

the HINESBURG Record

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Local Youth Rowers Compete in Regional Championships in Boston

BY REBECCA BURNS, LAKE CHAMPLAIN MARITIME MUSEUM

On Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022, nearly 70 youth rowers from Chittenden and Addison county middle and high schools competed in the Icebreaker Northeast Regional Youth Open-Water Rowing Championship in Fort Point Channel in Boston, Mass. This race marked the end of a successful rowing season for Burlington (BHS) and South Burlington (SBHS) high schools, Champlain Valley Union High School (CVU), and Mount Abraham Union High School (Mt. Abe) as part of the youth rowing program with Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. These local teams competed alongside some of the best teams from the northeast including New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Maine.

The Vermont teams shined brightly throughout the day's competition, a testament to their practice and teamwork over the course of the fall rowing season.

Each crew competed in a series



Both boats above were built by the Museum. Annie O was built in 2019. Eclipse is the four-oared boat on the far side of the photo, rowed by Mount Abraham Memorial High School. The crew from Mount Abraham placed second in the intermediate 4, where they placed second in the nautical mile race. The crew in Annie O is CVU's experienced six where they won the nautical mile race.

of three sprint races with several sharp turns. The times from all three sprints were then combined into a cumulative time score to determine the winner for each event.

Vermont teams dominated the Intermediate Six-Oar event, with one of the two crews from BHS

taking home the victory with a decisive margin. The other BHS crew placed third in the event. CVU also had two boats entered in the Intermediate Six-Oar event, placing second and fourth in the event. In the Experienced Four-

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Biography Puppets at HCS

FROM PUPPETKABOB PRESS RELEASE

Over the course of Wednesday, Jan. 4, through Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023, Vermont Arts Council Teaching Artist and founder of the touring puppet company Puppetkabob, Sarah Frechette, conducted a residency for the Hinesburg Community School's fifth grade. The program titled "Biography Puppets" gave students an engaging, accessible, and hands-on activity to elevate this year's informational reading unit: Biographies – with fine arts. Chosen for both its tactile and theatrical focus, marionettes were used to display rituals and ceremonies using these string-operated figurines back in ancient times and for this pro-

gram we gave them an upcycle twist. Students and community members collected and sorted through recyclables. Special thanks to The Spanked Puppy in Colchester, Vt., which gathered last minute recyclables so that there would be enough for all students to participate.

Prior to this residency the students worked with reading teacher Alyssa Wieland to research an important person of color throughout American History. The students then took their thorough research and together with Puppetkabob, learned to design forced perspective background scenes and performable string operated puppets. In the end, each finished mari-

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A student-made "Biography Puppet"

Hinesburg's independent, nonprofit, community newspaper

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LETTERS

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

Hinesburg Gratitude

Much negativity and polarization plague our news. As this New Year begins, I wish to express gratitude for the community I call home, Hinesburg.

Community increased its significance for me three years ago. In June of 2020, mid-pandemic and brokenhearted from my second divorce, I moved back “home” to Vermont with my young son, Oak. I landed in my “new home” on Route 116. My first expression of gratitude is to my landlords, Gary and Nick Landrigan, for providing a safe, comfortable haven for Oak and I to live.

I am grateful for the HART trails behind my home and the people who maintain them. These meandering paths have been a solace to my mind, heart and soul. I often stand on the overlook, spread

my arms and yell, “I love you Hinesburg!” I wonder if anyone has heard me.

I am grateful for James’ kind nods and Trillium Farm’s nourishing beauty.

I am grateful for Papa Nick’s, where Oak thinks the pizza is best (sorry, Travis!). I am grateful for Travis and Good Times, where Oak thinks the salads and macarons are best!

I am grateful for Hart and Mead in fixing my Jeep on a regular basis. I am grateful for everyone at Lantman’s in supplying me with all I need to thrive.

I am grateful for Michelle and Stuart at Element Nail Salon, not only their excellent service, but their continual listening as I navigated a new way of being in the world. I am grateful for Alex and Caitlan at the Public House for witnessing the numerous first date meet ups.

I am grateful for Jen, the recreation department, and Father Zuccaro for supporting me in sharing my love of yoga.

I am grateful for the privilege of teaching sixth grade at Hinesburg Community School for two years. I am filled with delight when I see former students around town! So much gratitude to the teachers at HCC who support Oak’s growth.

I am grateful to the Boy Scouts (Ben and Nick) and the Harvest Festival where Oak learned to make “Stone Soup.”

I am grateful for my neighbors; Gene, who brings me berries; Bill, who comments on my door decorating; and Matt, who trades house ghost stories with me.

I am certain I have forgotten to mention a business or a person who has also been instrumental in helping me feel at home here in Hinesburg. Please forgive my humanness.

In closing, Starhawk writes, “Community. Somewhere there are people to whom we can speak with passion without having the words catch in our throats. Somewhere a circle of hands will open to receive us, eyes will light up as we enter, voices will celebrate with us whenever we come into our own power. Community means strength that joins our strength to do the work that needs to be done. Arms to hold us when we falter. A circle of healing. A circle of friends. Someplace where we can be free.”

Happy 2023 Hinesburg! I love you all!

—Peggy Dippen

TOWN NEWS

Town Clerk & Treasurer

BY MISSY ROSS

Town Meeting is just around the corner on March 7, 2023. The informational meeting regarding the budget and any other articles to be voted on by Australian ballot will be held at the Champlain Valley Union High School Auditorium beginning at 7 p.m. on March 6. Ballot voting will take place the following day at the Hinesburg Town Hall and the polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. The election will once again be held in the conference room on the ground floor. In addition to the budget articles, we will be voting on candidates for Selectboard, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Moderator, Library Trustee, Cemetery Trustee, Peck Estate Trustee and Champlain Valley Union High School Director. You must fill out a petition and gather 30 signatures of registered voters in the town in order to have your name appear as a candidate for any office. Please be sure that the top of the petition form is filled out with your name and the office and term length that you are running for. We will also need a Consent of Candidate form indicating how you would like your name to appear on the ballot. Both petitions and consent forms are on the town website. You will find a list of offices and term lengths posted on the website as well.

Ballots will be available for early voting on or before February 15. You can request an early ballot on your “My Voter Page” at mvp.vermont.gov; by emailing Missy at mross@hinesburg.org or Heather at hroberts@hinesburg.org; or by calling the clerk’s office at 802-482-2281 x1. We will mail the ballots to anyone who has a pending request as soon as they arrive.

It is with mixed emotions that I am announcing that I am not running for re-election for the positions of town clerk and treasurer. I have held both positions for the past 21 and a half years and feel that it is time for me to pass the torch to the next person and spend time pursuing other interests. My assistant for the past three years, Heather Roberts, is planning to run for the positions and I am extremely confident in her capabilities and urge you to support her candidacy. It has been an honor to have been elected to seven terms and I am humbled by the trust that the community has placed in me. I have enjoyed the job so much, especially as it has afforded me the op-

IN MEMORIAM – BETH DANON LAW PARTNER AT KOHN RATH LAW

We are sad to announce the death of our long time law partner and friend Beth Danon who practiced law at Kohn Rath, LLP in Hinesburg since 2009. During her time working as an attorney at Kohn Rath she was always a positive, dedicated and powerful presence in our firm, the community, and the Vermont Bar. Beth was a wonderful human being, and her kindness, concern for her clients, and legal skill inspired us all.

Beth left us far too soon and she will be deeply missed.

Roger Kohn, David Rath, Robert Scharf, Anna Pierattini, Michelle Chandler, and Maggie Gordon (the attorneys and staff at Kohn Rath. LLP).

portunity to get to know so many people whom I might not otherwise have had the chance to become acquainted with and to work with a dedicated and fun-loving group of colleagues. I have run almost 50 elections to date and my final one will be town meeting day. I hope to see many of you before then and afterward around town. Thank you again for so many wonderful years of visits and laughter. I have truly looked forward to going to work every day!

Dog Licenses

Dogs must be registered annually between January 1 and April 1. The cost for a license is \$10. We will need to have a copy of your dog’s current rabies vaccination certificate. If we have one on file from last year, you need not bring another copy with you. You are welcome to call or email to see if we have one on file for your pet. The purpose of licensing is to ensure that all animals living in Hinesburg are vaccinated and that the public and other animals are protected from the threat of rabies infection. Thank you for your cooperation.

As always, please feel free to call or email the office with any questions or concerns you might have.

Selectboard Highlights – Jan. 4

BY MERRILY LOVELL,
SELECTBOARD CHAIRPERSON

The Selectboard accepted the resignation of Phil Pouech, who has already begun work as our new State Representative. At our meeting on January 18, the Board intends to appoint a person, probably Phil, to fill that position until elections are held on March 7, 2023.

The Selectboard approved the Net Metering Agreement with Hartland GUYSWMD for a solar project in the White River Junction area, a project we had agreed to join at a few months ago. This agreement will, essentially, lower our electric bill by ten percent. The

net metering credits are planned to start on Jan. 31, 2023, or earlier.

The Selectboard approved the Post Closure Amendment for the Landfill Solar Project. This agreement had come to the Selectboard at a previous meeting, but several questions and concerns were raised. As all had been addressed, the Board was ready to approve this amendment so the Landfill Solar Project can move forward.

The Selectboard approved a request for a reduction of the Police Impact Fee for the Kelly’s Field 2 Project. This reduction is specifically for the Kelly’s Field senior housing project. Later this year, we expect to explore and refine the Police Impact Fee. The Selectboard has been pleased to support the Kelly’s Field project in any way we can.

Other forms necessary for the Kelly’s Field 2 project were also approved.

The Selectboard, after hearing from Chief Nick Baker, was in favor asking voters to approve around \$850,000 for the replacement necessary for Engine No. 2.

At 7 p.m., the Selectboard opened a Public Hearing on the draft FY24 Capital and Operating Budgets. The Board was grateful for the clarifying questions and the suggestions offered.

Town Manager Report: The third Highway Department employee started work last week.

The Village South Sidewalk project, from Meadow Mist to Hinesburg Community School, has risen in costs. The town will explore more funding options to cover the gap.

Unfortunately, two new households near the town landfill have recently been found to have elevated PFAS levels. The town will provide filtering systems to these households to mitigate this problem.



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Town Manager’s Office: Mon.–Fri. 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Todd Odit, Town Manager, Todit@hinesburg.org 802-482-4206. Joy Dubin Grossman, Assistant Town Manager, jdubingrossman@hinesburg.org 802-482-4207.

Town Planner Office: Mon.–Fri. 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Alex Weinhausen, Planner, aweinhausen@hinesburg.org 802-482-2281 ext. 225.

Zoning Administrator Office: Mon.–Fri. 12:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. and by appointment. Jim Jarvis, Zoning Administrator, jjarvis@hinesburg.org 802-482-4213.

Assessor’s Office Hours: Mon. 8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m., other hours by appointment. Lisa Truchon, VMPA – NEMRC/Assessor, assessor@hinesburg.org, 802-482-2281 ext. 228.

Hinesburg Recreation Office: Mon.–Thurs. 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Jennifer McCuin, Recreation Coordinator, hinesburgrec@gmavt.net, 802-482-2281 ext. 230.

OTHER INFORMATION

Recycling & Trash Drop-Off Centers: Hinesburg, 907 Beecher Hill Rd., Sat. 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Williston, Redmond Road; Mon.–Sat. 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. CSWD.NET.

