business owners are strongly encouraged to polish their elevator pitches, since it can mean the difference between raising desired capital and being forced to leave their business ideas behind. Students spend the semester developing a business plan, and this culminating event is wonderful way to wrap up the course.

This semester's winners are: first place, Carly Alpert from Charlotte — creator of The Flow; second place, Caleb Sampson from Williston — Save Your Money Box; third place Johana Vigoreaux from Williston — creator of Dance Again; and honorable mention for Flynn Freeman from Williston — creator of Blue Skies Photography. The judges were Andrea Wolak, community banking manager and lender specialist from the Merchants Bank in Bristol and Jeanne Albertson, community banking manager from the Merchants Bank in Hinesburg.

# Calendar

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Washington's Birthday

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

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

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

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

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**6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** CVSD Budget Hearing. Champlain Valley Union High School

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

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

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

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

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

### MONDAY, MARCH 6

**4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.** CVSD Budget Info Meeting. Champlain Valley Union High School

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

**7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.** Town Meeting Day will be held on Monday, March 6 at 7 p.m. at the Champlain Valley Union High School auditorium.

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

### TUESDAY, MARCH 7

**7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.** Town Elections

**6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** CVSD Board Meeting, Allen Brook School, 497 Talcott Rd, Williston

**7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** Community Writers'

Group, Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballards Corner Rd, Hinesburg. Calling all local writers! Join us for our monthly Community Writers Group! All genres are welcome. Get your literary juices flowing with creative writing prompts; network with other local word-smiths; and enjoy a fun, stimulating monthly workshop in the Carpenter-Carse Community Room. Snacks will be provided. To submit a piece of writing for others to review and enjoy before the group meets, email Laura Wisniewski at [bhy@beecherhillyoga.com](mailto:bhy@beecherhillyoga.com).

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

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

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

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

### THURSDAY, MARCH 9

Advertising and News deadline for the March 23 issue of The Hinesburg Record

**7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** Town Forest Committee Meeting. Lower Level Conference Room in the Town Hall

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Daylight Savings Time begins

### MONDAY, MARCH 13

**7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** Village Steering Committee Meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall. Contact George Dameron, Chair 482-3269

### TUESDAY, MARCH 14

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

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

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

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

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

**7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** Hinesburg Trails Committee Meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room. Lenore Budd, Chair

### FRIDAY, MARCH 17

St. Patrick's Day

### MONDAY, MARCH 20

Vernal Equinox

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

### TUESDAY, MARCH 21

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

**6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** Business and Professional Association Meeting. Papa Nick's Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Walter Hausermann at 802-878-7144 or [walter@allstate.com](mailto:walter@allstate.com)

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

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

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

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

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

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

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

### THURSDAY, MARCH 23

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

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

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

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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.

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



# Organizations

## 4-H Club Fundraises for COTS

BY CORINNA HOBBS, HINESBURG 4-H CLUB REPORTER

On Saturday, December 17, Hinesburg 4-H Club members set up a table display in front of the Outdoor Gear Exchange on Burlington's Church Street. We were there to raise money for the Community On Temporary Shelter (COTS) organization, and to spread the word about what they do and how they help the community.

We wanted to raise money for the charity organization because they help the homeless and less fortunate get back on their feet. They provide places to stay and assistance for those who cannot



(L-R) Hinesburg 4-H Club members Tianna, Corinna, Zoe, Luke, and Cyrus braving a cold and snowing day to spread the word about the COTS, a charity organization that benefits all ages in our community.

afford it themselves. Our fundraising effort was a community service project for the 4-H group. We've taken on this project for the last three years. We hope our efforts, and your generosity, will continue to help those who need it.

Don't forget that COTS provides year-round benefits and still needs your help. So please consider contacting them today to see what you can do.

## Water Matters Event Planned by LCA and RGH

BY MARTY ILLICK AND JEAN KIEDAISCH

This spring the Lewis Creek Association (LCA) and Responsible Growth Hinesburg (RGH) are again teaming up to raise awareness of water issues in the LaPlatte River watershed region. This year's Water Matters event will be held on Thursday, March 30, at the Hinesburg Town Hall from 7-9 p.m. Save the date!

