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The "Moon Garden" (foreground) at Fox Run Flowers

# **Garden Tour June 13**

FROM PRESS RELEASE

he Friends of Carpenter-Carse Library is holding its second annual Garden Tour of six beautiful Hinesburg gardens on Sunday, June 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Whether you are new to gardening, a master gardener, interested in environmental preservation, or just curious about what your neighbors are doing in their gardens, the Hinesburg

Garden Tour offers a great opportunity to be outdoors and in community, to savor and to learn!

Anne Donegan, a member of the Friends of the Carpenter-Carse Library who spearheaded the effort, said, "Gardeners love to share their plants, growing tips, and in the case of the Garden Tour, their gardens! Let us know if you or someone you know would like to be on a future tour!"

This year the tour features one of the largest and most diverse collections of azaleas and rhododendrons in the state; two Lake Iroquois gardens that use landscaping to protect the lake; infrastructure like garden bridges, stone walls and paths; vintage perennial gardens; tree plantings; and the use of local plants. The gardeners who were selected and willing to

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A pride rally, organized by CVU staff, was held at Hinesburg Community School on the morning of May 14, in response to vandalism that occurred to chalk Pride flag drawings at the school.





Above: Rep. Bill Lippert, Lippert's spouse Enrique Peredo, Rep. Taylor Small, Senator Kesha Ram.



# **Spring Semester** at ACCESS CVU Winds Down

FROM PRESS RELEASE

ow! The spring semester at Access CVU is coming to a close. We are so thankful to have made it through this strange year. And we couldn't have done it without the support of our community — so thank you for taking classes,

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A kickboxing class at ACCESS CVU.

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#### **Memorial Day Ecumenical** Service at **Monuments** Canceled

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The Memorial Day Ecumenical Service at the monuments has been canceled again this year. Although there is a reduction in the number of new COVID-19 cases, the participating Why, then, the question mark about churches have decided to maintain a cautious view and place the well-being of all involved first and foremost. It was thought expedient to wait until all mandates have been completely lifted and the green light given for a complete return to normal activities. Also, in the event of rain it would be difficult to move the service indoors and maintain safety protocols. This decision was not made lightly, and it is strongly hoped that we can return to our traditional Memorial Day Service in 2022.

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# LEGISLATIVE

#### 2021 Legislative **Session Ends?**

BY HINESBURG REPRESENTATIVE BILL LIPPERT

#### Legislature Adjourns for 2021?

By the time that this May 27 printed edition of the Record is published, you will know if the Legislature adjourned by the self-imposed deadline of Saturday, May 22.

legislative adjournment? What we will not know by publication date on May 27, is if Gov. Scott will disagree so strongly with the Legislature's budget bill that he will go through with his threatened veto of the budget. Vermont government cannot move forward into fiscal year 2022, which starts on July 1, 2021, without an approved budget for carrying out all of the responsibilities of state government. If Gov. Scott does veto the budget, or vetoes another significant legislative bill, the Legislature will reconvene for a veto session, already scheduled for June 23 and 24.

There is another uncertainty for the final adjournment of the 2021 legislative session that depends on actions taken by the federal government. If

Letters should be brief. We do not

have precise guidelines for length

but reserve the right to edit based on

letters should focus on local issues.

Other forums exist for discussions of

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With these cautions, please keep those

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available space. To the extent possible

some version of the infrastructure bill is passed by Congress after our May adjournment, or if another federal COVID-19 funding bill is necessary, despite our increasing success in battling COVID-19, there could be significant additional federal dollars suddenly flowing to the states from Washington D.C. In anticipation of that possibility, the Legislature has notified all legislators that we must be prepared for a possible return into session during the week of Oct. 19 for several days to several weeks, if necessary, to re-prioritize and reappropriate the budget. Personally, I am hoping that that is unnecessary, both politically and because it was just last vear that, due to COVID-19 complications, the Legislature went well into overtime session and did not end until an historically late, and extremely tiring, September adjournment.

#### Please Review Your Health Insurance Choices

Even if you have reviewed your health insurance previously, Vermonters purchasing health insurance should review new options to discover important possible new savings. As a result of important changes made this year by the Biden administration and Congress, virtually no Vermonter should now pay more than 8.5% of their income on health insurance. Significant additional premium assistance has now been authorized by the Biden administration in the federal American Rescue Plan Act legislation, especially for people who previously did not qualify for any premium assistance. A special "open enrollment" period has been established in Vermont, now through October, to allow changes in individually purchased health care policies that could result in substantial savings on premiums. (If you are insured through Medicare, Medicaid or through a self-funded employer plan, these changes will not affect your insurance.)

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Vermont Health Connect, which offers an active assistance program, a plan comparison tool, and a customer support center: portal.healthcon**nect.vermont.gov**. In addition, the Office of the Health Care Advocate is an important resource: vtlawhelp. org/health.

And because of these new federal premium assistance dollars, and additional changes made by the Vermont Legislature this year, when 2022's health insurance policies become available in November 2021, many small businesses, nonprofits and municipalities (with less than 100 employees) will also see new savings through reduced premiums. While individual premium rates will increase, these increases will be fully offset by new federal funds that provide subsidies and tax credits to help pay for premiums.

#### Health Inequities Addressed by Legislature

Action has been taken to address the disturbing inequities for accessing health care revealed by the COVID-19 pandemic. H. 210 begins the longterm process of reducing health disparities based on race, LGBTQ identity and disability. A Health Equity Advisory Commission is established, made up primarily of Vermonters whose lives have been impacted by historic inequitable treatment in accessing health care, while empowering their voices to strategically develop an Office of Health Equity by no later than Jan. 1, 2023.

H. 430 provides immediate increased access to health care for an estimated 125 income-eligible pregnant women and children, regardless of their immigration status, by establishing a Dr. Dynasaur-like health care program. This coverage begins on July 1, 2021. These women and children often work and live with undocumented dairy and farming workers who are essential to our Vermont economy. All Vermonters are already paying for this cost of care through increased hospital charges and insurance premiums, because much of this care is currently provided through unaffordable, unpaid hospital bills, emergency room visits, or the cost of an avoidable premature birth or complication that could have been avoided by prenatal care. We also know that prenatal care and medical care in childhood can improve health outcomes over a lifetime as well as reduce costs for both the education and health care systems

Much more has been accomplished by the Legislature during this 2021 Legislative Session. I will continue to review these actions throughout the summer and fall.

Please be in touch even while the Legislature is out of session: Hinesburg Rep. Bill Lippert 802-734-0593 wlippert@leg.state.vt.us.

#### Lt. Gov. Gray **Hosts Session on Caregiving During** COVID-19 & Paid Family and **Medical Leave**

FROM PRESS RELEASE

On May 17, Lt. Governor Molly Gray hosted her seventh and final Seat at the Table of this legislative session on "Caregiving During COVID-19 & Paid Family and Medical Leave."

Over the last four months, Lt. Governor Gray has welcomed more than 500 Vermonters to the State House virtually as part of a Seat at the Table speaker series to amplify the experiences and voices of community, business and nonprofit leaders in addressing some of the most critical issues facing the state.

This Seat at the Table falls on the heels of the recently unveiled American Families Plan which proposes a comprehensive paid family and medical leave plan for the U.S. Importantly, the plan acknowledges that the pandemic has set back 30 years of progress of women in the workforce and has meant \$64 billion in lost wages and economic activity. Additionally, the plan notes that one in four women in the U.S. return to work within two weeks of giving birth and one in five retirees depart the workforce earlier than anticipated to care for an ill family member.

"Vermont is not immune from the troubling national statistics on the impact of COVID-19 on women, families and caregivers. Today's panelists made that clear as have the countless caregiving stories of Vermonters from the last year," Lt. Governor Gray said. "A stronger and more equitable recovery for the nation, and specifically for our aging state, with a persistent demographic crisis, must include a comprehensive paid family and medicontinued on page 4

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**Hinesburg Community Resource Center: 51** Ballards Corner Road. Rachel Kring, Executive Director, kring@hinesburgresource.org, 482-4946. Alex Koncewicz is the contact for **Friends** of Families, and she can be reached at the same number or at koncewicz@hinesburgresource. org. Hours for **Hinesburg Food Shelf** are Fri. 10:00 a.m. -12:00 noon. Tues. 5:30-7:30 p.m.

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cal leave strategy. We need Congress to act with urgency on the American

Panelists included Liz Gamache, former mayor of the city of St. Albans; Hallie Picard, head of human resources at The Alchemist, Jessica Arencibia, licensed massage therapist and owner of Healing Arts Massage; Eric Sorkin, co-founder and owner of Runamok Maple; and Morgan Nichols, state director of Main Street Alliance of Vermont. Lt. Governor Gray moderated the discussion.

Each panelist shared their personal story of providing paid family and medical leave as an employer or requiring leave as a caregiver or parent. All panelists emphasized the need to frame paid family and medical leave not simply as caregiving, but rather

as an essential infrastructure necessary for the economic well-being of Vermont families and businesses.

Liz Gamache, the former mayor of the city of St. Albans shared her personal story of caregiving for her aging parents and in-laws, "Elder care is unpredictable, challenging and costly for seniors, caregivers and employers. We are an aging society and caring for elderly family members will increasingly fall to many mid-life adults who are often caring for children, and sometimes grandchildren, as well while trying to hold down jobs." Gamache continued on to say, "Women and BIPOC [Black, Indigenous and people of color] care givers are faced with disproportionate negative impacts. This is why elder care is a necessary part of the paid family leave policy discussion." Jessica Arencibia, of Healing Arts

Massage said, "What happens when

"I feel very fortunate to now have a very robust benefits, including paid leave package through my employer, and I know that not every small business can afford to offer these types of benefits. State and/or federal support is needed to close the gap and make it more feasible for Vermont's small businesses, particularly in the hospitality sector, to survive and their employees and families to thrive." Morgan Nichols, of Main Street

place to protect us."

Alliance of Vermont, said, "Nobody chooses when they get sick or injured. We need to ensure that all workers, in every job, have the ability to put their health and safety first and our coalition is doing all that we can to lift up Vermont's voice to make paid family and medical leave a reality for all." A recording of the event is available to view on YouTube at tiny. one/gray-caregiving.

life throws us curveballs? What hap-

pens when a pandemic changes the

no job security, no infrastructure in

Hallie Picard, of The Alchemist, said,

whole world? There is no safety net,

Vermonters can find additional information here: <a href="https://linear.ncbi.gov/">https://linear.ncbi.gov/</a> seatatthetable.

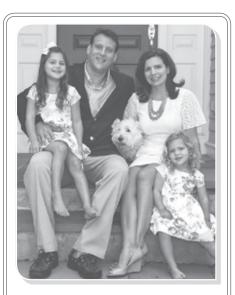


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and Hours: cswd.net/ drop-off-center-hours.

#### Why We Will No **Longer Accept** Compostable Food Ware

BY ALISE CERTA

s Vermont's largest commercial compost facility, CSWD's Organics Diversion Facility transforms more than 5,000 tons of food scraps from our community into high-quality Green Mountain Compost brand compost and topsoil every year. By turning food into soil amendments, we're returning nutrients to local gardens, farm fields, yards and landscaping. We're helping gardeners and farmers conserve water and reduce the use of synthetic fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides.

The continued success of this program hinges on our ability to sell this beautiful, high-quality compost and other soil amendments. That's why we've reached the difficult decision to stop accepting compostable food ware of any kind as of Jan. 1, 2022.

### Materials accepted beginning Jan. 1,

• All food scraps of any kind • Certified, clearly labeled compostable bags used for lining food scrap

containers

- Coffee filters & tea bags (paper only — no plastic tea bags)
- Newspaper and untreated paper bags used to line food scrap containers
- Paper towels, napkins, facial tissues – only if they DO NOT contain bodily fluids or chemicals of any kind
- Wooden or bamboo stirrers, toothpicks (without plastic frills), chopsticks
- •Uncoated paper leaf bags

This applies to materials brought to any CSWD Drop-Off Center as well as to anything brought to CSWD's Organics Diversion Facility for composting by a private hauling company. If your food scraps are picked up at your home or business by a hauling service, check with that company to find out where your scraps are going and what you can include.

We know certified compostable food ware such as cups, trays, and utensils have made it easier for our community to keep food scraps out of the landfill. Unfortunately, these products also pose many problems for our operations.