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

Hinesburg Community Resource Center: 51 Ballards Corner Road. Shannon Wheeler, Executive Director, wheeler@hinesburgresource.org, 802-482-4946. Alex Konciewicz is the contact for **Friends of Families**, and she can be reached at the same number or at konciewicz@hinesburgresource.org. **Hinesburg Food Shelf** hours are Fri. 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon. Tues. 5:30-7:30 p.m. HINESBURGRESOURCE.ORG

United States Post Office Hours: Window: Mon.–Fri. 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Sat. 8:00 a.m.–12:00 noon. Lobby & Box Access: 24/7. 802-482-2292.

Hinesburg Community School: 10888 Route 116, 802-482-2106, CVSDVT.ORG/DOMAIN/9 for cafeteria menu, staff directory, department and team info, calendar, etc.

Champlain Valley Union High School: 369 CVU Road, 802-482-7100, CVSDVT.ORG/DOMAIN/12 for calendar, staff directory, student portal, etc.

Carpenter-Carse Library: 69 Ballards Corner, 802-482-2878, CARPENTERCARSE.ORG for library hours, services, and online resources.

Connecting Youth: Chittenden South community-based organization dedicated to creating a safe and healthy environment for young people. SEEWHY.INFO

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The Holiday Aftermath

BY ALISE CERTA,
CSWD MARKETING &
COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER

Once the presents have been unwrapped, the food has been eaten, the decorations have been taken down, and life slowly starts returning to normal, the holiday season inevitably leaves us with a lot of ... stuff.

CSWD has your guide to responsibly shedding all that holiday waste in the most eco-friendly and affordable way!

Holiday Packaging – an opportunity for reuse and recycling!

Wrapping Paper

Most wrapping paper (including tissue paper) is accepted for recycling in your regular blue-bin recycling.

If wrapping paper has any type of foil, Mylar, or plastic coating, it belongs in the trash. You can tell if your wrapping paper is coated with any of these by pinching the edge of the paper and pulling it apart slightly. If you see a plastic or foil layer appear, then it’s trash. Remove ribbons and bows for reuse and recycle the wrapping paper along with other mixed paper. Tape is OK to leave on.

Ribbons and Bows

Ribbons and bows can often be reused. If they are unusable, they belong in the trash.

Cardboard

Flatten it, place it in your blue bin and set it out with the rest of your curbside recycling, or bring it to any CSWD Drop-Off Center except the Burlington location. Cardboard must be clean and dry.

Size limits: Some curbside recycling services require cardboard to be no larger than two feet by two feet (Please call your hauler for specifications).

Up to four feet on any one side at CSWD Drop-Off Centers.

Please cut larger pieces to the dimensions above.

Plastic Packaging

Plastic packaging can go in the recycling bin if it’s rigid and is larger than two inches in two directions (e.g., both length and width are greater than two inches).

Remove paper inserts from plastic “blister packs” and clamshells – both can be recycled separately.

Please do not put any plastic bags or other filmy plastics in your recycling bin! Many grocery stores and some other locations accept them for recycling through a separate program.

Styrofoam Packaging

Styrofoam of any kind – including packing peanuts – is not recyclable in Chittenden County. If reuse is not an option for you, Styrofoam products belong in the trash. Visit our Packaging Reuse Options page for a list of local organizations that accept packaging materials for reuse.

Bubble Wrap and Packing Peanuts

A number of local shipping and packaging businesses will take your bubble wrap and packing peanuts for reuse. Otherwise, all filmy plastic and Styrofoam belongs in the trash.

Electrical Items – recycle them the right way!

String Lights

If your holiday lights burn out, or you’re replacing them with newer, energy-efficient LEDs, bring them to a CSWD Drop-Off Center in Essex, Milton, South Burlington or Williston and drop them in our scrap metal bin for recycling at no charge.

If your string has larger, old-fashioned bulbs, please remove the bulbs before recycling the rest of the string in the scrap metal bin. You can throw the bulbs away with your regular trash.

Batteries

Please do not put batteries in your recycling bin. Bring batteries of all types to any CSWD Drop-Off Center except Burlington for special recycling at no charge (quantity limits apply to certain battery types). Find even more battery recycling locations at [Call2Recycle.org](https://www.call2recycle.org).

Better yet: Consider buying rechargeable batteries and a charger to reduce your overall energy footprint. Some rechargeable batteries can be reused hundreds of times before they stop holding a charge.

Electronics

Thanks to the Vermont E-Cycles program, Vermont residents and businesses may bring old TVs or computer items to any CSWD Drop-Off Center except Burlington for special recycling at no charge.

Visit CSWD’s Electronics Recycling Page at [cswd.net/recycling/electronics](https://www.cswd.net/recycling/electronics) to learn more about which electronics are covered under this program.

LEGISLATIVE

Secretary of State Copeland Hanzas to Create New Position for Civics Education and Engagement

FROM VT SECRETARY OF
STATE PRESS RELEASE

As she begins her term, Secretary of State Sarah Copeland Hanzas plans to make civics education and engagement a major facet of her work. As part of this effort, she is creating a new position for the agency, Education & Civic Engagement Coordinator.

Secretary Copeland Hanzas acknowledges Jim Condos’ hard work to protect and preserve the integrity, transparency, and accessibility of our elections. She wants to build on that effort and move to a new phase of engagement with Vermonters of all ages.

“We need to recognize that sometimes people don’t vote because they don’t know how to vote, or they don’t know the candidates, or they are skeptical about whether their vote will make a difference,” said Copeland Hanzas. “That’s why the next phase of defending our democracy needs to be in education, awareness, and engagement.”

The new coordinator will work with the secretary and her team to create a civics curriculum for our schoolteachers, will engage with Vermonters on civics in their communities, and will build a voter guide for the 2024 General Election.

“Civics is more than the dry, boring three branches of government. Civics is also about being able to affect change, solve problems and make life better for all of us,” said Copeland Hanzas. “Individuals can only do so much on their own. Working together through civic participation allows us to accomplish more than any one person can do themselves.”

Interested applicants can view the job post on the Vermont careers page of the state’s website at [tiny.one/VTSOSeivics](https://www.tiny.one/VTSOSeivics) or can learn more about the position by contacting lauren.hibbert@vermont.gov, 802-828-2124.

Representative Balint Sworn-In to U.S. House of Representatives

Commits to Delivering for Vermont Families in Washington

FROM REP. BALINT
PRESS RELEASE

On January 7, Representative Becca Balint was officially sworn into the 118th Congress as United States Representative for Vermont. Following 15 roll call votes for Speaker of the House, Rep. Balint’s swearing-in makes history as the first woman and first LGBTQ person to represent Vermont in Congress. Balint comes to Washington ready to fight for her community as the state’s sole voice in the House of Representatives. Balint is focused on fighting for working Vermonters: addressing the mental health crisis and the extreme housing shortage in Vermont and across the country. She is committed to protecting our democracy by increasing access to the ballot, expanding reproductive rights, and addressing corruption in Washington.

“I am so very honored to represent the people of Vermont in Congress. I wouldn’t be here without the support of my family and all the people back home who believed in me,” said Rep. Balint (VT-AL). “Despite the dysfunction we witnessed this week from the GOP, Democrats are still ready to work with willing partners across the aisle to deliver results for working families and govern on behalf of all our constituents. My sense of purpose has only been reaffirmed through this uncertainty, and I am prepared to take on the challenges this Congress may bring.”

“I decided to run for Congress because working people in Vermont and across this country are struggling and they’re worried that democracy is at risk. I’m excited to work with my colleagues to make life for regular people easier and more affordable. With the rise in right wing extremism, it’s more critical than ever to stand up for democracy. This is a time for courage, and I promise to lead with the honesty, grit, and fight that Vermonters expect from their Representative. I look forward to working alongside House Democrats to defend democracy and essential freedoms for all Americans.”

POLICE

November 10: 9:18 a.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprinting for employment purposes.

10:45 a.m. Officers responded to a business on Route 116 where an individual was trespassed.

1:09 p.m. A citizen was assisted with a VIN verification.

5:09 p.m. Officers assisted the Department of Children and Families on Bear Lane with carrying out a court order.

November 11: 1:11 p.m. Officers responded to a business on Commerce Street and assisted with a medical emergency.

November 14: 2:20 p.m. A parking issue on Pond Road was investigated.

4:30 p.m. Officers investigated a 911 hang up on North Road.

6:05 p.m. An officer investigated a single car crash involving a deer on Mechanicsville Road.

November 15: 1:53 p.m. Suspicious circumstances on Bear Lane were investigated.

3:20 p.m. Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle crash on Charlotte Road.

4:40 p.m. Officers responded to a domestic dispute on Farmall Drive.

5:08 p.m. Suspicious activity on Baldwin Road was investigated.

9:10 p.m. A welfare check at a residence on Route 116 was conducted.

November 16: 6:52 a.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

7:06 a.m. Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle crash on Silver Street.

9 a.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Hollow Road.

9:11 a.m. A parking issue on Farmall Drive was investigated.

9:30 a.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Charlotte Road.

10:30 a.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

12:45 p.m. A citizen was assisted with a harassment issue.

4:50 p.m. A welfare check at a residence on Jourdan Street was conducted.

November 17: 2 p.m. Suspicious activity on Route 116 was reported and investigated.

4:20 p.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

7:15 p.m. Officers investigated an animal problem on Baldwin Road.

November 18: 8:37 a.m. Officers investigated a reported road rage incident on Route 116.

November 21: 10 p.m. Officers responded to a residence on Pond Road for a domestic dispute. Jonathan Lamb, 56, of Hinesburg was arrested for domestic assault.

November 22: 10:45 a.m. A 911 hang up on Ledgewood Lane was investigated.

November 23: 1:25 p.m. A welfare check was conducted on Patricia’s Place.

5:10 p.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

November 24: 5:25 a.m. A burglary alarm activation at a business on Ballard’s Corner Road was investigated.

2:15 p.m. A welfare check was conducted on Kelley’s Field Road.

November 25: 6:10 p.m. An officer investigated reported suspicious activity on Beaver Pond Road.

7 p.m. A welfare check was conducted on Shelburne Falls Road.

November 26: 3:45 p.m. Suspicious activity on Ballard’s Corner Road was investigated.

November 28: 7 p.m. Officers responded to CVU to assist staff with a student issue.

7:20 p.m. A welfare check was conducted on Ballard’s Corner Road.

November 29: 7:18 a.m. Officers investigated the reports of a vehicle passing a school bus in the process of picking up students.

1:45 p.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

4:41 p.m. An officer investigated damage to a motor vehicle on Lincoln Hill Road.

November 30: 10:51 a.m. Officers investigated the report of threats and harassment at CVU.

8:51 p.m. Officers responded to the parking lot of CVU for two unrelated, single car motor vehicle crashes.

December 1: 2:30 p.m. Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle crash on Route 116. Rory Gardner, 25, of Charlotte was cited for DUI.

5:15 p.m. Officers responded to Hollow Road for a reported overdose.

December 2: 8:52 a.m. A report of erratic operation on Silver Street was investigated.

11:36 a.m. A citizen was assisted with a civil issue stemming from a theft of services complaint.

12:30 p.m. Officers investigated the report of threats and harassment at CVU.

4:45 p.m. An assault at CVU was reported and is under investigation.

December 5: 7 a.m. Suspicious activity on Gilman Road was investigated.

8:45 a.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprints for employment purposes.