Members of conservation commissions, select boards and planning commissions in Hinesburg, Charlotte, and Shelburne (the three towns in the watershed) are invited, as are all folks interested in managing stormwater for improved local water quality — and ultimately a cleaner Lake Champlain.

An expert from the Department of Environmental Conservation will show us the state's new online "Clean Water Roadmap" tool which is designed to show our progress by watershed areas. We will also view LCA's water quality scorecard map, which is monitoring actual stream pollution trends and progress by sub-watershed.

Finally, we will learn about the Lewis Creek Association's Ahead of the Storm program (AOTS), which hosts locations around the watershed to showcase



Water Matters Event at Hinesburg Town Hall, March 2016.

water quality improvement practices. With funding support from Lake Champlain Basin Program and LCA, the CVU campus now hosts nine AOTS sites that were identified by consulting engineers at Milone and MacBroom and CVU student scientists. We will learn about their specific water quality improvement designs as well as their implementation, and long-term stewardship plans.

At 8:30 p.m. we will enjoy dessert and conversation before the evening ends. Save the date!

## Cochran's Nordic X Challenge

FROM PRESS RELEASE

On Sunday, April 2, Cochran's Ski Area will be hosting the first Nordic Ski Cross Event in New England, since 2014! The ski area is located at 910 Cochran Road, Richmond. This exciting event will feature the following:

- A festive and competitive citizens' Nordic Ski Cross Race for all ages. Hilarious, challenging, and loads of fun!
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For more information contact Jimmy Cochran at [manager@cochranskiarea.com](mailto:manager@cochranskiarea.com), 310-6500; or Pennie Rand at [mrاند@gmavt.net](mailto:mrاند@gmavt.net), or 373-7204.

## VT Genealogy Library Events

### FROM PRESS RELEASE

All classes are held on Saturdays (except for the March 14 event) at the Vermont Genealogy Library, 377 Hege-man Avenue (across from State Police), Fort Ethan Allen, Colchester from 10:30 a.m.–noon. Fee is \$5 both for members and the public. Class schedule subject to change. Check on [vtgenlib.org](http://vtgenlib.org) or call 310-9285 for confirmation.

**February 25:** Winooski's History and Heritage

**March 4:** Introduction to DNA Testing

**March 11:** Family Tree DNA Workshop

**March 14:** Irish Genealogy. Please note this event is part of the Burlington Irish History Festival. It is free and open to the public. This class is on Tuesday night and starts at 7 p.m.

**March 18:** Using PRDH and LaFrance to Find French-Canadian Ancestors

**March 25:** Scottish Research

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# Arts & Leisure

## Local Legends a Community Success

BY JEAN KIEDAISCH

For Hinesburg, the evening of January 27 was magical. The community gathered at CVU to enjoy an exceptional group of musicians playing a benefit concert for Responsible Growth Hinesburg.

The evening began with virtuoso mandolinist Will Patton and his quartet playing gypsy jazz, Brazilian rhythms, and such favorites as Pete Sutherland's "Sunday Waltz" and Fats Waller's "Jitterbug Waltz." The set ended with Patti Casey, the next performer, joining Will and his group.

Singer-songwriter Patti Casey's music is often described as New England-flavored bluegrass. Vermont Public Radio has called hers "the sweetest voice and some of the finest songwriting to come out of Vermont" and both talents were on display as she performed original songs, including "A Willing Heart" and "You Are the River" from her most recent album, *The Heart of a Waiting Boy*. She ended her set as she had begun: by joining with another musician, this time Colby Crehan of PossumHaw, in the close harmony of a truly lovely duet.

Finally, the popular PossumHaw played their brand of bluegrass-folk for an enchanted audience. The five-person

group, including Hinesburg's own Mitch Barron on bass, played songs written by the talented Colby Crehan plus a rousing banjo number by Ryan Crehan. It was a bittersweet concert experience since bandleaders Ryan (banjo, harmonica) and Colby (vocals, guitar) are moving to Wyoming at the end of the winter.

Before the show and between sets, audience members enjoyed homemade soups and bakers' specialty cookies.

