

R^{the} HINESBURG Record

APRIL 2019

American Red Cross Announces Outstanding Community Members to Be Honored

Hinesburg resident Doug Olufsen to receive the Gift of Life Award

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The New Hampshire and Vermont region of the American Red Cross and Co-operative Insurance Companies are honoring citizens in Vermont by celebrating “everyday people” and the heroic things they do in our community. The 2019 Everyday Heroes Awards, sponsored by Co-operative Insurance Companies, will be held on Tuesday, April 2, at 5:30 p.m. at the DoubleTree Hotel in Burlington.

Everyday heroes are all around us — those good Samaritans, neighbors and community members who intervene and help those in distress, give selflessly and generously and fill a need they see in their community. These awards shine light on the heroism of those who don’t expect to be recognized. The Everyday

Heroes Awards are celebrated all over the country by the American Red Cross, to honor individuals who personify the Red Cross mission of service and help in their local communities.

Maria Devlin, CEO for the American Red Cross in New Hampshire and Vermont, said, “Red Cross volunteers and blood donors do what they do because they know it will help someone — usually someone they don’t even know. This dedication to others is what we celebrate in recognizing the selfless acts of these Vermont residents, and we’re delighted to honor their work as Everyday Heroes.”

The following 2019 Everyday Heroes Award winners will be honored on April 2:

Doug Olufsen, Gift of Life Award, Hinesburg

For Doug Olufsen, donating blood is a

continued on page 21



Doug Olufsen will receive the American Red Cross’ Gift of Life Award

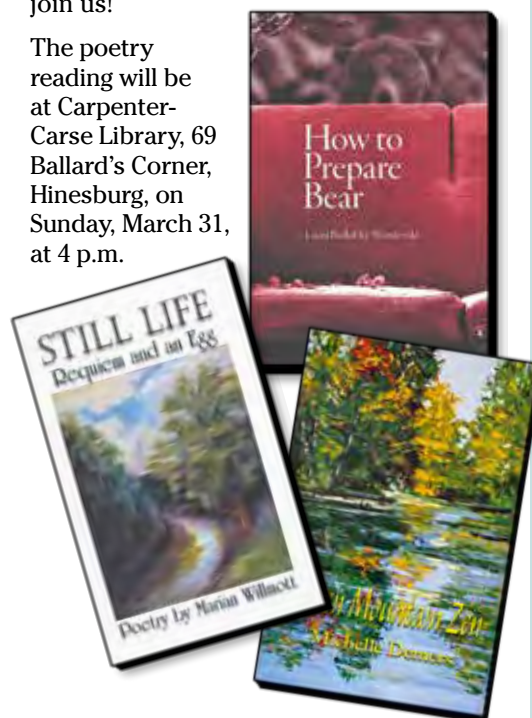
Poetry Reading: Celebration and Book Launch

BY MARIAN WILLMOTT

Three local poets, Marian Willmott, Michelle Demers and Laura Budofsky Wisniewski, will each read from their own, recently published poetry book to kick off the start of poetry month. All three poets are experienced, publishing in a wide variety of literary magazines and previous books.

They will be accompanied by some blues guitar thanks to Dennis Willmott. Refreshments will be provided. Please join us!

The poetry reading will be at Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballard’s Corner, Hinesburg, on Sunday, March 31, at 4 p.m.



Poetry Books by local poets

Hinesburg’s independent, non-profit community newspaper

INSIDE...

“Pop-up” Town Park

Page 13: AARP Vermont will provide mini-grants of \$3,000 each which will be given to eligible organizations, local towns and cities embarking on “Placemaking.”



Social Band to Play

Page 16: Social Band will be performing at the United Church of Hinesburg on April 13.

Service Directory & Calendar of Events

Page 16-17: At-a-glance view of community services and events.

BACK STORIES

of Hinesburg “Bee the Change”

Page 24: The Vermont-based organization Bee the Change is working to combat some of the human causes for the rapid decline in insects by offsetting our footprint.

Students to Build “Ice-Cars”

Volunteers Lead Energy Engineering Lessons

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Hinesburg elementary students will get hands-on lessons in energy and engineering from local adult and teen volunteers this school year. The volunteers gathered for training on Thursday, March 7, at the NRG headquarters at 110 Riggs Road, Hinesburg.



NRG Systems

Hinesburg Community School



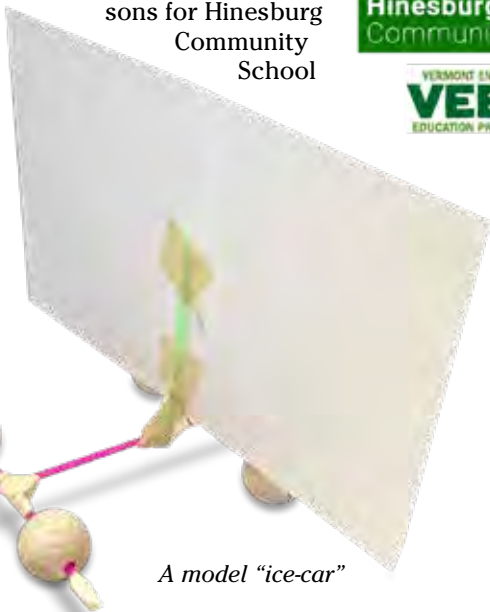
students in grades K-5 by teaching key concepts about wind, weather and electricity through hands-on engineering activities. Project leaders hope that the lessons will increase understanding of energy, renewables and engineering in both the young students and the adult and teen volunteers.

During the three sessions on March 7, Aaron Heyerdahl, VEEP energy educator, demonstrated to attendees how to manage the curriculum on various topics that relate to students. Aaron brought a box of books, props and construction material, and showed how each is used to maximize student involvement. Of particular interest was the topic of wind energy and how model “ice-cars” can easily be built and raced by harnessing wind energy. See the video at bit.ly/2YcqJg1 to see some prototype ice-cars in action!

In addition to Aaron, attendees at the March 7 event were Barry King and Brogan Morton, volunteers from NRG, and Veronica Miskavage, Desire Roth-Longe and Merrill Jacobs, students from

continued on page 23

Volunteers lead three lessons for Hinesburg Community School



A model “ice-car”

PRESORT STD
US POSTAGE
PAID
HINESBURG, VT
PERMIT NO 3

Deadline for our next Issue: April 11, 2019

Please send your article as an attached file (Word document preferred; .jpg files for images) to: news@hinesburgrecord.org. Or call us at 482-2350.

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

Contact us at ads@hinesburgrecord.org for ads or call us at 482-7227.

Deadlines for 2019

Advertisement/News	Publication Date
April 11	April 25
May 16	May 30
June 13	June 27
August 15	August 29
September 12	September 26
October 17	October 31
November 15	November 29
January 16, 2020	January 30, 2020

Our Policies

The Hinesburg Record is published ten times each year by The Hinesburg Record, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, and is mailed free of charge to all residents of Hinesburg.

The Hinesburg Record Inc. is not responsible beyond the cost of advertising for any additions, deletions, or typographical errors that may occur.

The Hinesburg Record Inc. is not responsible beyond the printing of corrections for errors in submitted material.

The Hinesburg Record Inc. assumes no responsibility for claims arising in connection with products or services advertised herein.

Letters and articles printed in The Hinesburg Record do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the staff. The staff reserves the right to reject copy or letters that are unsuitable for readers from a general audience. The staff will not accept Letters to the Editor that are unsigned.

Subscriptions

One year subscriptions are available for a \$15 donation to The Hinesburg Record, Inc., PO Box 304, Hinesburg, Vermont 05461. Please print the name and address clearly.

Volunteer Staff

Mary Jo Brace: Finance Officer, Treasurer

Kate Fain: Intern, Copy Writer

June Giroux: Managing Editor, Board Member

Mona Giroux: Subscription Coordinator

Jean Isham: Business News

Rachel Lapidow: Copy Editor/Proofreader

Kevin Lewis: Layout, Photo Editing, President

Pat Mainer: Calendar Editor

Ray Mainer: Circulation Coordinator

Ashley Miller: Intern, Copy Writer

Cathy Ryan: Vice President, Supervising Editor

Kristin Wahner: Advertising and Billing Coordinator, Secretary

Letters

Letter Policy

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

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

Letters should be brief. We do not have precise guidelines for length but reserve the right to edit based on available space. To the extent possible, letters should focus on local issues. Other forums exist for discussions of statewide, national, and international issues.

With these cautions, please keep those letters rolling in. Send them via email to news@hinesburgrecord.org, mail them to The Hinesburg Record, P.O. Box 304 or to 327 Charlotte Road, Hinesburg, VT 05461, or deliver them to the Record drop box on Charlotte Road.

Response to Recent Acts of Bias

Dear Members of the CVSD Community,

Champlain Valley School District is a vibrant and diverse district. In response to recent acts of bias perpetrated at our high school, we are reaching out to send a clear and united message: Hate has no home in the Champlain Valley School District.

It is the responsibility of the CVSD Board, in partnership with the administration, to ensure that every person walking into our buildings feels welcome and secure. We strive to provide all students with the opportunity to learn in a safe, supportive setting where every member is treated with respect and dignity. Verbal slurs and racist and anti-Semitic graffiti, which oc-

curred recently on the CVU campus, go against our core values of diversity and inclusion and we denounce them. These acts of intimidation by a person or group within our community are an attack on our community's health.

Our educational mission is to develop citizens who demonstrate a capacity for empathy and respect for differing cultures, values and points of view. We understand that students' safety and emotional well-being are critical components of that mission. We will continue to foster a nurturing environment where every student receives the resources and educational opportunities they need to learn and thrive.

We welcome an open dialogue with the broader community as we move forward with the resolve to do better. While the discussions may be difficult and the solutions complex, we know that we must create systems that disrupt unfair practices, address implicit and explicit biases and promote methods that will help all students succeed.

Kind regards,

*CVSD Board and Superintendent
Pinckney, Josilyn Adams, Kelly Bowen,
Erin Brady, Russ Caffry, Dave Connery,
Lynne Jaunich, Ray Mainer, Kevin Mara,
Barbra Marden, Colleen McKinnon,
Brendan McMahon*

“A Community Thrives” Challenge

RACHEL KRING, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HINESBURG COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

The Hinesburg Community Resource Center is proud to be chosen as one of 22 Vermont nonprofits to participate in USA Today's "A Community Thrives" challenge. We envision a community where people are connected and are not in need; if you do too, please join us. We

VOTING DAY PHOTOS



Michael Nails, on the left, voted in his first election on March 5. His father, Ray Nails, is on the right.



Hinesburg residents check in with Gill Coates and Claire Weiss to vote.



Tammy Murray and her daughter Isabella check in with Gill Coates to vote.

are raising funds to meet community needs with existing programs, to expand our school vacation food support to the summer months, and to replace our very worn stairs and wheelchair ramp. Please help us by donating what you can and by sharing our campaign widely. Your donations go a long way in our volunteer-based organization, and could even help us win some exciting challenge grants offered at weekly benchmarks during the campaign. The challenge runs from March 25 to April 12. Start at act.usa-today.com and click "donate" — you can then type "Hinesburg Community Resource Center" into the "search by state box" to find us. Many thanks for the continued support of all of our neighbors who make this work possible!

Considering a Move?

"Susan was fabulous. She was very helpful walking us through the process of putting in an offer and negotiating the price. She was kind and thorough. Loved her."

—Margaret Hinesburg



HICKOK & BOARDMAN REALTY

Susan Gulrajani

REALTOR®
(802) 846-9577
SusanG@HickokandBoardman.com
MyHomeInVermont.com

Town News

How Can We Best Share the Trails with Dogs?

BY JANE SHELDON, TRAILS COMMITTEE MEMBER

For many years, Hinesburg residents and their dogs have enjoyed our growing network of town trails and sidewalks. At the same time, the Hinesburg Trails Committee has increasingly been contacted by users of the Hinesburg Area Recreational Trails with concerns about their experiences with dogs on one or more of the systems. The most common complaint is dog waste, but we've also heard about unwanted physical contact with dogs that were not leashed or under the voice control of their owners. Some even tell us they are afraid to hike our trails as a result of these experiences.

For a while, the committee thought that progress was being made on setting up a dog park, perhaps at Geprags Park. We could then have recommended that dogs be prohibited from some or all those trails giving hikers an area without the aforementioned issues. However, that idea of a dog park did not come to fruition.

This winter, the committee decided to do a survey among residents to see how they felt about setting aside some trails where dogs would not be allowed. Our first step was to ask citizens attending town meeting to complete a short survey. This would give us an idea if there was enough support to put effort toward that project. We asked slightly different questions among dog owners versus those who did not have dogs to avoid complicated skip patterns in the survey.

Our final sample consisted of 50 respondents, 22 respondents with dogs and 28 without. We recognize that this is only what is called a convenience sample, i.e., not large enough to provide statistically significant results. However, it did provide us with enough responses to make some interesting observations.

Here are the main findings:

- Among both sub-samples there was very little objection to setting aside some trails where there would be a "human only" rule. More than half in each group approved of the idea, and only a third of dog owners disapproved.



Dog walkers obey leash ordinance in public park.



Hikers out on the Hinesburg trails with their dogs on leashes.

- The idea of a dog park was also equally favored, with only roughly 10 percent of each group saying they disapproved. However, there were more dog owners who said they would use a town dog park rarely or never than those saying they would use it often or sometimes.

- About half the dog owning respondents report taking their dogs to a HART trail, the others saying they use private property, or town sidewalks and roads to exercise their dogs.

- Among the half that do take their dogs

continued on page 4

FOR SALE: Good Times Café

An Owner-Managed Restaurant Since 1995

STILL OPEN Tuesday–Sunday

For more information contact John Stimets
802.879.0108 • jstimets@countrybusiness.net

GOVERNMENT CONTACTS

US Senators

Patrick Leahy

(802) 863-2525, leahy.senate.gov

Bernie Sanders

(802) 862-0697, sanders.senate.gov

US Congressman

Peter Welch, D

(802) 652-2450, welch.house.gov

VT Senate Chittenden District

Tim Ashe, P/D – Burlington

(802) 318-0903, tashe@leg.state.vt.us

Philip Baruth, P/D – Burlington

(802) 503-5266, pbaruth@leg.state.vt.us

Debbie Ingram, D – Williston

(802) 879-0054, DIngram@leg.state.vt.us

Virginia “Ginny” Lyons, D – Williston

(802) 863-6129, vlyons@leg.state.vt.us

Christopher A. Pearson, P/D – Burlington

(802) 860-3933, CPearson@leg.state.vt.us

Michael Sirotkin, D – South Burlington

(802) 999-4360, msirotkin@leg.state.vt.us

Vermont House

Bill Lippert, D–Hinesburg

482-3528, wlippert@leg.state.vt.us

Mike Yantackha, D–Charlotte/Hinesburg

425-3960, myantackha@leg.state.vt.us

Hinesburg Selectboard

Philip Pouech, chair

482-2060, ppouech@hinesburg.org

Aaron Kimball, vice-chair

482-7458, akimball@hinesburg.org

Merrilly Lovell

482-5665, mlovell@hinesburg.org

Tom Ayer

482-5163, tayer@hinesburg.org

Andrea Morgante

482-5120, amorgante@hinesburg.org

CVSD School Board

Ray Mainer, Director, 482-3134

Colleen MacKinnon, Vice Chair, 482-3266

RECURRING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Town Clerk Office Hours: Mon. –Fri. 8:00 a.m. –4:00 p.m., Town Hall. Missy Ross, Clerk/Treasurer, mross@hinesburg.org 482-2281 ext. 223.

Town Administrator Office Hours: Mon. –Fri. 8:00 a.m. –4:00 p.m., other hours by appointment, Town Hall. Renae Marshall, Town Administrator tlashua@hinesburg.org 482-2281 ext. 221.

Town Planner Office Hours: Mon. –Fri. 8:00 a.m. –4:00 p.m, Town Hall, 482-3619. hinesburgplanning@gmavt.net. Alex Weinhagen, Planner.

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

Assessor's Office Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to noon, other hours by appointment, Town Hall. Marie Gardner, Assessor 482-2281 ext. 228, mgardner@hinesburg.org.

Hinesburg Recreation Office – Jennifer McQuinn, Recreation Coordinator Town Hall. 482-2281 ext. 230. Mon. –Thurs. 8:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m. hinesburgrec@gmavt.net

Recycling & Trash Drop-Off Centers: Williston, Redmond Road; Mon., Weds., Fri., & Sat. 8:00 a.m. –3:30 p.m.; 872-8111. South Burlington: Landfill Road (off Patchen Road), Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Sat. 8:00 a.m. –3:30 p.m., Fri. 9:30 a.m. –5:00 p.m., 872-8111. CSWD website: cswd.net.

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

Hinesburg Community Resource Center, Inc. Leave a message for Rachel Kring at 482-4667. Alex Koncewicz is the contact for Friends of Families, and she can be reached at the same number or at koncewicz@hinesburgresource.org.