2 p.m. Found property was turned in and the owner located.

2:45 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprints for employment purposes.

6:24 p.m. An officer responded to Hillview Terrace for a property dispute.

10:14 p.m. An officer responded to Shelburne to assist officers there with a pursuit of a suspect in a stolen vehicle case.

10:40 p.m. An officer responded to Hillview Terrace for a citizen dispute.

December 6: 11:50 a.m. An officer assisted a motorist with a lock out on CVU Road.

1:30 p.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

4:10 p.m. An officer investigated a traffic hazard on Route 116.

December 7: 3:50 p.m. A report of threats and harassment by phone

was reported and investigated.

6:15 p.m. Officers served a Relief from Abuse Order to a resident on Hillview Terrace.

7:08 p.m. Officers served a Relief from Abuse Order to a resident on Hollow Road.

December 8: 7:51 a.m. An officer assisted Shelburne Police with locating two fleeing suspects.

8:50 a.m. Officers responded to a residence on North Road to serve a Relief from Abuse Order. Terrance Hart, 61 of Hinesburg was arrested for persons prohibited from possessing firearms and violating conditions of release.

9:40 a.m. A welfare check was conducted on Route 116.

12:30 p.m. Officers investigated the report of a loose dog on Mechanicsville Road.

7:30 p.m. Suspicious circumstance



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es on Hayden Hill Road West were investigated.

December 9: 10 a.m. Officers assisted another agency by contacting a resident on Green Street.

12:35 p.m. Officers responded to a residential burglary alarm on Mallard Pond Road.

1:15 p.m. An animal complaint on Green Street was investigated.

6:25 p.m. Suspicious circumstances on Sherman Hollow Road were investigated.

December 12: 2:45 p.m. Found property was turned in and later returned to the owner.

4 p.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

December 13: 6:25 p.m. An officer responded to Ledgewood Drive for a single car motor vehicle crash.

December 14: 8:53 a.m. A welfare check was conducted on Hillview Terrace.

10:20 a.m. A 911 hang up on Richmond Road was investigated.

December 15: 6:45 a.m. An officer responded to Richmond Road for a single car motor vehicle crash.

8:20 a.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprinting for employment purposes.

3:35 p.m. An officer responded to CVU Road for a three-car motor vehicle crash.

6:30 p.m. An officer investigated a deer hit by a motor vehicle on Charlotte Road.

7 p.m. An officer attempted to serve court paperwork to a resident on Hollow Road.

December 16: 7 a.m. An officer investigated a single car crash on Charlotte Road.

9:50 a.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

2 p.m. Officers investigated a 911 hang up on Jourdan Street.

2:35 p.m. Officers responded to Hayden Hill West for a two-car motor vehicle crash.

7:05 p.m. Officers attempted to locate a vehicle involved in a hit and run in Williston which was reported to be in the area.

9:15 p.m. An officer assisted Shelburne Police with a single car motor vehicle crash on Shelburne Falls Road.

December 19: 8:15 a.m. Officers attempted to locate an individual, for New York State Troopers, reported to be the area.

11:03 a.m. Found property was turned in to the police department.

December 21: 3:41 p.m. Officers assisted a citizen at CVU with a lockout.

7 p.m. Officers responded to Silver Street to investigate a reported traffic hazard.

December 22: 4 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen on Silver Street with a lockout.

9:53 p.m. An officer conducted a welfare check on Route 116.

December 23: 6:23 a.m. An officer investigated a reported traffic hazard on Tyler Bridge Road.

6:42 a.m. An officer investigated a reported traffic hazard on Route 116.

8:20 a.m. Officers responded to Kailey's Way for a residential alarm activation.

8:22 a.m. An officer assisted a citizen on Hawk Lane with residential damage caused by winter storm weather.

8:55 a.m. Officers responded to Richmond Road for the report of active power lines that had fallen in the roadway. While closing the road to traffic an operator ignored directions to seek an alternate route and drove through the traffic hazard and fled from police. Officers later located the individual. Christy Leonard, 29, of Hinesburg was cited for Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

10:03 a.m. An officer assisted a citizen on Oscars Lane with residential damage caused by winter storm weather.

11:50 a.m. Officers assisted a citizen on Ledgewood Lane with issues involving a generator.

12:06 p.m. Officers responded to Kailey's Way for a residential alarm activation.

5:31 p.m. Officers responded to

Hidden Pasture Road for a residential alarm activation.

7:55 p.m. Officers responded to Silver Street for a disabled motor vehicle obstructing traffic.

December 26: 10:45 a.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Richmond Road.

December 27: 4:20 p.m. A loose dog was turned in to the police department. The owner was later located.

8 p.m. An officer responded to a business on Route 116 for the report of a disruptive customer making threats to staff members.

December 28: 12:05 p.m. Officers responded to Pond Road to investigate a reported traffic hazard.

12:20 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprints for employment purposes.

1:05 p.m. Officers responded to Commerce Street to assist a citizen with a harassment complaint.

December 29: 3:42 p.m. Officers investigated a motor vehicle complaint on Route 116.

January 2: 11:08 a.m. An officer responded to an animal complaint on Ballard's Corner Road.

8:30 p.m. An officer responded to Hillview Terrace to investigate vandalism to a motor vehicle.

8:45 p.m. An officer conducted a traffic stop on Richmond Road for a stop sign violation. The operator, Sheridan Durochia, 26, of Hinesburg, was cited for operating a motor vehicle with a criminally suspended driver's license.

January 3: 3:45 p.m. Officers responded to Hillview Terrace for a juvenile issue.

7:45 p.m. Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle crash in the parking lot of Town Hall.

January 5: 8:35 a.m. Officers assisted a business on Route 116 with an employee issue.

12:50 p.m. Suspicious activity on Kelley's Field Road was investigated.

3:45 p.m. A noise complaint on Hillview Terrace was investigated.

January 6: 7:37 a.m. Officers investigated a report of threats and harassment to a business.

12:35 p.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

3:45 p.m. Officers assisted another agency in attempting to locate an individual on North Road.

January 7: 8:25 a.m. An officer was advised of a residential alarm activation on Charlotte Road.

January 9: 3 p.m. Found property was turned in to the police department and later returned to the owner.

FIRE

Hands Only CPR

February is Heart Health month. To help raise awareness, the Hinesburg Fire Department will be hosting a Hands Only CPR clinic.

The clinic will be held at the Hinesburg Fire Station, Saturday, Feb. 4, 9 a.m. to noon. This will be a drop-in clinic to teach Hands Only CPR. This life-saving technique can be learned in five to ten minutes and be performed by all ages.

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If you would like to know more, please stop by the Hinesburg Fire Station Monday through Friday,

8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday evening after 6:30 p.m., or email info@hinesburgfd.org.

Winter Safety Tips

As you read the call log, you will notice calls for Carbon Monoxide (CO) detectors where our meter went into alarm mode, meaning there is a presence of CO in the building. The readings ranged from 15 ppm for an ash bucket to close to 200 ppm for a malfunctioning furnace. In all cases, the residents left the home, there were no ill persons, and HFD responded to clear the CO from the home.

More than one call was because ashes from a wood stove were not properly disposed of. The ashes were left in an open bucket, next to the stove. This resulted in CO being emitted into the residence. When removing ashes from a wood stove, they should be placed in a metal bucket with some sort of metal cover, then placed outside, with weight such as a rock to hold the cover from blowing off.

Another home with readings had two causes. Ashes were left uncovered and a generator which had been placed next to the garage, resulting in the generator's ex-

haust entering the residence. We understand the need for generators. PLEASE be sure to place them outside, away from your residence, away from open doors and garages, and away from any outside vents.

If you have a garage that is part of your home, please do not warm your car up inside the garage. The exhaust has nowhere else to go but into the living areas.

Call Log

During November and December there were 40 EMS calls and 34 transports.

Nov. 2: 4:09 p.m. Two car crash near 2093 Silver St. There were no injuries.

Nov. 6: 1:39 p.m. Report of a fire in the mulch at 140 Commerce St. Crews arrived to locate a small wisp of smoke in the mulch which was extinguished. The cause was a carelessly discarded cigarette.

3:02 p.m. Mutual aid to Hillside Drive, Starksboro, for a brush fire located in the woods behind the residences. HFD assisted Starksboro Fire Department with extinguishing.

Nov. 7: 12:05 a.m. Southwind Drive for fire alarm sounding. The cause were old detectors left on the porch.

Nov. 9: 2:15 p.m. Three car crash at Route 2A and Breezy Valley Lane, St. George. There were no injuries.

Nov. 11: 8:32 p.m. Place Road East for a gas leak. Resident reported a smell of gas when they turned the stove on. HFD checked the residence with our meter and found no readings. The resident was instructed not to use the stove until it was serviced.

Nov. 15: 4:13 p.m. Requested to check the area of Baldwin and Burritt roads for a possible illegal burn. There was nothing located.

Nov. 16: 9:33 a.m. CO detector sounding on Texas Hill Road. Our meter showed reading of 55 ppm at the doorway and 45 ppm throughout the residence. The residence was ventilated to zero readings. There was no cause found. HFD recommended the owner contact their furnace company for service.

6:43 a.m. Silver Street and Lewis Creek Road for a report of a motor vehicle crash. The vehicle had slid off the road and was waiting for a wrecker.

9:04 a.m. Hollow Road at the Starksboro town line for a report of a motor vehicle crash. A car was located off the side of the road. There were no injuries. HFD assisted the operator from the vehicle.

Nov. 19: 9 a.m. EMS standby at

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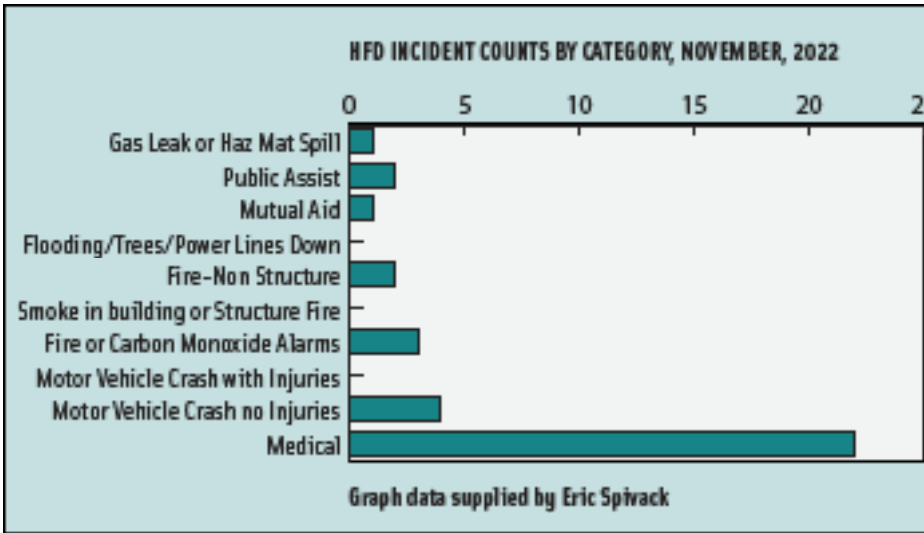
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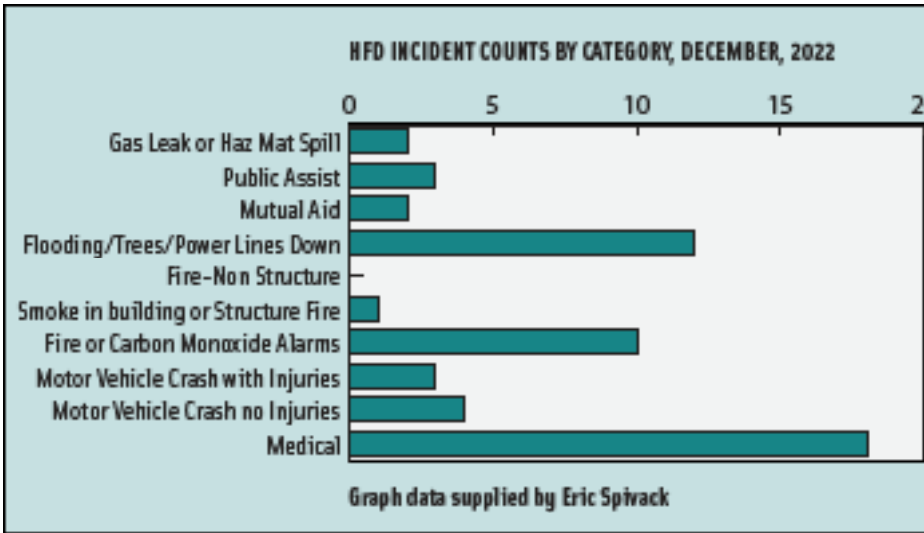
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HFD responded to 35 calls in November and 55 calls in December.
*an example of a non-structure fire would be a telephone pole, car, or grass/brush fire.