The concert raised over \$4,000 for Responsible Growth Hinesburg's Supreme Court appeal. On March 30 the group will be sponsoring its fourth Water Matters event in collaboration with the Lewis Creek Association. The evening will be dedicated to better understanding stormwater and water quality issues in the LaPlatte River watershed (Hinesburg-Shelburne area).

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### REGIONAL CONCERNS MEETING

A Regional Concerns Meeting on the project listed below will be held on Monday, March 20, 2017 beginning at 7:00 PM at the Hinesburg Town Hall located at 10632 VT Route 116. The meeting will be held by the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) and the Town of Hinesburg.

Bridge replacement project:

**Hinesburg BF 021-1(35), VT Route 116, Bridge 24. A Cattle-Pass.**

The preferred alternatives includes a replacement, with a road closure and temporary detour; and an abandonment of the structure, with traffic maintained via short term single lane closures.

The intent of the meeting is to provide an overview of this bridge replacement project to Town Officials, local residents and businesses, emergency services and other interested parties. There will be a review of the existing site conditions, proposed work, detour, and overall schedule followed by a question and answer period. Representatives from both VTrans and the Town of Hinesburg will be available at the meeting to address public concerns about the projects.

A copy of the Scoping Report for this project may be seen at the office of the Town Clerk in Hinesburg, Vermont or at the Structures Section of the Agency of Transportation's office in Montpelier, Vermont.

An electronic copy is also available online at:

<https://outside.vermont.gov/agency/vtrans/external/Projects/Structures/15B094>



# Health & Safety

## The Practice of Compassion

BY LAURA WISNIEWSKI, DIRECTOR OF BEECHER HILL YOGA

"We must rapidly begin the shift from a 'thing-oriented' society to a 'person-oriented' society. When machines and computers, profit motives and property rights are considered more important than people, the giant triplets of racism, materialism, and militarism are incapable of being conquered."

—Martin Luther King Jr.

"Compassion is not a relationship between the healer and the wounded. It's a relationship between equals. Only when we know our own darkness well can we be present with the darkness of others. Compassion becomes real when we recognize our shared humanity."

—Pema Chodron

For many cultures, February 14 was a celebration of love, particularly romantic love. But what is love and can we be "loving" toward a wide and diverse community as well as toward our intimate others?

Buddhist monk, Thich Nhat Hahn says:

"The essence of love and compassion is understanding, the ability to recognize the physical, material, and psychological suffering of others, to put ourselves 'inside the skin' of the other. We 'go inside' their body, feelings, and mental formations, and witness for ourselves their suffering. Shallow observation as an outsider is not enough to see their

suffering. We must become one with the subject of our observation. When we are in contact with another's suffering, a feeling of compassion is born in us. Compassion means, literally, 'to suffer with.'"

In some ways, current divisions in our society result from the dominance of narcissism, which is a preoccupation with maintaining the ego — the "I" at all costs — over compassion. In this sense, solutions to social and political problems require a spiritual perspective.

Ending this month with a celebration of compassion, in whatever ways fit our natures and circumstances, can inaugurate a rewarding year of spiritual activism.

To learn more, you can contact Laura at [bhy@beecherhillyoga.com](mailto:bhy@beecherhillyoga.com) or go to [beecherhillyoga.com](http://beecherhillyoga.com)

## Vermont Youth Take on Flavored Tobacco

FROM VT DEPT OF HEALTH PRESS RELEASE

Gummy bear, cotton candy, bubble gum, and peanut butter cup are among the thousands of flavors found in tobacco products on the market today. Regulations ban such flavoring in cigarettes, but other tobacco-related products — including smokeless tobacco, cigars, and e-cigarettes — have no such restric-

tions, providing marketers with a powerful tool for attracting youth to harmful tobacco products.

To bring attention to these issues, students from across the state will gather in Montpelier on February 3, 2017, as part of the youth-led Our Voices Xposed (OVX) rally and march to the State House. Legislators will hear directly from teens about the impact flavored tobacco products and tobacco advertising have on youth.