Hinesburg Food Shelf: Fri. 10:00 a.m. –12:00 noon. Tues. 5:30 –7:30 p.m.

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

WEB PAGES:

hinesburgrecord.org. The Hinesburg Record news, contact information, publication deadlines, submissions guidelines, town calendar.

HCS: hcsvt.org. Viking newsletter, cafeteria menu, email addresses for staff, department and team web pages, calendar information etc.

CVU: cvuhs.org. CVU activities and programs, sports schedule, and more.

CCL: carpentercarse.org. Library hours, services, and online resources.

Hinesburg Town: hinesburg.org. Official Town of Hinesburg web site.

hinesburgbusiness.com – FREE. POST NOTICE OF JOB OPENINGS. POST RESUMES. Sponsored by HBPA.

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

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



Do you need a Ride?

A Hinesburg Community Resource Center Program

Call SSTA: 878-1527

or Karla Munson: 482-2778

Visit us at HinesburgRides.org

► Trails

continued from page 3

to HART trails, all but one reported letting their pets run free, i.e., off-leash.

This last point is quite unexpected, since there is a town ordinance that requires dogs to be leashed at all times when not on their owners' property.

However, dog owners' comments showed that they understood their responsibilities.

"They (dogs) need to run, but are not always compatible with other uses etc."

"This is a tough issue, a lot of the issue is how the human trains their dog."

"I would like to see the leash ordinance enforced and followed. I also would like dog owners to clean up after dogs, on and off trails."

"I strongly encourage more options for dog owners to keep everyone safe."

Those without dogs commented on the problem of dog waste and leashing.

"Make it easier to pick up dog waste and increase public education. Provide disposal bags in dispenser to be brought home for final disposal."

"Dog owners do not pick up along the canal and they have to learn to use leashes."

These results indicate that the Trails Committee should further pursue the idea of setting aside some HART trails where dogs will not be allowed. We plan on doing more investigation among a larger sample of residents to get their

input as to how and where this should be. This will be an ongoing discussion, so look for opportunities to give us your input. We will alert you to meetings or additional surveys in The Hinesburg Record or on Front Porch Forum. The Trails Committee meets the third Wednesday of each month in the town hall. All meetings are open to the public.

Friends of Families Spring Kids' Clothing and Book Swap

BY ALEXANDRA KONCEWICZ,
COORDINATOR, HINESBURG
FRIENDS OF FAMILIES

This popular free event is for anyone seeking children's clothing and books. The swap will be held at Hinesburg Town Hall on Saturday, April 6, from 9-10:30 a.m.

To ensure another successful swap, please note that we accept all gently-used children's clothing, sized infant to 14, and children's books, toddler to middle school-level. Drop off clothing and books at Hinesburg Town Hall on Friday, April 5 from 12-8 p.m. Donations can also be dropped off at Carpenter-Carse Library from April 1-5. No toys, and no drop-offs on the day of the swap, please.

This is a great way to do your spring wardrobe switch, get new sizes for your own kids and pass on some clothing to friends and neighbors. If you just need

clothing for your family, and do not have anything to donate, you are welcome to just "shop." Sponsored by Hinesburg Community Resource Center's Friends of Families Program. For more information, please call or email Alexandra Koncewicz at 802-482-4946 or koncewicz@hinesburgresource.org.

Cemetery Commission Survey

BY JERI HELEN BELISLE, CEMETERY
COMMISSION TRUSTEES

The Hinesburg Cemetery Commission kindly asks all Hinesburg residents 21 years of age or older to take our 2019 cemetery planning survey, which takes most people less than five minutes to complete. The information will be used to guide our budget (your tax dollars) in the coming years. Please complete it online if possible: surveymonkey.com/r/WFL79J.

If you do not have internet access, paper copies of this survey are available at the Town Clerk's office as well as at Carpenter-Carse Library, through the end of April. Thank you, Hinesburg!

Keeping Our Forests "Working"

ETHAN TAPPER, CHITTENDEN
COUNTY FORESTER

Living in Vermont, you've probably heard the term "the working landscape." Simply put, the working landscape is open or undeveloped land which is actively managed to produce a variety of goods and public benefits. It is our dairy farms, local vegetable and meat producers, orchards, vineyards and, yes, our forests. While the term makes most people think of agricultural land, the vast majority of Vermont's working landscape is actually working forest, engaged in long-term forest management for timber, wildlife habitat, maple syrup, forest-based recreation and other benefits. Working forests provide the backdrop for our experience as Vermonters and define our communities culturally, economically and ecologically.

According to Vermont's Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, Vermont is about 76 percent forested, and about 80 percent of our forested land is privately owned. That means that most of the forests that we know and love; that we walk, run and bike through; that surround our villages and frame Vermont's incredible scenic beauty, are owned by a person or family. Forest landownership has costs, including the need to pay property taxes each year. By keeping forests "working," landowners can make a little money off their land through harvesting firewood, timber or maple syrup. This helps forests pay their own way, lowering the pressure on landowners to subdivide or develop their land — helping keep forested lands forested.

Working forests produce real economic benefits; a 2013 report by the North East State Foresters Association estimates \$1.4 billion in annual economic output generated by the forest products industry in Vermont, supporting about 10,000

jobs. This industry supports the livelihoods of our neighbors who cut, truck, process and work with wood, all while producing a local, renewable resource. Forests also provide the scenic beauty and rural context which supports an additional \$1.9 billion generated annually (and approximately 10,000 jobs) by forest-based recreation in Vermont.

While quantifying the benefits of working forests in economic terms is important, it is also worth noting how they improve the quality of life in our state. In addition to offering lumber to build our homes, firewood to warm them and maple syrup to put on our pancakes, they offer beautiful places to hike, mountain bike, rock climb, paddle and ski. They provide habitat for our wildlife, enriching the lives of wildlife lovers, bird-watchers, hunters and fisherman and help keep our air and water clean. Forests define the aesthetic and cultural character of our communities, from those of us who work, live and play in the woods to those who just appreciate being surrounded by trees and the sight of the sun rising or setting over the Green Mountains.

In Chittenden County, some of the biggest threats to the viability of our working forests are forest parcelization (the subdivision of properties into smaller and smaller sizes) and fragmentation (the division of large forest blocks into smaller pieces by development and infrastructure). Parcelization creates forests which are less efficient to manage and often leads to forest fragmentation, which threatens the health of our forests and wildlife in a variety of ways. Smart development can strengthen local economies and add diversity to our communities; however, if not carefully planned and thought out, it can be detrimental to our forested landscape, eroding some of the things that make Chittenden County such a special place to live, work and be.

So how do we protect our working landscape, and the benefits that working forests provide? One big step is recognizing the scope of their importance. A second is understanding that the loss of working forests can have a negative quantitative and qualitative impact on our lives and our communities. A third step is understanding that smart growth can occur while protecting our working landscape. Being active with, or volunteering on, your local planning commission, conservation commission or development review board are excellent ways to get involved in this process, giving you the opportunity to craft policies that protect our forests and our ability to keep them working. Pursuing conservation options for your land, such as Vermont's Use Value Appraisal ("UVA" or "Current Use") program or a conservation easement with a local land trust, can also go a long way toward preserving the benefits of working forested lands in the long term.

For more information on the economic importance of Vermont's forest economy, see the NEFSA report referenced above: tinyurl.com/VT-TREE-ECON.

For more information on forest fragmentation, see "Vermont's 2015 Forest Fragmentation Report": tinyurl.com/VT-FOREST-FRAG.

Ethan Tapper is the Chittenden County forester. Her can be reached at 802-585-9099, ethan.tapper@vermont.gov or at 111 West Street, Essex Junction.

Legislative

House Passes Welch Bill to Make Schools More Energy Efficient

FROM PRESS RELEASE

On March 5, the U.S. House of Representatives unanimously approved bipartisan legislation introduced by Rep. Peter Welch (D-Vt.) to help schools become more energy efficient in Vermont and across the country.

The Streamlining Energy Efficiency for Schools Act (H.R. 762) establishes a coordinating structure to help schools better navigate federal energy efficiency programs and financing options. It designates the Department of Energy as the lead agency in coordinating cross-departmental efforts to initiate, develop and finance energy efficiency, renewable energy and retrofitting projects for schools.

"Investments in energy efficiency create jobs, save money, and improve the environment," said Welch. "By streamlining federal programs and cutting red tape, our bipartisan bill will result in lower energy use and lower energy bills for taxpayer funded school systems in Vermont and around the country."

Every day, an estimated 14 million students attend public school in a deteriorating building. Many of these schools' problems involve the heating, ventilating and air-conditioning systems. According to a Department of Education survey, 43 percent of schools indicated that the poor condition of their facilities interferes with the delivery of instruction. By upgrading these systems, energy efficiency is increased, learning environments are improved and scarce funds are conserved.

The legislation is cosponsored by Rep. Matt Cartwright (D-Pa.). Senator Susan Collins (R-Maine) introduced companion legislation in the Senate.

To view a video of Rep. Welch speaking about the bill on the House floor, go to tinyurl.com/REPWELCHSCHOOLS.

Vermont Senate Update

STATE SENATOR TIM ASHE,
CHITTENDEN COUNTY

I'd like to briefly update you on three important issues before the Vermont Senate.

First, we voted to fund testing for lead in the drinking water at every school and child care facility in Vermont within the year. A recent Department of Health pilot program found that every one of the 16 schools tested for lead in drinking water tested positive, sometimes at alarmingly high levels. The corrective action is usually very inexpensive, so we also voted to provide financial support to fix the problem faucets. Getting the lead out of Vermont kids' water is an important public health measure.

Second, the Senate passed a bill to break up the six seat Chittenden Senate district during the next redistricting process. The district is the only Senate district in the United States with more than three members! I've proudly served Chittenden County for a decade in the Senate, but I believe the district is just too big for each senator to do the best job possible, and that is a disservice to the people who matter most — the voters. This change will be in place for the 2022 elections when all districts are redrawn with new census figures.

Third, the Senate passed an increase to the minimum wage. The bill increases the minimum wage by about \$4.50 over a five-year period. This is a more aggressive schedule than current law, which raises the wage by annual inflation. Contrary to popular myth, most low-wage workers are not part-timers or teenagers. In fact, 55 percent of all Vermont workers earning less than \$12.50/hour earn more than half of their family's income, and 65 percent of these workers are older than 30. The problem of income inequality affects all other areas of public life, and this bill helps those left behind by the national economy.

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

Free, Public Higher Education in Vermont?

BY HINESBURG STATE
REPRESENTATIVE BILL LIPPETT

"Would providing free, public higher education be a good idea for Vermont? Or for the country?"

Would more Vermont students — who might not otherwise attend college or pursue a higher technical degree, because of fear of going into student debt — be more likely to get an education or degree that prepares them for a job or career that they could not pursue otherwise if tuition were free?

Would they then earn more income and pay more taxes, helping to support a growing Vermont economy?

If they developed new, more advanced skills, would Vermont employers be more likely to expand their businesses, and be able to fill currently unfilled positions?

Several weeks ago, I got a phone call from one of our Hinesburg neighbors, posing the questions listed above. "I hear Bernie, and some others, saying that we should provide free college tuition, but I never hear them explain why that is a good idea."

As I listened, I realized that my caller had already figured out exactly why providing a free, public higher education would be a good idea for many Vermonters who now are not going on to college or higher education for fear of accumulating student debt. And why it would be a benefit for all Vermonters and for assisting a more thriving Vermont economy.

All I could do was offer a few more specific facts to my caller:

- Vermont has one of the highest high school graduation rates in the country;

- However, Vermont has one of the lowest rates of high school graduates going on to attend college or pursue a higher technical education;

- State support for Vermont's public education system — the Vermont State Colleges System — receives one of the lowest amounts of state financial support of the 50 states (maybe number 49 of 50);

- As a result, tuition within the Vermont State Colleges System is one of the highest rates of public education tuition in the country.

Even so, it is firmly documented that receiving a degree from one of our four Vermont State Colleges System schools — Castleton University, Northern Vermont University (Johnson and Lyndon campuses), Vermont Technical College and Community College of Vermont — can provide new levels of opportunity for Vermont graduating seniors, and provide them with a higher level of employment and higher income for their entire life.

continued on page 6



STEPHENS FAMILY DENTISTRY

David Stephens, DMD

- Cleanings
- Fillings
- Sealants
- Dental Implants
- Root Canals
- Dental Emergencies
- Bridges
- Crowns
- Extractions
- Teeth Whitening
- Dentures
- Veneers

Serving Chittenden County and Surrounding Areas
New Patients Always Welcome
Conveniently Located
– Most Insurance Accepted –

82 Ballards Corner Road
Hinesburg, VT 05461
802-482-3155

Twice is Nice

Selling women's clothing, accessories and decorative household items.

Open Tues. - Fri. 11-5, Sat. 10-4

Donations accepted during business hours.

Located in the heart of Hinesburg Village.

A Benefit Shop For:
Hinesburg Community
RESOURCE CENTER

HCRC

*Purchase in Chittenden County
with your hometown
mortgage professional!*

Sharon Brown
Community Lender • NMLS# 491713
140 Commerce St., Hinesburg • 1-802-482-4987
29 Green St., Vergennes • 1-802-877-2721



**National Bank
of Middlebury**
Serving Vermont Communities Since 1831

**Equal Housing
Lender**
FNC EOE

Steel • Stainless Fabricating
Welding • Machining
General & Auto Body Repairs

GIROUX
Body Shop
INC.

Established
1922

24 Hour Towing
Route 116, Hinesburg, VT 05461

482-2162

Bob (Home) 482-2807
Steve (Home) 482-3671
David (Home) 324-6224

► Public Education

continued from page 5

I believe that the Vermont State Colleges System continues to be one of the unsung gems of Vermont.

65 percent of Vermont graduating seniors who go on to attend higher education in Vermont, attend the Vermont State Colleges System schools, more than all of the other Vermont colleges combined.

84 percent of Vermont State Colleges System students are Vermonters.

49 percent of Vermont State Colleges System students are the first in their families to attend college.

Over 2,000 degrees are conferred annually by the Vermont State Colleges System.

And over 2,000 Vermont high school students are enrolled annually, already beginning their way toward achieving a VSCS degree.

Just last week, the VSCS Hall of Fame Dinner was held in Montpelier — to recognize and honor distinguished alumni from each of our VSCS colleges and universities. Those honored spoke of the quality education, the leadership skills and the values instilled in them by attending one of the VSCS schools. Those honored had taken on leadership roles as high-tech entrepreneurs, within law enforcement and in nursing education.

Every one of them were “giving back” to their schools and communities — out of appreciation for what had been provided to them through their higher education.

84 percent of Vermont State Colleges System students are Vermonters.

I have had the privilege of serving on the VSCS board of trustees, as an elected legislative trustee, for the past six years. I appreciate that the governor’s budget recognizes the importance of the Vermont State Colleges System as critical to Vermont families and Vermont’s economy by including an additional \$3 million dollars to offset a tuition increase for the upcoming school year. I hope that we will agree as the legislature.

I welcome hearing from Hinesburg residents who are graduates of the Castleton University, Northern Vermont University (formerly Johnson State College and Lyndon State College), Vermont Technical College and Community College of Vermont — the Vermont State Colleges System.

Feel free to be in touch with your personal stories.

Anyone having further questions, please contact me at whippert@leg.state.vt.us or give me a call at 802-734-0593.

CSWD

New Marketing and Communications Manager

ALISE CERTA, CSWD MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER

I am thrilled to be writing this as the new marketing and communications manager here at CWSD. I will be handling day-to-day marketing and media responsibilities.

A little about me ...

I moved to Vermont 11 years ago from the Windy City (Chicago) to follow my grammar school crush. I ended up marrying him, so I can admit that with less embarrassment now. Before making the actual move here, I dreamed of leaving the big city for a simple country life. If you take a look at this picture, my first week in the “country” involved getting stuck in a snow bank and running out of propane in the second week — mid-shower.

(Wait! You mean a propane fill up does not last a whole season?) Shortly thereafter, I moved from Westford to Essex Junction — abandoning my country dream for Vermont Gas and Green Mountain Power.

While my track record in marketing is well-established, I am a definite greenhorn when it comes to waste — I mean resource — management. In some ways, I am a perfect example of the people we want to reach. I recycle, but I know I can recycle better. (What do you mean I can’t put milk cartons in the blue bin?) I have never composted and am not quite sure where to begin. But I am willing to try. (OK, what do worms have to do with compost?) I want to do the right thing for our community and for our environment — so bring on the education!

I am excited to be working at CSWD and look forward to continuing the long tradition of service and attention established by my predecessors and embodied by everyone on this incredibly dedicated staff.

If you have any questions or feedback, I would love to hear from you. My email address is acerta@cswd.net.