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CVU for the Turkey Trot.

Nov. 25: 2:39 a.m. Alarm activation on Owls Nest Road. The residence was checked. Nothing found.

Dec. 1: 2:34 p.m. Three car crash at Route 116 and Old Route 116. A vehicle had gone off the road onto the golf course. In the process of returning to the road, the operator accelerated coming off the course into the path of another vehicle, then colliding with a third vehicle. All operators were evaluated by Hinesburg EMS. One operator was transported to UVM Medical Center by Richmond Rescue.

Dec. 3: 10:42 p.m. Tree down on Hollow Road.

Dec. 4: 6:53 a.m. North Road for a CO alarm sounding. The residence was checked. There was no CO found. The detectors were determined to be out of date.

Dec. 11: 3 p.m. Two car crash on Richmond Road at Ernest Way. As the result of a snow squall, roads quickly became slippery. A car traveling west on Richmond Road lost control, hitting a second vehicle. One vehicle was blocking the west bound travel lane and part of the east. On arrival, HFD closed Richmond Road for the safety of responders and to avoid any further crashes. Hinesburg Highway Department was contacted for sanding. Two persons were treated at the scene, one each transported by Richmond and Williston rescues. Richmond Road was reopened approximately one hour later after Hinesburg Highway sanded.

3:26 p.m. Report of a car off the road at Route 116 and Hollow Road. A fire officer responded from the Richmond Road scene to the

second call. The vehicle was off the road with no one around.

3:31 p.m. A third call was received for another crash, car versus telephone pole, at 2568 Silver St. With resources committed to two calls, HFD requested Monkton Fire be dispatched to the Silver Street call.

8:11 p.m. CO alarm sounding at a residence on New South Farm. On checking at the doorway with our meter, the meter immediately went into alarm, reading 48 ppm. Crews donned their self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and proceeded into the residence where the meter was reading over 100 ppm. The cause was believed to be the wood stove and/or chimney pipe. The stove was cleaned, and the home ventilated to zero. The resident was instructed to have the stove and chimney pipe checked before further use.

Dec. 13: 10:23 a.m. Mutual aid to Route 116, Starksboro, for a garage fire. Hinesburg and Starksboro crews arrived on scene at about the same time. Crews made an aggressive fire attack, keeping the fire from spreading to the nearby house.

Dec. 14: 11:01 a.m. High Rock Road for a CO alarm sounding. Crews found CO levels of 15 ppm in the house. The cause was an open bucket of ashes left near the stove. The bucket was removed from the residence, with the ashes being properly disposed of, and the residence ventilated to zero readings.

Dec. 15: 6:41 a.m. One car crash at Richmond and Pond Brook roads. The vehicle was in the ditch on the east side of Richmond Road. The vehicle had rolled, landing on the driver's side. The operator had been assisted out of the vehicle by passersby. The operator was treated and transported by Richmond Rescue.

Dec. 16: 8:10 a.m. Multiple vehicle crash on Route 116 approximately one-half mile south of Dubois Corners. Slippery roads resulted in one vehicle going off the east side of 116, two vehicles into the field, and two more crashing into each other, coming to a rest off the east side near a telephone pole. One person was treated by Hinesburg EMS and refused transport.

Dec. 17: 6:35 a.m. A plow truck operator called to report a power pole snapped on Fletcher Farm Road. The pole snapped approximately six feet up, falling to the ground with the wires laying in the road, still connected to the poles on either side. One member of HFD hiked to the far end and placed cones across the road to warn residents. GMP was notified.

11:57 a.m. Fire alarm sounding at 10340 Route 116. The cause was found to be dust in a detector and a second faulty detector. The alarm company was contacted to replace the detectors.

Dec. 19: 5:45 p.m. CO alarm sounding on Blueberry Hill. No cause found. The resident was contacting their alarm company for service.

Dec. 21: 6:23 p.m. Leavensworth Road for a residential smoke detector sounding. It was determined to be dust from sanding being done in the basement workroom.

Dec. 22: 12:52 p.m. Hillview Terrace for public assist.

8:20 p.m. Route 116, St. George, for a smell of gas. The cause was a propane tank running empty.

Dec. 23: Between 6:23 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., HFD responded to 9 calls for trees and/or power lines down; 2 for a metal roof blown off a home; and a CO alarm with no cause found.

11:36 a.m. Report of a gas leak at a business on Commerce Street. A tree had come down, tearing the gas meter from the building. The gas was turned off and VT Gas notified.

4:55 p.m. CO alarm at a residence on Route 116, St. George. HFD re-

ceived readings of 20-27 ppm on the main floor and 50 ppm in the lower level. The causes were an open bucket of ashes near the wood stove, and a generator which was placed in front of the garage door. The ash bucket was removed and properly disposed, and the generator was turned off. The residence was ventilated to zero readings.

8:52 p.m. Aube Ridge Road for a CO alarm. HFD received readings of 60-70 ppm on the main floor. When checking the basement, readings were approximately 80 ppm, which spiked to almost 200 ppm when the furnace started to run. The furnace was turned off and service technician contacted. The residence was ventilated to zero readings. As HFD was clearing the scene, the technician was arriving.

Dec. 24: 10:52 p.m. Pond Road near Dynamite Hill for a tree on power lines.

Dec. 26: 11 a.m. Dispatched for a fire on the outside of a residence on Forest Road, St. George. Based on updated information from Dispatch, HFD was re-toned for a working incident and an engine requested from Williston. The first arriving officer reported the fire was out and cancelled Williston's response. HFD checked the residence for fire extension and CO. The cause was corner of a dish-towel which was next to the stove caught fire. The resident put the fire out and placed the towel on the porch where the wind reignited the towel. The fire quickly spread across the outside wall.

Dec. 28: 7:30 a.m. Mutual aid to Mason Hill Road, Starksboro, for a porch fire. HFD responded with an engine and tanker. On arrival, fire had spread to the interior of the residence. Crews were able to keep the fire from spreading further into the residence. HFD assisted with fire attack and overhaul.

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Financial Focus: Can You Plan for an Unplanned Retirement?

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Many people plan to take an early retirement, so when that day arrives, they're ready for it. But what if you were to face an unplanned retirement? Would you be prepared to deal with the financial issues?

It's something worth thinking about, because any number of factors — illness, a spouse's illness, downsizing, other issues — could lead to an abrupt departure from the workforce. But taking action while you're still working may help you make the transition easier on yourself.

Your first move, of course, should be to at least consider the possibility of having to retire earlier than you planned. You can then move on to some concrete steps, possibly including the following:

- *Build an emergency fund.* Under any circumstances, it's a good idea to build an emergency fund — but it's especially important if you want to prepare for an unforeseen retirement. Generally speaking, your emergency fund should contain three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account. But if you suspect an earlier-than-anticipated retirement may be in your future, and you have some time to prepare for it, you should consider an emergency fund that contains a full year's worth of expenses.
- *Consider your portfolio's asset allocation.* If you're concerned about an unexpected retirement, you may want to consider the equities allocation in your portfolio. If you think you may

need to tap into your portfolio sooner than you expected, you may not want to be over-exposed to investments most vulnerable to market volatility. However, these are the same investments that offer you the most growth potential — which you'll need to help stay ahead of inflation. So, look for an investment balance that's appropriate for your needs. As part of this positioning, you may want to shift some assets into income-producing vehicles, while also adding to the "cash" portion of your portfolio to boost your liquidity.

- *Evaluate your Social Security options.* An unplanned retirement may cause you to consider taking Social Security earlier than you had planned. You can start taking Social Security when you're 62, but your monthly benefits will be up to 30 percent lower than if you had waited until your full retirement age, which is likely between 66 and 67. If you have sufficient income through other sources, you may be able to delay taking Social Security until your checks will be bigger — but of course, if you need the money, waiting may not be an option.
- *Address your health care needs.* If you take an unplanned retirement, and you have employer-sponsored health insurance, you'll have to look for alternatives. You might be able to get extended coverage from your employer, but this could be quite expensive. Of course, if you're already 65, you can get on Medicare, but if you're younger, you might be able to get coverage under your spouse's plan. If that's not an option, you may want to explore one of the health care exchanges created by the Affordable Care Act. To learn more about these exchanges, visit health-care.gov.

Taking an unexpected retirement can certainly be challenging — but the more prepared you are, the better your outcomes are likely to be.

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Library News

February awaits and we are ready to hook you up with a great book you may not have encountered yet. Fill out a dating profile and we will connect you with a book you might just fall in love with. Slated to arrive this month are new books by C.J. Box, JD Robb, Jonathan Kellerman, James Rollins, Rebecca Makkai, Jill Santopolo, and Jojo Moyes. Read on for more information about everything happening in February (and a bit of March) at Carpenter-Carse Library.

Adult Programs

To register for any of the below adult programs and/or to get necessary Zoom links to join email rachel@carpentercarse.org. Check the library website for the latest on if the below programs will be taking place virtually or in-person at the library:

Blind Date with a Book – Wednesday, Feb. 1 - Tuesday, Feb. 14

Not sure what to read next? Let a librarian be your matchmaker! Fill out a dating profile, and we'll choose a book from our shelves that we think you'll fall for. You'll get some goodies for the date as well! Open to all ages.

Chess Club – Saturdays, Feb. 4, 11, 18, and 25, 1-3 p.m.

Players of any age or experience may drop in for a weekly game of skill and wits. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Hands and Needles – Mondays, Feb. 6, 13, 20, and 27, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Bring whatever project you're working on (quilting, knitting, embroidery, etc.) to this weekly adult program for a morning of creativity and conversation.

Songfarmers of Hinesburg – Thursday, Feb. 2, 6-8 p.m.

Whether you play an acoustic instrument or enjoy listening, join this monthly gathering to experi-

ence the joy of live music at the library.

Mystery Book Group – Wednesday, Feb. 8, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

We'll be meeting at the library to talk about *My Sister, the Serial Killer* by Oyinkan Braithwaite (copies available for request).