OVX member Noah Smith, a senior at Burlington High School, said that being a part of the target audience was a wake-up call, and that it's important for legislators and policy makers to hear directly from youth. "Flavored tobacco products come in fruity flavors that teens like and the marketing is very colorful," said Smith. "My fear is that some teens are unaware of the health risks, and that once people my age are tempted to start, they'll get addicted. The rally is our opportunity to educate our local legislators."

Health Commissioner Harry Chen, MD, agrees. "Tobacco products that come in popular candy and fruit flavors are not only more enticing to young people, but they can also reduce the perception of harm. The reality is nicotine is unsafe for youth and can affect brain development," said Dr. Chen.

Studies indicate that flavored products are contributing to the rise in the number of youth using other tobacco products, particularly e-cigarettes. According to the national Population Assessment of Tobacco and Health, 81 percent of young adults age 12–17 who had ever used tobacco began with a flavored product. In Vermont, one in four high school students reported trying a flavored tobacco product, and 6 percent reported trying a flavored tobacco product before the age of 13 (YRBS 2015). A 2014 audit of Vermont tobacco retailers found that 66 percent of retailers sell fla-

vored little cigars, cigarillos, and blunts.

E-cigarettes — a smokeless device for delivering nicotine — come in more than 7,000 flavors and continue to be the most popular tobacco product among youth, surpassing regular cigarettes. The "2016 Surgeon General's Report E-Cigarette Use Among Youth and Young Adults," concluded that e-cigarettes are marketed to youth and young adults by promoting flavors and by using a wide variety of media channels and other advertising approaches. Eight months after the FDA extended its authority to include e-cigarettes, cigars, and smokeless tobacco, the flavoring, advertising, and self-service displays in stores remain unrestricted at the federal level.

There are no laws in Vermont regulating other flavored tobacco product sales, but community coalitions have been working to educate retailers and local officials about the impact of tobacco advertising. OVX youth leaders hope to elevate the issue on both the local and statewide levels. "It's important that youth have a voice in decision making," said Smith. "We are the future, and healthy decisions are needed for a healthier future."

OVX is a youth-led group supported by the Vermont Agency of Education and the Department of Health. Its mission is to empower youth to get actively involved in tobacco prevention efforts. Members are involved in peer-to-peer education and support, and speaking out against tobacco industry exploitation of youth.

See the Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey 2015 highlights and reports at [tinyurl.com/VTyouthRisks](http://tinyurl.com/VTyouthRisks)

Get the facts about flavors at [counterbalancevt.com/about](http://counterbalancevt.com/about). For information about Vermont's tobacco programs, visit [healthvermont.gov/wellness/tobacco](http://healthvermont.gov/wellness/tobacco).

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# People

## Higher Education Honors

**Kimberly Cribari** of Hinesburg excelled during the Fall 2016 semester at Hofstra University, achieving a GPA of at least 3.5 to earn a spot on the Dean's List.

**Elaina Curtis** of Hinesburg has been named to the Southern Vermont College Provost's List for high academic achievement for the Fall 2016 semester. The Provost's List recognizes full-time students who have earned a GPA of 3.5 or greater during the semester.

**Alexandra Lewis** of Hinesburg has been named to the Fall 2016 Dean's List at Roger Williams University in Bristol, RI. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a GPA of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester.

**Jacob Morris** of Hinesburg achieved Dean's List honors in the Fall 2016 semester at The University of Maine, completing 12 or more credit hours in the semester and earning a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

## Obituaries

### June Murray

June Murray, 91, of Hinesburg left her family with loving memories and joined her beloved husband, Lyman, on February 7, 2017.

June was born on December 31, 1925 in Burlington, VT, the daughter of the late Rudolph and Glenna Walker. On Septem-

ber 18, 1948 she married Lyman Murray in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Burlington.

June was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend, whose family was the center of her life. She and Lyman, her husband of 57 years, raised four children in Essex Junction before moving to their lake home in Grand Isle. After Lyman's passing in 2007, June relocated to Hinesburg to live beside her daughter and her family.

June led an active life for nine decades, enjoyed a variety of sports, bowled in leagues until she was 89, and had a well-developed sense of humor. She was committed to her church, wonderfully conscious of nature and of beauty, and deeply connected to her family, who adored her.