- They invite "look-alike" cups, utensils, plates and other food ware that is made from plastic and other noncompostable materials that contaminate our products. We can't tell the difference when they all come in together.
- Even certified, legitimately "compostable" products do not always break down adequately in our operation.
- Some paper and fiber food ware contains PFAS, a class of chemicals used for moisture and grease resistance. PFAS has been linked to numerous negative health risks and does not "disappear" from the environment.

Nearly all commercial composters in Vermont, and the majority across the U.S., do not accept compostable food ware and other products for the reasons we've outlined above. Some who do accept them screen them out and send them to the landfill. That doesn't fit our commitment to transparency.

We have invited our district's businesses, institutions and event organizers to engage with us in finding solutions to our collective dependence on single-use products of all kinds. There's no easy answer, but we know we will surmount obstacles faster when we work together.

We invite you to send your questions and concerns about this decision along with your suggestions for ways we can support alternatives to singleuse products.

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# Police

#### Incidents

was turned into the police department and the owner was located.

Corner Road was investigated.

**April 14:** 7:55 p.m. Officers responded

**April 16:** 7:54 a.m. A burglary alarm at Ballard's Corner Road was investigated.

Street for a domestic disturbance.

8:30 p.m. A residential burglary alarm

April 18: 7:22 p.m. A traffic hazard on Shelburne Falls Road involving livestock was investigated.

**April 19:** 1:09 p.m. A welfare check on

2:55 p.m. An officer responded to a citizen dispute on North Road.

dermic needles dumped on Gilman Road was investigated.

4:20 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

to Silver Street for a single-car crash.

April 23: 8:37 p.m. A citizen on North Road was assisted with a lock out.

April 24: 11:25 a.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

**April 25:** 2:35 p.m. Officers assisted individuals on Hollow Road with a custodial dispute

4:20 p.m. Officers responded to Richmond Road for a domestic

April 27: 3:03 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

**April 13:** 9:10 a.m. Found property

2:45 p.m. A burglary alarm at Ballard's

to Whitetail Ridge Lane for the report of an intoxicated female involved in a domestic disturbance.

April 15: 7:11 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a vehicle identification number inspection.

5:15 p.m. Officers responded to Green

on Richmond Road was investigated.

Hillview Terrace was conducted.

April 20: 12:30 p.m. A report of hypo-

**April 22:** 9:57 p.m. Officers responded

**April 26:** 12:25 p.m. A 911 hang-up on Place Road West was investigated.

3:10 p.m. Officers responded to Route

116 for a report of suspicious activity. One individual was arrested for as-

#### sault on law enforcement officers and is under investigation. unlawful mischief.

10:30 p.m. A noise complaint involving North Road involving fireworks was a barking dog on Tyler Bridge Road was investigated

April 28: 8:30 a.m. A late-reported abuse case was investigated.

12:42 p.m. A welfare check on Hillview Terrace was conducted.

3:40 p.m. Officers responded to Route 116 for the report of suspicious activity. One individual was transported to the UVM Medical Center.

10:25 p.m. A burglary alarm on Commerce Street was investigated.

**April 29:** 6:45 a.m. Officers responded to Silver Street for the report of a single-vehicle crash.

2:22 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

2:25 p.m. A citizen on Mechanicsville Road was assisted with a lock out.

April 30: 9:54 p.m. Officers responded to Bear Lane for a domestic disturbance.

May 1: 1:40 p.m. An officer assisted first responders with a medical call on Richmond Road.

8:15 p.m. A report of illegal burning on Route 116 was investigated.

May 2: 10:08 a.m. An officer assisted state police with a trespassing male near the Starksboro town line.

May 3: 9:30 a.m. The report of an individual bit by a dog on Sunset Lane West was investigated.

9:40 a.m. A late-reported theft on Palmer Road was investigated. 11:02 a.m. An officer assisted with a

traffic hazard on Pond Road. 11:53 a.m. An officer assisted a citizer with a VIN inspection.

6:25 p.m. Officers responded to Route 116 for suspicious activity. One individual was transported to the UVM Medical Center.

8:45 p.m. A noise complaint on North Road involving fireworks was investigated.

May 4: 11:45 a.m. A report of vandalism to a motor vehicle on Hawk Lane was investigated.

7:15 p.m. Officers responded to Hollow Road for a single-vehicle crash. The crash was unwitnessed, and the operator had fled the scene. This incident

8:15 p.m. A noise complaint on investigated.

8:25 p.m. Officers responded to Hollow Road for a domestic disturbance.

10:15 p.m. Officers responded to Route 116 for a single-vehicle crash.

11:55 p.m. A report of individuals on Gilman Road stealing gas from parked cars was investigated.

May 5: 12:15 p.m. Damage to a parked motor vehicle was investigated.

1:37 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

2:30 p.m. Officers investigated a burglary alarm at Ballard's Corner Road.

5:45 p.m. Residents on Hollow Road were assisted with a civil issue.

May 6: 9:15 a.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

2:45 p.m. The report of a suspicious vehicle on Pond Brook Road was investigated.

4:05 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

8:45 p.m. A traffic stop was conducted on CVU Road. The operator was cited for driving with a suspended license.

May 7: 9:35 p.m. A fraud case was investigated.

**May 9:** 11:45 a.m. A report of vandalism at the Hinesburg Community School was reported. That incident is under investigation.

2:15 p.m. A burglary alarm on Beecher Hill Road was investigated.

3:45 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a VIN inspection.

May 10: 5 p.m. Officers responded to the intersection of Route 116 and CVU Road for a two-car motor vehicle

May 11: 6:35 a.m. A fraud case was investigated.

9:30 a.m. An officer assisted the state police with locating a vehicle believed to have passed a loading school bus in the town of Charlotte.

4:35 p.m. A traffic stop was conducted on Richmond Road. The operator was cited for driving with a suspended

11 p.m. An officer investigated a suspicious vehicle on Hollow Road. The operator was arrested for DUI.

# **F**IRE **Call Log**

There were 21 emergency medical service calls with 12 transports in April

**Apr 14:** dispatched to a residence on Leavensworth Road for a report of a carbon monoxide/fire alarm sounding. The residence was checked, and no CO or smoke was found.

Police Department and Saint Michael's Fire and Rescue were dispatched to Route 116 at the top of O'Brien's Hill for a report of a motor vehicle crash. On arrival, responders found a threecar crash at the intersection with O'Brien's Meadow Road. One vehicle had severe front-end damage. Due to where the vehicles came to rest, Route 116 was closed to traffic.

**Apr 9:** At 4:59 p.m. HFD, Hinesburg

It was quickly determined that there

were multiple patients. Command requested two additional ambulances, which were dispatched from Charlotte and Shelburne. Hinesburg EMS treated six patients.

Two patients were transported, one each by Saint Michael's and Charlotte. Upon confirming there were no other patients to be transported, Shelburne ambulance was

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#### Fire

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thanked for their response and canceled to go back in service.

After the ambulances were en route to UVM Medical Center, and the first vehicle removed by Giroux's, one lane of traffic was opened. All vehicles were removed, and responders cleared the scene at 6:05 p.m.

Engines 1, 3 and Med 100 responded with six members

Apr 14: report of smoke in a basement at 190 Martel Lane. As reported last month, the call quickly escalated to a multiple alarm structure fire. The state fire marshal investigated and believes the cause was electrical.

HFD would once again like to thank our mutual aid partners for the quick

Apr 22: HFD and HPD were dispatched at 10:00 p.m. to a motor vehicle crash on Silver Street near Isham Road. The initial report was a person was trapped inside the vehicle. HPD arrived first and reported the person was out of the vehicle. The vehicle had gone off the east side of Silver Street into the ditch. Hinesburg EMTs checked on the operator who stated they were not injured and refused treatment

When Giroux's arrived to remove the vehicle, it was determined the undercarriage was stuck on the remains of a telephone pole. HFD assisted Giroux's by cutting and moving the pole stump enough so the vehicle could be removed from the ditch.

Engines 1, 3 and Med 100 responded with 10 members.

#### **Ambulance Design Finalized**

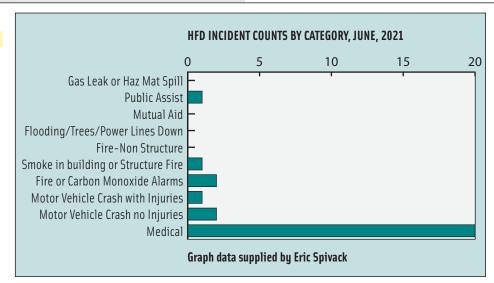
After weeks of looking at ambulances from surrounding services, a trip by four members to Maine, and reviewing and tweaking specification prints. HFD members have finalized the ambulance design. On May 3, the association members, with the use of funds generously donated by a Hinesburg resident, approved the purchase and signed the contract.

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HFD responded to 27 calls in April.

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

# **BUSINESS**

#### **Greentree Real Estate Announces Additional Owner**

FROM PRESS RELEASE



Margo Casco of Greentree Real Estate

ill and Phyllis Martin are pleased to announce Margo Casco is joining them as owners of Greentree Real Estate. Margo joined Greentree in September 2017 and continues to work as a Realtor. Margo is a native Vermonter from Charlotte who graduated from the University of Vermont. She has a strong background in business and personal banking, including home lending. Margo loves traveling, camping and spending time with her husband and two dogs. She enjoys working with both buyers and sellers and continuing to provide high quality customer service for our Greentree Real Estate clients. Margo assists clients with all of their real estate needs; however if you are searching for an experienced land professional with "boots on the ground," call Margo. She enjoys researching and walking land to help clients find a place to build their forever home.

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#### **Financial Focus: Discuss Financial Goals with Family**

FROM EDWARD JONES PRESS RELEASE

une is Effective Communications Month. And it's a good idea to recognize the importance of good communications, because it plays a role in almost every aspect of living — including your finances. You'll want to clearly communicate your financial goals to your loved ones and you'll want to hear theirs, too.

Let's look at some of the communications you might have with family

 Your spouse — You and your spouse may have different thoughts about a range of financial topics — how much to save, how much to spend. the level of debt with which you're comfortable and so on. Try to reach some type of consensus on these issues. However, in regard to investing, you don't necessarily have to act in unison all the time. You each may have different investment styles — one of you may be more aggressive, willing to take on more risk in exchange for potentially high-

er returns, while the other would rather invest with an eye toward mitigating risk, even it means accepting a lower return. Of course, there's nothing stopping either of you from pursuing your individual investment strategies in your own accounts —

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IRA, 401(k) and so on. Still, if you

are going to work toward common

goals — especially toward a shared

vision of your retirement lifestyle —

you each may want to compromise

in your investment choices. And this

accommodation is even more neces-

•Your parents — If you may some-

financial plans — which is highly

likely — you should know in ad-

but it's an important one. So, for

example, ask your parents if they

have a durable power of attorney,

someone to manage their financial

affairs if they become physically or

mentally incapacitated. You might

also inquire if they have protected

themselves against the potentially

enormous costs of long-term care,

such as an extended nursing home

stay. If not, you might suggest that

they contact a financial advisor, who

can offer solutions. Once you begin

communicating about these issues,

you may well want to go further into

your parents' estate plans to deter-

any, they have made. If it seems that

you may want to encourage them to

their plans are not fully developed,

contact an attorney specializing in

Your grown children — Just as you

talk to your parents about their es-

same topic with your own grown

children. Let them know who you

have named as a durable power of

and testament and whether you've

established a living trust. If you're

already working with a financial ad-

visor and an estate planning pro-

know how to contact these indi-

fessional, make sure vour children

viduals. Of course, you don't have

to confine your communications to

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By talking with your loved ones about

key financial matters, everyone ben-

efits. So, keep those lines of commu-

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estate plans — if you want to help

your children financially, such as

ment on a home, let them know.

attorney, what's in your last will

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mine what other arrangements, if

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day be involved with your parents'

vance what to expect. This may not

be the easiest conversation to have,

sary in your joint accounts.

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# RECREATION

BY JENNIFER MCCUIN

#### Hinesburg's July **Fourth Returns!**

The are working to host the Hilly Hobble Foot Race, parade and fireworks to celebrate July Fourth this year as long as state guidelines do not change direction. The Hinesburg Recreation Commission would like to approach this year's events as "soft openings" and ask for people's patience. Events will be listed and registration to participate in the parade with a float will be posted at **hinesburgrec.com** along with emails to hinesburgrec@gmavt. net or 802-482-4208.