Zoom Trivia: Valentine's Day – Monday, Feb. 13, 7-8 p.m.

For about an hour, enjoy three rounds of trivia relating to this month's theme, Valentine's Day! Everyone can gain some knowledge, and the winning individual or team will receive a prize.

Film Club – Thursday, Feb. 23, 5:30-8 p.m.

Join local film buff Larry Parker for popcorn and a film discussion (unlike last meeting, the film will be shown at the club). This month's movie is TBD.

Game Night! – Friday, Feb. 24, 5-7 p.m.

Join us for a night of friendly competition with cards, dice, and tokens galore! If you have a favorite game at home, you're invited to bring it in to share. All ages welcome; we'll have stations around the library for the quiet and the rowdy, the beginner and the complex.

Evening Book Group (Zoom) – Tuesday, Feb. 28, 7-8 p.m.

We'll discuss *The Water Dancer* by Ta-Nehisi Coates (copies available for request). Email to receive the link to join the conversation.

Youth Programs:

Tuesdays, Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 9:30 a.m. – Join us for fun and learning at our **Weekly Storytime** with picture books, songs, movement, and rhymes that are designed to promote early language, fine motor, and pre-literacy skills in a friendly environment! Each week we will finish up Storytime with snacks, coffee for the adults, a simple craft or sensory activity, and book browsing. Storytime is designed for babies, toddlers, and preschool/kindergarten aged children and their caregivers, and no registration is required.

Monthly Craft Club, Fridays, Feb. 10, March 10, Apr. 7, 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. Students in kindergarten through grade six can sign up to join us for this monthly after school craft club. Each month we will make a new seasonal craft, hear a story, and enjoy a snack together. To sign up, email jen@carpentercarse.org

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LEGO Club is back! Wednesdays, Feb. 8, 15, and 22, March 1, 8 and 15, 2:15-3:30 p.m.

Students in grades K-4 can sign up for this six-week afterschool club where students will receive a weekly build challenge or work on their own projects. Registration is required, so contact **jen@carpenter-carse.org** and join us for LEGOS, fun, and friends this winter!

All Ages Game Night! Friday, Feb. 24, 5-7 p.m. Join us for a night of friendly competition with board games, cards, and dice galore! If you have a favorite game at home, you're invited to bring it in to share, and hopefully your family will discover new games to enjoy. We'll have game tables set up in the community room and throughout the library for the quiet and the rowdy, children and adults, the beginner and the complex.

Winter Break Concert and Sing-A-Long, Friday, March 3, at 1 p.m. Children of all ages and their parents are invited to join us for this fun and interactive event with long-time performer and musician Ed Morgan, also known simply as “The Music Man.” For over ten years Ed has delighted audiences of kids and grownups with his interactive blend of traditional and family songs! No registration is required, but let us know if you have questions.

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2023 - My New Year's Wish for Vermont

BY BILL SCHUBART

I don't want any one thing in the New Year but rather a new way of understanding leadership and governing from our executive, legislative, and judiciary branches.

I don't have a checklist of tweaks, quick fixes, or systemic overhauls that will revolutionize our endless but futile repair work. Nor do I have an idea for yet another non-profit council of innovators who will, through their elevated belief systems, make everything better.

I want a new governing vision for leadership and action – one that understands Vermont's gradual descent into this troubling array of interwoven complex systems that plague us. I want leaders who can imagine a new set of values focused on the common good and who have the courage to lead and enact change that lifts the average Vermonter.

In my 45 years observing Vermont politics, I've seen two types of politicians: managers who view politics as a business career – a way to make a living and garner respect as a person of influence – and those who see politics as service to those who elected them. Sadly, I've seen

more of the former than the latter.

Managers respond to problems as they present themselves. Leaders seek to understand the systemic origins of the problems and reenvision and deploy a system that generates fewer problems.

A friend was talking with a politician of significant rank in Vermont politics and the politician asked my friend, “So, what should I run for next?” Disheartened by the subtlety of the question, my friend shook his head and left the discussion.

Service means a deep intellectual and emotional connection to those served, not *noblesse oblige*. It is born of shared experience and empathy.

Leaders listen carefully to diverse points of view, derive consensus (not total agreement), honor and record dissent, and act. She or he clearly articulates the path forward and the rationale behind it to those served, then forcefully counters the inevitable headwinds that oppose change for fear of losing their privilege. They then engage the legislature – and, if needed, the judiciary – to forge and realize change. If need be, they acknowledge any missteps, and then back up and amend in order to move forward. Their dominant human characteristics are humility and courage.

Most important, they understand that our challenges are interwoven and that addressing the whole is the most cost-efficient means of driving positive change. They know that investing in the early well-being of people will significantly reduce costs downstream that it's cheaper to educate, care for, and prevent harm to people in real time than to try and fix them later on after the damage is done.

The following initiatives are all interconnected in their impact on people:

- Public education (not “childcare”) located in our communities from shortly after birth, staffed by early educational specialists who understand human development including the value of play (of which 500 are currently in training at Community College of

Vermont) as well as regional life-long learning opportunities.

- Early intervention in response to adverse childhood experiences (ACES) using trauma-informed counseling (TIC) and robust local family support systems;
- Integrated experiential learning, job-shadowing, and internship opportunities in high school, and access to higher education through a public system of government-financed community and state colleges with flexible pathways into higher education or employment. Lifelong-learning access for those who seek new educational or vocational opportunities at any age.
- Universal and affordable local access to primary care as needed/when needed. This includes physiological, mental health, dental, and substance-abuse disorder treatment options with acuity-driven escalation to regional secondary and tertiary care if needed as well as affordable access to safe housing and healthy food, both intrinsic to good health.
- A criminal justice system grounded in an understanding of human development one which offers a redemptive path to young people who often make impulsive bad choices and one which prioritizes safe re-entry, restorative justice, and local support systems over incarceration except in the rare cases where the public needs protection from violent or deviant behavior.

One of the great ironies underlying this connectedness: some 9000 Vermont children have a parent under the care or oversight of the Vt. Department of Corrections, while “having an incarcerated parent” is a defined as an “adverse childhood experience.”

Above all, I want a new culture of leadership that retires for good the aging Milton Friedman doctrine of maximizing shareholder value at any cost – one that makes the unfettered accretion of wealth a revered socio-economic prize.

I want new leaders who are informed and guided by the emerging governance philosophy, supported by solid research that the well-being of the commons produces a more stable society, economy and an environment that will sustain diverse human, animal, and

plant life.

This cultural shift has already begun in New Zealand, Canada, Australia, Iceland, Bhutan, Scotland, Finland, Germany, Wales, and Costa Rica among other countries.

With our one-time, outsized \$8-billion-plus budget and our majority political alignment, Vermont is well-poised to lead other states in this humane and practical change in governing philosophy.

My friends and colleagues at “True North” will assail this point of view, citing man's innate freedom to earn unlimited wealth through his own endeavor, the need to minimize taxes and government regulation and let wealth grow to any extreme. But unrestricted freedom to acquire wealth ignores the well-being of all but the 1% and the damage to the country becomes more evident by the day.

Endeavor and invention do drive an economy. Regulated capitalism can drive personal, family, and community prosperity, but we still need government regulation focused on the well-being of all its citizens and on sustaining our natural world to survive and thrive as a civilization.

I've often wondered if there's any significant difference in quality of life for those whose assets are \$80 million or \$7 billion? What's left to spend money on? What does one do with such wealth? One can always buy more things, but more material possessions has never been shown to enhance a sense of well-being.

One can spend money on campaigns, lobbying, or bribery in an effort to affect the course of government policy to one's own class advantage. One can donate to causes that further one's privilege, with a goal of shrinking the established role and size of government.

One can also choose to donate altruistically to reduce community suffering. But a progressive and equitable tax system will preserve and fund the agreed-upon roles of government and generate income to support the wellbeing of all Vermonters and their natural environment.

Imagine if Vermont leadership were to focus on and measure success based on the safety, comfort, opportunity, and happiness of all

its citizens, understanding that our level of wellbeing and not our level of wealth is the best measure of opportunity.

Vermont started down this path in 2015 with Act 113, establishing Vermont's Genuine Progress Indicator (GPI) metrics. The statute defined GPI as “the net contributions of economic activity to the wellbeing and long-term prosperity of our state's citizens, calculated through adjustments to gross state product that account for positive and negative economic, environmental, and social attributes of economic development.”

It's clearly stated mission is to “Improve the economic wellbeing and quality of life of Vermonters while maintaining our natural resources and community values.”

The goal is to “not only grow jobs and wages and increase our Gross Domestic Product, but also to improve the Genuine Progress Indicator – a measure that takes into account economic, social, and natural assets and impacts – by 5% over baseline over the next five years.”

We started down this path, so how did we do?

My hope for the New Year is that a new generation of executive and legislative leaders will have the courage and fortitude to instill a new philosophy of governing, one that is driven by the wellbeing of all Vermonters, our world neighbors, and our natural environment.

The Great Lake Champlain Ice Floe Rescue

BY ROGER DONEGAN

We should hardly be surprised that February weather produces one or two headlines a year of ice floe rescues in the Great Lakes region or here up north. Last year's headline “Coast Guard at Lake Erie Conducts Mass Rescue of Stranded Snowmobilers after Ice Breaks” carried by Fox News, Feb. 10, 2022, met the expectation. In that rescue, 20 people were brought to shore off Catawba Island on Lake Erie's southern shoreline midway between Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.



UH-1H “Huey” Static Display at the VT National Guard Museum Colchester

Certainly equal in human scale, the Lake Champlain ice floe stranding of February 1988, 35 years ago, began as a mere ice fishing inconvenience that turned into dire emergency in the course of two and a half hours. The Lake Champlain experience of shrinking options climaxed successfully because a Vermont Army Air National Guard Huey and a smaller New York State Police helicopter swooped in with alternate landings to shuttle clutches of survivors off disintegrating ice over deep water between Charlotte, Vt., and Essex, N.Y., in the nick of time.

Last year's Lake Erie rescue started once the red and white US Coast Guard MH-65 Dolphin helicopter noticed 20 stranded people looking for a route back to land and immediately initiated a hoisting operation with a rescue swimmer lowered to the ice as is protocol. Seven people were individually tethered up into the safety of the aircraft. A US Coast Guard airboat rescued four more and a Good Samaritan also operating an airboat was credited with rescuing seven additional people.

The Burlington Free Press reported “Ice Fishermen Saved,” by Ian Polumbaum, Feb. 23, 1988, with its anxious headline and subtitle that declared “23 snatched by helicopter from drifting ice on lake.” The newsprint article included two on-scene photos of a Vt. Air National Guard UH-1H (“Huey”) by Terri Thorfinnson; one a fuzzy telephoto shot from the New York side of the Army-green colored helo in hover over those stranded and a second photo close-up of the Huey on the ground in Essex, as one survivor who just popped out next to the helicopter stood erect, face up with arms outstretched skywards in dramatized relief. A simple colored geographic map of the Thompson Point area sported two flagged captions: “ice floe breaks off and floats north carrying 23 people” and “two helicopters taking a total of six trips, transported the 23 from the ice floe to the Essex ferry landing.”

That the 23 people included 17 men, two women and four children suggests they were off work or out of school on a Monday in observance of Washington's



Yankee Magazine Feb. 1989 pages 70-71.