She is survived by her children: Mary Anne Stewart of Carlsbad, CA; James and Kathy Murray of Milton, VT; Diane and Peter Sector of St. Petersburg, FL; and Joanne and Rodman Cory of Hinesburg; her grandchildren: Heather Smith, Tyler and Codi VanDyk, and Isaiah, Rebekah, Elijah, and Jeremiah Cory; her great-grandchildren: Eric and Alex Smith, and Sianna Bouffard; as well as several nieces and nephews.

June's family wishes to express deep appreciation to the staff of both the Baird 4 unit at the University of VT Medical Center, and the VNA Respite House for the tremendously kind and compassionate care they gave to June (and her whole family!) during her time with them.

In keeping with June's express wishes, there will be no visiting hours.

A mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Saturday, February 18 at St. John Vianney Roman Catholic Church in South Burlington. Burial was at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Burlington.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either the Vermont Respite House, 3313 Roosevelt Highway, Colchester, VT 05446 or the Hinesburg Fireman's Association, P.O. Box 12, Hinesburg, VT 05461.

Condolences may be shared online at [www.minorfh.com](http://www.minorfh.com).



June Murray

# Commentary

## Hearing Loss?

BY BILL SCHUBART

Real men don't have "hearing loss." Their spouses just mumble as they get older. It was true for my grandfather and father, and it's true for me. My wife keeps telling me to go to Costco and get my hearing checked. I explain that Costco is for red meat and toilet paper.

I hear perfectly well, despite 55 years waving a chainsaw around, three years of concert-sound reinforcement for rock bands, and another ten years in a recording studio control room when I was young.

My wife asks, "How 'bout a little snuggle?" to which I answer, "Sure, if the snow blower starts." Or, "You want fish for supper?" to which I answer, "She's nice, but I'm sick of her gossip."

That's how I learned Latin. She told me my non-sequiturs were proof of my hearing loss. Too proud to ask what a non-sequitur was, I looked it up and found it means "a response that doesn't follow from the question."

Now firmly on the defensive, I relaunch my tirade against mumblers, explaining that all conversations would be easier if people just spoke clearly. "We've become a nation of mutterers," I generalize, so as not to make it personal.

"You need hearing aids," she yells at me.

In truth, I'd begun to worry. Sitting in a crowded restaurant, I can't hear the person sitting across from me, but I could hear every inane word coming from a wine-soused woman at the far corner table, carrying on about her poodle's silly hairdo. At meetings, I ask people to speak up repeatedly, though others seem to hear them okay. So, I sneak off to get tested.

A young woman settles me into a foam-lined closet and fits me with headphones. "Raise your hand when you

hear a tone," she says, closing me into the hermetically sealed chamber. After a while, I ask when she's going to start the test.

"It's over," she says, popping into the room. "You have serious hearing loss."

"Serious?" I ask, not sure I heard her. "Not deaf, am I?"

"It's a relative term," she responds. "Let's try some hearing aids on you and see what happens."

Suspicious, I ask, "How much they gonna cost?" having seen ads for them costing several hundred dollars.

"They're normally \$4,800, but we discount them and offer low-interest financing."

I look around in a panic, convinced my mind's failing along with my hearing and I've wandered by mistake into a car dealership. "\$4,800?" I gasp, forgetting a half-century's elapsed inflation.

Judging me a geezer, she chirps, "Medicare may cover some. You can finance the rest over five years." — "If you live that long," she thinks, but is too polite to say.

I skulk home with my new earrings, which cost more than my first seven cars, a year's worth of batteries too small to see, and a sheaf of financing documents signed under duress.

The sound of my car starting sounds like a Euclid diesel dump truck firing up on all six cylinders. Passing cars sound like I'm the target of a drone strike. I hear birds chirping as I enter the house. My patient wife congratulates me on my new hearing aids.

"Don't have to yell at me," I sulk.

"I wasn't yelling," she answers with a smile.

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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:** Will be served from noon to 2:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month unless otherwise noted. 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). Caretakers are welcome. Hinesburg Rides will pick you up and bring you home at no charge. For more information, call the parish office at 482-2290.