#### Hinesburg Concerts in the Park

They're back! Hinesburg Recreation is pleased to present the Summer Concerts in the Park. There's no need to leave town to hear great music ... lots of talented performers perform right here in Hinesburg, so come enjoy this 20-plus year tradition. Grab a blanket or chair, some snacks and a few friends and enjoy a free concert in the park — a great community event with lots of space to distance or connect. See you there!

July 14 — Rodney Putnam

July 21 — Mango Jam

July 28 — Atlantic Crossing

Aug. 4 — Hinesburg Community Band Aug. 11 — About Time

No rain dates.

#### **Classes & Camps**

For all Hinesburg Recreation Department programs, register at

#### After-School Horseback Riding at Livery Stables

Tuesdays: Session 2: May 25-June 15.

Fridays: Session 2: May 25-June 15. 3-5 p.m. Cost: \$160

#### After-School Golf

with new Cedar Knoll golf pro Mike

Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:30-5 p.m. Session 3: June 2-11. Ages: 6-13 vears. Cost is \$150.

#### Voltage Soccer Camp

Vermont Voltage Academy offers an

opportunity to learn and enjoy many aspects of the game of soccer in a fun vet competitive environment. Fundamentals, as well as sophisticated techniques of soccer will be taught on a personalized individual level along with various forms of group instruction provided by Camp Director Bo Vuckovic, a FIFA Union of European Football Associations A Pro license holder and the staff of the Vermont Voltage Soccer Academy who are all former professional soccer players. Emphasis is placed on the development, improvement and refinement of basic playing skills. Each child will receive a camp T-shirt and soccer ball

Millie's Field. Ages 5-14 years old. June 21-25. 5-8 p.m. Cost: \$125. Sibling discount is \$10.



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#### Summer Driver Education

with Kevin Browne or David MitiguySession 2: July 5-29, Mondays through Thursdays 4-6 p.m. Classes are remote with Google Meet and inperson driving. Cost is \$700.

#### Tennis Lessons with Mvles

Hinesburg Community School courts. Dates: July 19-23. Beginner 4-5 p.m. or intermediate 5:15-6:15 p.m. Cost: \$85.

This longtime program that aims at running, relays, jumping, and throwing will return in a weeklong form with a twist! Instead of in-person meets, participants will take part in the Vermont Tri-State Virtual Track Meet that will run July 12-23. The Vermont Recreation and Parks Association State Track Meet Committee has teamed up with New Hampshire and Maine to organize a virtual, tri-state track meet this summer. This will allow individual programs the option to create their own mini-meet at their home track. Times should be recorded between July 12-22 and sent to the committee reps for submission in the tri-state virtual meet. These times will be entered against the other state participants for each category and event. Winners will be announced in early August.

Dates: July 12-16. Times: 5:30-6:30 p.m. (ages 6-9) and 6:45-8 p.m. (ages 10-14). Location: Williston Central School. Price: \$50.



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Address: 69 Ballard's Corner Road. Hinesburg 05461

Website: carpentercarse.org **Email:** library@carpentercarse.org

#### June at the Library

We are scheduled to reopen by appointment on Tuesday, June 1. Full details are on our website, carpentercarse.org. Storytimes and Summer Reading Program are scheduled to happen in the great outdoors — read all about it below. This month we will also go live with an enhancement

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feature for our library catalog called Aspen, which should make discovering materials in our collection easier and more intuitive. And as always, we have new books, including those by Jennifer Weiner ("That Summer") Malcolm Gladwell ("The Bomber Mafia"), Bill Gates ("How to Avoid a Climate Disaster"). Rachel Cusk ("Second Place"), Rhys Bowen ("The Venice Sketchbook") and Christopher Bohjalian ("Hour of the Witch") have arrived or are on their way. If there is a book you can't wait to read or are hoping we will order, do get in touch

For fans of gardening, be sure to get a ticket for the Hinesburg Garden Tours, organized by the Friends of the Carpenter-Carse Library, when six Hinesburg gardens will be open for admiring and enjoying. The tour features one of the largest and most diverse collections of azaleas and rhododendrons in the state; two Lake Iroquois gardens that use landscaping to protect the lake; infrastructure including bridges, stone walls and garden paths; vintage perennial gar-

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dens; tree plantings; and use of local plants. Tickets may be purchased at the Carpenter-Carse Library or Red Wagon Plants beginning in late May. Cost is \$20 per person. The event will be COVID-19 compliant.

Here's what else is happening in June:

#### **Adult Programs**

More details on each event are on our website's program calendar. Some programs will continue to be held virtually, while others will transition to meet outdoors with masks and social distancing. To sign up for any of the below, ask questions or discuss accommodation needs — including if you're interested in virtually attending an outdoor meeting — please reach out to programming librarian Meg Malone (meg@carpentercarse. org).

Wednesday, June 9 at 10:30 a.m. The morning book group will be meeting to discuss Nova Jacobs' novel "The Last Equation of Isaac Severy." Request a copy from the library.

Thursday, June 17 at 6:45 p.m. Show off your trivia skills during an evening of friendly competition on a mix of topics via Zoom. Questions will be developed in-house, with a prize for

the winning player or team.

Monday, June 21: Stay tuned for more details on how Carpenter-Carse Library plans to celebrate **Make** Music Day — Vermont with the community on this date! Check our website for updates.

Tuesday, June 29 at 7 p.m. The evening book group will meet to discuss Merlin Sheldrake's nonfiction book "Entangled Life: How Fungi Make Our Worlds, Change Our Minds & Shape Our Futures." Request a copy from the library.

# **Youth Programs**

#### Weekly Outdoor **Storvtime**

Join us Tuesdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 at 9:30 a.m. for outdoor storytime at the library! We will meet every Tuesday morning throughout the summer either on our covered patio or on the lawn to the left of the library. We will have seating available, but please feel free to bring a blanket or some folding chairs if you'd like. All adults and children over 2 years old should wear masks when arriving to and leaving storytime, but everyone can remove masks once settled outdoors. Library storytimes are designed for children ages infancy-6 and their caregivers. Join us for picture books, songs and movement, rhymes and simple crafts that are designed to promote early literacy skills in a fun environment! Please email jen@carpentercarse.org with any questions.









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#### Summer Storywalk

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#### 2021 Summer Reading Club Activities

Our Summer Reading theme this year is "Tails and Tales," and we have planned six weeks of fun and educational outdoor activities that will be happening every Wednesday morning June 23-July 28. All ages are welcome, and all activities are free. Registration is required and you can begin signing up for Summer Reading Club activities on our website beginning June 1. Check our website now (carpentercarse.org) for complete descriptions of each activity and for more information about our entire Summer Reading Program at Carpenter-Carse. All sessions below are 11 a.m.-12:30

Wednesday, June 23: "Who Lives Here? Learning About Local Wild Animal Habitats" presented by Carpenter-Carse Youth Librarian Jen Amsbary.

Wednesday, June 28: "Super Power Critters!" presented by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science. Wednesday, July 7: "Tell an Animal Tale Through Dance!" presented by Ashley Hensel-Browning of "Dance with Ashley."Wednesday, July 14: "Meet the Violin Family!" presented by Vermont cellist and author, Melissa Perley.

Wednesday, July 21: "Swallowtails" presented by Vermont educator and creator of Morpho Productions, Jerry

Wednesday, July 28: "Becoming an Animal Detective: What Tales Do Tracks Tell?" presented by naturalist and educator from Four Winds Nature Institute, Ellen Gawarkiewicz.

# COMMENTARY

#### **A Deeper Dive Into Shelburne Shipyard History**

BY ROGER DONEGAN

deeper dive into Shelburne Shipyard history reveals that previous reporting truly missed three boats and overlooked the historic significance of another craft. All of this is worth bringing to light this Memorial Day. While the shipyard's underwater banks are littered with named and celebrated hulls of steamboats that once plied their routes up and down Lake Champlain, such a fixated look that far back could give one a stiff neck. Such a narrow view could cause one to miss the more recent significant realities right in front of us, those that are reminiscent of the people who served and who we still honor on Memorial Day.

Fortuitously and amazingly, Electra Havemeyer Webb saw to preserving the Shelburne Shipyard's most famous artifact: the Ticonderoga. Yet, the Shelburne Museum's eclectic collection does not include (understandably so) other examples of the Shelburne Shipyard's production line such as an admiral's barge, a captain's gig, a submarine chaser, a torpedo lighter, a vard tug, or a beach landing craft that delivered personnel or a vehicle to battlefronts ashore. These crafts, often painted in muted color schemes, would clash at any museum, but they are still the stuff of history.

Several current and past informational sources on the Shelburne Shipyard are referred to by an in-house pamphlet titled "History of Shelburne Shipyard" (1992) by Jerry Aske Jr. and Gardiner Lane. This brief pamphlet covers the yard from the pre-Revolutionary War period up to and including WWII and the Korean War. The

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2. War god in Norse mythology

4. J. Robert Oppenheimer's project

10. What paralegal and parachute have in

25. \*Bruce Springsteen: "Tramps like us,

29. \*Eric Clapton: "Darling, won't you ease

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11. Seed covering

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15. Punch buggy car

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60. Goes with rave

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15. What speakers do

16. Leg of lamb

17. Styling goo

19. \*Rod Stewart: "Oh, Maggie, I couldn't have tried

21. \*Stevie Wonder: "Very superstitious, writing's on

23. Type of constrictor

24. Can of worms 25. \*" Cola, w

Cola, what a beautiful drink" 28. Capital of Peru

30. \*Carly Simon: "I had some dreams. they were \_\_\_\_ in my coffee'

35. Bad luck precursor 37. Swing seat, possibly

39. Macaroni shape 40. Capital on the Baltic Sea

41. Figure with vertex and rays 43. Venetian magistrate

44. Not fitting 46. Sealed with a handshake

47 Wise man

48. Annotator and commentator

50. Facts and figures 52. Bambino

70. Gunk

73. Attila, e.g.

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53. Chinese monetary unit 55. International Labor Organization

57. \*The Knack: "M M M My 61. \*Sister Sledge: "We are family, get up

evervbodv 65. Last European colony in China

66. Pastrami's partner

71. Ancient assembly area

72. Used to be wild?

74. Part of mortise joint

68. Sheik's bevy

62. \*Black Sabbath: "I am 63. Infamous Roman emperor 69. Movie premiere, e.g.

64. J. Edgar Hoover's man 67. \*Queen: "Scaramouch, Scaramouch, will \_\_\_\_ do the Fandango"

ANSWERS are on inside of back page

#### **▶** Commentary

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pamphlet was available for sale at the yard with proceeds donated to the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. Granted the informative pamphlet was simply meant to summarize highpoints, it's interesting to note that one page about the modern period propagates hearsay that three submarine chasers produced at the yard were lost in a "typhoon" while in convoy to Murmansk, Russia's only icefree port in the north.

In total the yard produced five submarine chasers. Two, SC-1029 and SC-1030 saw service in the Caribbean and in the North Africa Tunisian campaign. While one of the two was lost or damaged, both had been given to the Free French in Lend-Lease fashion.

The next order of submarine chasers was completed at the vard in September of 1944. SC-1504, SC-1505 and SC-1506 were "specially fitted out for cold weather operations and scheduled for delivery to the Soviet Union" (sic). The comment that the three submarine chasers were lost in a typhoon in convoy to Murmansk is perplexing for a couple of reasons. First, typhoons are cyclonic storm phenomena of the northwestern Pacific while WWII convoy routes to Murmansk passed through the cold waters of the North Atlantic and then the Barents Sea. Second, if three submarine chasers were actually lost in convoy in a raging storm en route to Murmansk, the convoy's total loss of life and the loss of other ships and material would be significant enough to raise this event to catastrophe status above hearsay. One submarine chaser required a crew of 28 Navy personnel. There would likely be a detailed reporting spelled out in the annals of WWII history.