Annual Report Fiscal Year 2018

The CSWD annual report for fiscal year 2018 is out. Read on for the notable trends we saw in our programs and facilities last year, including:

- Green Mountain Compost reached a new high for food scraps, seeing a 169 percent increase since FY11 when the facility opened.

- The Environmental Depot, CSWD’s year-round hazardous waste collection facility, saw a 19 percent increase in the amount of incoming hazardous waste and paint.

- The CSWD Materials Recovery Facility felt the effects of global market turmoil, with the weighted average sale price of recyclables dropping 19 percent from the previous year’s average.

You can read the full report at tinyurl.com/CSWD18REPORT.

Green Mountain Compost Wins Award

The Vermont Nursery and Landscape Association presented Green Mountain Compost/Chittenden Solid Waste District with the 2018 Environmental Awareness Award. Each year, the VNLA gives this award to an organization or individual that has implemented an “environmentally sound practice that contributes to the protection of our environment.”

During the awards ceremony on Feb. 7 at the University of Vermont’s Davis Center, VNLA President Ed Burke praised CSWD’s compost program for turning local food scraps and other organic materials into reusable, nutrient-rich compost.

“I am pleased to present this award to Green Mountain Compost for making it possible to recognize the importance of giving back to our environment and our community,” said Burke.

Twenty-five Years of Enriching Soils

Green Mountain Compost is a program of CSWD which purchased Intervale Compost Products in 2008 when regulatory changes threatened to close down the beloved operation that had thrived in Burlington’s Intervale since 1987.

As the local municipal district committed to reducing and managing Chittenden County’s solid waste in the most environmentally sound, efficient, effective and economical manner possible, CSWD refused to allow this important operation to close.

In 2011, CSWD staff moved the last load of compost from the Intervale to a brand new, state-of-the-art composting facility on Redmond Road in Williston. This helped ensure that valuable food scraps and yard debris would continue to be reinvested in local soils instead of wasted in the landfill.

In 2018, CSWD’s composting operation processed nearly 15,000 tons of food scraps, leaves, and yard debris from residents, schools, restaurants and others in Chittenden County. Out of the 15,000 tons, nearly 6,000 tons were food scraps, a 169 percent increase since the first year of operations on Redmond Road.

“Our community has really embraced the intent of Act 148, Vermont’s Universal Recycling Law, by reducing wasted food, donating quality food to food shelves, feeding livestock, and of course composting,” said Michele Morris, director of Outreach and Communications at CSWD. “Green Mountain Compost will continue to be a leader in those efforts beyond July 1, 2020 as the landfill ban on food scraps takes full effect.”

Police

Incidents

Child Custody Dispute

On Saturday, Feb 16, an officer was contacted regarding a child custody dispute. This dispute was civil in nature and not a criminal complaint.

Landlord/Tenant Dispute

On Sunday, Feb 17, an officer responded to Jourdan Street for a landlord/tenant dispute.

Phone Scam

On Monday, Feb. 18, an officer responded to Lincoln Hill for a possible phone scam. This was someone claiming to be from Publishers Clearing House wanting money to release the winnings.

Inappropriate Social Media Messages

On Monday, Feb. 18, a citizen came to the office with his teenage daughter regarding inappropriate messages over Instagram. The officer took information and provided assistance to stop further contact.

Missing Juvenile

On Tuesday, Feb. 19, an officer took a report of a missing juvenile that did not get off the bus. After several checks, the grandfather had picked up the student.

Facebook Harassment

On Wednesday, Feb. 20, an officer was contacted regarding harassing phone calls and Facebook posts. The officer attempted to contact the other party.

Agency Assist

On Wednesday, Feb. 20, an officer responded to Huntington to back up a State trooper on a burglary alarm call.

Warrant Arrest

On Wednesday, Feb. 20, an officer located Krista Evenson, 32 years old of Starksboro, who had a warrant for her arrest. She was transported to the Chittenden County Correctional Center.

Sexual Assault

On Thursday, Feb. 21, an officer was called out to respond to UVM Medical Center for a report of a sexual assault that occurred in Hinesburg.

Sexual Assault

On Thursday, Feb. 21, a citizen came to the station to report a sexual assault that occurred in Hinesburg. The report

will be submitted to Chittenden Unit for Special Investigations for follow-up.

DUI Crash

On Thursday, Feb. 21, officers responded to a one-vehicle crash on Vermont Route 116 near Hollow Road. As a result of this noninjury crash, Stephen Fortner, 49 years old of South Burlington, was arrested for driving while intoxicated. He was transported to the station for processing and released.

Criminally Suspended License

On Friday, Feb. 22, an officer observed a vehicle on North Road and a computer check showed the vehicle had not been inspected. The vehicle was stopped and the operator, Patrick Lathbury, 47 years old of Starksboro, was found to be criminally suspended. He was arrested and taken to the station for processing. He was released with a citation to court.

Harassment

On Sunday, Feb. 24, a citizen from Florida called in a complaint on a Hinesburg resident for harassment. The officer talked with both parties and no further police involvement was necessary.

Citizen Dispute

On Sunday, Feb. 24, officers responded to Triple L Mobile Home Park for a citizen dispute over a truck blocking the road. The intoxicated resident was sent back to his mobile home and the truck finished unloading.

Citizen Dispute

On Sunday, Feb. 24, a resident on North Road called to have her former roommate to stop calling her. The roommate asked for a civil stand-by while he removed personal items.

Winter Parking Violation

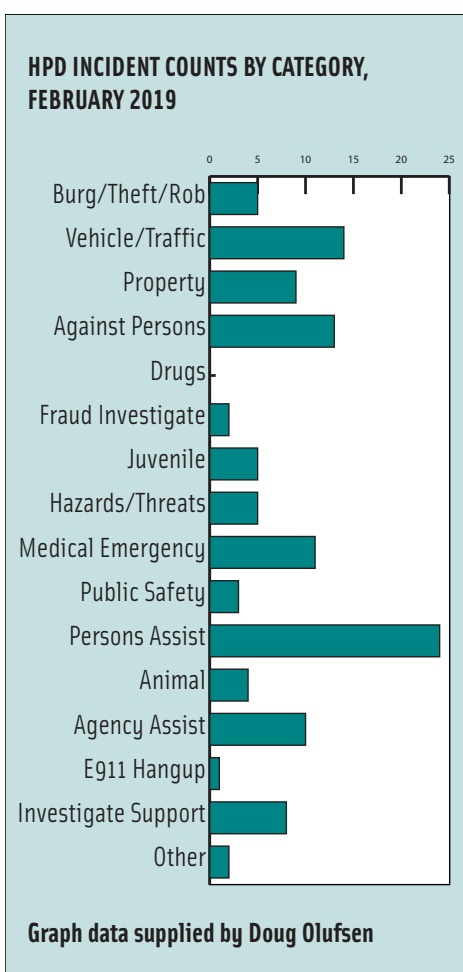
On Monday, Feb. 25, an officer responded to Thornbush Road for a vehicle parked on the street in violation of the winter parking ban. The vehicle was subsequently towed to allow the highway department to finish snow removal.

Family Fight

On Tuesday, Feb. 26, officers responded to Sunset Lane West for a report of a family fight. This was a verbal altercation only.

Mental Health Issue

On Wednesday, Feb. 27, an officer was



pleted a relief from abuse order.

Residential Burglary

On Sunday, March 3, 7:52 a.m., an officer responded to an address in the Village for a reported residential burglary. The investigation is ongoing.

Agency Assist

On Sunday, March 3, 10:48 a.m., an officer responded to Starksboro at the request of the Vermont State Police to back up a trooper on a residential burglary call.

Mental Health Issue

On Sunday, March 3, 4:50 p.m., an officer responded to a business in the Village for a report of an individual possibly having a mental health crisis. The person was given a ride to UVM Medical Center.

Citizen Assist

On Wednesday, March 6, an officer was contacted by a resident who had run out of fuel oil. The officer made some inquiries and when he called the resident back, the resident had made arrangements for a delivery of fuel oil.

Suspicious Persons

On Wednesday, March 6, an officer responded to a business in the Village for two suspicious males. It appeared one of the males was under the influence of some kind of drug. The individual was monitored until a responsible person arrived to take care of him.

False Inspection Sticker

On Thursday, March 7, an officer on patrol on North Road observed a vehicle with a current inspection sticker but a substantial amount of rust. A records check indicated the vehicle was last inspected June 2017. The officer stopped the vehicle and it was determined that the inspection sticker did not belong on the vehicle. The operator was cited and the vehicle grounded.

Agency Assist

On Friday, March 8, an officer stood by as an agency assist for DCF at a residence on Patricia’s Place.

“We found everything we were looking for, and at a great price!”
We had outstanding customer service, and the quality of the work done...was top-notch.”
— Laura Krahn

Special Financing Available!
0% Interest for 12 Months!!
FREE In-Home Consult!

Flooring America
where friends send friends

800 Marshall Ave., Williston 862-5757
Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. or by appointment
FlooringAmerica-VT.com

LOCALLY OWNED
Locally Operated Since 1986

CARPET | HARDWOOD | TILE | LAMINATE | VINYL | RUGS | WINDOW TREATMENTS

HINESBURG RIDES
A Hinesburg Community Resource Center Program

Do you need a Ride?
Call SSTA: 878-1527
or Karla Munson: 482-2778
Visit us at HinesburgRides.org

The Village Sweep
for chimney cleaning & relining

- Specializing in Owner-occupied Dwellings
- Insurance Claims Accepted
- Metalbestos Chimney & Parts
- Chimney Relining
- Free Estimates/ Fully Insured
- Spring Discounts
- Over 30 Years Experience

sweep@gmavt.net
(email for special promotions)

Owners Erle & Suzy Mead
482-2468

Certified Chimney Professional
BIB

The Hidden Garden's

BED & BREAKFAST

Come, listen to the quiet!

Marcia C. Pierce
693 Lewis Creek Road
Hinesburg, VT 05461
802-482-2118
www.thehiddengardens.com

Secluded ✕ Peaceful ✕ Unique

HART & MEAD ENERGY

FUEL DELIVERY **24 HOUR SERVICE**

Home Heating 482-6666 Kerosene Diesel

Fire

Hinesburg CPR Day

Hinesburg Fire Department will be hosting a day of CPR classes! This is to supplement the Compression-Only CPR Day that was held in February. CPR training will take place on Saturday, April 6 and will be conducted in two hour blocks.

This will be the American Heart Association's full CPR course. By completing this course, you will receive a CPR certification card from the American Heart Association. This certification is good for anyone wanting to know how to do more than just compression-only CPR. This course is not for anyone required to be certified in provider CPR. This course will not include first aid training.

The cost to participate is \$40 per person which covers the cost of the certification card and maintenance on the mannequins. The fee must be paid by cash or check and will be collected at the beginning of the course.

Space is limited to ten students per training session. Four training sessions will be held throughout the day, and you must sign up to participate. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. You may sign up for the course at tinyurl.com/HFDCPRSIGNUP. If all spaces are filled, and you are interested in par-

ticipating, please email Chief Barber at VT1320@aol.com to be placed on the waiting list.

If you sign up for a course and are not able to attend, please remove your name from the list so that someone else may take your place.

Questions can be emailed to Chief Barber at VT1320@aol.com.

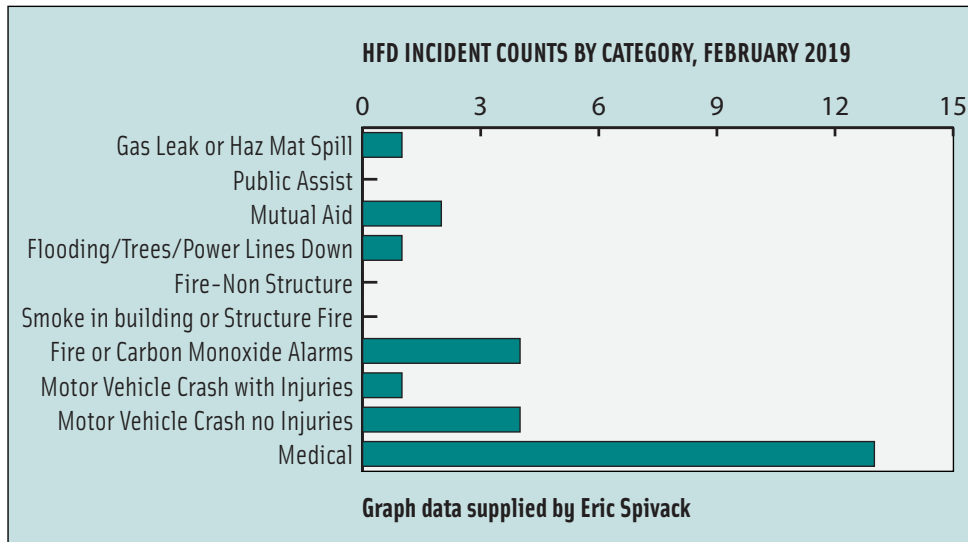
Farmers Market Craft Fair

Join the Hinesburg Firemen's Association on Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for our spring Farmers Market/Craft Fair that will give our sellers the opportunity to share their crafts and wares!

Vendors may purchase a space inside the Fire House or outside on the lawn next to the station. All vendors must register by May 1. A 10-by-10-foot outside space, for which you provide your own table and pop-up, is \$30. There are 25 inside spaces available for \$40, which includes a \$10 table rental. There will be no refunds after May 1.

Advertising will include the Hinesburg Record, The Citizen, Front Porch Forum, Craigslist, local TV and radio. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Hinesburg Firemen's Association.

For more information, please email Diane



HFD responded to 26 calls in February.

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

Barber at dbarber7541@gmail.com.

Spring Yard Cleanup Begins Soon

Hopefully! As the snow melts, we begin to see the downed limbs and branches from the strong winds we had this past winter.

Please remember that once the snow is gone, a burn permit is required for all outdoor burns. Burn permits may be obtained by contacting Shelburne Dispatch, 802-985-8051. The dispatcher will be asking you a few questions and may remind you of what can and cannot be burnt. Permits are issued at the instruction of the town fire warden based upon the weather or orders from the State of Vermont.

Burn piles must be attended at all times. Should your burn get out of control, please call 911 immediately. Do not wait or try to put it out on your own.

For more information, click on the Burn Permits FAQ tab on our website.

Update from the Fire Chief

BY CHIEF AL BARBER

As fire chief, one of the major parts of my job is to do planning for the future needs of our community. As part of that job, I need to bring to the officers, selectboard and community what our current and future needs are likely to be. As discussions happen between developers and department heads, it has become clear that over the next five years we will see significant growth, which will have a drastic effect on all of us, especially the Fire Department.

Over the next few months we want your input on all topics.

Last year we responded to 446 calls for service which was fire and EMS, 72 percent being EMS. As of March 17, 2019, we are at 350 calls; it's always hard to project, but I expect we will be close to 500 calls by fiscal year's end. Soon, I expect some of the large projects will hit the zoning office which will enlighten the community as to what I expect

will have such a huge effect on the fire department.

Part of what will be affecting our community is also the loss of our transport ambulance service, St. Mike's Rescue. As the officers look at options, we know there is the potential of many things changing over the next 18 months, and we need to look at many possibilities with an eye on the future. The officers feel that while a department-run ambulance will give the community the best service, we need to have community support. The selectboard will be looking for community input over the next few weeks to help steer the direction we will be going in.

Moving on to phase two of the public safety project, the department, regardless of the ambulance service, has become a real safety issue in our current location. Because of strong community membership, we frequently have 30-50 people attempting to attend trainings at our station; we can park about 15-20 cars in the summer and about 10 in winter. When returning from calls, we have issues with getting the trucks back into the station. Regardless of how safe we are, it's only a matter of time before we have a crash while backing in. Next, there are issues inside the station. While doing equipment checks, trainings and putting trucks back in service after a call, there is not enough room to safely accomplish these tasks. This ends up costing us more time which always ends up costing someone money. We have always ensured employers we will return their employees to them ASAP as part of them allowing their employees to respond to calls during work hours. If we're unable to ensure their quick return, we jeopardize that.

Over the next few months we want your input on all topics, we want to ensure you are an informed community as we go forward. Never hesitate to contact me with your questions. I can be reached several ways, my home phone is 802-482-2687, please leave a message; my cell is 802-777-2240, leave a message if I don't answer; my email addresses are VT1320@aol.com, Chief@hinesburgfd.org or info@hinesburgfd.org.

I look forward to planning our future with your input.

As always, come join your community response team, all are welcome!

Follow us on Facebook at [HinesburgFireDepartment](https://www.facebook.com/HinesburgFireDepartment) and be sure to visit our website at hinesburgfd.org.

Business

Palmer's Sugarhouse

The Place to Be During Sugaring Season

BY KEVIN LEWIS

David Palmer, and his wife Michelle, own and operate Palmer's Sugarhouse in Shelburne, which has been serving our community for nearly 49 years.