Birthday. *The BFP* article quoted several survivors including one from Hinesburg and a Mr. John Irving. John and his six-year-old son Carl were first-time ice fishermen invited out onto the ice by Ron LaRose. John was superintendent of the McNeil Generating Station. Ron was the station maintenance supervisor. On the job I worked indirectly under John and alongside Ron. The Irvings' whole episode was shared in an interview to a writer from *Yankee Magazine* at a later date in John's corner office off the main floor at the McNeil Station. Jon Vara's feature article for *Yankee* circulated the following February included personal accounts of people both on and off the ice. The title “Deep Trouble on Lake Champlain” represented a quote and an admission of the actual peril experienced by one survivor.

The *Yankee* article opened with a full two-page color illustration of a Huey descending upon the scene on the ice floe. A helmeted sky captain on his knees in an open doorway of the Huey makes ready to assist boarding while those stranded on the ice below appear beset or prone as the wind-scoured ice surface was depicted a slippery mess true to accounts.

Earlier that morning the 6-inch ice sheet was a welcoming flat expanse three miles long by one mile wide. Smelt was the quarry, a savory Lake Champlain favorite when smelt fishing is good. All was status quo until fish lines let down through the augured ice holes took a sudden in-water slant toward shore. That the ice sheet had become adrift was scouted out and confirmed. Time appeared to allow the trudge north to a landing at Cedar Beach while the unceasing south wind bore at their backs. Meanwhile wind shear had also imparted a counterclockwise rotation to the floe's drift, angling it west toward open water. The group had assembled in the middle at one point and had even got down to form an “SOS” with their bodies. Cell phones were yet to be invented.

Once out of the lee of Thompson Point the ice floe, fully exposed to the force of a steady 40 mph wind, gained added momentum. The abandoned ice shanties began

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onette and flipbook combo showcased the fifth graders' research abilities, creative impulse and unique artistic styles.

During this residency, the fifth graders imparted their new puppet making skills by helping three kindergarten classes create "cool kid" finger puppets. These kindergarteners were then able to bring their puppets with them to the fifth grade showcase as they supported and celebrated their

fifth grade buddies. Between the two grades, 101 students participated and were impacted by this residency.

The fifth-grade reading teacher, Ms. Wieland, hosted the program and brought an additional level of excitement, engagement and support to this unique creative process. This six-day residency was supported by a 2023 Teaching Artist Grant from the Vermont Arts Council. Ms. Wieland was instrumental in receiving this funding to secure the success of this program.

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to disappear. The ice floe traveled more than two miles northward, toward Sloop Island on the Vermont side which was seen as a second option for temporary haven. On closer approach the wandering group witnessed Sloop Island, not much bigger than a ferry itself, violently cleaving the massive ice sheet shoving upon it, tossing up great slabs of ice. *Yankee Magazine* highlights the account of a dad and his two daughters, ages five and nine,

who shared a moment of prayer as the seriousness of the situation became clearer. The last-ditch direction for the group's self-rescue now was to head west with the hope of stepping off the ice in New York.

A 17-year-old would-be ice fisherman was shocked to discover lake ice, shanties, and ice fishermen absent and scrambled to find a phone. At 1 p.m. a watchful resident in Essex, N.Y., saw the predicament from his lakeside home and notified the New York State Police. Numerous rescue efforts were set in motion. All LCTC ferry service routes were shut down except the Plattsburgh-Grand Isle run, which did divert a ferry to head south; however it could make no more than two mph against thick ice and a 40 mph head wind. The

iced-in Burlington Coast Guard Station had no means. US Coast Guard helicopters stationed in Cape Cod and Floyd Bennett Air Field in Brooklyn were beyond range of timely deployment.

A Brockway commuter plane from BTV flew out to circle the ice floe for 30 minutes. Normally the Vt. Army Air National Guard Huey(s) are grounded by winds over 35 mph, plus it was uncertain how to rescue people if they were in the water. The pilots and air crew ultimately volunteered, got the Huey airborne, and vectored in to gingerly put down onto the ice at 2:20 p.m. for the first evacuation of women and children. At this moment John Irving vividly recalls seeing his son, Carl, safely inside the aircraft waving from its window while the pilot signaled thumbs up before lifting off. Once clear the New York State Police

then made the next landing, and so on. When all were safely gathered at a makeshift landing zone north of Essex Village, the rescued fishermen piled into a school bus for the return to Charlotte. In specific recognition of their close call together, John and Carl celebrate being alive every February 2.

Note: The Vt. Army Air National Guard crew members were awarded medals for valor and distinguished service publicly by Gov. Madeleine Kunin (See "Guardsmen Honored for Ice Floe Rescue," AP, March 10, 1988). The Bell Aircraft UH-1H was a workhorse first developed in 1956 for medical evacuations and supply missions. The Vietnam-era aircraft were in service with the Vt. Army Air National Guard from 1971 until 1999 (See "End of an Era for Vermont Army National Guard," *BFP*, July 23, 1999).

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EDUCATION

CVSD Teachers Contract Ratified**CVSD PRESS RELEASE**

The Champlain Valley Education Association (CVEA) and the Board of School Directors for the Champlain Valley School District are happy to announce an agreement has been reached on a new contract for the 2022-23, 2023-24, and 2024-25 school years. Raises for teachers will be based on experience and level of education. Increases include new money for teacher salaries in the amount of 5%, 6%, and 4.75% for the respective school years.

In addition, the two parties agreed to create separate committees to explore issues related to safety, seniority, and other issues. Healthcare terms are determined by statewide negotiations.

CVSD School Board Chair Angela Arsenault said, "Our board is grateful for the collaborative approach we were able to take with the union during the negotiation process. We thank our teachers for their patience as the two parties worked through the scheduling challenges inherent in planning multiple meetings and — mostly and always — for their unwavering dedication to the students of CVSD."

Lisa Bisbee, chief negotiator for the CVEA, shared, "After working without a contract for six months, teachers represented by the Champlain Valley Education Association are relieved to finally settle and ratify a successor agreement. This new contract will ensure that all teachers will see some increase, while also going a long way toward attracting and retaining teachers in our district given the very tight labor market for educators."

The CVSD Board of School Directors ratified the contract on Tuesday, Jan. 10, and the CVEA ratified it on Wednesday, Jan. 11.

The CVEA and the Board are pleased with the new contract and believe it is in the best interest of the students, teachers, and communities of the Champlain Valley School District.

CVSD Educators and Leaders Recognized**FROM CVSD PRESS RELEASE****CVSD Outstanding Educators 2022**

We are proud to share that **Hannah Carey** and **Heidi Huestis** were recognized in November at UVM's 42nd Outstanding Educator event. Hannah is a math teacher at CVUHS and Heidi is the librarian at Charlotte Central School. They were nominated by their peers and building administrators.

The comments below were submitted with their nominations for this award.

"Hannah Carey is a creative, connected, and collaborative teacher. She knows her students deeply, resulting in lasting relationships. Students name her as a favorite teacher for years after taking her class. Hannah is most passionate about creating opportunities to make learning more engaging and pursues innovations to meet this need. Her ideas use connections between math and other subjects to help students see the relevance of their learning in the world. We are grateful for Hannah's work."

"Heidi Huestis has touch-points with every staff member and student in our building, sharing her love of literature with all. She uses



Hannah Carey was recognized in November at UVM's 42nd Outstanding Educator event.



Heidi Huestis was recognized in November at UVM's 42nd Outstanding Educator event.

her knowledge of students, their interests and their abilities to create access to rich books for all. She volunteered as a middle school advisor and spends every morning creating a safe space and fostering connections with our middle school students. Heidi is more than our CCS librarian; she is an asset to the whole CCS community."

Celebrating CVSD Leaders

We are excited to honor and recognize seven Champlain Valley School District educators who completed the Snelling Center for Government's Vermont School Leadership Project in November. CVSD has a long history of encouraging leaders to participate in this



Seven leaders in CVSD

17-month professional development experience. The district and its schools have benefited as a result of engagement in this program.

The 2022 cohort includes 22 Vermont educators, seven of whom are leaders in CVSD. Pictured clockwise in the image below this column (as well as above):

Courtney Krahn, assistant principal, Charlotte Central School

Jensa Bushey, CVSD district literacy leader

Angela Filion, principal, Allen Brook School

Sarah Crum, CVSD director of learning and innovation

Caitlin Bianchi, math coordinator, Williston Schools

Arthur Chiaravalli, Fairbanks house director, Champlain Valley Union High School

Jennifer Roth, principal, Charlotte Central School

Our district is fortunate to have motivated leaders who strive to learn, enhance their skills, and challenge themselves in order to best support our students.

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SCS Paraeducator Recognized

We are thrilled to share that **Gloria Mantagaris**, a paraeducator at the Shelburne Community School (SCS), has been named the Vermont NEA’s Education Support Professional of the Year.

The VT-NEA shared this information in their press release announcing Gloria’s award:

On this national Education Support Professionals Day, we are pleased to announce that Gloria Mantagaris, an intensive needs paraeducator at the Shelburne Community School, has been named the Vermont-NEA ESP of the Year for 2023. A leader, negotiator, and active member of the Champlain Valley Education Association, Gloria was instrumental in forming her district’s Paraeducator Mentor Program. She has also helped secure extra sick time and an additional paid week during April break for ESP. In short, according to Stephanie Dupras, who is the co-coordinator of the ESP Peer Mentor Program, “Gloria’s passion for this profession is unparalleled. She is always an advocate for what is right and just for all ESP families. She is a peer that I look to in admiration for all she does for the ESP profession.”



Gloria Mantagaris has been named the Vermont NEA’s Education Support Professional of the Year.



As the Vermont-NEA ESP of the Year, Gloria will receive a \$1,000 check, an all-expenses paid trip to the NEA ESP Conference in March, and will represent the state in the national ESP of the Year contest, which carries a top prize of \$10,000.

“The core of my work is to foster trusting relationships with all students,” she said in her application. “Student success is driven by meeting them at their needs and this something I live and work by.”

This marks the second year in a row that a CVSD education support professional has received this recognition. Jimmy Johnson, one of our valued bus drivers, was honored last year. We are so very proud!

CVU Student Wins Congressional App Challenge

CVSD PRESS RELEASE

Congratulations to **Jaden Parker**, this year’s Vermont Congressional App Challenge winner! Jaden, a senior at CVUHS from St. George, created an app called Hollow Valley using the JavaScript and HTML programming languages.

The Congressional App Challenge is an official initiative of the U.S. House of Representatives, where members of Congress host contests in their districts for middle school and high school students, encouraging them to learn to code and inspiring them to pursue careers in computer science. Each participating member of Congress selects a winning app from their district, and each winning team is invited to showcase their winning app to Congress during the annual #HouseOfCode festival. You can learn more about the program at congressionalappchallenge.us.

When asked about how it feels to have won this challenge for Vermont, Jaden said, “If I had to summarize my feelings about winning down to one word, I’d choose ‘empowering.’ Computer programming is a fiercely competitive sector. While the coding itself is difficult, creating something of your own design requires a different level of creativity than I’m used to. With my app, I put some of my best work forward and a lot of hours. Winning this award makes it all feel worth it. I’m incredibly thankful to my mentors who pushed me to submit my app to this challenge. Without the guidance of people like Charlie MacFadyen, I wouldn’t have been able to have this opportunity.”

Jaden provided the following information about his app and the development process.

Please briefly describe what your app does.