Although members of the Merchant Marine were not recognized as WWII veterans until 1988, the number of individual members lost was high. Merchant Mariner Robert Lund wrote of one convoy experience to Murmansk: "On a ship convoy you plodded along like one of a herd of cows moving through a pasture filled with wolfs, sea temperature was 26 degrees, and deck plates rattled with the explosions of anti-submarine depth charges" (Sea Classics



Submarine Chaser SC1506 outside the Burlington breakwater July 15, 1944.

Magazine, September 2015).

Granted, the world was still a big place in 1992 when the Shelburne Shipyard history pamphlet was printed. Remote overseas ports could remain unfamiliar, and obscure WWII convoy details lacked cataloging, but it's now certain that submarine chasers SC-1504, SC-1505 and SC-1506 were not lost in a typhoon in convoy to Murmansk. Each was transferred to Russia in 1944 under the Lend-Lease doctrine. Each was laid up after the war in 1946. And each was scuttled in the Barents Sea along with 27 other submarine chasers by agreement with the United States in lune of 1956.

The "History of Shelburne Shipyard" also speaks of the production of a total of 467 landing craft vehicle personnel but does not use the name given to the craft the world over: Higgins boat. Only one local article "Shipyard Crafted Historic Boats" (Burlington Free Press, Nov. 11, 1999) featured this famous name over its LCVP designation. The Higgins boats produced by Shelburne Shipyard were ordered during the Korean Conflict but completed after hostilities ceased. Higgins boats were used to patrol rivers in Vietnam. The reported total number of Higgins boats produced in this country ranges from 12,000 to 20,000 in total number.

Higgins boats were coxswained by U.S. Coast Guard service members as helmsman. Its notoriety grew through its deployment in every amphibious landing in WWII. Dwight Eisenhower told his biographer that Andrew Higgins was "the man who won the war for us" ("On Seas of Glory," 2001, John Lehman). The book describes Higgins as a visionary entrepreneur with a genius for design and production of landing craft to land personnel and vehicles on unprepared beaches. An online piece by Major Van Harl U.S. Air Force (retired) titled "The Boat That Won WWII" reminds us that one of the classic photos of D-Day is taken from the back of a Higgins boat with the bow ramp down, soldiers rushing forward into the water and brought forward to younger generations in the opening minutes of the movie "Saving Private Ryan."

#### Guns and a River of Blood

BY BILL SCHUBART

've spent my 76 years fighting impulses — impulses to jump into quarries, impulses to ride motorcycles that wouldn't pass inspection, and impulses to binge on food; I once weighed 485 pounds. The ensuing years have taught me that keeping fatal attractions at a distance is my best option.

The presence of a gun enables, if not fuels, the impulse to kill — oneself or another. Impulse usually wins. The lack of a gun may mean fisticuffs, but

fisticuffs are rarely lethal. Suicidal ideation with no gun at hand means delay and consideration. Suicide's the eighth-leading cause of death in Vermont, the 10th-leading cause nationally, and guns are used in 59% of Vermont's suicides.

Some 330 million Americans own some 393 million guns, about 45% of the world's inventory of weapons in the hands of civilians — strong nutrition for the impulse to kill. The deterrent myth for open carry — that carrying a gun discourages violence — defies all scientific data, and law enforcement agencies claim that the presence of a gun usually gins up violence rather than deterring it.

I was raised with guns. I took the National Rifle Association riflery courses when I was 8 and after I'd earned my first four NRA medals: marksman, pro-marksman, marksman first class and sharpshooter bar I, my parents gave me a Winchester .22-caliber long rifle when I was 10.

We still have hunting weapons in our home today, mostly to kill varmints feeding on our flock of chickens. Our property is the only land in our neighborhood not posted. We're not hunters ourselves but welcome hunters of all kinds, and one local deer hunter has a deer stand in our woods.

Humankind has so disturbed the balance of nature and threatened wildlife populations by altering land-use patterns through development that active game management through controlled hunting has become an imperative.

Even as technical advances in military-grade weapons have influenced the manufacture of hunting gear, the majority of hunters we meet don't carry military weapons, they carry crossbows, black powder guns or deer rifles. Any hunter committed to the skill and sport of the hunt relies on his or her acumen, not technology, to get their game.

To me a gun is a tool, not a right, and as such, I focus on its utility. My vision, however, is shortsighted.

I see three lenses through which to see the gun issue:

- The simplest way as a simple, functional or collectible tool.
- The legal way as an ill-defined right, constantly in dispute and evolving in the federal and state courts and in urban regulation.
- The human-impact way tallied in the suicide, homicide and mass-killing statistics that are metastasizing throughout the country.

I won't presume to educate you on the mare's nest of legal activity generated by those wishing to limit the use of guns in our culture and those who believe that gun ownership is their Godgiven right, or at least mandated without limit by the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. To my layman's knowledge of the law, there are no single "constitutional rights" that don't have some appended legal limitations



Photo by Eric Borg.

such as limiting "free speech" to prevent someone from yelling "fire" in a crowded theater.

Although there is no formal definition of a "mass shooting," the most commonly accepted definition is an event in which three or more people are shot (killed or injured), not including the shooter. Media reports of mass shootings depict a river of blood, with almost daily reports of the slaughter visited on us by our absolutist beliefs — some 147 mass shootings this year according to the Gun Violence Archive. Friends abroad view us with confusion, pity and sadness.

Have we become so inured to the weekly tragedies we see in the media that we can't agree to control sales and ownership of weapons designed for military use? Is our obsession with gun ownership so absolute that we've come to accept the carnage?

Where to start? When faced with complexity, I revert to values, principles and objectives to try and make sense.

Most of us value human life. Thou shalt not kill is a fundamental tenet of most religions, and even support for the death penalty is waning.

And a civilized society strives to find an equitable balance between the rights and responsibilities of the individual and their community's well-being, as exemplified in Vermont's own "Freedom & Unity" motto.

A sensible objective would be to compromise and find the middle ground in gun policy that honors a gun's practical utility in hunting, sport and collectability and its potential to wreak havoc among our citizens.

Even though there's no clear definition differentiating military and civilian weapons, I would argue that the weapon's design purpose is the defining element. A .30-06, .410 and a .600 Nitro Express are hunting rifles. The BCM Arms F-Class rifle is for long-range target shooting. My Sturm Ruger .22 LR pistol is great for target shooting and killing small marauders. But as a good friend and gun-rights advocate points out, "All guns are lethal and will therefore be used by humans to cause mayhem.'

But the infamous Las Vegas shooter's arsenal, associated equipment and ammunition included 14 AR-15 rifles all equipped with bump stocks and 12 of which had 100-round magazines. A bump stock modifies a semi-automatic weapon so it can fire in rapid succession, mimicking an automatic

weapon. Most agree that the casualties were much higher because he used these fast-repeating weapons.

The whole class of military-grade weapons — semi-automatics, automatics and machine guns — fulfill no practical civilian purpose and, I would argue, should be kept out of the civilian marketplace. Gun-rights activists claim that military-grade weapons serve the practical purpose of enabling citizens to defend themselves, their homes and their property.

If so, what value are our police? If someone's breaking into your home, do you grab a personal defense weapon and confront them, or do you call the police? Vermont law allows use of lethal force for protection within the home, but "only such force as is reaor the perceived imminent danger." Wouldn't my pistol or .410 shotgun be dren from finding and using a gun; adequate for such use?

In most armed confrontations, the tendency to impulsive action escalates on both sides, putting both at greater risk of violence. And it should go without saying that killing is not justified to defend property.

I believe that all weapons should be classified as either civilian or military. Civilian weapons purchases (rifles, pistols, black powder, shotguns, etc.) should be subject to a three-day purchase delay so purchasers can be checked against the FBI's National **Instant Criminal Background Check** System of those determined to be legally ineligible to own a gun (about

sonably necessary to repel the attack 6.5 million people); a guarantee of secure home storage to prevent chiland in the case of minors, a huntersafety course certificate.

> Military weapons should simply be illegal to purchase or own.

But the landscape is constantly shifting when it comes to guns. New allplastic guns that cannot be detected in metal detectors and DIY gun kits will all require further definition and discussion.

Ultimately, people will continue to kill and will use various weapons to do so. One who is intent on killing but is denied a military weapon will find another way to kill. But a gun de- world. signed for hunting is an intrinsically

different killing tool than a military weapon designed to kill as many of the enemy as possible in the shortest amount of time.

Like most contentious issues, a safe civilian gun policy will require compromise on all sides. We have done it before and we can do it again.

Another way of looking at gun violence, however, might be to look at how to build a kinder, more decent nation by focusing on minimizing hunger, abuse and homelessness and creating greater access to equal opportunities, education, a just environment, and mental and physical health care.

We might need fewer guns in that

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generously show their gardens include:

• Chris Sears, the owner of Fox Run Flowers on Falls Road. She raises gorgeous cut flowers. Her gardens are well established and constantly changing.



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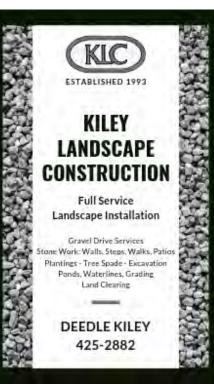
- •Lisa and Chris Thompson one of our Lake Iroquois gardens. They purchased Betty and Doug Lantman's home and have built stone walls and planted many trees, fruits and perennial beds.
- Meg Handler and David Kaminsky live beyond the Thompsons on Lake Iroquois. Do you remember playing in the pine plantation that covered the west side of the lake over 50 years ago? Meg and David have replaced those pines with native trees and shrubs to support wildlife and control runoff.
- Paul Wieczoreck and Mary Crane's garden is up on Lincoln Hill. Paul, a Vermont-trained professional horticulturist, is turning the nursery property into an arboretum. They have an amazing collection of rhododendrons and azaleas as well as

perennials

- •DeeDee and Peter Erb's garden is on Fox Meadows near Lewis Creek. Enjoy their established perennial beds, vegetable garden, berry patches and fruit trees. DeeDee will give a peony preservation demonstration (if they are in bud!)
- Laura Carlsmith and Rob Bast live off Silver Street. Their property features a bridge over a small gorge and a view from the porch overlooking a pond. Rob is an architect, and his sugarhouse is a unique version of this Vermont tradition.

Committee member Ginny Roberts says, "This volunteer effort is especially welcome as we emerge from our COVID-19 seclusion! We hope you will join us outdoors and be inspired, as we remain vigilant and in compliance with state of Vermont and CDC COVID-19 guidelines while on the tour."

Tickets will be on sale for \$20 at the Carpenter-Carse Library and Red Wagon Plants, Please visit carpenter**carse.org** for online ticket purchase information. With the purchase of a



ticket, you will receive a map of the garden locations and a booklet with a description of each one. You may start the tour at any of the gardens and travel at your own pace within the five-hour window. Tickets are limited! Volunteers are needed to help for half a day of the tour, and will get a free ticket to tour for the other half of the day! To volunteer or for more information, please contact Anne Donegan at 802-363-6471, ardonegan@gmail.com.

The Hinesburg Garden Tour in

Hinesburg, Vermont, is an annual event that is sponsored by the Friends of the Carpenter-Carse Library with proceeds benefiting the library's special programs. The tour was started in 2019, was not held in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. and is happily back in 2021, continuing what the founders hope to be a growing tradition in Hinesburg. For more information about the Garden Tour or membership in the Friends of the Carpenter-Carse Library, please contact Anne Donegan at 802-363-6471 or ardonegan@gmail.com.



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sharing kind feedback and sending donations when you could. It all kept us going to know that we were continuing to provide you a way to connect with the community, whether in a virtual or outdoor class. We strive to be the place to go when you are looking to move your body, get creative or learn a new skill!

Here are our last two classes of the

Thursday, June 3: Ethiopian/ Eritrean Cuisine — Injera Tips & **Vegetarian Focused Dishes with Alganesh Michael** 

Want to learn to make delicious Ethiopian dishes at home, including the staple injera? Join Alganesh for this delightful class! ONLINE

Wednesday, June 9: Access Virtual **Book Club with Christina Deeley** 

Join CVU librarian Christina Deeley for the last book club of the semester that will be discussing "Just Us: An American Conversation" by Claudia

Planning for the fall is well underway and we're looking forward to welcoming you back into the building for classes at CVU — let us know your class wishes! And if you know of a great instructor we should add to our lineup, please send them our way. Some classes will continue to be offered online with the user-friendly Zoom platform.