Palmer's Sugarhouse, located at 332 Shelburne Hinesburg Road (just past the Shelburne town line), is a special place; rich in history, community, hard work and love.

The Vermont tradition began in this family when David's grandmother, Marjorie Palmer, an enthusiast of life and an educator, began tapping maple trees as a source of sugar during World War II, when sugar was rationed throughout the United States. Marjorie was passionate about maple and became known as the "maple lady," in Vermont. Through her life, Marjorie was well-known in the area by local students to whom she taught the basics of maple, to and with whom she shared her maple treats. As a senior citizen, Marjorie was nominated by the Vermont Maple Sugar Makers Association as Vermont's first female sugar maker to be inducted into the Maple Hall of Fame, for her work and involvement in the maple industry.

David's father, David F. Palmer, was a dairy farmer at the same property where Marjorie began her maple career, and worked side by side with Marjorie throughout his life. When Marjorie was no longer able to operate the sugaring operation, David F. Palmer became the sole proprietor and operator of the sugaring operation until his passing in 2011. David says, "My father's passing was a pretty vulnerable period in my life, but we forged on and continue to pass this tradition to our three daughters: Lilly, Paige and Chloe." Throughout the sugaring season, the children are helping produce syrup, preparing for customers and, of course, taste testing all the products.

The magic of the sugarhouse is felt as soon as you enter the property.

You are first greeted by the aroma of maple boiling and blowing up through the cupola into the driveway when you exit your car, then you are welcomed by the smiles of family and friends in the sugarhouse, you are then enticed by all the sweets available at their counter.

The authenticity of Palmer's Sugarhouse has gotten local, regional and national attention. Last fall, a Hollywood production studio rented the sugarhouse to film scenes of a movie with a Vermont maple sugaring theme. Palmer's Sugarhouse has gained fame as a *Boston Globe*-nominated sugarhouse and locally nominated as the best sugarhouse in Chittenden county.

Sugar-on-snow party season runs from March 2 through April 14 and provides



Maple syrup isn't the only thing that's sweet!



René Jodoin inspects the sap flow while enjoying flapjacks with syrup.

much to do: free maple samples, live music, a chance to watch the boiling process, leisurely horse-drawn sleigh rides, and letting the kids visit the farm barn to see goats, chickens and roosters. Take a stroll in the woods to see the remnants of Marjorie's original sugarhouse surrounded by historic, massive maple trees. Maple pancake breakfasts are served all season by Chris and Bridget Dorman of Jericho Café & Tavern. Many days, the Dormans serve about 1,000 pancakes, so bring your appetite! After noon on the weekends, you will be entertained by the Mystic Party Band featuring Mary Provencher and Jimmy Swift. And, of course, sugar-on-snow from noon-4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays

Outside of the maple sugaring season, the sugarhouse has been used for a number of events: Easter egg hunts, weddings, birthday parties, fundraisers, network meetings, private parties, tours and more.

Bring snowshoes, cross-country skis or boots to use the trail system that David and his father created in 2004, and enjoy the outstanding vistas of the Adirondack mountains.

David Palmer is one of Hinesburg's active businessmen. Mr. Palmer operates Palmer Insurance LLC and 116 Wine & Spirits, and is a member of the Hinesburg Business and Professional Association.

Red Wagon Plants Announces Spring Workshop Schedule

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Red Wagon Plants, a premium grower of heirloom and specialty plants for kitchen gardens and landscapes, is kicking off the growing season with a full event schedule and new workshop space.

Established in 2005, Red Wagon Plants is dedicated to sharing the joy of gardening and grows a bounty of flowers, perennials, and organic herbs and vegetables that are available at the retail greenhouses in Hinesburg and at area stores and garden centers.

The expanded 2019 program lineup has offerings for all types of gardeners, cooks, and those curious about getting into the world of plants. From beginner classes on pollinator gardens and cannabis cultivation to "next level" offerings on growing unusual vegetables and four-season perennials, to make-and-take planters and culinary workshops, there is something for everyone. Most workshops are held in the beautiful, new educational pavilion and it's easy to register online. Visit redwagonplants.com/events/ for more info and to register.

Opening Day and Annual Cocktail PartyFriday, April 12

The retail greenhouses will open for the season at 8 a.m. Friday, April 12, and the day closes with the popular Annual Cocktail Party co-hosted with Caledonia Spirits from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Food and additional beverages will be provided by Farmers and Foragers. This is a great evening full of friends, old and new, enjoying plants, the greenhouses and each other while celebrating the arrival of spring.

Pollinator Gardens 101 Saturday, April 13, 10-11:30 a.m.

Join Hattie White for a step-by-step look at how to help our most vulnerable allies, the pollinators. This workshop will go through the plant selection process of planting a pollinator garden. We will be learning more about the wide variety of our at-risk native pollinators, their life cycle and how to plant for all stages of a pollinator's lifecycle. Different site conditions will be discussed as well as how to choose plants for the sun or shade, and dry or wet soils. Participants will go home with resource lists and a comprehensive plant list for their gardens.

\$30 fee includes handouts, a custom planting plan and refreshments. Register online.

Cannabis Cultivation 101 Saturday, April 20, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Have you wondered about how to grow your own cannabis plants but not sure where to start? Confused about the difference between THC and CBD? Or the terms hemp, cannabis, marijuana? Join Chad Donovan in our Red Wagon classroom space to demystify the process and to learn about the art of cannabis cultivation. For decades, cannabis cultivation has been a hidden practice of

some, but now as the country's view on cannabis is changing, plants are coming out of the literal closet and into the garden. For many, this is a new and exciting time. Join Chad as he answers your questions and concerns while guiding you on the path to your first successful harvest. Seminar topics include legality, plant physiology, cultivation, propagation, maintenance, fertilization, harvest, and processing/preserving. This seminar will be loaded with information and quality handouts; however, please feel free to bring any and all questions that you have. We will be using plants in this class that are classified as CBD strains. We will not be offering any plants or seeds for sale that are THC strains.

\$100 workshop fee includes handouts and refreshments. CBD strains of hemp plants may be available for sale. These are strains that have been tested to have almost no THC (the psychoactive

continued on page 10

RVG ELECTRICAL SERVICES, LLC

Rick Gomez, Master Electrician

Phone: 802-453-3245
Cell: 802-233-9462
rvgelectric@gmail.com
www.rvgelectric.com

New!
Pub Lunch
Saturdays & Sundays
Darts, Cribbage, Burgers

10516 RT. 116, HINESBURG, VT
(802) 482-5500
hinesburghpublichouse.com

BIG OR SMALL WE FIX THEM ALL!

NEED TIRES?

SAVE HERE ON ALL MAJOR BRANDS! Mounting and balancing just \$60 for 4 tires.

AUTO SERVICE

SKILLED MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS on all domestic and foreign cars and light trucks... at very competitive rates. State Inspections. **FREE ESTIMATES!**

OWEN MCDONALD • KEVIN MCDONALD

482-2809
70 MCDONALD LANE (JUST OFF PIETTE ROAD IN HINESBURG)

In deep snow, and thinking ahead to Spring? If you are dreaming of moving, Piper Realty can guide you through the next steps. Call us today for help with your real estate needs. We have the agility to help you succeed!

(802) 764-3042/www.pipervt.com

► Red Wagon

continued from page 9

component of marijuana) and are used for medicinal purposes. Register online.

Make and Take Tuesday: Herb Planters for Cool Weather Tuesday, April 23, 6-7:30 p.m.

Join us in the greenhouses after hours to enjoy a beautiful evening making herb planters that will get you in the mood for spring, and which will add lots of vibrant flavors and fragrances to your life. Most herbs are very cold hardy and make a lovely decorative planter that is useful, too. Mix and match herbs that will grow well together and that you love to use in your cooking.

Workshop fee includes a large pot, soil and up to five herb plants. We will provide instruction and tips on care and use. Light refreshments will be served, and if you wish to drink wine or beer, feel free to BYOB. \$50. Register online.

Next Level Seminar: One Planter, Three Seasons, Three Parts Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 22, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 7, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Learn how to take container gardening to the next level. This three-part seminar series will help you design, plant and maintain a diversified jumbo container planting that will easily transition from season to season. During Part One, our main focus will be setting the “bones” of the design to ensure a successful container season. We will focus on issues such as advantages/disadvantages to container gardens; types of

containers; proper soils; the plants: annuals, perennials, shrubs and, yes, small trees; overall design and winterization techniques. At the completion of the first session, everyone will have their own container garden to take home (or have delivered) that will surely impress the neighbors. Sessions two and three will be shorter and focused on maintenance, fertilization, pest management, free seasonal plant replacements, design review and overall evaluation. For sessions two and three, you are encouraged to bring your containers back in for a mid-season makeover; however, quality photos can also be utilized if moving your large container is too difficult. Join us this spring, summer and fall to explore all the possibilities that a container garden has to offer.

\$175 total includes: all three workshops, soil, plants for all three seasons, a small shrub or tree, and delivery of the pot to your home after part one. We will also provide refreshments at each workshop. Pots are NOT included. You will need to bring a 10 gallon or larger pot or purchase one from us. We will have an assortment to choose from. Please contact us for more information about pots if you are not sure what to bring.

After the first class, we will deliver the planted pot to your home in our van or truck if you cannot get it in and out of your vehicle. These will be large pots that may be too heavy to lift in and out of a car. If you live more than 20 miles from Red Wagon, we will make arrangements for a delivery charge.

Please note that by signing up for this workshop, you are signing up for all three parts so that you can upgrade

your planter with the seasons. Register online.

Make and Take Tuesday: Hanging Baskets for Cool Weather Tuesday, April 30, 6-7:30 p.m.

Come to our greenhouses to make a cool weather hanging basket with owner, Julie Rubaud and Red Wagon staff, and have a little happy hour with plants and friends. We will give you some tips and pointers on making a planter using cold-hardy flowers, perennials, vines, herbs and even vegetables in combinations that work well and can be used all spring. We will provide you with the pot, the plants, and the soil plus some tips that will leave you feeling confident about taking care of the basket. Evening time in early spring is just so special at the greenhouses and we would like to share that quiet, beautiful time with you. The plants just glow and the new growth all around is sure to leave you feeling refreshed and inspired. It's a perfect way to spend time with a friend or a group of friends, and we are keeping the size small, to just 10 people, so we can have a garden-fueled conversation or just enjoy the quiet time with plants and twilight and the company of each other.

Included in the \$50 fee: Materials to successfully make one large hanging basket. Light refreshments provided. If you would like to bring wine or beer, please feel free to BYOB. Register online.

Red Wagon Plants is located at 2408 Shelburne Falls Road in Hinesburg. For more information and a full list of workshops and events, visit redwagonplants.com.

Support the Hinesburg Fireworks – Join the Golf Tournament

BY JEAN ISHAM, HBPA

This is an update to the article in the March issue about the Hinesburg Business and Professional Association's efforts to raise funds in support of the Town of Hinesburg's Fourth of July fireworks fund. Let's keep this great Hinesburg tradition going!

The cost for the fireworks for this year has been covered thanks in large part to funds raised by the HBPA. The deposit for the 2020 fireworks is due January 30, 2020, and if the full costs are paid at that

time, there is a ten percent enhancement. So, grab your clubs, tell your friends, and meet us on the green!

When: June 8 — Tee Time 8 a.m.

Where: Cedar Knoll Country Club, 13020 VT Route 116, Hinesburg

What: 32 teams of four players each with bag lunch included for \$75 per player. There will be opportunities for mulligans, raffle prizes, and guaranteed fun!

Are you a business owner that would like to add visibility for your business to the event? Sponsor a tee for \$50 and a sign with your business name will be posted.

Contact David Palmer at 802-482-5678 or davepalmer@palmerinsurancevt.com for more information or to register

Family Cow Farmstand Goes Organic

FROM PRESS RELEASE

We have decided to begin the organic certification process through Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont! This is a somewhat lengthy process, and we won't be able to be officially certified until May of 2020, but we are starting the process this spring.

What does this mean for us? Are there big changes afoot?

We have already been managing our herd organically, with one exception being that we have been purchasing hay from nearby untreated fields (not “certified organic” but organic in practice). So, moving forward, our cows will now only graze our certified organic pastures, or consume hay from certified organic fields during the winter. Other than that, the only other difference for us will be a third party (NOFA-VT) double-checking us to make sure we're following the regulations.

Does this mean the milk will cost more?

No! We will not increase the price of the milk because of this transition; the cows will still be 100 percent grass-fed; the only difference is that the word “organic” will be on the label.

Will the milk taste better then?

Because the cows are still 100 percent grass-fed and the milk will still be raw, the only changes you will be able to detect will be seasonal, as has always been the case. (As pasture changes with the season, as the cows go from pasture

to hay, and even as different cows are making milk or are in their annual “dry” time, acutely aware milk drinkers can detect subtle changes affecting the “terroir” of the milk.)

Now is the perfect time to sign up for a milk share ...

In practice, we at the Family Cow are not too different from your favorite vegetable CSA farmer in that we rely directly on our community to support our farm. Each share member that signs up with us is a partner — they direct us to know, for example, how many cows we should milk, or if our farm management is in-line with their values. If all the members said, “The milk's not creamy enough, we want more butterfat!” then we as farmers would listen to that and begin selecting for higher butterfat within our herd. That, of course, wouldn't be an overnight transition (almost nothing in farming is ...) but it's an example of the member-to-farmer relationship that's impossible with farms of a larger scale. We think this community support is the greatest strength of our farm and we wouldn't like to farm any other way ... That being said, we are looking for more members to join our farm and support hyper-local, animal-, land- and people-friendly farming!

Family Cow Farmstand is located at 2386 Shelburne Falls Road, Hinesburg. familycowfarmstand.com.

New Incentives for Battery Storage

Hinesburg Customer First to Sign Up for Enhanced “Bring Your Own Device” Program

FROM PRESS RELEASE

SunCommon of Waterbury, Vermont is partnering with Green Mountain Power and Renewable Energy Vermont to bring customers a first-of-its-kind program in the country.

SunCommon customer Carole McCay of Hinesburg, Vermont is the first person to sign up for the enhanced Bring Your Own Device program to take advantage of the largest upfront incentive from a utility in the country. She will be getting a check from Green Mountain Power for \$3,825 for her part in helping to drive down utility costs for everyone.

When the new incentives were announced at her home this week, Carole said, “Solar panels are perfect for my house. I haven't paid an electric bill since SunCommon installed them, and

I'm thrilled to be able to share the energy that I generate from the sun with Green Mountain Power.”

When it is not providing back-up power during a storm outage, a solar storage system can make Vermont's electric grid more reliable, more solar friendly and more affordable for everyone. Because of this, GMP has created a Bring Your Own Device program to pay you for the benefits your solar storage is providing.

“It is a win-win situation because it'll give me the peace of mind that comes with storage, especially as the weather gets wackier.” Carole went on to say, “This is my small part in contributing to a cleaner environment and the upfront payment makes a big difference!”

The BYOD program offers two great options where GMP will pay between \$850 and \$8,500, depending on how you enroll in the program.

“SunCommon customers have been asking for a program just like this, and we love being able to help more Vermonters increase their energy independence by generating and storing clean power from the sun, right at home,” said Tom Berry, SunCommon's vice president of Marketing and Sales.

There are two main options for people considering the enhanced BYOD program. SunCommon has information on both, plus the key benefits and financials depending on the size of your solar system on their website at suncommon.com/gmp-bring-your-own-battery-program.

Contest Winner to be Announced

Bristol Bakery & Café will have a Grand Reopening on April 25, at which time the “Name Your Café Contest” winner will be announced.

Last month, the Bristol Bakery & Café in Hinesburg began asking it's customers, friends and neighbors to come up with a new name for the popular eatery. An astounding 280 names were submitted!

On Thursday, April 25, the new name will be revealed and a \$100 gift certificate given to the party who came up with it. To celebrate, Hinesburg's very own blues band, The Bluesburgers, will entertain and there will be food and drink specials to kick off the newly expanded dinner menu.

Come join the fun with local blues phenomena, The Bluesburgers!

Recreation

BY JENNIFER MCCUIN

Register for classes at hinesburgrec.com

HRD Tee Ball

Who: Co-ed kindergarten and first grade, **When:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 30-June 6. **Where:** Millie's Field, Bissonette Recreation Area. **Time:** 6-7 p.m. **Cost:** \$40 by April 5, \$50 after. Deadline: April 19.

Co-Ed K-1-2 Lacrosse

When: Sundays, May 5-June 9 (no practice on May 26). **Where:** Millie's Field, Bissonette Recreation Area. **Time:** 8:30-9:30 a.m. **Cost:** \$40 by April 5, \$50 after. Registration deadline is April 19. Participants may borrow a stick. Limit is 30.

Spring Mini-Cake Decorating with Wendy

Join everyone's favorite baker for a spring-themed mini-cake decorating class. Pastel-colored icing, sprinkles, nonpareils, jelly beans and lots of flowers and colored candy options.