## 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.

**Space for Grace program:** Sunday mornings 9:15 a.m.

## Community Alliance Church

**Pastor:** Scott Mansfield

**Phone:** 482-2132

**Email:** info@hinesburgcma.org

**Web:** hinesburgcma.org

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

**Sunday Services:** 10:30 a.m. Children's programs, for nursery through elementary school ages.

**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 at 482-2132 or visit hinesburgcma.org.

## Williston Federated Church

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**Address:** 44 North Williston Road, Williston VT 05495

**Phone:** 878-5792.

**Website:** steeple.org

**Lay Minister:** Charlie Magill

**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.

## All Souls Interfaith Gathering Non-Denominational Service

**Pastor:** Rev. Mary Abele

**Phone:** 985-3819

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

**Services:**

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## ► Women's March

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changes we have made thus far.” (Jaida Breck, 17, CVU graduate)

“I believe our democracy should represent and protect all of its people.” (Emma Eddy)

**“Women's rights should not be up for debate.”**  
(Abigail Eddy)

“I could not in good conscience stay home. I took my daughter to show her that girls should show up, speak up, and be strong voices in their community.” (Leah Hamilton)

“My daughters and I marched because I want my children to know that all people have rights and that we must speak out against anyone who would infringe those rights through misogyny, bigotry, racism, and hatred.” (Heather Roberts)

“I want my children to learn what it feels like to use their voice to stand for their rights and the rights of others.” (Calen King)

“Facebook isn't enough.” (Anna Cornish, 17, CVU senior)

“The best way to inspire change is to connect with like-minded people and raise awareness.” (Brenna Comeau, 16, CVU junior)

“We feel the policies of the new administration are in conflict with our values.” (David and Marie Eddy)

“Equality and fairness for everyone!” (Alyssa Gorton)

“Peace and acceptance for all!” (Julia Grant)

“Human rights and those that may be treated unfairly under the new government.” (Sydney Hicks)

“It was a truly amazing experience. I remember the drive down, and the closer we got to D.C. the longer the lines got at the women's restrooms. Just being there knowing that everyone was here together was really inspiring. Being at the march was crazy. I was walking down Pennsylvania Avenue and I remember marching with everyone and looking down each side street and just seeing people. People everywhere and together.” (Lena Hansen, CVU freshman)

“To show our president that this country that he thinks he has complete control of has a mind of its own and he cannot make mindless decisions that



Kate and Meg Roberts holding their sign for the Montpelier March.



Marchers (left to right) Meg Walker, Kathleen Patten, and Kate Schubart on their return from the March in Montpelier.

will hurt so many people without repercussions. I marched to give people hope and to let people know that we will still make progress within these next four years because now we have a common enemy which is just bonding us closer together. I marched to let him know that we are watching and that we are stronger than he could ever imagine.” (Sara Johnson, CVU freshman)

“The Montpelier march drew me because it promised to be a way to action in support of all the positive American values again. That such a diversity of Vermonters would be there and in such huge numbers made the march an affirmation of the true wealth and greatness of this country, which lies in people of good will. Calvin Coolidge in a 1925 speech to the American Legion in Omaha, said ‘whether one traces his Americanism back three centuries to the Mayflower, or three years to the steerage, is not half so important as whether his Americanism of today is real and genuine. No matter by what various crafts we came here we are all now in the same boat.’” (Kate Schubart)

“As a woman and an artist, a founding member, and first coordinator of the Vermont Chapter of the Women's Caucus for Art in 1979, I am deeply disappointed that thirty-eight years later, we women are still marching for our rights

at every level. This is why I gladly joined Kate Schubart and Kathleen Patten to march in Montpelier. Further, I was so delighted and encouraged to see Vermonters, female and male, with babies in strollers and senior citizens pushing walkers, marching in support of women's causes. Oh yes!” (Meg Walker)

I am impressed by all of those who marched and their reasons. Democracy in action!

## ► Sheyann-Webb Christburg

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Eight-year-old Sheyann Webb-Christburg was named the “smallest freedom fighter” by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. She is still very involved in the movement. She travels around the world encouraging people to stand up against racism and segregation. She gives inspiring speeches and even the youngest kids in the room listened to what she was saying.