Look for fall registration to open at the end of August, and classes will start mid-September. We're looking forward to hosting Craft Fairs once again; they are scheduled for Oct. 16 and Nov. 27. Check out our website,

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A finished product from ACCESS CVU's Herb Container Garden class this spring.

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# EDUCATION

#### **Bringing** Mindfulness to **CVSD Classrooms**

Daily mindfulness training has proven to improve test scores and reduce behavioral issues by reducing students' and teachers' stress inside and outside the classroom

FROM CVSD PRESS RELEASE

he Champlain Valley School District is pleased to announce that Inner Explorer is soon to be available to all students and families. This has been made possible through a generous donation from Project Hoeppner. Sue and Joe Hoeppner, who established Project Hoeppner, see Inner Explorer as a research-based, school-family-community, plug-andplay solution to support kids.

"We created Project HOePpnEr in response to our 17-year-old son Paul's death by suicide. Initially, our goal was to prevent teen suicide by encouraging teens to ask for help. Unfortunately, one of the things we realized is that help is hard to find. As we find ourselves further removed from Paul's death, we realize that preventing teen suicide is more than identifying and addressing the crisis. It's providing tools, teaching strategies and creating habits that kids can access their whole lives

#### We see Inner Explorer as an important part of an overall strategy to promote health and wellness for kids.

We are excited to provide Inner Explorer to the Champlain Valley School District and look forward to expanding it to other Vermont schools."

The schools of Champlain Valley School District are beginning to implement Inner Explorer at different levels, with a goal of full use in all schools by next fall.

Inner Explorer's daily mindfulness practice increases math, science and reading performance by 10-18%; reduces student behavioral issues by nearly 60%; and reduces teach-

er stress by 43%. Teachers in pre-K through 12th grade classrooms simply log onto the online platform and press "play." Guided exercises help participants, students, teachers and amilies alike to develop the skills of attention, self-control and resilience in as little as 10 minutes a day. That's 10 minutes a day to help kids focus and give teachers more time to engage and inspire students.

at Shelburne Community School and CVSD's Virtual Learning Academy, had this to say about Inner Explorer:

Inner Explorer. Inner Explorer introduces students to the practice of selfcare, an important skill needed in life. Inner Explorer supports students in learning self-regulation skills, practicing mindfulness, and supporting their overall mental well-being. Inner Explorer is also very engaging, which makes for a smooth entry into mindfulness practice for students who have not experienced mindfulness practice before. Inner Explorer is a true gift to our whole educational community as we reap the benefits as well when using Inner Explorer with students!"

Tony Moulton, CSVD's director of integrated wellness, has been instrumental in working with Project Hoeppner and Inner Explorer to make CVSD Welcomes this happen. He shared his thoughts and enthusiasm for Inner Explorer:

dents and families. We know that stress and anxiety have increased over the past year. The practice of mindfulness, when offered and applied in a structured, easily accessible format like Inner Explorer, has been shown to reduce stress and anxiety. This tool in the hands of our amazing teachers, educators, students, and families can help teach emotional regulation skills and build resilience. We are so grateful to the

Inner Explorer was developed in 2011

Rachel Petraska, school counselor

"I am thrilled that we have access to

"I am excited to have this evidencebased, easy-to-use tool for our stu-Hoeppners for this opportunity."

CVSD families will have access to the program for home use (weekends, summer vacations, holidays, etc.) as part of the school license. Families will be encouraged to use the program and to listen with their kids as an activity they can do together.

CVSD is excited to fully implement the use of Inner Explorer in the fall of 2021 and truly appreciates Project Hoeppner for making this possible.

#### **About Inner Explorer**

by mindful awareness teachers with more than 30 years of combined experience. Understanding the difficulty in developing a daily practice, Inner Explorer created a technology platform that delivers audio-guided practices to teachers and students. This gives them the opportunity to practice together — reducing stress, improving academic performance and enhancing the school climate. This unprecedented offering simplifies the implementation of mindfulness in the classroom and supports the national initiative called 2-Generation Approach by bridging the classroom and home. Especially now — Inner Explorer encourages families to join in daily practices with their children, extending the well-being benefits into the community. InnerExplorer.org.

#### About Project Hoeppner

Project HOePpnEr is a 501(c)3 organization invested in providing tools, teaching strategies and practicing habits that kids can access their whole lives. Increasing awareness around the catastrophe that is teen suicide. Offering courage for teens to say "I need help" and for their loved ones to hear.

# Director of **Diversity, Equity** and Inclusion

BY MADDY HOLDEN. COMMUNITY NEWS SERVICE

hamplain Valley School District of Dr. Liliana Rodriguez for director of diversity, equity & inclusion (ab- ful work this year. The lead coaches breviated as DEI) as part of a broader effort to drive institutional change.

The new role was created after CVSD Superintendent Elaine Pinckney conducted an equity literacy audit of district schools. She determined that the district needed leadership in this area and presented her findings to the school board on June 9, 2020.

"Dr. Rodriguez has spent her entire

career in this realm and has an incredible depth of knowledge," said School Board Chair Angela Arsenault.

The director of diversity, equity and inclusion is a senior administrative position that will report directly to the superintendent and the only administrator position that is responsible for some amount of community outreach.

"That's kind of a unique responsibility for [Dr. Rodriguez], and she has so much experience and knowledge around the topic and around change,' said Arsenault. "I was drawn to the way she talks about professional and community development; working with the teachers and educators in the buildings and also bringing in the community.

Dr. Rodriguez brings with her an extensive background in education and DEI. Most recently, she was vice chancellor of campus life and inclusive excellence at the University of Denver. She served as director of diversity recruitment at Williams College and as associate dean of diversity, inclusion and community development at Swarthmore College. Dr. Rodriguez has been a lecturer at Williams College, an educational consultant, and a mental health and substance abuse counselor for Hampshire College and Berkshire County. Massachusetts. She holds a B.A. with honors in psychology from Williams College and an M.S. in clinical psychology and a Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

The creation of this leadership role isn't the only thing CVSD has done to promote diversity, equity and

"During this school year (2020-2021), we have had diversity, equity, and inclusion lead coaches and they worked with a DEI team made up of announced last month the hiring coaches that are based in each of our schools. That team has done wondershared some of that work at a school board meeting in March of this year," said Director of Digital Learning & Communication Bonnie Birdsall.

> For Champlain Valley Union High School's Social Justice Alliance, these efforts mean a great deal.

Chris Smith is a social studies teacher at CVU and the advisor for CVU's

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# **O**RGANIZATIONS

#### Audubon Vermont Grant Institute's work to promote sustainable farm and forest practices. By News

#### New Conservation **Fellowship**

FROM PRESS RELEASE

**Audubon Vermont and the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Institute** are excited to introduce Cassie Wolfanger as our Conservation Research Fellow.

udubon Vermont and the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Institute Lare excited to introduce Cassie Wolfanger as our Conservation Research Fellow. This new, two-year fellowship will focus on the one hand, on connecting Audubon's work to protect bird habitat, while on the other hand, connecting with the Sea

advancing both goals, Cassie will help us achieve our shared goal of improving watershed health and resilience across the Lake Champlain watershed while also helping farmers and forest landowners. Cassie will engage in applied research to develop and implement best practices for birdfriendly habitat on agricultural lands, especially in riparian areas and along shorelines.

As noted by Audubon Vermont Executive Director David Mears. "Combining the forces of Audubon Vermont and the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Institute is like combining chocolate and peanut butter — we are better together!" He continues, "I could not be more pleased that Cassie has decided to lend her considerable talents to advancing this important partnership."

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Social Justice Alliance. "This hire is just one more piece that suggests that diversity, equity and inclusion are so important. We're excited to have another advocate for social justice and my hope is that this forces the community to take this stuff seriously," said Smith

Stella Wald, a sophomore at CVU High School and a member of CVU's Social Justice Alliance, said, "This has taken a lot longer than students would have wanted. But we're grateful it's finally here.'

When asked what her hopes are for Dr. Rodriguez, Wald said that she hopes the director will help create groups like the Social Justice Alliance at middle and elementary schools.

Smith echoes this hope. "It's not enough to teach about these things starting in high school. By that time, society has already made its imprint

When asked why it's taken so long, Smith said, "This is a culture issue. It is dictated by the cultures we all grow and community members. She used up in. It's not as simple as saying 'you should treat people nicely,' it's chang- just love. Like, what is really happening the way we see the entire world. And that's not a fast thing.'

Wald recommends that Dr. Rodriguez sits in on their Social Justice Alliance meetings. She also recommends that Dr. Rodriguez makes surprise visits to classrooms across grade levels so she can see the curriculum. "I would love some new courses like the Black America course that will run next fall for the first time.

But for Wald, it's bigger than just a diverse curriculum. "We should be able to bring up social justice issues in class and not be told that this isn't the time or place...it should always

be the place and time.

Smith is optimistic that this position will allow for greater support for peo ple who report experiencing a problem with someone or something. "The policies in place dictated by federal laws and state laws are very prescriptive. They don't include how we can make sure we're supporting the person that reported," said Smith.

For an alliance that strives to bring student concerns to the attention of the administration, Smith called the creation of a role that helps bridge the communication gap between the two a "win."

Because the role is so new, Arsenault anticipates that Dr. Rodriguez will have a big part in defining what it is exactly. "Just considering how much experience Liliana's had in different environments, I think she's well suited to figure out what this role needs to look like in this school system," said Arsenault.

"I think her first priority is going to be listening. Just hearing from people, hearing from teachers and students the phrase 'deep listening,' which I ing? What is your experience in this school system?" said Arsenault.

Dr. Rodriguez's first day on the job will be July 1, 2021. She was not available for comment for this article, but according to an April 14 message from CVSD, Dr. Rodriguez "says that she is excited to join CVSD and is excited to get started.'

Editor's note: This article is by Maddy Holden, a reporter with the Community News Service, a collaboration with the University of Vermont's Reporting & Documentary Storytelling program.



Cassie Wolfanger, conservation research fellow.

"We welcome Cassie to Lake Champlain Sea Grant," said Director Breck Bowden. "She will further our shared goals to protect our rivers and the lake by working with farmers and landowners, and using science to implement practical solutions that protect our lake and our communities.'

This fellowship is designed to train the next generation of conservation leaders through research and on-theground conservation with a focus on habitat restoration in the Champlain Valley of Vermont. Funding for this fellowship was made possible through the partnership between Audubon Vermont and the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Institute, with the support of generous donors.

Originally from western New York, Cassie Wolfanger spent her childhood exploring the great outdoors and refusing to come inside. She holds both undergraduate and graduate degrees in environmental science and ecology from State University of New York at Brockport, where her research focused on land use and restoration influences on coastal wetland biogeochemistry.

Previously, Cassie worked for the Vermont Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit on juvenile lake sturgeon and then for the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. She's most passionate about the protection of rare, threatened and endangered species and keeping natural places wild for their survival. With a firm belief that a connection to nature must be accessible to all, she values engaging historically underserved communities in the conversation around environmental action and policy.

"I'm interested in finding the best ways we can be stewards of the land, even in human-dominated landscapes, in order to coexist with wildlife, so this fellowship opportunity is very exciting!" Currently, Cassie lives in Richmond where her free time is spent hiking with her dog, kayaking, playing women's rugby or Nordic

The Lake Champlain Sea Grant Institute develops and shares science-based knowledge to benefit the environment and economies of the Lake Champlain basin. The institute is a cooperative effort of the Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources at the University of Vermont and the Lake Champlain Research Institute at SUNY Plattsburgh. It operates through partnerships with UVM Extension, state and local government agencies and numerous other local organizations. Learn more at https://www.uvm.edu/seagrant/home.

Audubon Vermont is a state program of the National Audubon Society. We are a nonprofit conservation organization whose mission is to protect birds, wildlife and their habitat through engaging people of all ages in education, conservation, stewardship and action. Learn more at https:// vt.audubon.org/.

#### Taking Swift Action Webinar

**BY SARAH HOOGHUIS** 

ast year, Margaret Fowle, Audubon Vermont conservation biologist, and Rae Bronenkant, Audubon Vermont youth leadership coordinator, led a webinar about the history of chimney swift habitat loss, the Chimney Swift Recovery Project, and ways for community members to get involved in local conservation efforts. In preparation for an exciting monitoring season, we encourage anyone with interest in volunteering this summer to watch our recording for a program overview. At vt.audubon.org/news/taking-swiftaction-webinar you can view the video, and learn how you can get involved through community science.