Who: grades K-8. **Where:** Hinesburg Nursery School (building next to HCS)

continued on page 12




De-brushing services for private and commercial projects

Driveways, Solar & Wind Turbine Fields, Ponds, Land Clearing, Natural Disaster Recovery, Trails, Ski Areas, Farms and Much Much More

Please check out our website:
www.vtlandmaintenance.com

Brian Washburn
vtlandmaintenance@gmail.com
434-4533 (voice only)




Quality home renovations and remodeling. Specializing in kitchens and baths.



Blue Heron BUILDING

Dan Opton
blueheronbuilding.com • 802.363.0253

THE HOUSEWRIGHT



Custom Carpentry From Framing To Finish
All Types Remodeling and Repair
Handyman Service

RICHARD LAGASSE (802) 482-3190

Water Filtration

Mike Cousino

Hinesburg, VT 482-3678

Water Softener Service





Jackman's, Inc.
SINCE 1930
ENERGY ALTERNATIVES

New Name - Jackman's of Bristol, Inc.
Now Hiring! Please see our website for job descriptions

Email: Tim@jackmansinc.com Phone: 802-453-2381
Sharon@jackmansinc.com Ext. 21 or 22
32 Pine St., Bristol, Vermont 05443 Fax: 802-453-4403



IS THERE ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT IN YOUR WI-FI?

Are there rooms in your home that get a weak Wi-Fi signal — or no coverage at all? You need Whole Home Wi-Fi. Our Whole Home Wi-Fi uses multiple Access Points placed at strategic locations around your home to expand coverage, eliminate dead spots, and provide great performance for all of your streaming devices. **Starting as low as \$10.90* per month, plus installation.**

CALL 800-496-3391 TODAY TO LEARN MORE!


GREEN MOUNTAIN ACCESS

800-496-3391 • www.greenmountainaccess.net

*Whole Home Wi-Fi requires Green Mountain Access high-speed Internet service and a modem/router. Installation fee apply.

Cornerstone Group © 2018

► Recreation

*continued from page 11***After-School Horseback Riding**

Enjoy horseback riding lessons and so much more with Kim Johansen at Livery Stables. Lessons are for beginning to early intermediate riders. In addition, Kim and staff will instruct children on basic horse care, tacking, feeding, watering and all that happens in the horse barn! Take the bus from HCS to Livery Stables, located at 601 Lavigne Hill Road right after school. Please be sure to send a permission note with your child to ride the bus, pack a snack for your hungry rider and send boots and barn clothes.

Who: Grades K-8. **When:** Tuesdays, April 30-June 4 or Fridays, May 3-June 7. **Where:** Livery Stables, located at 601 Lavigne Hill Road, Hinesburg. **Time:** Tuesdays 2-4:30 p.m. or Fridays 3-4:30 p.m. **Cost:** Tuesdays: \$235, Fridays: \$135. More information can be found at liveryhorsefarm.com. **Maximum:** 9 participants per day.

After-School Junior Golf Program with Coach Ryan

Junior golfers are the future of our game and PGA Professional Ryan Taraskiewicz has worked with hundreds of children teaching them the importance of life skills through the use of golf as a tool. Cedar Knoll Country Club has a perfect practice facility for kids to learn golf while having fun. Ryan has developed exceptional junior golf programs and looks forward to bringing his experience to us. HCS students may ride the bus to CKCC, and equipment is available to use at no extra charge. There is also an option to store clubs for the week.

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 7-30 for grades K-6. **Where:** Cedar Knoll Golf Course. **Time:** Tuesdays, 2:30-4 p.m. and Thursdays, 3:30-5 p.m. **Cost:** \$190.

Safe Sitter Babysitters Course

ONE SPOT LEFT in Hinesburg Class

Safe Sitter prepares teens to be safe

when they're home alone, watching siblings or babysitting. The course offers four main content areas: safety skills, child care skills, first aid and rescue skills, and life and business skills. Lessons are filled with fun activities and role-playing exercises. Teens will practice choking rescue and diapering. The instructor is Kacey Greene, recreation program coordinator. Register for one date that works best for your child. Register with the town offering the program. **Grades 6-8. Hinesburg:** Thursday, April 25. **Charlotte:** Saturday, May 18, recreation@townofcharlotte.com. **Time:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at respective locations. The cost is \$60 residents, \$65 nonresidents. Maximum of eight students.

After-School Arts and Crafts with Chris Billis

Join Chris for an open studio-style crafting experience. Hot glue piles of cardboard and wood into sculptures; create your own house decorating interiors; make robots, animals or decorated frames and jewelry. At the sewing table, there are three new "old, slow" sewing machines that are perfect for making clothing, stuffed animals, pillows and bags. Make your own hand-stamped leather bracelet or belt. Silk-screen your own design on your favorite T-shirt. Create your own beaded key chains, earrings and necklaces. Broken china plate pieces may create a funky garden mosaic. This class is geared for children who love art and like the freedom and time to explore, create and make their own choices.

Who: second-eighth graders. **When:** Session 2: Fridays, April 12-May 31 (seven classes). **Where:** first-floor classroom in White Building. **Time:** 2:45-4:15 p.m. **Cost:** Session 2 is \$125.

Little Strikers Soccer with Global Premier Soccer

Designed especially for children 3-5 years old, Little Strikers is based on the idea that children naturally want to run around with a ball! Global Premier Soccer staff will lead this preschool soccer experience that includes age-appropriate games. Children are exposed to basic soccer skills and working coop-

eratively with other players without any pressure on winning or competition. A great first experience to soccer.

Who: 2 ½-5 years old. **Where:** Town Hall Field. **When:** Thursdays, May 2 through June 6 (six classes). **Time:** 2 ½-3 years old: 12:15-12:45 p.m. 3-5 years old: 1-1:45 p.m. **Cost:** \$55/\$75.

Library

Library Hours Year-Round

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: 802-482-2878

Address: 69 Ballard's Corner Road, Hinesburg 05461

Website: carpentercarse.org

Email: carpentercarselib@gmavt.net

Library News

Thank You, Taxpayers!

Thanks to all who attended town meeting and voted to pass the budget allocation for the library. We appreciate your vote of confidence, and encourage you to come reap the benefits of your tax dollars at a library program, with a new book or DVD or by delving into many of our online resources. You can see all that we're up to at carpentercarse.org.

Town meeting was a wonderful chance to speak to residents about the library, receive feedback and hear your ideas. Sara welcomes discussions like this anytime, and is interested in hearing more about your thoughts on the library and our town. Please stop by or be in touch! We at the library are thankful for our role in this vibrant community.

Public Art Shows

In honor of Women's History Month in March, the library invited members of the community to submit artwork inspired by a woman in their lives or who they admire. We received many lovely

Mini Shooting Stars Soccer Sessions

Cody and Maeve O'Neil will share the love of the game and teach foundational soccer skills.

Who: 3-5 years old. **When:** Sundays, May 5, 12, 19 and June 2. **Time:** 4-5 p.m. **Cost:** \$45. Shooting Stars T-shirt included.

submissions including a handmade quilt, artwork done by professionals, amateurs and a smattering of submissions from kids, too! These original paintings, drawings and mixed media art will be on display through April 13. We hope you'll come check out your neighbors' creative works!

Following the Women's History show, Hinesburg Community School artists' work will grace the walls of the library's community room! It is always a pleasure to host this bright annual display of artwork. HCS artwork will be up from April 16 through May 14 with a reception for the children and their families and friends on the evening of May 1.

Library Calendar

ParentIN Book Group

Thursday, March 28, 6-7:30 p.m.

ParentIN CVSD and Carpenter-Carse Library invite you to join our book discussion featuring "Beautiful Boy: A Father's Journey through His Son's Addiction" by David Sheff. Hailed as "an excellent book that all parents can relate to whatever their children's situation" (Library Journal Starred) — the goal of our discussion is to empower parents to have informed conversations with their adolescents about the risks of underage substance use. Pizza dinner provided. Participation is encouraged for ages 16-plus. Pick up your book at the Carpenter-Carse Library front desk.

After-School Snack

Tuesdays, 2 p.m. on April 2 and April 9

The library has teamed up with Hinesburg Community Resource Center to of-

continued on page 20



Larry & Son
HEATING SERVICE

Servicing Chittenden, Addison and Franklin Counties

1-800-660-5279
Hinesburg, VT

Sean Tatro, Owner / Technician
Family owned and operated since 1982

Boiler, Furnace & Water Heater Installations

Oil Heating Equipment Sales, Service & Repairs

Oil Tank Removal and Replacement



Blue Cottage

unique finds & one-of-kind designs

Open Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10-6,
Friday 10-7, Saturday 9:30-5, Sunday 9:30-4
Closed Tuesday

30 Kailey's Way in Hinesburg, VT, off of Route 116,
behind The Bristol Bakery and Kinney Pharmacy
(802) 788-1168 • bluecottage.biz



Education

CVU Scholars Bowl Sweeps Tournament

CVU's Scholars Bowl added another milestone to its excellent 2018-19 season by winning the VT-NAQT tournament on Friday, March 9. CVU's varsity team swept all five of its playoff matches against fierce competition, including a dramatic comeback against Burlington to win the tournament. CVU repeated as tournament champion and won this event, the second-most important on the Scholars Bowl schedule. Bay Foley-Cox finished fourth in individual scoring, with Ben Wilson of our C team coming in 12th. CVU's varsity team of Bay Foley-Cox, Peter Antinozzi, Milo Cress and Sam Lawrence now have a record of 42-4-1. We also fielded two JV teams at the tournament, including Isaac Krementsov, Patton Wager, Evan McMahan, Ben Wilson, Ethan Ravlin, Greg Goldsmith and Wolfie Davis

Waldorf High School Open House

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Saturday, April 6, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Lake Champlain Waldorf School Bostwick Road Campus, 122 Bostwick Road, Shelburne.

Free to attend, registration requested.

Learn about the high school curriculum at Lake Champlain Waldorf School's High School Open House on Saturday, April 6. Sit in on a sample lesson, meet the faculty, talk with our students and tour the campus. For more information and to register, visit lakechamplainwaldorfschool.org/event/high-school-open-house. Questions? Contact Lori York at admissions@lakechamplainwaldorfschool.org or call 802-985-2827 ext. 212.

Organizations

Let's Make a Park!

"Pop-up Park" Gains Traction

BY KEVIN LEWIS

Hinesburg residents Maggie Gordon of the Planning Commission and Catherine Goldsmith of the Village Steering Committee along with Town Planner Alex Weinhausen attended the *Placemaking Workshop, Create Places People Love*, in White River Junction on March 13. It was a day filled with rich, thoughtful discussion and energizing activities that provided an opportunity to learn from others and inspired to take on their own placemaking projects.

The workshop, sponsored by AARP Vermont, in White River Junction attracted some 80 town and city planners, community organizers, grassroots groups and local citizens to learn more about creating public spaces that are vibrant, welcoming, safe and accessible for everyone. The workshop featured a number of presentations on actual projects that have been launched in Vermont towns as well as a some exciting hands-on workshop sessions. A highlight for attendees was the announcement by AARP Vermont that up to three mini-grants of \$3,000 each will be made to eligible organizations, local towns



and cities embarking on such initiatives.

With regard to planning small-town parks, one of the topics discussed was a "pop-up park." These projects employ temporary structures, activities, and amenities with the goal of gathering community feedback on what people want to see there. The idea is to demonstrate a range of possible amenities so that community members can test drive the options. Pop-up parks are aimed at temporarily reinventing a space in order to improve accessibility and overall appeal. Vibrant, accessible, inviting public spaces can powerfully alter the health, economic, social, and ecological value of a community. It is hoped that a pop-up park on Lot 1, the grassy area behind the police station, will generate community excitement and discussion about improving the space into an attractive and usable space.

Join the Discussion!

On Thursday, March 25, the public is invited to learn more at Bristol Bakery & Cafe in Hinesburg. Maggie Gordon will be there to facilitate discussion and tour adjacent Town Lot 1, the grassy area behind the Police Station which our current Town Plan envisions as a park. The tour will begin at 4:30 p.m. with discussion to follow. For more information contact Maggie at mgordon@gmavt.net.

continued on page 14

Raising the Black Lives Matter Flag at CVU

CVU'S RACIAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE

CVU Students and Faculty:

The CVSD School Board has approved RAC's proposal to fly the Black Lives Matter flag at CVU for 30 days this year. This effort has been almost two years in the making, with extensive efforts made by the Racial Alliance Committee to educate and advocate for racial equity at CVU. By raising the flag, we hope to make CVU a more inclusive and equitable environment, committed to making all members feel welcome and appreciated.

Flying the flag is a catalyst for desperately needed dialogue, a statement of solidarity, and a commitment to equitable change. We affirm that Black Lives Matter is a peaceful and empowering grassroots movement, advocating for justice and collective liberation. By supporting and standing by Black Lives Matter as a school community, we are taking a proactive stance against bias, ignorance, and hate.

CVU's core principles are to respect ourselves, respect each other, and respect the place. That narrative would be incomplete without showing due respect and recognition to students of color, who often face unique and unrecog-

nized challenges at CVU.

During the week of April 1st, we will raise the Black Lives Matter flag during a 30 minute ceremony featuring the voices of student leaders. This ceremony is a celebration of our diversity and efforts to make CVU a better place, but is also recognition to the work we still must do moving forward.

We encourage any students who have questions, concerns, or ideas to contact us, or consider attending RAC on Wednesday mornings, at 7:45am in the Library classroom. RAC will also be tabling in the cafeteria during lunches this coming week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday), if any students would like to discuss the flag, or other actions RAC is taking in our community.

GET YOUR CORD'S WORTH

Vermont Certified for Heat Treatment



Mixed Hardwoods:
Kiln dried & ready for use.
Immediate delivery all season long

The A. Johnson Co., LLC
Bristol, VT 05443 802-453-4884
www.vermontlumber.com

TRACTOR WORKS



Would like to do your Brush Hogging and Tractor Work

Low Impact Logging • Lot Clearing • Woods Maintenance
Firewood • Field Mowing • Tractor Loader & Fork Work
3 Yard Dump Truck & Trailer • Snow Plowing

Call Ernie Murray at 482-3914 for your **FREE ESTIMATE**

TRACTOR WORKS, Texas Hill Road, Hinesburg, Vermont



Hart & Mead
Inc.

"We're just around the corner!"

Full Service Auto Center

State Inspections - Alignments - On & Off Road Diesel

802-482-2421
Route 116, Downtown Hinesburg

M-F 6am-6pm
Sat 7am-noon

Since 1941 local families have trusted Hart & Mead for honest, reliable service. Sixty years later, you can still count on us.

Johnny Mead at the pump; Jude Sprague, Mike Hart and Hugh Hart pause for a photo.



H & M Auto Supply
Rte 116, Downtown Hinesburg

Custom Made Hydraulic Hoses
New Foreign & Domestic Parts
482-2400 482-2426

Mon-Fri 8-5
Sat 8-12

Mead Brothers Car Wash
Brushless & Do-It-Yourself Bays
Vacuum Cleaners
Rte 116, Next door to Hart & Mead, Inc.

482-2421
M-F 6am-10pm
Sat-Sun 6am-6pm





Lantman's Market

"Locally Owned Quality Since 1925"

(802) 482-2361
www.lantmans.com

Signs of Spring?

They're at Lantman's!

Check out our Website for Features and Specials!

Grocery, Produce, Dairy, Meats & Seafood, Wine & Beer,
Deli & Bakery, Gifts & Floral all in the heart of Hinesburg!

► Let's Make a Park!

*continued from page 13***Enjoy the Blues?**

If so, stay and enjoy great food and beverages, listen Hinesburg's very own blues band, The Bluesburghers, and witness the grand re-opening of Bristol Bakery & Cafe under a new name, TBA. See "Re-named Restaurant..." story on page 11 for more information.

AARP's vision of livable communities can be found at <http://aarp.org/livable-communities>

Consider your community's Livability Score by visiting AARP's Livability Index which can be found at <http://livabilityindex.aarp.org>

Vermont Scholastic Chess Championships

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The 32nd Annual Vermont Scholastic

Chess Championships will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at Berlin Elementary School in Berlin, Vermont, conveniently located in central Vermont just off Interstate 89 exit 7.

All Vermont students from kindergarten through grade 12 are eligible to compete for state championships in nine divisions — each grade kindergarten through grade six, middle school (grades seven and eight) and high school (grades nine through 12). All abilities are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Early registration is encouraged. Check in from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m., and games will start at 10 a.m. Complete rules and registration information can be found at vtchess.info or by contacting Mike Stridsberg, tournament director, at mike@vtchess.info or 802-223-1948.

Audubon Vermont News

Field Notes from the Vermont Statehouse

BY LEWIS GROVE

Lewis Grove is a second-year law student at Vermont Law School. He is spending his spring semester working as a law and policy extern for Audubon Vermont, focusing on policy work to advance bird conservation priorities in the state of Vermont.