My app is a platforming game consisting of three levels. Each level operates on a canvas with platforms drawn using a series of intervals and functions. Each level is playable and is accessed through a level-select screen.

What inspired you to create this app?

I was introduced to HTML files and canvases during a computer programming class I took at CVU in the spring of 2022. For my final project, I chose to create a simple game. The game I submitted for that class was used as a building off point for the app that I submitted for the contest.

Access CVU Winter/Spring Semester Launches

FROM ACCESS CVU PRESS RELEASE

Happy New Year! We are excited to share that the Winter/Spring semester of Access CVU, YOUR destination for community education based out of CVU High School, is ready to launch! With over 170 classes offered, and more being added monthly, there’s something for everyone.

Some things of note:

- We have a new jewelry series with Cathy LeClair starting with a Hammered Heart pendant in February, and continuing with four unique bracelet and earring projects.
- Strength and cardio training is back by popular demand!
- Are you looking to improve the relationships in your life, perhaps with yourself or your children? Join Beth Martell as she offers several great options.
- Are you a maker looking for a new project? We have new classes that include Turning a Wooden Pen, Building an Adirondack Chair, Sewing a Cute & Practical Tote Bag, or Quilting Using Foundation Paper Piecing.
- Cooking classes are expanding with new instructors and topics, including Tourtiere (the French-Canadian meat pie that makes for a delicious winter meal), or learning to make your own Sourdough Bread.

Below is a list of classes offered during February, organized by category. All classes meet in-person at CVU, with the exception of a handful of online classes (identified with an “*”) which will meet over Zoom or Google Meet.

Cooking & Cuisine

Wednesday, Feb. 1: Tourtiere: Traditional French Canadian Meat



Paper Piecing: Feb. 6



Hammered Heart pendant. Feb. 9



Turn a Wooden Pen. Feb. 21

Pie

Wednesday, Feb. 8: Valentine’s Day Cupcakes

Thursday, Feb. 9: Chocolate Specialties!

Thursday, Feb. 16: Indian Cooking: Paneer Korma and Palak Paneer with Puri

Monday, Feb. 20: Baking 101: Easy as Apple Pie

Thursday, Feb. 23: Vietnamese - Traditional Beef Pho

Fine Arts & Crafts

Wednesday, Feb. 1: Watercolor Studio with Ginny Joyner

Wednesday, Feb. 1: Intro to

Knitting - Super Bulky, Cozy Cow! Thursday, Feb. 2: Punch Needle Rug Hooking

Thursday, Feb. 2: Aroma Solstice Body Scents

Monday, Feb. 6: Introduction to Welding Fabrication

Monday, Feb. 6: Foundation Paper Piecing: A New Sewing Technique

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Turn a Wooden Pen!

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Carving in Wood - The Love Spoon

Monday, Feb. 7: Watercolor for Beginners

Wednesday, Feb. 8: Pottery with Supervision

Thursday, Feb. 9: Hammer My Heart Pendant Workshop

Thursdays, Feb. 9: Open Lathe Workshop - Bowl Turning with Eddie!

Thursday, Feb. 9: Watercolor for Beginners 2

Monday, Feb. 13: Open Studio - Ceramics

Thursday, Feb. 16: Knitting Cable Mittens

Tuesday, Feb. 21: Turn a Wooden Pen!

Thursday, Feb. 23: Enchanted Botanical Candle Making

Fitness, Dance, Yoga & Mindful Movement

Wednesday, Feb. 1: Zumba with Dillon!

Thursday, Feb. 2: Yoga Thursday with Ellen!

Monday, Feb. 6: Strength & Cardio Training

Tuesday, Feb. 7: East Coast Swing Dancing for Beginners

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Intro to Yang Tai Chi

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Restorative Yoga with Sound Healing

Tuesday, Feb. 14: Kundalini Yoga: The Yoga of Radiance

Health & Nutrition, New Age & Holistic Wellbeing

Thursday, Feb. 9: Reiki - First Degree with Amy deGroot

Thursday, Feb. 9: Gluten Free Baking Discussion

Thursday, Feb. 9: Introduction to Intuitive Eating

Tuesday, Feb. 21: Minding Your Mind: An Owner’s Manual for your Best Mind

Thursday, Feb. 23: Minding Your Mind: An Owner’s Manual for your Best Mind*

Home & Garden

Tuesday, Jan. 31: Beekeeping Basics

Thursday, Feb. 2: Home Repair Series: Home Systems & Maintenance Basics

Tuesday, Feb. 7: What’s In a Bird’s Name?*

Wednesday, Feb. 8: Beautiful Spring Gardens*

Thursday, Feb. 9: Home Repair Series: Interior Maintenance

Monday, Feb. 13: Growing Mushrooms in your Yard

Thursday, Feb. 16: Home Repair Series: Carpentry Basics

Thursday, Feb. 16: Tool and Knife Sharpening

Wednesday, Feb. 22: Bird Nests: Custom-Designed and Custom-Built for the Growing Family*

Wednesday, Feb. 22: Gardening with Native Perennials*

Thursday, Feb. 23: Home Repair Series: Renovating 101

Kids & Teen

Monday, Feb. 13: A Kids Tea Party - From Kitchen to Parlor

Music & Languages

Thursday, Feb. 2: Spanish Conversation: Intermediate to Advanced Levels*

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Spanish for Beginners*

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Spanish for Travelers*

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Harmonica for Adults

Thursday, Feb. 9: French Conversation for Advanced Beginners*

Thursday, Feb. 9: French Conversation: Intermediate to Advance*

Thursday, Feb. 9: Ukulele for Adults- Level 1

Tuesday, Feb. 14: Guitar for Beginners - Part 1

Tuesday, Feb. 21: Italian for Beginners- Part 1*

Tuesday, Feb. 21: Italian for Beginners- Part 2*

Tuesday, Feb. 21: Basic Banjo for Beginners - Short Course

Tuesday, Feb. 21: Basic Banjo 2 - Short Course

One Night University

Tuesday, Feb. 21: Hiking Vacations Throughout Europe and on a Budget!

Professional Development & Writing Workshops

Wednesday, Feb. 1: Poets’ Workshop with Laura Budofsky Wisniewski*

Thursday, Feb. 9: Flash Fiction*

Thursday, Feb. 23: Publishing Workshop: The Paths to Publication*

Check out our website, cvsdvt.ce.eleyo.com (or Google “Access CVU”), for more information, and to register for a class. As a reminder, early signups help us plan - for popular classes. It ensures you a spot in the class, and it avoids classes being canceled due to low enrollment. And if there’s a waitlist for a class you’re interested in, we encourage you to add your name since we will open up an extra section of a class if we get enough interest. You can always call or email us to be added to a waitlist; we do not require payment information if

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ORGANIZATIONS

Shelburne Age Well Feb. 10 Grab and Go Meal

FROM AGE WELL PRESS RELEASE

Age Well and St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Shelburne are teaming up to provide a meal to go for anyone age 60 and older on Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2023. The meal will be available for pick-up in the parking lot at 72 Church St., Shelburne, from 11 a.m. until noon on February 14. These meals are available for all 60 or older, regardless of town of residence. They are nutritious and delicious.

The menu is: Swedish meatballs with sauce, rotini noodles, Brussels sprouts, French green beans, wheat dinner roll/butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

To order a meal: please contact Sheryl Oberding by Wednesday, February 8. Email: (preferred) soberding@yahoo.com Phone: 802-825-8546

If this is a first-time order, please provide: name, address, phone number, and date of birth.

If you haven’t yet filled out a 2022 Congregate Meal Registration, please bring a completed registration form with you or send one to: Age Well; 875 Roosevelt Highway, Ste. 210; Colchester, VT 05446.

We will have forms on hand for you to fill out at meal pick-up, or download the registration form to fill out ahead of time: [tiny.one/AgeWellForm](https://www.agewellvt.org)

An Age Well representative will be available to obtain the suggested \$5 donation restaurant tickets to dine at one of the participating restaurants. More information on this program can be found on the Age Well site: [agewellvt.org](https://www.agewellvt.org)

Lake Iroquois Association News

BY SHANNON KELLY, LAKE IROQUOIS ASSOCIATION

Lake Iroquois Wins the Gold!

Many people familiar with Lake Iroquois know exactly how important the lake is to them. But in mid-November, the Lake Iroquois Association (LIA) found out there is a new way to measure just how special one of the most popular bodies of water in Chittenden County really is.

Alison Marchione, Lake Shoreland Coordinator for the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (Vt. DEC) notified LIA’s current president, Shannon Kelly, that Lake Iroquois had achieved Lake Wise Gold status.

What does that mean?

The Vermont Agency of Natural Resource’s Lake Wise Award program “...aims to inform, teach, and change the current lakeshore development practices from clearing shores and building sea walls to practices that are more lake friendly and known to effectively protect the lake.”

The Lake Wise Program was developed to educate lakeshore property owners and incentivize them to invest and implement best management practices that enhance shoreline protection. Shoreline property owners undergo an assessment of their parcel of land, which must meet specific criteria set forth in the program to be awarded the Lake Wise Award designation. The capstone to a successful award is a sign signaling the property owner is doing their part to protect the shoreline for lake health.

For a lake to achieve Lake Wise Gold status, 15 percent of a lake’s total shoreline property owners

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must receive the Lake Wise Award. Why 15 percent?

According to the Vt. DEC's informative Lake Wise web page, social science suggests neighbors are influential with other neighbors in seeking similar property improvements that in turn lead to recognition. The web page also cites marketing research showing that 15 percent of a given population is a metric that often leads to favorable trendsetting.

How significant is this achievement?

There are more than 800 lakes and ponds found within Vermont's borders. Of these bodies of water, only two lakes in Vermont had achieved Lake Wise Gold status. Lake Iroquois proudly becomes the third Lake Wise Gold recipient statewide.

The Lake Iroquois Association celebrated its 15-year anniversary in November 2022. While not formally organized prior to 2007, lake residents and others have participated in active stewardship of the lake since the 1970s.

2023 Lake Iroquois Ice Out Challenge

The Lake Iroquois Association announces its third Annual Ice-Out Challenge. Entries to the Ice-Out Challenge will be accepted through 11:59 p.m., March 1, 2023, on the association's website at lakeiroquois.org/news/ice-out-challenge. To purchase tickets, click on 'Enter the Challenge.' Ice-Out Challenge tickets are \$1 each, with discounts for 20, 30, 40, or 50 tickets. The winner receives 50 percent of the proceeds after expenses. In the event of more than one person guessing the winning time, the 50-percent portion of the proceeds will be evenly split among those holding winning tickets.

Participants in the Lake Iroquois Ice-Out Challenge guess the date and time a concrete block mounted on a pallet will break through the ice on Lake Iroquois. A line attached to the pallet and cinder block loops around a power cord that disconnects and stops a clock mounted on shore when the en-

tire assembly sinks. Ice-out dates recorded on Lake Iroquois since 1987, including historic Ice-Out Challenge dates, may be found on LIA's website: lakeiroquois.org/enjoying/ice-out-dates.

Funds raised by the Ice-Out Challenge are used to support the Lake Iroquois Association's advocacy and efforts to continue improving lake health. Through the Lake Iroquois Greeter Program and Hot Wash Station, greeters at the Vt. Fishing Access on the lake inspected watercraft and trailers during the busy summer 2022 season. Greeter staff informed watercraft users about aquatic invasive plant species Friday through Sunday from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Greeters inspected nearly 1,000 more watercraft this summer compared to the 2021 season. The Lake Iroquois Recreation District manages the Lake Iroquois Beach, which saw a significant increase in the number of beach passes sold in 2022.