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# OUTDOORS

#### **National Trails Day — June 5**

BY OREN GUTTMANN, TRAILS COMMITTEE CHAIR

rail work was lonesome this past year with work parties thrown out the window. Some tasks are always lonesome, it does no good working side by side with loud weed wackers, but in general we find that more good work happens when a good number of excited volunteers show up to get it done. There were very few, as well as some small work parties, but mostly everyone got a little done here or there when we could. Combined with the fact that more people than ever were out enjoying the HART trails, they could use a little work.

This coming year, with gathering restrictions loosening, the trails committee will be holding work parties again and tackling some projects we've had to put off. For starters, we will be tackling those evermuddy sections of the Russell and Bissonnette Loops that have bugged us for years. Who knew stretches could stay muddy for weeks after the last rain?

Trail work is going to kick off as always with National Trails Day on the first Saturday of June. Starting at 9 a.m. on June 5 behind Town Hall, we

will divvy up into groups to head for different trails. After a few hours of moving rocks or cutting back brush, there will be some well-deserved pizza waiting. We hope you can join us.

#### Hinesburg's Trails Available in App Hinesburg is the 1st town in Vermont with all 30 miles of trails on the free Avenza Maps app

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Hinesburg's Trails Committee, in coordination with the Town Forest Committee and the Conservation Committee, has made all of its trails available for free on the Avenza Maps app. Now you can download a map to vour mobile device and with Avenza's GPS technology track your exact location on the trail.

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Before and after clearing blowdowns at LaPlatte Headwaters Town Forest.

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#### ▶ Trails App

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According to the trails committee vice chair, Charles McArthur, "What's so cool about this app is that not only can you determine exactly where you are on the trail, but it's a convenient, eco-friendly alternative to more expensive traditional paper maps."

Pat Mainer, chair of the Town Forest Committee, expressed her excitement turbance or human management by noting that we're stepping into the for a long time — often at least 150 21st century with this technology.

The maps for the Hinesburg Town Forest, the LaPlatte Headwaters Town Forest, the Russell Trails, Geprag's and the Northeast Quadrant are available to download for free from the Avenza store. Simply download the Avenza Maps app, head over to the "store," enter the key word "Hinesburg" and download the map (or all of the maps). If you arrive at a trailhead and haven't previously downloaded the map, each kiosk also has a QR code, a two-dimensional barcode, that will take you to the map ally avoided catastrophic disturbancfor those trails.

#### **Into the Woods:** Old Forests on Our Landscape

BY ETHAN TAPPER, CHITTENDEN **COUNTY FORESTER** 

n our altered modern landscape, the idea of an old-growth forest Lis captivating; we picture primal, untouched wilderness, massive trees and forests full of life. But what is "old growth," and what role should it play on our modern landscape?

Depending on who you ask, old growth means different things. Some say that old-growth forests are primary or original forests: forests that have never been extensively altered or managed by humans (or, alternately, by European-descended humans). A second definition says that a forest becomes old growth when it has avoided significant disyears. A third definition is that a forest becomes old growth when it is old and has achieved a certain advanced stage in forest development: what foresters call "late-successional

Forests are dynamic, forever changing. As they change, they (usually) pass through a predictable series of developmental stages. Each stage succeeds the last, and so we call this process succession. Changes in the forest are driven by tree mortality. While old-growth forests have generes for a long time, they are defined by constant small-scale disturbances that kill small numbers of trees. As a result, they often look messy, with some big trees but also trees of all different sizes and ages. Dead-standing and fallen trees are everywhere and the forest floor is punctuated by pits and mounds created by the upturned root systems of trees that have succumbed to windthrow.

What most people call "messiness," foresters and ecologists call "complexity."

Forests tend to become more complex as they age, and so old-growth forests are generally much more complex than the young (60- to 100-yearold) forests that now cover Vermont's landscape. With complexity comes many benefits, from a rich variety of habitats for wildlife and other organisms to the qualities of resilience and adaptability that allow forests to stay healthy amid great stress and change and to adapt to novel conditions, such as the pervasive effects of climate change.

Prior to European colonization, it is estimated that 55-60% of New England's forests were older than 150 years. Most forests in New England (as much as 80%) were cleared in the early to mid-1800s, some were converted into agricultural land and maintained as such for a century or more. Today only about 0.4% of New England's forests are older than 150 years. In Vermont, only about 1,000 acres of old-growth forest remains, mostly in small fragments spread across the state.

Old-growth forests are unique and incredibly important; they are repositories of biodiversity and powerful demonstrations of the way that forests grow and develop when left unmanaged. I would argue that they are also intrinsically important, valuable independent of their value to us. However, at the same time that we revere old growth, we also need to demythologize it.

First, we need to remember that forest succession is a cycle; every oldgrowth forest was once a young forest and will be one again. While younger forests are not as charismatic as old-growth forests, forests

of all ages are natural and valuable. providing unique habitats and ecological functions. Old growth is so important because older forests, along with their unique qualities, are relatively underrepresented across our landscape. While we can't create old growth, many of us in the ecological forestry community have been working to make young forests old-growthier, actively managing forests to create old-growth attributes sooner than they would naturally occur.

As we navigate our complex world, we need to balance many different objectives and realities. Our "landscape" is more than just forests; we belong to a cultural landscape, a historical landscape, a landscape that includes people in a way that it didn't a few centuries ago when old-growth forests dominated Vermont. Humans will always consume resources and those resources will always have costs to ecosystems. The question is not if we want to have an impact, but rather what we want our impact to be. Managing forests locally, and using local renewable resources in general, may give us more control over the impacts of our lives on ecosystems and peoples across the globe.

Charting a path forward will be as nuanced and as complex as our forests. It will involve creativity and compromises, like simultaneously recognizing that both old-growth forests and managing forests can be part of how we build a better world.

Ethan Tapper is the Chittenden County forester. He can be reached at ethan. tapper@vermont.gov or by phone at 802-585-9099.

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#### **Vermont Fish &** Wildlife News

FROM PRESS RELEASE

#### Vermont Outdoors Adds Features to Fish & Wildlife Department Mobile App

ast fall the Fish & Wildlife Department developed a new mobile application to help people recreate outdoors in a safe and socially distanced manner. The app, Vermont Outdoors, connects the public with department lands, fish and wildlife regulations as well as up-todate COVID-19 guidance.

Recent additions to the app include a variety of maps that allow you to obtain locations and driving directions to Fish & Wildlife Department points of interest, including boat ramps and fishing locations, big game reporting stations, fish stocking locations and shooting ranges. App users can now submit reports to the department as well. These include nuisance black bear reports, master angler submissions and suspected fish and wildlife violations with Operation Game Thief.

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, participation in outdoor recreational activities has exploded. With the Fish & Wildlife's 100 wildlife management areas and nearly 200 fishing access areas, this app will help new and existing recreationalists find opportunities to hunt, fish, trap, boat or view wildlife on public lands and waters. They will have easy access to fish and wildlife laws, department news and current events. and a variety of fish and wildlife observations

This project was paid for with COVID-19 stimulus funds (CARES Act) to enhance outdoor recreation opportunities. Other CARES-funded projects included improvements to boat ramps and other water access points. wildlife management area roads, parking areas and informational signage.

The app can be downloaded at the Apple App Store for iPhones or Google Play for Android phones.

#### Green Mountain Conservation Camp "Workcation" Weekends

The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department is looking for volunteers to join them for fun-filled weekends to get the camps ready for the 2021 season. This year, the GMCC Kehoe "workcation" weekend was on May 15-16 and the GMCC Buck Lake workcation weekend will be May 22-23.

"We look forward to workcation weekend all winter long," said Education Manager Ali Thomas. "With the help

of local volunteers, we spruce up both camps in preparation for the summer and enjoy being outdoors knowing it's for a good cause — environmental education for kids."

Volunteers can participate for as long as they are able to: one hour, one day or both days. They are welcome to stay overnight in onsite cabins or they can bring their own tents. Lunch and dinner will be provided.

The Buck Lake camp is located in Woodbury and the Kehoe camp is on Lake Bomoseen in Castleton. This is an excellent community service opportunity for Boy Scout and Girl Scout groups, as well as high school and college clubs. The Conservation Camps are looking for help with general repairs, construction, landscaping, painting, plumbing, cooking, preparing firewood, electrical work and gardening. Participants are encouraged to bring their own tools, but the camps will have some available.

Staff and volunteers will follow all COVID-19 guidelines, including wearing masks, maintaining a six-foot distance between individuals from different households, and hand-washing.

In addition nonresident volunteers must follow Vermont Health Department COVID-19 guidelines at tiny.one/HealthVT-visitors.

For more information and to register as a volunteer for one of these weekends, please contact Hanna Phelps at Hannah.Phelps@vermont.gov and 802-249-4199.

Vermont's conservation camp program is unique because it is sponsored and directed by the Fish & Wildlife Department professionals who conserve Vermont's fish and wildlife species. Working biologists, foresters, wardens, and conservation educators teach young people about their role with Vermont's forests, wetlands, wildlife and fish through interactive activities.

The Green Mountain Conservation Camp program's greatest strength is connecting young people to the outdoors. The camp program is sponsored in part through a grant from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's Wildlife & Sport Fish Restoration Program.

**Advertising and news** deadline is June 10 for the next issue. Publication date is June 24. Call 482-7227 for more information. Material not received bu deadline will be considered for next issue.

# Calendar

#### THURSDAY, MAY 27

Publication date for The Hinesburg Record. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Economic Development, 3rd

floor conference Room, Hinesburg Town Hall. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Historical Society Meeting. Remote Meeting-online Meeting platform

#### MONDAY, MAY 31

#### Memorial Day. TUESDAY, JUNE 1

7:00-8:30 p.m. Community Writers' Group. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballards Corner Rd. 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. Snacks will be provided. To submit a piece of writing. for others to review and enjoy before the group meets, email Laura Wisniewski at bhy@beecherhillyoga.com.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Energy Committee. Remote Meeting-online Meeting platform.

7:00-10:00 p.m. Hinesburg Development Review Board Meeting. Ground Level Conference Room, Town Hall.

7:00-8:30 p.m. Recreation Commission Meeting, Main Room at Town Hall.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

**9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** HFOF Play Group. Main Room at Town Hall.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Affordable Housing Committee. Remote Meeting-online Meeting platform. **7:00-8:30 p.m.** Fire and Rescue/Medical

Training, Hinesburg Fire Department, 10340 VT-116, Hinesburg.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Land Trust Meeting. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd., Hinesburg.

7:00-10:00 p.m. Select Board Meeting. Ground Level Conference Room, Town Hall.

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

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

#### 7:00-9:00 p.m. Conservation Commission Meeting. Zoom Meeting. Join Zoom Meeting.

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#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

**9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m**. HFOF Play Group. Main Room at Town Hall.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting Remote Meeting via Zoom instead of Town Office **7:30-8:30 p.m.** Fire and Rescue/Heavy Rescue

#### Training. Hinesburg Fire Station. THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Advertising and News deadline for The Hinesburg Record.

**6:30-8:30 p.m.** Lewis Creek Association Board Meeting, Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd., Hinesburg.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Town Forest Committee. Ground Level Conference Room, Hinesburg Town Hall.

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

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

5:30-7:00 p.m. Hinesburg Business and Professional Association Meeting, Papa Nick's, 10997 VT-116. Hinesburg, New members welcome!Contact HBPA President Laura Gurdak at 802-482-2877 or hinesburghair@gmail.com.

7:00-10:00 p.m. Development Review Board Meeting. Remote Meeting via Zoom instead of Town Office.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room at Town Hall

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

7:00-10:00 p.m. Select Board Meeting. Remote Meeting-online Meeting platform. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Trails Committee. Remote

#### Meeting-online Meeting platform. SUNDAY, JUNE 20

Father's Day.

**9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** HFOF Play Group. Main Room at Town Hall 7:00-8:00 p.m. Carpenter-Carse Libraru

Trustees Meeting. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd., Hinesburg, VT 05461. 7:00-8:30 p.m. Fire and Rescue/Fire Training.

Hinesburg Fire Station. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting.