I came to law school precisely to work on migratory bird conservation, and my Audubon Vermont externship has been the perfect fit. Prior to law school, I spent over a decade working in the field of ornithology. Most of that time was spent in Pennsylvania and New York, but I have also done field work in nearly a dozen western states. I have worked for state and federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, universities and dabbled a bit in consulting. My field work has included hawk-watching, banding, raptor surveys and huge numbers of point counts, mostly for breeding bird species — but I spent most of my ornithology career working in bioacoustics, refining hardware and software systems to record and research nocturnal flight calls. My singular favorite birding experience was a rare opportunity to guide for Jimmy and Rosalynn

Carter. In short, my career to this point has been dedicated to birds, and I am thrilled to be making a transition into the world of policymaking.

The central focus of my work at Audubon this spring is to engage with the legislative process to produce positive outcomes for birds in Vermont. The three big issues that we are addressing in the Vermont Statehouse right now are (1) providing state-level bird protections following changes to federal enforcement guidance; (2) increasing protections for wildlife and ecosystem health within Act 250 as this statute is overhauled; and (3) reducing and mitigating the impacts of climate change upon our wildlife.

Federal enforcement of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act was weakened last year with the release of new enforcement guidance by the Department of the Interior. This change has demonstrated the vulnerability of the MBTA to executive action and the need for "backstop" state-level policy. At Audubon Vermont, we are in the initial stages of advancing new Vermont legislation which would restore the same protections that migratory birds have long depended upon for their survival at the federal level.

Vermont's unique land-use planning law, Act 250, will be 50 years old next year. The legislature is currently undergoing a thorough review of the law in order to propose changes for the decades to come. As part of this process, Audubon Vermont is pushing for greater protections for contiguous forests against fragmentation and for stronger consideration of the impacts upon wildlife and ecosystems of proposed projects.

Finally, we are monitoring the broader discussion around climate change policy in Vermont. While legislation on these issues is still very much in the formative stages, we recognize the direct connection between our changing climate and risks to Vermont bird populations. We will continue to monitor this important issue and to support climate bills as the legislative session progresses.

There are other issues that we are monitoring this session as well. We support a recent bill introduced in the House, H.205, which would restrict the use of a class of pesticides called neonicotinoids. These toxic chemicals have been linked to sickness in migratory birds as well as declines in pollinator populations. Additionally, in the area of healthy watersheds, we are opposing legislation

to weaken wetlands protections, and supporting legislative efforts to increase funding for clean water investments.

As the legislative session progresses, keep an eye on your inbox for Action Alerts from Audubon Vermont. These strategically timed calls to action from our Audubon community have repeatedly proven to be essential to protecting birds and the places they need to survive. Thank you for all you do to raise your voice in the Vermont legislative process!

We welcome your input and feedback. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with your thoughts. vtpolicyintern@audubon.org.

Events

All events are at the Green Mountain Audubon Center, 255 Sherman Hollow Road, Huntington, unless otherwise noted. For more information, go to vt.audubon.org/events.

Salamander Series — Community Science Informational Sessions
Sunday, March 31, 5-6 p.m.

Emerge out of hibernation this spring with Audubon Vermont's Rae Bronenkant to learn how to become a community scientist and help Vermont's amazing amphibians make it across the road on their big migration night!

Attend the informational session to gain background knowledge about these creatures, and become a master for this important community science project. Once you attend the informational session, you will be on Audubon Vermont's list to join us on the "big night" and help with amphibian crossings when they happen in the spring!

All ages welcome! This program is free. Please register online at tinyurl.com/RegisterSalamander to hold your spot and so we can contact you in case of wintry weather. Donations to Audubon Vermont are welcome. Questions? Please reach out to Rae Bronenkant at avamerikorps@gmail.com.

Birds and Beef and Brussels Sprouts: Vermont's Long Agricultural History and Its Relation to Birds
Monday, April 1, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Williston

Join local birder and conservationist Maeve Kim in exploring Vermonters' historical relationship with birds. Maeve will take us on a journey as we consider some questions. What creatures roamed Vermont after the last ice age? How did

our state's wildlife change as humans entered the picture? What birds did native Vermonters know and enjoy? How did the coming of agriculture affect birds and other wildlife? What about the many changes in the state's agricultural landscape? What role do modern-day farmers have in preserving the state's iconic bird species?

This program is free. Donations to Audubon Vermont welcome. Location: Dorothy Alling Memorial Library, 21 Library Lane, Williston.

Bud-Break Bird Monitoring Walk
Thursday, April 4, 8-9:30 a.m.

Early birds will be making their way back to Vermont just as the buds are bursting open on the trees. Join us as we find out if the woodcocks, vireos, tree sparrows or red-winged blackbirds have returned and established their nesting territories. This is a great time of year to be able to see the birds before the trees get their leaves.

The long-term data we gather contributes to the eBird database, which is available to a global community of educators, land managers, ornithologists, conservation biologists and the public.

We typically finish our monitoring route by about 9:30 a.m., but you can leave earlier if necessary. Donations are appreciated. vt.audubon.org/donate. Meeting place: Office Building.

Regarding the weather: normally with light snow/rain forecasted, we will go ahead with the walk. If strong winds or heavy snow/rain are expected, we will reschedule the walk. Please check our Facebook page if in doubt about the weather. We'll post an update if the forecast looks iffy. facebook.com/AudubonVermont.

Starry Night: Find Your Way — an Audubon program for all ages
Friday, April 5, 7-8:30 p.m.

Join us at Audubon as the sun sets and the sky comes alive! Learn about the history of navigation through the ages. We will be making our own star navigators and star origami crafts, drinking cocoa and enjoying the constellations. We look forward to seeing you there!

Bring a flashlight or a headlamp. We'll have red cellophane to convert them to night vision flashlights. All ages welcome! Audubon members: FREE. Nonmembers: \$5 per person. Register online: tinyurl.com/AudubonStarry. Questions? Contact Education Program

Coordinator Debbie Archer at darcher@audubon.org or call 802-434-3068.

Events at the Birds of Vermont Museum

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The Birds of Vermont museum is located at 900 Sherman Hollow Road, Huntington. For more information, call 802-434-2167, go to birdssofvermont.org/events or email museum@birdssofvermont.org.

Bird Monitoring Walks

Saturday, March 30, 8-9 a.m.
Saturday, April 27, 7:30-9 a.m.

Join experienced birders on the monthly bird monitoring walk on the Museum's property. A great activity for adults, older children and somewhat more-experienced birders. Please bring your own binoculars. Free. Please preregister by emailing museum@birdssofvermont.org or calling 802-434-2167. (Walks start at 7:30 a.m. April-August, and 8 a.m. September-March. We go out the last Saturday of every month.)

The Art in Birding with Brian Machanic

Thursday, April 25, 1:30-2 p.m.

P. Brian Machanic, a Charlotte-based author/photographer/lecturer will deliver his acclaimed "The Art in Birding" presentation. Combining many lovely wild bird photographs with a narrative that is both informative and jocular, Brian has captivated audiences throughout Vermont for several years. Bird sightings are guaranteed, and no binoculars or insect repellents are needed!

Machanic has recently authored "This Book Is for The Birds," which is a tribute to the beauty and grace of the avian world that surrounds us. Brian's lecture draws in part from his book, copies of which will be on sale at the time of his presentation.

Brian has also been an exhibiting artist/photographer at the Birds of Vermont Museum, most recently in our 2017 show, B1rding by the Numb3rs.

Advocates Join 350Vermont to Highlight Climate Resolutions Next Steps

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The high risk posed by legislative inaction on Vermont's rising greenhouse gas emissions was placed front and center at the State House on March 13 by 350Vermont, Christine Hallquist, Representatives Mari Cordes and Mary Sullivan and advocates from many Vermont towns.

Town Meeting Day saw 16 Vermont towns pass climate solutions resolutions. Last year, 39 Vermont towns passed the resolution, bringing the statewide number to 55. The success of 350Vermont's two-year Climate Solutions Resolution campaign suggests that many residents across Vermont want legislators to make climate change a priority. The resolutions call for the legislature to halt the expansion of new fossil fuel infrastructure, commit to 100 percent renewable energy by 2030, and ensure the transition is fair and equitable for all residents.

Christine Hallquist, who sits on 350Vermont's board, said, "Climate change is one of the greatest problems humankind has ever faced. The very existence of civilization is threatened. We can change this course by moving to an energy supply that is 100 percent renewable, 100 percent of the time. Saving

the planet has also created the greatest business opportunity humankind has ever faced. An opportunity for new jobs, improved technology and innovation. I am optimistic we will solve this problem. In doing so, nations will have to learn to collaborate versus compete."

The 16 towns that passed the resolution so far this year include Bradford, Castleton, Chester, Middlebury, Chittenden, Norwich, Shrewsbury, Tinmouth, Woodstock, Charlotte, Hinesburg, Jericho, Reading, Montgomery, Glover and Middlesex.

"I've worked on this campaign for two legislative sessions — more towns have passed resolutions, more Vermont residents have raised their concerns — yet little progress has been made. The climate is changing. We need to act now if we want any chance of reversing the imminent collapse of the Earth's ecosystems," said Jaiel Pulskamp, field organizer with 350Vermont.

About 350Vermont 350Vermont is a statewide organization in Vermont working to build a grassroots movement to reverse climate change. 350Vermont's mission is to organize, educate and support people in Vermont to work together for climate justice — resisting fossil fuels, building momentum for alternatives and transforming our communities toward justice and resilience. Although we are an affiliated group of 350.org with a similar mission, 350Vermont is an independent organization, with local campaigns to divest from fossil fuel investments, advocate for a carbon pollution tax, and stop any expansion of fossil fuel infrastructure.



482 - 8111

"Affordable solutions to your self-storage needs"

Unit Sizes Range From:
5' x 5' thru 12' x 30'

119 Commerce St., Hinesburg, VT

SPAFFORD & SONS

WATER WELLS

COMPLETE WATER SYSTEMS
GEOTHERMAL WELL DRILLING
ZONE HYDRO-FRACKING
WATER CONDITIONING & TREATMENT
PUMP INSTALLATION & SERVICING
DOWN-HOLE CAMERA • FREE ESTIMATES

THOMAS WILLIAMS
PRESIDENT

800-287-7521

JEFFREY WILLIAMS
VICE PRESIDENT

(802)899-5873

www.spaffordwaterwells.com

11 North Main St.
Jericho



New Construction
Remodeling
Additions
Roofing/Siding/Decks

PO Box 218 • Hinesburg
(802) 482-3136



KILEY LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION

Established 1993

Full Service Landscape Installation

Stone Work
Walls, Steps, Walks, & Patios
Plantings - Tree Spade - Excavation
Ponds, Waterlines, Grading
Land Clearing
Mini-Excavating on call

Deedle Kiley
425-2882



Ted Palmer
Owner

482-4735

cell: 324-7960

Driveways & Septic Systems
Installed and Repaired
Site Improvements
Lot Clearing / Stumping
Drainage Systems
Paving & repairs
Snow Plowing • Sanding
Landscaping • Boulder Walls



T. PALMER EXCAVATING



PAPA NICK'S
RESTAURANT & PIZZA

Greet spring with a lovely Easter Breakfast or Dinner
Reserve today!

Quality Food • Outstanding Customer Service • Daily Specials
7am - 9pm Mon - Sat, 7am - 4pm Sun 482-6050

10997 Rte. 116, Hinesburg papanicksvt.com





Champlain Valley Landscaping

Paul Wiczorek • Horticulturist

Garden Design & Plantings
Stone Walls Walkways Outdoor Living Spaces

802 434 4216 champlainvalleylandscaping.com
2800 Lincoln Hill Road, Hinesburg, Vermont

THE Mac DOCTOR
ON-SITE SOLUTIONS

Steven M. L'Heureux, Pres.
The Mac Doctor, Inc.
5 Mountain Street, 3 West
Bristol, VT 05443

802.453.5570
Steve@themacdoctor.com
www.themacdoctor.com
30 Years Experience

 **Certified Support Professional**



SCHIP's Treasure
RESALE • SHOP

Mon-Fri 10-5, Sat 10-4

5404 Shelburne Road,
Shelburne, VT

985-3595

www.schipstreasure.org

Interfaith • Non-profit • Grant Funding

Winter is over!

It's time to come into
SCHIP's Treasure and enjoy a
Spring Fling with our
spring and summer wear

Hope to see you soon!

Donate • Shop • Volunteer

Service Directory

AUTOMOTIVE

MUNSON AUTO

802-482-3465 • Maintenance, state inspections, tires, full-service shop

BANKS AND FINANCE

NATIONAL BANK OF MIDDLEBURY

877-508-8455 • nbmvt.com
Serving VT Communities since 1831

CONSTRUCTION

BLUE HERON BUILDING

802-363-0253
blueheronbuilding.com
Home renovations and remodeling, kitchen and bath specialists

GARY C. CLARK EXCAVATING

802-343-2053 / 802-482-2232 • Residential or commercial sitework. Snowplowing.

DAVID M. NEWTON

802-482-2658 • davidnewtonmasonry.com
Traditional Vermont masonry for projects large and small

ENERGY

JACKMAN'S OF BRISTOL INC.

802-453-2381 • jackmansinc.com
Now Hiring!

HEALTH AND BEAUTY

ELEMENT NAIL SALON

802-482-7334 • elementnailsalonvt.com
Holistic nail care, fabulous massages

HOME AND GARDEN

BOOT HILL METAL BENDERS

802-989-0396 • boothillmetalbenders.com
Top-notch ductwork for efficient heating & air conditioning

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY LANDSCAPING

802-434-4216 • champlainvalleylandscaping.com.
Garden design and plantings, outdoor living spaces

FLOORING AMERICA

802-862-5757 • FlooringAmerica-VT.com
Hardwood, carpet, laminate, tile and vinyl flooring

LARRY & SON HEATING SERVICE

800-660-5279 • Servicing Oil Furnaces in Chittenden & surrounding counties

LIMOGE & SONS GARAGE DOORS, INC.

802-878-4338 • limogegaragedoors.com
Custom garage door installations and repairs

LYMAN STORAGE

802-482-2379 • lymanstorage.com
Convenient, secure & affordable residential & commercial storage

MIKE COUSINO WATER FILTRATION

802-482-3678
Servicing most brands of water softeners

RVG ELECTRIC SERVICES

802-233-9462 • rvgelectric.com
Licensed Master Electrician & Contractor, residential & commercial

HOME AND GARDEN

SPAFFORD & SONS WATER WELLS

800-287-7521 • spaffordwaterwells.com
Complete water systems, geothermal well drilling and more

VERMONT LAND MAINTENANCE

802-434-4533 • vtlandmaintenance.com
De-brushing services for private and commercial projects

VILLAGE SWEEP

802-482-2468 villagesweepvt.com
Complete chimney care since 1975

WOODSCAPES FORESTRY LLC

802-363-7536 • woodscapesforestry.com
Specializing in all types of woods maintenance

INSURANCE

ALLSTATE INSURANCE

802-878-7144 • agents.allstate.com/walter-hausermann-essex-junction-vt.html
Protecting your world

PALMER INSURANCE AGENCY

802-482-5678 palmerinsurancenvt.com
For all of your insurance needs

REAL ESTATE AND HOUSING

GREENTREE REAL ESTATE

802-482-5232 • vermontgreentree.com
Your local real estate solution!

COLDWELL BANKER HICKOK & BOARDMAN REALTY

802-846-9577 • Susan Gulrajani
SusanG@HickokandBoardman.com
MyHomeInVermont.com
Considering a move? Call Susan!

PIPER REALTY

802-764-3042
www.pipervt.com
We can help you find your dream home!

RESTAURANTS AND FOOD

MARY'S RESTAURANT - INN AT BALDWIN CREEK

802-453-2432 • Baldwincreek.net
Farm to table cuisine

PAPA NICK'S RESTAURANT AND PIZZA

802-482-6050 • papanicksvt.com
Quality food, outstanding customer service

SHOPPING

BLUE COTTAGE GIFTS

802-799-2168 • bluecottage.biz
Unique home décor & gifts for creative & discerning shoppers

ANNOUNCEMENT

PALMER'S SUGARHOUSE

802-985-5054 • palmersugarhouse.com
Visit us in Shelburne – family run for over 50 years!

GOOD TIMES CAFÉ FOR SALE

802-879-0108 • John Stimets jstimets@countrybusiness.net
An Owner Managed Restaurant since 1995.
Still open!

Arts & Leisure

Music and More at NRG

BY HEATHER ROBERTS

The Hinesburg Youth Project will be hosting a Music & More night on Saturday, April 13 from 7-9 p.m. at NRG (110 Riggs Road, Hinesburg). Please join us for a fun and entertaining evening with local talented youth performing musical numbers, poetry, skits and more! Donations will be accepted at the door.