Ms. Webb-Christburg was very friendly to the kids, very open, and very approachable. Sheyann has a very young heart. The Hinesburg students took pictures, got autographs, and asked questions. She showed much kindness and inspiration towards the fifth graders. She talked about her life story, and when that happened there wasn't a dry eye in the room. Sheyann Webb-Christburg's appearance was a night no one would forget.



## ► Community Garden

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compost, water and mowing, and helps with repairs to the raised beds.

Limited plots will be available on a first-come, first-served basis, so please register as soon as possible.

If you have questions, please contact either of the following community garden members. To request a registration form, please contact Grace Link at [graceplay@vt04.com](mailto:graceplay@vt04.com) or 489-6200 or Kristy McLeod at [larcresox@gmavt.net](mailto:larcresox@gmavt.net) or 482-3372.

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SEND THE CHEF PACKING: Help us empty the pantry March 15 - 19 in preparation for our annual vacation. We'll be closed March 22-April 2. Mary's at Baldwin Creek, 1868 N 116 Road, Bristol, 453-2432.

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# BACK STORIES of Hinesburg

## Hinesburgers Participate in Women's March in Vermont and D.C.

BY JEAN ISHAM

### Pouech and Cornish Offer Comments on their Participation in the D.C. March

There were many people that would have like to join the Women's March on January 21 in D.C. but for a variety of reasons could not. Hinesburg residents Phil Pouech and Karen Cornish did attend and offered these comments.

Phil said "I felt the need to act and I am fortunate enough to have the time and money to make the trip. I know there are many people who would go if their situation allowed. Many people have thanked me personally for going. This is not the first march I have attended. I have done a few in D.C. and New York City for climate change. Our right of peaceful protest is a treasure that should be used by anyone who wants to express their free speech.

"I went to stand up for women. Our society has yet to treat them as equals (a battle going back to our cave man days) and this administration and their leader wants to turn the inevitable tide backwards. His disrespect and lack of concern is abhorrent. I was personally insulted when he described his behav-

ior as 'locker room.' I spend a lot of time in the locker room with men and we have never and would never allow that type of disrespect. I personally believe if



Brian Dunlop and Sylvie Vidrine at D.C. Metro on their way to the march.

there were more women as leaders, our world would be more peaceful, moral, and kind.

"I did express the positive feelings I received from the march. Everyone, and I mean everyone, treated the marchers with positive energy. This included the police, national guard, Metro workers, and even churches and schools that opened their facilities for our use. I did not see any anger or bad attitudes.

"I also marched because I feel climate change is a moral issue. It threatens hundreds of millions of people around the world. It is against my morals and our religious teachings (no matter what religion you choose to practice). Ignoring science and our earth is an unforgiving act of selfishness. It puts ourselves before future generations, meaning it is destructive to our children and their children."

Karen said "I would describe the scene in D.C. as awesome and fun. I was in true awe of the crowds – the numbers, the kindness. It was fun in the sense that activism can and should be fun, even if none of it is funny. We were laughing



Shown left to right are Rowan Dunlop, Eva Rocheleau, and Jaida Beck in front of the Department of Justice Building.



Lena Hansen on the left and Sara Johnson on the right, at the march in D.C.

with strangers all day when we weren't completely awed by the scene. I will also remember how calm and steady all of the police officers were, humanely dealing with the crowd and sometimes even cracking smiles. They are the bedrock of our citizenship which was very evident in that sea of citizens that day."

### Hinesburg Marchers: Montpelier – D.C. – Boston

Many Hinesburg residents joined historical marches on January 21. They marched for or because:

"We cannot lose the basic human rights we've fought so hard for." (Sylvie Vidrine, a mom)

"We're more important than 'me.'" (Brian Dunlop, a dad)

"[For] the ones who were unable to march." (Rowan Dunlop, 15, CVU sophomore)

"I refuse to believe I am powerless." (Eva Rocheleau, 17, CVU senior)

"I will not let us lose the positive social

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN HINESBURG

### Make a Difference

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 [news@hinesburgrecord.org](mailto:news@hinesburgrecord.org). 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.

### 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 are 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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