#### Ground Level Conference Room, Town Hall.

Publication date for The Hinesburg Record.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 24** 7:00-9:00 p.m. Economic Development, 3rd

floor conference Room, Hinesburg Town Hall. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Historical Society Meeting. Remote Meeting-online Meeting platform.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. HFOF Play Group. Main Room at Town Hall.

SUNDAY, JULY 4 Independence Day.

Independence Day observed.

#### MONDAY, JULY 5

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

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

# Arts & Leisure

#### **Vermont Arts Council Presents** Pat Musick. **Astronaut Jerry** Carr

FROM PRESS RELEASE

he Vermont Arts Council's Spotlight Gallery presents "Exploring Technology: An Artist and an Astronaut Look at the Future," a virtual exhibit from artist Pat Musick and astronaut Jerry Carr.

The exhibit was conceived when artist Pat Musick lay on the top of a hill on Nov. 16, 1973 and watched Skylab 4 arc across the skies above her. Six years later she would marry the Skylab 4 commander, Jerry Carr, generating 40 years of creativity as Musick responded to the unique world view that the space program gave to us.

"In 1990, 50 cosmonauts and astronauts were invited to celebrate Earth

Martha "Marty" Illick

Our board and friends note with deep sorrow

the untimely passing of clean water advocate

and educator, Marty Illick. She was our

colleague, teacher and friend. Marty's passion

for the natural world and the data she collected

inspired the six "Water Matters" educational

events presented at Hinesburg's Town Hall

between 2013 and 2019. We will miss her and

appreciate her dedicated efforts every time we

enjoy Vermont's rivers and lakes.

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Day at the United Nations," said Musick describing the exhibit's inspiration. "Six of them were asked to use their native language to describe their first view of Earth from space. The response was stunning. They all said the same thing. They used the same words to describe the same object far beyond them."

It took Musick 25 years to generate the images that would reflect this moment. Carr assisted in the engineering and fabrication of the work. Carr passed away on Aug. 26, 2020 at the age of 88.

"The space program was arguably mankind's most creative effort of the 20th century. Spin-offs from digital computers opened vast new vistas in science and technology. From the lunar rover, which Carr helped design, came the electric wheelchair, and that was just the beginning. Propelled by a superordinate goal to put a man on the moon by the end of the decade, men and women worked incredible hours with self-sacrificing dedication. Their efforts stand out in history as a model for what can be achieved



Art from the collection can be viewed through Aug. 31 in the Art Council's online Spotlight Gallery at vermontartscouncil.org/ patmusick-exploringtechnology.

A virtual artist talk with Musick will be held at 7 p.m. on June 17. Register for the talk at tiny.one/VTartsMusick.

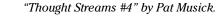
The exhibit is curated by Dominique Gustin and Desmond Peeples and is part of the Vermont Curators Group Project: 2020 Vision: Reflecting on a World-Changing Year.

#### **About the Spotlight Gallery**

The Vermont Arts Council Spotlight Gallery — now virtual — features rotating exhibits by Vermont artists. The online gallery affords a wider range of artistic disciplines, "always on" access, and new ways to connect with the work through virtual studio tours, recorded artist/curator talks and more.

The Vermont Arts Council envisions a Vermont where all people have access to the arts and creativity in their lives, education and communities. Engagement with the arts transforms individuals, connects us more deeply









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#### Shelburne **Museum Presents New Online Exhibition**

Mary Cassatt's Impressions: Assembling the Havemeyer Art Collection

FROM PRESS RELEASE

ary Stevenson Cassatt (1844-1926) is unquestionably one of the most highly recognized Impressionist artists. Celebrated, both today and during her time, she created a prolific body of work — paintings, pastel drawings and prints while living abroad in France, often capturing the private, domestic lives

known role was as a fine arts advisor to her friends and family. For more than 50 years, Cassatt expended significant energy cultivating a new market for Impressionism and securing a place for these works of art in collections across the globe. While Cassatt advised numerous collectors — from her family members to captains of industry —her good friends Louisine Waldron Elder Havemeyer (1855-1929) and Henry Osborne Havemeyer (1847-1907) were her constant, primary and most inquisitive clients.

Today, the majority of the Havemeyer's collection resides at the Metropolitan Museum of Art; however, many of its gems were inherited by their youngest daughter, and Shelburne Museum founder, Electra Havemeyer Webb (1888-1960), and are now part of Shelburne Museum's permanent collection.

The online exhibition "Mary Cassatt's Impressions: Assembling the Havemeyer Art Collection" explores the enduring friendship between Cassatt and the Havemeyers and



Mary Cassatt (American, 1844-1926), Louisine Havemeyer and her Daughter Electra, 1895,

highlights archival anecdotes and primary sources detailing their acquisitions of Impressionist paintings, drawings and sculptures based on

Cassatt's advice.

To view the exhibit, go to **shelburne**museum.org/online-exhibitions.

# **O**BITUARIES

#### Sandra B. Lewis

Sandra B. Lewis (Byington), a lifelong resident of Shelburne, Vermont passed away after a hard-fought battle with kidney disease on May 10, 2021. She was born on March 3, 1930 "3-3-30," as the oldest of four children to Charles Keith and Mary Nancy Byington. Sandra grew up on Harbor Road in Shelburne, graduated from Burlington High School, and settled on Falls Road in a house that quickly became a second home for many neighborhood kids, grandchildren and great-grandchildren thereafter. Her door was always open.

Sandra welcomed everyone with a huge smile, snacks and lemon water, and a friendly offer to help provide them with anything they needed. She was selfless in every sense of the word and shared love unconditionally — always giving and never expecting anything in return.

She worked hard and cared deeply about the quality of her work and the friendships she made over more than 50 years as an employee of the town of Shelburne. She strove to make the delivery of one's tax or water/sewer check pleasant by guaranteeing a friendly face and bowl of M&M's at her desk.

She worked until kidney failure forced her from her office to the hospital and eventually to a second family at Joy Drive Dialysis. She paid little attention to comments and statistics around life on dialysis — she followed every rule she possibly could



Sandra B. Lewis, Shelburne

and never gave up so that she could enjoy time with as many great-grandchildren as possible. She loved being a part of her family's lives — the big milestones and the countless little moments in between. She rarely missed opportunities to watch her grandchildren's and great-grandchildren's activities, to attend their events, or to join a loved one for a ride or on a walk.

She lived for her family and they lived for her. Day after day, regardless of her own worries or pain, she exuded a love more real, forgiving, enduring and sincere than anything most could imagine. She created and nurtured a very close-knit family and a huge network of unofficial kids and grandkids — the more kids around, the better.

Material stuff didn't matter. People,

animals and memories mattered. She lived a simple life full of countless books, frequent road trip adventures (aka wild goose chases to which she'd never say no) and shopping sprees (always for the kids, she'd never buy anything for herself), loyal support for the Red Sox and the Celtics, and casual days greeting passersby from the bright-red chairs on her front porch.

Having proudly lived through the Depression and a plethora of serious health issues, she taught us to waste nothing, recycle everything and support others as you are able. She practiced what she preached and gave generously however she could. You were all that mattered when you were with her as she made everyone feel special and completely comfortable. She demonstrated how important it is to focus on the positive, treat others as you wish to be treated, and be able to laugh at yourself (a lot)!

She made boring stuff fun and difficult stuff easier.

We will miss our ever-present confidant and cheerleader, our steady and fiercely determined survivor, and our most loving and positive role model.

Sandra is predeceased by her parents Keith and Nancy Byington; her sister, Anne Wilkinson; her daughter, Holly Galyean; and her daughter-inlaw, Mary Lewis. She leaves behind her son, Rick Lewis; daughter Nancy Longe (Randy); and sisters Nancy Edmunds and Marsha Childers. Sandra will be greatly missed by her grandchildren: Kerri Wolynec, Ryan Lewis, Lindsay Longe, Caleb Longe, Nicole Martel, Wade Wood and Stevie

Galyean and their partners, as well as by her great-grandchildren: Benjamin and Sophia Wolvnec: Mycah and Ziva Estep-Lewis; Caymon and Brighton Longe-Mack; Dawson and Sloan Longe; Mason, Maddox and Maya Martel; and Killian Wood. Lastly, by her beloved cat Squirt.

A celebration of her life will be held June 27 at the Old Lantern in Charlotte, Vermont, at 3 p.m. If you would like to honor Sandra's loving nature, please join us wearing something red, her favorite color, and consider a donation to the Chittenden County Humane Society or a charity of your choice in her memory.

Sandra's family wishes to extend our sincere appreciation to Dr. Hillemann who took care of her beautiful heart; Dr. Millay who made macular degeneration shots bearable; Dr. Rimmer who managed her complex renal condition; and Carla and the Joy Drive Dialysis staff who provided Sandra with a second family complete with abundant care, positive support and good-humored spirits at 6 a.m. three mornings a week for nearly a decade! Medical appointments consumed much of her later years, but she welcomed each as a chance to joke with a Special Service Transportation Agency driver, say hi to Kevin Barry as she unloaded at UVM Medical Center, and touch base with the folks at the various clinics who knew her by name and made her feel like their "favorite." We are grateful for all of them, as well as Shelburne Rescue and Brenda Dion and her team at Birchwood for their recent care.

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#### Gail O'Connor **Terricciano**

Gail O'Connor Terricciano, 75, passed away on April 24, 2021 in Monkton. Vermont after a battle with metastatic breast cancer.

Gail was born July 12, 1945 in New Haven, Connecticut to Florence and James O'Connor. She graduated from Hillhouse High School in 1963 and worked for Southern New England Telephone. She married Curtis W. Hewitt on Nov. 20, 1965 and had her daughter, Darcie (Hewitt) Thorburn, and her son, Dean C. Hewitt.

Gail later attended Computer Processing Institute in Hartford, Connecticut and received a degree in business administration in 1980. While working and raising her two children in Connecticut, she met Richard (Dick) Terricciano. Dick, Gail, Darcie and Dean moved to Ludlow, Vermont and purchased the Country Peasant Inn. Dick and Gail married on July 17, 1982 and the family operated the business for several years and enjoyed the company of many repeat guests.

The family later sold the inn and moved to Lake Bomoseen, Vermont, spending 18 years on the lake. Gail cooked professionally before going on to work for the Rutland Area Visiting Nurses Association. Dick and Gail moved to Monkton, Vermont after retiring so that they could be closer to family. Gail spent many years caring for her four grandchildren, Grace Thorburn, Evan Thorburn,



Gail O'Connor Terricciano, Monkton.

Jude Hewitt and Wren Hewitt while working as a substitute teacher at Hinesburg Community School until her passing.

Gail was always quick with a smile and enjoyed cooking and sewing for many of her friends and family members. The family will think about her most during holidays as she loved entertaining and often decorated her house to mark the spirit of whatever holiday she was celebrating. She was always happiest among her family and took such great joy in seeing their happiness.

The family wishes to thank those who sent along their condolences through food, flowers and cards. For those wishing to honor her life, consider an act of kindness by making a donation in her name to the American Cancer Society in Vermont. In honor of our beloved Gail who was a mother, a wife, a grandmother, a teacher, a chef and

a friend, the family wishes to express ourselves with the following words:

#### The Moment That You Left Me

My heart was split in two; one side was filled with memories; the other side died with you. I often lav awake at night when the world is fast asleep; and take a walk down memory lane with tears upon my cheek. Remembering you is easy, I do it every day; but missing you is a heartache that will never go away. I hold you tightly within my heart and there you will remain; you see life has gone on without you, but will never be

Always in our hearts, Your Family

#### Maurice E. "Jeff" Pratt

Maurice E. "Jeff" Pratt passed away on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at the McClure Miller Respite House in Colchester, Vermont

Jeff was born on July 7, 1930 in Poultney, Vermont to parents Morris and Florence (Hubbard) Pratt. He lived a happy childhood in Middletown Springs, Vermont. In 1948 he graduated from Middletown Springs High School and then attended Castleton Teacher's College, graduating in 1952.

Jeff married fellow Castleton student Marguerite "Peg" Galaher on June 24, 1951 in Rutland. Jeff enjoyed a 30-year teaching career that began in Hinesburg and later continued in



Shelburne. He enjoyed sports of all kinds throughout his life, and was a loyal UVM basketball fan for many years. Jeff was a long-time member of the United Church of Hinesburg and valued the many friendships made there. Jeff and Peg enjoyed many wonderful times and were lifelong friends during their 70-year marriage.