This event is a fundraiser for the Hinesburg Youth Project's June 2019 service trip to H.O.M.E., Inc. in Orland, Maine. This trip is focused on rural poverty and will give Hinesburg youth in grades eight-12 experiences in serving this population in various ways including cooking, building, child care, creative outlets, etc.

HYP will also be donating a portion of the proceeds of Music & More to Project HOePpnEr, a local group whose mission is to increase awareness around the catastrophe that is teen suicide and to offer courage for kids to say, "I need help" and for their loved ones to hear it. Many of the youth in HYP have been personally impacted by the death of a friend and want to support this important cause.

For more information about HYP or our 2019 high school and middle school service trips, contact the United Church of Hinesburg at 802-482-3352 or united-church@gmavt.net or visit our website: ucofh.org/youth.html.

Happenings at the Charlotte Grange

BY TRINA BIANCHI

If you love music, and it helps to restore your soul, mark your calendars!

After several months of very successful Open Mic events, the Charlotte Grange Hall will not only continue to host Open Mic events but will be adding, starting in April, Showcase Open Mic nights once a month on Friday evenings. These Friday evening events will showcase three musicians who have performed at one or more Open Mic events and will be able to play a 30-minute set. Like the

Open Mic events, these will also start at 6:30 p.m. See below for dates. To sign up for an Open Mic event or ask about the Showcase Open Mic, contact Mike Walker at mjwalker@gmavt.net. All of the Open Mic and Showcase events are free to attend. Donations to help defray the cost of heat and electricity for the Grange Hall are welcomed. You will also want to save the date of June 21, as we will be holding A Midsummer Waltz. The Grange is at 2898 Spear Street, Charlotte.

Open Mic Events: Tuesday, April 16; Tuesday, May 21.

Showcase Mic Events: Friday, April 12; Friday, May 3; and Friday, June 7.

And a big thank you to Preston's Excavating and Ward Preston for his donation in keeping our Grange parking lot clear of snow this winter so we can have these music events!

Shelburne Players' "Noises Off" Opens in April

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Shelburne Players' spring comedy/farce "Noises Off" by Michael Frayn will be performed at Shelburne Town Center, 5420 Shelburne Road, on April 5, 6, 11, 12 and 13 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, April 7 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$18 general, \$15 seniors and students, and can be purchased in advance at Shelburne Market, or reserved online at shelburne-players.com, or by calling 802-343-2602. Open seating.

Social Band Gets to the Root of Things

BY AMITY BAKER

Social Band, Burlington's lively band of singers, is singing about roots this spring. Roots are a source of vitality and strength. Roots are the places from which we come — the places that know us by name. Join Social Band as we dig down into those muddy, springtime roots with poetry and song.



Social Band will be performing at the United Church of Hinesburg on April 13

"Mother Root" — Songs of Source and Sustenance

• Saturday, April 6, 7:30 p.m., Richmond Free Library

• Sunday, April 7, 3 p.m., College Street Congregational Church, Burlington

• Saturday, April 13, 7:30 p.m., United Church of Hinesburg

• Sunday, April 14, 3 p.m., Charlotte Congregational Church

Social Band will think of roots in all sorts of ways using many genres of music. What better way to think about roots than to go back in time? Social Band's menfolk go all the way back to the 12th century to sing mystic Hildegard von Bingen's, "O Sapientiae" in praise of wisdom's life-giving channels. Other early music selections include the rich and flowing "O Radix Jesse" by 16th century composer Jean Barra. And then from ancient to modern as Social Band features two premieres by Social Band members. Bruce Chalmer's song "My Mother's Dream" is accompanied by recorder, clarinet and cello and sets a poem he wrote about how our roots live with us even after leaving our homeland. Michael Kellogg's song "Remembrance" adapts biblical verses from Ecclesiastes and touches on how the passage of time brings an anonymous, ever-changing permanence: "There is nothing new under the sun ... All streams run to the sea but the sea is not full, to the place where the streams flow, there they flow again." Other selections include songs from folk traditions as well as works by Vermont composers Tom Cleary, Don Jamison and Robert Keller.

Unfamiliar with Social Band? This Burlington-based chorus has been up and running for just over 20 years and has sung its collective heart out, sharing vibrant and varied songs from all walks of life with our audiences — using our performances not only to entertain but to engage with our listeners with beautiful ideas, words and harmonies. Social Band performs (mostly) a cappella choral music, encourages new compositions, especially by local composers, and fosters the joyful and thought-provoking expression of music. Join us as we make living, breathing music with a sense of camaraderie that shines through and has defined us as a "social band." Admission is \$15 in advance, \$18 the day of concert. Tickets are available online (no fees) at socialband-spring19.eventbrite.com and at the door.

People

Rallython Raises Over \$117,000 for the UVM Children's Hospital

FROM UVM PRESS RELEASE

Harrison Mead of Hinesburg, along with 40 teams and over 700 participants, has helped the University of Vermont's annual student-led fundraising event RALLYTHON raise a record-breaking \$117,520.29 for the UVM Children's Hospital.

RALLYTHON is a student-led year-long fundraiser which culminates in a 12-hour dance marathon, signifying the average length of a nurse's shift at Vermont's local Children's Miracle Network Hospital. During RALLYTHON, which took place on Saturday, March 2, students heard stories from patient families treated at the UVM Children's Hospital and engaged with champions — current and past patients of the hospital, while fundraising, participating in games and dancing until the final reveal of their annual fundraising total.

By the conclusion of this year's dance marathon, Harrison raised enough money to reach the "Dancer Goal" — a distinction given to participants who have fundraised between \$100 and \$249 over the course of the year.

Higher Education Honors

Faibe Achinda and **Sophia Bolivar-Adams**, both of Hinesburg, have been named to the dean's list at Northern Vermont University for the Fall 2018 semester. To be named to the dean's list, student must achieve between a 3.50 and 3.99 semester GPA.

continued on page 18

Calendar

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Publication date for The Hinesburg Record.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Historical Society Meeting. Town Hall.

MONDAY, APRIL 1

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

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

7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Vermont Astronomical Society Meeting. University of Vermont, Burlington.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

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 wordsmiths; 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 beecherhill yoga.com.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Energy Committee.

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Development Review Board meeting. Ground Floor Conference Room, Hinesburg Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room.

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

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Land Trust meeting. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballards Corner Rd, Hinesburg.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. HFOF Clothing & Book Swap.

MONDAY, APRIL 8

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Conservation Commission Meeting. 3rd Floor Conference Room, Town Hall.

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Planning Commission meeting. Ground Level Conference Room, Town Hall.

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

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

Advertising and News deadline for The Hinesburg Record.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Lewis Creek Association Board Meeting.

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Town Forest Committee Meeting. Hinesburg Town Hall Lower Level

Conference Room.

MONDAY, APRIL 15

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Selectboard Meeting.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Business and Professional Association Meeting. Papa Nick's Restaurant. Contact HBPA President Walter Hausermann at 802-878-7144 or walterh@gmavt.net.

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. CVSD School Board Meeting. CVU room 160.

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room.

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

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Easter Sunday.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Conservation Commission. Hinesburg Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room.

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. Hinesburg Fire Station.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting. Ground Level Conference Room, Town Hall.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Publication date for The Hinesburg Record.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Historical Society Meeting. Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room.

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

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Land Trust meeting. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballards Corner Rd, Hinesburg.

MONDAY, MAY 6

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

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

7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Vermont Astronomical Society Meeting. University of Vermont, Burlington.

TUESDAY, MAY 7

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Community Writers' Group. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballards Corner Rd., Hinesburg. [See April 2 listing.]

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Energy Committee.

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Development Review Board meeting. Ground Floor Conference Room, Hinesburg Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room.

► Library

continued from page 12

fer snacks for everyone after school on Tuesdays. Drop by the library after early release from school to have a healthy snack while you read, do homework or pick out new materials to take home.

Hinesburg Writers Group

Tuesday, April 2, 7-9 p.m.

Whether you're working on a YA novel, some poetry for yourself or a blog post for your professional website, the Hinesburg Writers Group invites you to join us for our monthly workshop. Area writers exchange feedback and encouragement to keep your writing project moving forward, regardless of genre. To get your writing to the group before the next workshop, email Paul Marino at paulstevenmarino@gmail.com.

LEGO Club

Thursdays, 3-4 p.m., April 4, 11 and 18

Lego Club is back! Join us from 3-4:00 p.m. at the library for snacks, friends and tons of Lego blocks to build with every week! Ages 5-10. This program has limited space; to register, please email kelly@carpentercarse.org, call 802-482-2878 or sign up in the library.

Live Music: Jam With the Song Farmers of Hinesburg

Thursday, April 4, 6 p.m.

Do you play an acoustic instrument or

just love to sing along to old-time blues, country and folk music? Come join the Song Farmers during their monthly jam session and participate in this wonderful live music offering. If you don't play an instrument, please join us just to listen or to singalong! Free and open to the public.

AARP Weapons of Fraud Presentation

Tuesday, April 9, 7 p.m.

What are the leading scams impacting Vermonters? How do con artists convince you to part with your money? What steps can you take to avoid victimization? We invite you to spend an hour with an experienced AARP Fraud Fighter to explore the world of fraud. This free presentation is appropriate for all ages and provides insight and resources to combat fraud.

Mysteries and Muffins Book Group

Wednesday, April 10, 10:30 a.m.

Do you love mysteries? Join our book group! This informal group will meet in the Community Room on the second Wednesday of each month to chat about the book and snack on homemade muffins. Don't miss it! You can pick up a copy of the latest book at the front desk.

Color Your Way to Calm: Adult Coloring

Saturday, April 13, 1-2:30 p.m.

Color your way to calm at our drop-in coloring club for adults. Coloring sheets, art supplies and tea will be provided.

After-School Snack and Stories with Greg

Tuesdays, 2:15 p.m. starting April 16

Join us after school for a healthy snack and listen to some read-aloud stories! Volunteer Greg Leroy reads a variety of picture books for children of all ages. Snacks provided in part by Hinesburg Community Resource Center. Children under 10 must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Staying Healthy in a Changing Climate: What Pet Owners Need to Know About Ticks and Lyme Disease

Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m.

Believe it or not, warm weather is on the way! With it comes health risks for your pets. What can be done to help protect your dog from the dangers of tick bites? Dr. Liam Bisson of Shelburne Veterinary Hospital will share information about how to prevent tick-borne illness. He will also discuss how to recognize the symptoms of Lyme disease and will go over the current course of treatment for the illness.

This presentation is funded in part by the National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, under Cooperative Agreement Number UG4LM012347 with the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester.

Blackout Poetry: Drop-In Art Project

Friday, April 19th 3-6:00 p.m.

We will provide the book pages and the markers — you bring the creativity! Blackout poets take a page from an existing text, and by crossing out all but a few choice words and phrases, create an original poem. Many take it one step further by adding an illustration or design to the page that enhances the meaning of the created poem. We will have examples for you to look at for inspiration. Appropriate for teens and adults.

Saturday Storytime

Saturday, April 20, 10-10:30 a.m.

Join us for Saturday storytime! Children ages infant through five and their caregivers gather for stories, songs and games, followed by free play and snacks. All are welcome, free.

Spanish Storytime

Tuesday, April 23, 9:30-10:00 a.m.

Join us for storytime in Spanish! Games, songs and stories en Español, no experience necessary. Followed by free play and snacks. All are welcome, free.

Online Resources Class

Tuesday, April 23, 6:30 p.m.

Come learn more about all of the online resources that are available to you with your library card. Did you know that you can download music, listen to audio books, take a language class, conduct research using reputable print and online resources, take various educational classes and search job listing databases all for free?

We will start with the basics — making sure you have a library card, know your card number and can get signed in. We can then help you download any necessary apps on your personal device. The class will cover the basics of Freegal, Mango, Libby and the Vermont Online Library Databases. Please RSVP for this class by calling the library or emailing Richard at richard@carpentercarse.org.

American Odyssey — from South Starksboro to São Paulo — from Home para Casa

Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 p.m.

Some people are known for being eager to leave, wanting to see the world and tasting cultures and flavors they've never before experienced. Others are content with developing their homestead, working the land and appreciating the juicy fruits that routine can bring to our lives. What happens when two souls, each bearing one of these personalities, come together with love and a willingness to make life happen together? Sixth generation Vermonter Nathan Shepard and fourth generation Japanese-Brazilian Christiane Kokubo will share a glimpse into how they traveled 30,000 miles in a small car that brought their bodies, minds and spirits from a cabin in Addison County to the largest city in the Southern Hemisphere.

WEEKLY PROGRAMMING

Hands and Needles

Mondays, 10 a.m.-noon

Join handcrafting enthusiasts for a morning of creativity and conversation. Bring whatever project you are working on — quilting, knitting, embroidery, etc. Free and open to the public.

Youngster Storytime

Tuesdays, 9:30-10 a.m.

Join us for storytime! Children from infants through age five and their caregivers gather for stories, songs and games, followed by free play and snacks. All are welcome, free.

Youngster Movement and Music

Thursdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Get ready to move! Friends of Families hosts the Youngster Music and Movement program at the library. Come enjoy songs and movement games geared for infants through age three and their caregivers (older siblings welcome). Followed by a healthy snack. All are welcome, free.

Tech Time

Every Thursday from 11:30-1 p.m., half-hour slots. Or make an appointment in advance for a time during other library open hours.

Have a question about your laptop or personal device? Want help downloading an app or a podcast? Need a hand figuring out how to log in to your library account or download audio books? We are here to help! Bring any tech question and your device (or use our computers!) and we will do our best to troubleshoot with you. Call the library or email Richard at richard@carpentercarse.org to reserve your spot.

Local Libraries to Host Tick-Borne Illness Presentations

FROM PRESS RELEASE

One of the most noticeable indications of our changing climate is the rise in the tick population and accompanying increase in tick-borne illnesses. While Lyme disease is the most common, other maladies spread by ticks including anaplasmosis and babesiosis are also on

the rise.

According to the CDC, Vermont is one of the 14 states where 95 percent of confirmed Lyme disease cases have occurred. Anaplasmosis resulted in hospitalization of 24 percent of all cases reported in Vermont. Education is one key step to break the chain of exposure to tick-borne illnesses.

Recognizing these issues within their communities, Charlotte Library and Carpenter-Carse Library have teamed up to host "Tick-Borne Hazards: Staying Healthy in a Changing Climate," presentations hosted in April that will focus on protecting humans and pets from tick-borne illnesses.

► Red Cross Announces

continued from page 1

lifetime source of personal satisfaction, one that makes him feel special knowing he is a part of the five percent of donors who make giving blood a priority in their lives. Olufsen began giving blood regularly more than 40 years ago, at a Red Cross blood drive at his work site. Over the years after that, he gave a total of eight gallons of whole blood. He loved knowing how many people would benefit from him giving one hour of his time every eight weeks. When he learned that the Red Cross also collects platelets, he discovered that his blood type was A+, considered the universal donor for platelets. Today, he feels blessed to have been able to donate more than 137 gallons and continues to make double unit donations every few weeks. For Olufsen, donating blood products has been, and will continue to be, a special way he can "give the gift of life" to others, and he plans to continue for as long as he is able and eligible.

Michelle LeBlanc, Commitment to Community Award, Williston

Michelle LeBlanc's commitment to public service began at a young age. She started as a Police Explorer in junior high school and then became a proud Norwich University Corps of Cadets graduate, serving in the U.S. Army with overseas assignments. Following in her

father's footsteps, she then joined the Bennington County Sheriff's Department. She has spent the last 19 years as a Vermont State trooper, where she trained to be a highly skilled canine handler. She has leveraged these skills to start a nonprofit service dog training program, Vermont Paws & Boots, Inc., which is the only one of its kind to serve both military service personnel and first responders. Corporal LeBlanc and her K-9 partner Casco are a recognized, award-winning team. Michelle combines over 30 years of military, law enforcement and K-9 handling experience to help fellow service men and women who suffer from disabilities regain independence and vitality in their lives with the help of a service dog. LeBlanc spends her nights as a Vermont State Police trooper, and by day she serves other military veterans and first responders — helping them develop strength, confidence and independence as well as a reason to again live and enjoy life.

Sequoia Simonds, Call to Action Award, Lunenburg

Sequoia Simonds learned CPR as a student at St. Johnsbury Academy, but he could not have imagined he would use his training to save the life of his future stepfather. When Sequoia's mother's fiancé, Jimmy Clark, began experiencing heart failure, Sequoia took charge of the situation. He called 911, dragged Clark to a flat surface and started to perform CPR. His teacher and his headmaster

The public libraries will host two events. First, at Charlotte Library on April 2 at 6:30 p.m., Kate Hammond from the Vermont Department of Health will present how to "Be Tick Smart." Her presentation will include how to prevent tick bites, remove ticks if you have been bitten, and steps to take after a bite. She also brings a plethora of information about specific tick-borne diseases and the types of ticks found here in Vermont. There will be time for Q&A following Kate's presentation.