Jeff was predeceased by his parents, and his sister Phyllis Larson of Castleton. He is survived by his wife Peg; his two sons Jeffrey and Thomas: Thomas' wife Susan; and two grandchildren, Carrie Pratt and Emily Farnham-Haskell

A family burial will be held later this summer at the Shelburne Village Cemetery.

Arrangements are in care of Corbin and Palmer Funeral Home, 9 Pleasant Street, Essex Junction, Vermont.

# OTHER NEWS

#### **Nominations Open for 2021** Con Hogan **Community Leadership Award**

Winner to Receive \$15,000 Cash Prize

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Launched in 2015, the annual award is a tribute to Con Hogan's life's work and commitment to public service. The goal of the award is to encourage and reward leaders who share Con's vision of a better Vermont — one that places the highest value on the public good — who seize the responsibility for making that vision real, and who mentor emerging leaders. The cash award may be spent however the selected individual chooses.

Vermont, the nation and the world have been facing an unprecedented

public health emergency for more than a year. This crisis has required Con's brand of results-focused leadership that relies on facts and rigorous analysis to guide decisions. This kind of leadership does not arise suddenly out of nowhere, but is the result of ongoing practice, development and enduring commitment to the public good. Acknowledging the importance of this type of leadership and breaking with past practice, the 2020 award was given to the entire Vermont Department of Health staff for their untiring efforts to keep people safe during the pandemic.

This year's winner will be an individual selected by the award committee, which represents a broad range of interests and experience, including health care and human services, the arts, government service, early care and education, and food systems. The individual will have demonstrated the following characteristics: focus on results, using data and measurement to mobilize action, working with people across diverse perspectives, taking risks in pursuit of the vision and per-

sisting through setbacks.

The awardee must be a Vermont resident who has not yet received the

Previous individuals who have received the award are Jan Demers (2019), James Baker (2018), Holly Morehouse (2017), Michael Monte (2016), and Ellen Kahler (2015).

Nominations will be accepted through the Vermont Community Foundation's website until 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 24, 2021. The award will be presented at a public event, either virtual or in Montpelier, at 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 6. For more information or to submit a nomination, visit **vermontcf.org**/ ConHoganAward.

The Vermont Community Foundation inspires giving and brings people and resources together to make a difference in Vermont. A family of hundreds of funds and foundations, we provide the advice, investment vehicles, and back-office expertise that make it easy for the people who care about Vermont to find and fund the causes they love.

The heart of the Community Foundation's work is closing the opportunity gap — the divide that leaves too many Vermonters strug-

gling to get ahead, no matter how hard they work. We are aligning our time, energy and discretionary resources on efforts that provide access to early care and learning, pathways to college and career training, support for youth and families, and community and economic vitality. We envision Vermont at its best — where everyone has the opportunity to build a bright, secure future.

#### Health **Department** Launches New **Vaccine Promotion** Campaign

FROM VERMONT DEPT. OF HEALTH PRESS RELEASE

As part of the state's increasing efforts to encourage people to get their COVID-19 vaccine, the Health Department has launched a new outreach series featuring Vermonters sharing what getting vaccinated means to them.

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"It's important that Vermonters share their stories with other Vermonters. We all have different reasons for choosing to get vaccinated, but for many of us, being able to get back to the things we miss is high on that list," said Health Commissioner Mark Levine, MD. "These stories help connect the dots from vaccines to the brighter future ahead.'

The new series can be viewed now on the department's YouTube channel at tiny.one/VTHealth-covid, and will be promoted widely — including on television, streaming services, radio, social media and more. These Vermonters' words are also being featured in print ads in newspapers across the state.

In April, the Health Department opened a vaccine contest and giveaway asking people to submit original videos, photos or written thoughts on why getting vaccinated is important to them. Select submissions would

be featured in the new campaign, and one lucky submitter was picked at random to receive a \$500 cash card.

The Health Department received more than 160 entries from Vermonters of varying ages throughout the state. Entries included written stories, videos, photos, slideshows and even an original poem.

"We are committed to capturing Vermonters' personal and unique perspectives, and honestly, seeing what came in was both poignant and inspiring," said Christie Vallencourt, the Health Department's COVID-19 marketing lead and chronic disease information director. "This approach was a bit of a gamble because you don't know what you're going to get, but as people will see when they watch the videos, that chance paid off."

Working closely with Vermont-based marketing and media agencies Hark and Mt. Mansfield Media, the Health Department sifted through the submissions looking for common themes. One thing was clear: Vermonters

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wanted to see and hug their loved ones again. Another theme was people excited about getting back to the things taken for granted before the pandemic, such as in-person celebrations, school, basketball games and the performing arts.

Nearly 70% of Vermonters 16 and older have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine, with more than 50% being fully vaccinated. Vermont continues to make vaccination as easy as possible, from walk-in, drivethroughs, mobile clinics and new, unique locations coordinated through a variety of partners.

Visit healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine to make an appointment for vaccine and see a list of clinics that allow for walk-ins, with no appointment need-

ed. You can also follow our social media accounts @healthvermont to hear about walk-in availability or other special opportunities.

Advertising and news deadline is June 10 for the next issue. Publication date is June 24. Call 482-7227 for more information. Material not received by deadline will be considered for next issue.



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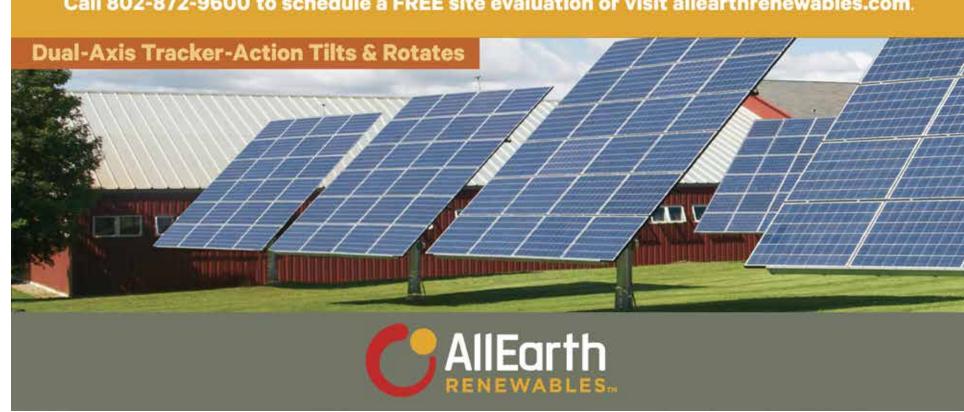
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Pastor: Rev. Jared Hamilton

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. Sunday Worship is now livestreaming.

Choir practice: 9:00 a.m. Sunday

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

**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: Fr. James Zuccaro

Pastor's Residence: 425-2253, stjude@gmavt.net

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, 879-3446, Rectory, 482-2290, marietcookson@aol.com

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

Parish Council Chair: Dennis Casey,

**Finance Council Chair:** Doug Taff:

**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: Wednesday: 8:00 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Charlotte

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Pastor for appointment

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Tuesday following the 5:15 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church; Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and Friday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Jude Church and by appointment.

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**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



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

For more information, please contact the church at 482-2132 or visit hinesburgcma.org

#### Williston **Federated Church**

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Address: 44 North Williston Road, Williston VT 05495

**Phone:** 878-5792.

Website: steeple.org

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.

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

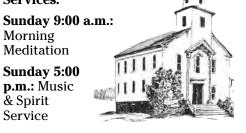
Pastor: Rev. Don Chatfield **Phone:** 985-3819

Mailing Address: 291 Bostwick Farm Rd.,

Shelburne, VT 05482 **Services:** 

Morning Meditation

**Sunday 5:00 p.m.:** Music & Spirit Service



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handing out bags.

"I started when I was in high school back in 1970 during the first one," McLeod said.

The couple has been checking people in for 10 years, and still go out on their own to collect trash on Green Up Day.

"We've done it through the years and we always did it with our kids when they were growing up. It became a tradition," said McLeod.

Bringing her kids out to help on Green Up Day is also a tradition of Darcie Mumley of the Hinesburg Conservation Commission. Before Green Up Day, her kids are always excitedly asking "Where are we gonna go clean up?" Mumley said.

At 8 and 10, Mumley said her kids understand the concept of Green Up Day. "But even when they were really little and didn't understand the concept, they still liked cleaning up trash. And they're really good at it!" Mumley said.

Mumley and Bob Hyams, also of the Hinesburg Conservation Commission, were fulfilling their commission duty of staffing the Chittenden Solid Waste District Drop-Off Center in Hinesburg. People came to drop off loads of trash of all sizes on the day of. A couple even had to back up toward the pile to unload.

Hyams has been participating in Green Up Day for 15 years, and called

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notice all the green trash bags busting at the seams lining the streets. In the days following Green Up Day, people from the town of Hinesburg go around collecting the bags.

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Knox Cummin of Huntington helps to Green Up Vermont. Photo by Anna Watts

it a "wonderful Vermont tradition."

"In other states, people clean up

trash for community service. Here,

people haven't even committed any

crimes and they're cleaning up the

roadsides," Hyams said. "People are

finding more hazardous materials.

Bottles filled with spit from people

bled across these things with her

didn't use to be that way,"

collected items.

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Mumley said that she has never stum-

kids, as they tend to stay in neighbor-

point to suggest safe areas to collect

for people who bring their children to

"And let's not forget the masks," said

Hyams when asked about trends in

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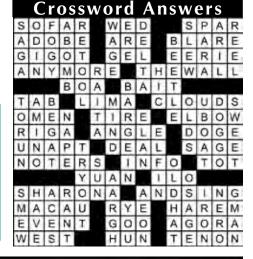
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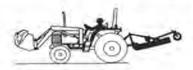
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# BACK STORIES of Hinesburg

# **Hinesburg Turns Out for Green Up Day**

BY MADDY HOLDEN

inesburg residents bundled up and took to the town's neighborhoods and streets to participate in Vermont's annual Green Up Day on May 1.

Hinesburg Selectboard Chair Phil Pouech is the coordinator of Green Up Day in Hinesburg. Pouech said



A letter sent to Hinesburg Selectboard Chair Phil Pouch from Hinesburg residents Nancy and Steve. (Maddy Holden/Community News Service)

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that he is happy this Vermont tradition persists in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, as picking up trash outside lends itself well to social distancing.

Pouech said that he does however miss the opportunity Green Up Day has given Hinesburg residents to all come together as a community in past years.

"We always had a community lunch at noon at the Town Hall. We would get 50-75 people. Last year we stopped doing that. This year we're not having it. Maybe we'll do it again next year," Pouech said.

When asked to share a Green Up Day memory, Pouech said that many years ago, someone found a lockbox.

"They brought it to the Town Hall and we got the news out here and everything. Turns out, it was from a robbery in Shelburne that happened a year prior. Only papers were found inside," he said. "We used to have a



Darcie Mumley, a member of the Hinesburg Conservation Commission, dropping off trash at Hinesburg's Town Garage

David C. Palmer Agent



Kristy McLeod and Carl Bohlen checking people in, signing them up, marking off their destination and handing out bags at the Hinesburg Town Hall. "It's been years," said McLeod when asked how long she and her husband have been participating in Green Up Day. (Maddy Holden/Community News Service)

contest for the craziest thing found on Green Up Day."

While it might not be the craziest, perhaps the most endearing find from this year came enclosed in a letter from Hinesburg residents Nancy and Steve. According to the letter, Nancy and Steve had never participated in Green Up Day before. They were taken aback by how much trash they found and committed themselves to pick up everything in sight on their Green Up route.

Everything including a \$20 bill that Nancy enclosed in a handwritten letter to Pouech.

While some people participated in Green Up Day for the first time this year, others have been doing this for years. Kristy McLeod and her husband Carl Bohlen were stationed at the Hinesburg Town Hall in the morning checking people in, signing them up, marking off their destination and

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#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

#### 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.

#### Mentorina

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#### Hinesburg Trails

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#### **Meals on Wheels**

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#### Visit a Senior

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- Agency Request Review Committee
- Conservation Commission
- Economic Development Committee
- · Planning Commision
- Recreation Commission
- · Village Steering Committee

Check town web site 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 rmarshall@hinesburg.org.

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