Later in April at Carpenter-Carse Library in Hinesburg, Doctor Liam Bisson of Shelburne Veterinary Hospital will present "What Pet Owners Need to Know About Ticks and Lyme Disease." This

presentation will take place at CCL at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16. Dr. Bisson will share information about preventing tick-borne illnesses in pets. He will also discuss how to recognize the symptoms of Lyme disease and will go over the current course of treatment for the illness. There will be time for Q&A following his presentation.

This project is funded in part by the National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, under Cooperative Agreement Number UG4LM012347 with the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester.

were impressed by how Sequoia recalled the CPR training he had learned, and after paramedics arrived, Sequoia helped to control the scene and make it safe for the EMS responders to treat Clark. All of these actions demonstrated maturity and composure, and were instrumental in saving Clark's life. Sequoia was honored by St. Johnsbury Academy in February 2018, and spoke of his experiences to the entire student body.

Christina Wiles, Commitment to Community Award, Brandon

For nearly a year, Christina Wiles worked to develop a mentoring program to pair elementary school students with high school mentors. She initiated the program while in high school as her Girl Scout Gold Award project, involving students from both Mary Hogan Elementary School and Middlebury Union High School. The program, called Arms Open,

provides students in grades kindergarten through grade six with one-on-one support from high school juniors and seniors in reading, writing, sports, school projects and specific assignments. The goal of the program is to bring together kids of all ages within the community to create bonds and reduce bullying, and Christina also developed a mentoring manual to serve as a handbook for future mentors. Christina was nominated as one of only three Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains for the National Gold Award Girl Scout honor, given to Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors whose Gold Award projects demonstrate extraordinary leadership. She furthered her dedication to serving others and the public by joining the Vermont National Guard while in high school, advancing two ranks in the Vermont National Guard in recognition of her Gold Award achievement.

ONE COMPANY. ONE AGENT. MANY WAYS TO SAVE.



Let me help you save time and money.

Protecting more of your world with Allstate makes your life easier. And it can put more money in your pocket. Bundle your policies and you can save even more. Why wait? Call me today.

Walter T. Hausermann
(802) 878-7144
 4001 Williston Rd., S. Burlington
 walterh@allstate.com

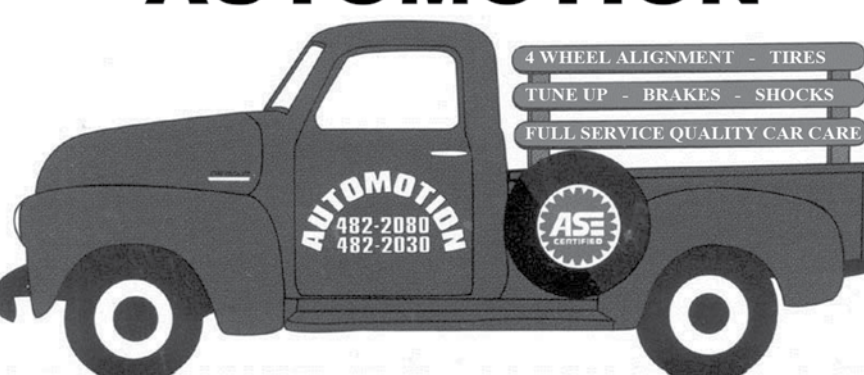


Allstate
 You're in good hands.
Auto Home Life Retirement

One agent for all your insurance needs.

Subject to terms, conditions and availability. Savings vary. Allstate Indemnity Company, Allstate Insurance Company, Allstate Fire And Casualty Insurance Company; Northbrook, Illinois © 2011 Allstate Insurance Company.

AUTOMOTION



FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC CAR & TRUCK REPAIR
Main Street, Hinesburg, VT 482-2080 or 482-2030

Limoge & Sons
GARAGE DOORS, INC
SALES AND SERVICE
 Showroom / 136 James Brown Dr., Williston
 Limogegaragedoors.com

**FULL LINE OF COMMERCIAL
AND RESIDENTIAL DOORS
AND ACCESSORIES**

Rick Limoge
802-878-4338

NATIONAL BANK OF MIDDLEBURY IS SPONSORING A

Shred Day²⁰¹⁹

SATURDAY, APRIL 27
from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
**AT OUR BRANCH OFFICE LOCATED AT
 140 COMMERCE STREET, HINESBURG.**

We are pleased to offer this event to the Hinesburg community.

Bring any sensitive, confidential documents
 you want destroyed to the SecurShred truck
 which will be located in our parking lot.

**ALSO ENTER OUR RAFFLE DRAWING
 for a chance to win a \$50 gift card!**



**National Bank
of Middlebury**
Serving Vermont Communities Since 1831

E.O.E. F.D.C.
nbmvt.com • 877-508-8455

Religion

United Church of Hinesburg

An Open, Welcoming, Affirming and Reconciling Church

Pastor: Rev. Jared Hamilton

Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Location: 10580 Route 116

Phone: 482-3352

Email: unitedchurch@gmavt.net

Address: P.O. Box 39

Website: ucofh.org

Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

Choir practice: 9:00 a.m. Sunday

Sunday School: Nursery and story time; Christian Education Kindergarten through 8th grade during academic p.m.

Senior Meal Site: Every Friday 11:00 a.m.- 1 p.m. (except first Friday) Osborne Parish House

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



Lighthouse Baptist Church

Pastor: Reverend Ed Hart

Church Phone: 482-2588

Home Phone: 482-2588

Email: lighthousevt@aim.com.

Website: LBCvt.homestead.com

Location: Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road

Address: P.O. Box 288

Regular Services: Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m., Nursery provided.

Sunday Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.

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

Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

Pastor: Reverend David Cray, SSE

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

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

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

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

Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m..

Parish Council Chair: Allan Monniere 578-8572

Finance Council Chair: Doug Taff: 482-3066

Buildings and Grounds Supervisor: Buildings and Grounds Supervisor: Henry Moreno, 802-777-4169.

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

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

Weekday Masses: Monday and Friday, 8:00 a.m., St. Jude Church

Tuesday, Thursday: 5:15 p.m. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Pastor for appointment

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

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

Communion at Home: Call Parish Office, 482-2290

Confirmation Coordinators: Dan & Roxanne Smith, 453-3522

Religious Education Coordinator: Marie Cookson, 434-4782

Religious Education (CCD): Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. for grades K-8. Registration is required.

The 9th and 10th grades (Confirmation Years) meet once a month. This is a two-year program. Watch Sunday bulletin for dates and times.



tins for dates and times.

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

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

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

Senior Meals: 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.

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

United Church of Christ and United

Methodist Church

An Open and Affirming Reconciling Congregation

Address: 44 North Williston Road, Williston VT 05495

Phone: 878-5792.

Website: steeple.org

Minister: Rev. Paul Eyer

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.

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.

All Souls Interfaith Gathering Non-Denominational Service

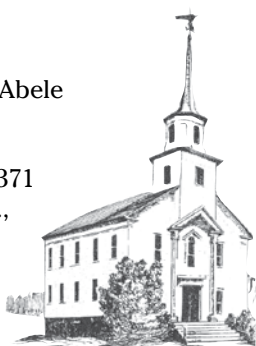
Pastor: Rev. Mary Abele

Phone: 985-3819

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

Services:

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



Crossword Answers

M	A	G	I	T	S	P	L	A	G
O	R	A	L	R	I	C	E	I	C
M	A	U	L	E	L	A	N	C	R
B	R	U	S	S	E	L	S	I	O
S	E	E	D	D	N	A			
S	H	T	E	T	L	J	O	G	T
C	A	R	A	L	B	E	I	T	A
A	L	I	V	E	U	R	N	S	A
U	V	E	A	B	R	E	X	I	T
P	A	R	T	N	E	R	D	A	T
I	O	N	C	A	I	R	O		
W	A	C	O	E	U	R	O	S	T
L	A	M	A	S	G	R	O	T	A
A	L	I	N	E	J	I	S	M	L
O	L	D	S	E	A	S	A	K	I

► Bee the Change

continued from page 24

Gavin believes that this “is a very unique chance to use private money to do a public good. The estimates are something like 3 million acres of solar will be built between now and 2030, so the chance to restore 3 million acres of pollinator habitat ... we don't really know how big of a benefit that will be, but it has huge, huge potential.” Bee the Change certainly agrees — while we do not yet know exactly what, or how great, the impact of restoring pollinator habitat will be, it is a movement many of us are getting behind. Mike reminds us all that “a little bit of modesty, a little bit of circumspect, certainly on your own affect,” is important. Bee the Change measures the amount of unique pollinators encountered and plant species they help to grow on their



A honeybee hive at Magee Hill, photo courtesy of Bee the Change

fields “not just to validate, but to make sure that we're not mucking it up utterly. We're too soon in to know.”

Bee the Change will work with anybody and help them in any way

While the long-term impacts are unknown, Bee the Change has surveyed



A variety of plants that promote pollination at Magee Hill, photo courtesy of Bee the Change

► “Ice-Cars”

continued from page 1

Hinesburg Community School.

The project is a partnership between the Vermont Energy Education Program, NRG Systems and Hinesburg Community School. Educators from VEEP led the training and will provide educational and scientific support for the volunteer teachers. NRG employees are participating as volunteers and as the program coordinator, and the company has donated space for the trainings.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Brogan Morton, program volunteer coordinator, at broganpmorton@hotmail.com or Laura MacLachlan, VEEP educator, at laura@veep.org or 802-465-1764. For more information on VEEP's programming for students and teachers, visit veep.org.

The Vermont Energy Education Program's mission is to build a deep understanding of energy through education, encouraging choices that result in sustainability in our communities, economy and environment.



Aaron Heyerdahl, VEEP energy educator, demonstrates how to use a map of Lake Champlain to manage the curriculum on various topics that relate to students.

the immediate effect they've had in a year since planting their first field. Before installation, there were 17 unique pollinator encounters. One year later, on the same date and conditions, they found 174 different pollinators. This increases plant productivity in the area, which helps support other species. In our own lives, Bee the Change urges us all to be more aware of the spaces we occupy, and what cannot be there anymore because we are. Bee the Change “will be happy to work with anybody and help them in any way. You can do the work or not do the work, we can consult for free. Anybody that wants to talk with us, we'll travel and talk about it.” Whether it be in your own life, or helping nearby empty spaces make the change, there are many ways we can help support our native insect pollinators before it is too late.



★HOMEOWNERS★

WE OFFER GRAVEL DRIVE SERVICES

IMPROVE - MAINTAIN - GRADE - DITCH

KILEY LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION

Deedle Kiley

425-2882



Element Nail Salon

Open Tues—Sun

It's Paradise Pedicure Season!

Choose Guava or Noni....

Hot Stone Pedis still only \$45

Massage * Facials * Fills * Facial Waxing

802-482-PEDI (7334) Appointments Highly Encouraged Gift Certificates Available

www.elementnailsalonvt.com ElementNailSalonVT@gmail.com 90 Mechanicsville Rd., Hinesburg, VT

Live in Hinesburg * Enjoy Hinesburg * Work in Hinesburg * Love Hinesburg



Easter Buffet

Bountiful brunch-dinner buffet features holiday favorites: Carving Station, Eggs Benedict & more.

10:30-4:30 \$54 Adult / \$25 Child

453-2432 | baldwincreek.net

1868 N 116 Road, Bristol, VT

CLOSED FOR VACATION MARCH 24-APRIL 11



ASE Certified | Reliable | Honest Pricing



Full Service Shop | Maintenance

State Inspections | Tires

Spring and Fall Checkups

Larry Munson

Tanner Munson

160 Buck Hill Rd. West, Hinesburg

Phone 802/482/3465

munsonauto17@aol.com

Titus Insurance Agency

4281 Shelburne Road
Shelburne, VT 05482
(802) 985-2453
titus@titusinsurance.net
www.titusinsurance.net

Protecting Your Home, Business, Lifestyle and Family

Call one of our agents today:

- Annette Hannah
- Jill McCaffrey
- Donna Wagner
- Nancy Danforth
- Roger Johnson

Insurance for:
Home • Auto • Business
Motorcycle • Renters • Condo
Farm • Boat • Recreational Vehicles

Representing:
Co-operative Insurance Companies

Make the right call when you need insurance!

HINESBURG RIDES

Do you need a Ride?

Call SSTA: 878-1527
or Karla Munson: 482-2778
Visit us at HinesburgRides.org

A Hinesburg Community Resource Center Program

GARY C. CLARK EXCAVATING

Driveways • Snowplowing • Sanding

Residential or Commercial Sitework

343-2053 PO Box 525, Hinesburg 482-2232

BACK STORIES of Hinesburg

How “Bee the Change” Could Be the Change We Need

BY KATE FAIN, STAFF REPORTER

Of Vermont's 17 bumblebee species, four have gone extinct, according to a recent study conducted by the University of Vermont and Vermont Center for Ecostudies researchers. This is an unprecedented loss, and it threatens the pollination of most crops in Vermont, such as blueberries, tomatoes and apples, even with nonnative honeybee populations.

The Vermont-based organization Bee the Change is working to combat some of the human causes for this rapid decline in insects by offsetting our footprint. Most of us work to offset the impact humanity has on the environment by turning off the lights and conserving water, but as Mike Kiernan, one of the founders of Bee the Change, tells me, “that’s an important part of the picture of the human footprint, but it’s not the entirety. The entirety realizes the space that we are occupying as a species.” According to recent North American bee studies, one of the principal reasons so many insect species are at risk for extinction is because the habitat they once enjoyed is being occupied by humans.

Pollinator insect species bring pollen from plant to plant, which allows for the plant’s fertilization. They are essential to the production of our food, and to the continued survival of many different bird, fish and mammal species. Bee the Change has realized the great consequences that will occur from the loss of our insects, and so they are “asking people to take a look at their footprint, and offset it. Take your 3,500 square feet, and create 3,500 square feet of pollinator habitat at a nearby field at a municipal building, somewhere at a school that’s not really being used.”

**“Take up the turf grass,
put down the seed mix.”**
— Mike Kiernan

Right here in Hinesburg, one can see Bee the Change’s work in action at a solar field installed on Magee Hill by energy management company ENGIE North America Inc, alongside Encore Renewable Energy. ENGIE contracted Bee the Change to plant the field with vegetation that supports both native and nonnative pollinators. The field, called Magee Hill, also has a honeybee hive. Honeybees, while a boost to pollination in the area, are not a resource that Bee the Change believes the U.S. should rely on as much as we do. During California’s almond season, 1.8 million of our nation’s 2.5 million total honey bees are trucked to California. The concentration of their population puts them at great risk for contracting diseases, and those diseases are then distributed across the country, even to



Mike Kiernan of Bee the Change inspects a honeybee hive, photo courtesy of Bee the Change

native populations, when the almond season ends. According to Mike, “the honey bee is not where we are looking to as a solution. We have a diversity of pollinators, so that’s where we should be betting.”

**See Bee the Change’s work
in action at a solar field on
Magee Hill.**

ENGIE agrees with Bee the Change in that our nation must prioritize fostering native pollination and restoring natural habitats in every space possible.

Gavin Meinschein, lead civil engineer at ENGIE, tells me that “pretty much 100 percent of the sites we’ve developed over the last four years are pollinator friendly, or are restoring the natural area. It’s more about what makes sense for the region.” ENGIE’s end goal is to have a positive environmental impact, and they are working with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory and the University of Minnesota to figure out how they can quantify what the economic or environmental impacts are of their restorative project.

continued on page 23



**WOODSCAPES
FORESTRY LLC**

114 Beane Road, Huntington, VT 05462 www.woodscapesforestry.com

**LOGGING • TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT
LOT CLEARING • WOODS MAINTENANCE
BRUSH HOGGING • FORESTRY MULCHING**

434-5125 363-7536



**2019
Fundraiser
FORE
Fireworks**

Cedar Knoll Country Club
Saturday, June 8
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Tournament is organized as a four-person scramble. Please contact Dave Palmer to register or to sponsor a tee at 802-482-5678 or at DavePalmer@PalmerInsurancevt.com

HBPA
★★★★★
Hinesburg Business & Professional Association

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN HINESBURG

Make a Difference

Do you need volunteers for a Hinesburg event or non-profit organization? Send the information to news@hinesburgrecord.org and we'll publish it here. Use "volunteer need" as a subject line.

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 or 482-6271 for more information.

Hinesburg Trails

Help maintain public trails. All skill levels from none (just enthusiasm) to experienced chainsaw operators, and trail designers are needed. For more information contact Lenore Budd at buddfamily@gmavt.net.

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. If you would be willing to help contact Bev at 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
- Economic Development Committee
- Village Steering Committee

Check town web site www.hinesburg.org/vacancies.html for the most current committee openings, descriptions and instructions on how to apply. For more information contact Renae Marshall 482-2281 x227 or rmmarshall@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.

If you are interested contact us at news@hinesburgrecord.org.