With the marked increase in boating, fishing, and swimming on the lake, the need for additional funding to protect the water quality of lake is crucial.

If you are interested in learning more about the Lake Iroquois Association's efforts, or would like to get involved with any of LIA's projects, please visit our website at lakeiroquois.org or send an e-mail to lakeiroquoisassociation@gmail.com.

Students Find Their Community at The Governor's Institutes of Vermont

FROM GIV PRESS RELEASE

The Governor's Institutes of Vermont (GIV) has just opened applications for the 2023 offerings of their residential summer programs. Passionate Vermont ninth, tenth, and 11th grade students are invited to apply for the experience of a lifetime.

GIV Institutes take place on Vermont college campuses and give their attendees the opportunity to dive deep into a topic of



Students at the 2022 GIV Environmental Science and Technology Institute explore water systems with an interactive demo on the banks of the Winooski River. Photography by Candace Hope

interest for an intensive one or two weeks. Each Institute is focused around a career-oriented topic including Arts, Engineering, Entrepreneurship, Environmental Science & Technology, Global Issues & Youth Action, Health & Medicine, Mathematical Sciences, and Technology & Design.

At GIV, students learn from industry professionals, participate in hands-on projects, and explore career options — all while having fun and making friends. These programs are designed to be affordable to all Vermont families, with scholarships that allow students to pay as little as \$10 to attend.

“[My child] gained more confidence, made excellent connections, and tried new things at Governor's Institutes of Vermont,” said one parent of a 2022 Arts student. “The confidence they had in themselves after being there cannot be overstated.”

Last summer was one of GIV's biggest years ever, welcoming 487 students from 72 high schools. This year, for its 40th Anniversary, the organization plans to serve even more students and reach young people from all corners of Vermont.

To learn more about GIV's 2023 summer Institutes, please visit giv.org or email hello@giv.org with any questions. Students can visit giv.org/apply to fill out a simple application. The deadline is March 31.

SCHIP Announces Fall Grant Awards

FROM SCHIP PRESS RELEASE

Shelburne, Charlotte, Hinesburg Interfaith Project (SCHIP) has announced its Autumn 2022 grant awards. Recent monies in the amount of \$27,500 were awarded to 11 nonprofits in our towns that met the criteria of serving the people of our communities in a variety of ways. The recipients for this cycle included: Age Well, Champlain Housing Trust, Feeding Chittenden, Hinesburg

Community Resource Center, Joseph's House, Kidpower, Prevent Child Abuse, Resource, Shelburne Rescue, St. Catherine of Sienna Church, and Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

These awards are made possible as a result of SCHIP's mission to raise funds through the sale of donated, gently used clothing, household items, accessories, art, and collectibles at its resale shop in the distinctive yellow building on Route 7, next to the town offices. Since the first grants given in April 2005, more than \$828,500 has been distributed.

SCHIP accepts grant applications twice a year. The deadlines are April 15 and October 15 of each year. The maximum grant size is \$3,000. Application forms are available on the “Grants” link at: TheSCHIP.org

As a member of our communities, you too are an intimate part of our mission. Come shop, donate, volunteer, and help us continue to meet our objectives for the future. For more information on grant recipients or the organization, please visit our website or our Facebook page (SCHIP's Treasure Resale Shop) or call the shop for volunteer or donation inquiries at 985-3595.

Our participating faith communities are: All Souls Interfaith Gathering, Shelburne; Charlotte Congregational Church; Hinesburg United Church; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Charlotte; Shelburne United Methodist Church; St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Shelburne; St. Jude's Catholic Church, Hinesburg; Trinity Episcopal Church, Shelburne.

OUTDOORS

Animal Personality

BY ETHAN TAPPER, CHITTENDEN COUNTY FORESTER

Each of Vermont's tens of thousands of native species fills an ecological niche, influencing its environment and the species around it in different ways. While an important component of managing for healthy, biologically diverse forests includes managing for species diversity (different species of wildlife, trees, and plants), there are also differences in behavior between individuals of the same species.

The emergent study of intraspecific behavioral variation — also known as animal personality — has illuminated the behavioral diversity within individual species. Studies of animal personality focus largely on five traits: boldness/shyness, aggressiveness, activity, exploratory behavior and sociability. Across a growing body of scientific literature, species from birds and grizzly bears to worms and salamanders exhibit a range of personalities which influence the way that they forage, reproduce, rear their young, and more.

A recent study by researchers from the University of Maine (detailed in *The New York Times*) examined animal personality by looking at synzoochory, the dispersal of seeds by seed-caching animals. Synzoochory is thought to be a mutualistic (mutually-beneficial) relationship between trees and the animals which cache their seeds. This study found that some deer mice and red-backed voles were more

mutualistic — more likely to spread and cache viable acorns; while others were more *antagonistic* — more likely to consume acorns or to cache them in places where they would be unable to sprout.

Research into animal personality has given rise to another fascinating concept: the keystone individual. Many of us are aware of the idea of a keystone species — a species, like beaver, whose behavior supports an array of habitats and natural processes. A keystone individual is a single animal whose behavior is disproportionately valuable to the ecosystem that it inhabits, to other species, or to groups of their own species. For instance, the mice and voles which were more likely to cache viable acorns could be called keystone individuals because they distributed and planted oaks across the forest, thus serving an invaluable ecological role. In social animals from birds to fish to spiders, keystone individuals have also been observed to change the personality and the behavior of colonies, flocks and schools of their own species.

While some animal personality traits may seem to be “better” than *continued on page 18*

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others, it is suspected that a behavioral diversity exists because different personality traits are beneficial at different times and in different situations, and because there are trade-offs associated with different traits. For example, a bolder deer may be more successful at eating backyard apples – a highly-valuable food resource – but more likely to be killed by a hunter. A shyer deer may be better at avoiding predators but less successful at mating and foraging at times when boldness is necessary.

Biodiversity is key to forest resilience and adaptability, providing different pathways forward as ecosystems and species face both the harmful legacies of the past and an uncertain future. Researchers now suggest that behavioral diversity is important for the same reason: that a diversity of personalities affords a species more ways to respond to a changed and changing world.

In our relatively young and simple forests, we have skewed animal personalities toward certain traits which are adaptive under these conditions. To encourage behavioral diversity, we need to invoke many of the same practices that we also use for a variety of other objectives: from providing habitat for declining songbirds to improving the climate resilience of our forests. Managing forests to be more diverse and complex, with different



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species of trees, different sizes and ages of trees, some big old trees and lots of dead wood on the forest floor will help encourage a diversity of animal personalities.

We also need to encourage landscape-level diversity: a landscape which is a connected mosaic of forests of different ages and in different stages of development and

which are managed in different ways. Managing for habitats which may be underrepresented across our landscape – such as early successional forest – is important, as is encouraging some areas of unmanaged forest.

Animal personality is yet another example of the many intricacies of forest communities, and another testament to the importance of managing them thoughtfully. As is the case with so many things, diversity is crucial both for protecting what we have and for moving into the future.

Ethan Tapper is the Chittenden County Forester for the Vermont Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation. See what he's been up to, check out his YouTube channel, sign up for his eNews and read articles he's written at linktr.ee/ChittendenCountyForester.

Fundamentals for Safe and Enjoyable Ice Fishing

FROM VT FISH & WILDLIFE PRESS RELEASE

With the start of the new year, many Vermonters are preparing for one of the state's most popular winter pastimes: ice fishing.

"If you're looking for a fun, easy way to get outdoors with friends and family this winter, ice fishing is hard to top," said Fisheries Biologist Shawn Good. "It's quick to learn, affordable and generally

more accessible and social than open water fishing."

In light of Vermont's recent warm weather, the department stresses that anglers take ice safety seriously and recommends a few basic tips and precautions.

"A minimum of three to four inches of clear black ice is safe to walk on," advised Good. "If you're unsure about ice thickness in your area call your local bait and tackle shop. You can also look for other people out fishing. Experienced anglers know how to read the ice, so if you're unsure, go where others are or have been."

It is important to know that ice thickness is not always uniform. Areas around pressure cracks or near stream or river inlets can be thinner and weaker than surrounding ice. Good advises anglers to carry a set of ice picks and a spud bar, head out with a partner, and to let someone know where you will be fishing and when you plan on returning home.

For those just starting out, a hand-auger for cutting holes in the ice is the most expensive piece of equipment needed. These can be found at hardware or outdoors stores, or online, for under \$50. A scoop for clearing and keeping holes from freezing over, short ice fishing rods or tip-ups, and hooks, weights, lures and baits are the other essentials. Safety gear including micro-spikes for traction and a spud bar for testing ice thickness, and sturdy waterproof boots and plenty of layers to keep warm, are also recommended.

No matter where you are in Vermont, an ice fishing opportunity is close by. And a successful ice fishing trip do not have end when the fish stop biting.

"After a fun day on the ice, anglers can also enjoy a healthy meal of tasty, locally caught fish," said Good. "You can find recipes from our Vermont Wild Kitchen partnership for everything from trout to crappie to smelt on the department's YouTube channel."

To learn more about ice fishing safety, tips for beginners, and places to fish visit Vermont Fish and Wildlife's "Ice Fishing Basics" (tiny.one/VTFWicefish) and "Ice Fishing Opportunities" (tiny.one/VTFWiceopps) webpages.

ARTS & LEISURE

Shelburne Museum presents a Virtual Exhibition Opening

Right Under Your Nose: Children's Printed Textiles from the Collection of JJ Murphy and Nancy Mladenoff

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Shelburne Museum is launching an online exhibition highlighting a newly acquired and fascinating collection of children's textiles.

Right Under Your Nose: Children's Printed Textiles from the Collection of JJ Murphy and Nancy Mladenoff highlights 21 of the playful, colorful, and didactic handkerchiefs from the collection of more than 3,200. Motifs include insects, alphabets, circus clowns, shadow puppets, the solar system, and a lumberjack beaver printed on cotton handkerchiefs manufactured

for children between the 18th and 20th centuries.

These intimate, everyday objects taught lessons, instilled predominant social and cultural standards, and sometimes even inspired a giggle while providing soothing relief for a runny nose. Close examination of these objects reveals technological innovations in manufacturing, shifts in understandings of children and the idea of childhood, the development of ideas like nationalism and cultural identity, the evolution of gender norms and racial stereotypes, and more.

Hinesburg Artist Series 25th Concert at St. Jude's on March 12

BY RUFUS PATRICK

The Hinesburg Artist Series will present its annual spring concert Sunday, March 12, 2023, at 2 p.m. and again at 4:30 p.m. This 25th season will feature the South County Chorus and Hinesburg Artist Series Orchestra under the direction of Rufus Patrick. The talented musicians will perform the stunning Requiem by John Rutter and feature cellist Jiwon Lee. She is currently maintaining an active schedule as a soloist, chamber musician, and teacher. Lee joined the University of Vermont faculty in 2022. Further information about the complete program, tickets etc. will be in the next *Record*, Feb. 23, 2023. So please save the March 12 date. You can also go to the HAS website, hinesburgartistsseries.org for more information.

The Hinesburg Artist Series is supported in part by the Vermont Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Right Under Your Nose is inspired by Murphy and Mladenoff's compendium of more than 3,200 examples of children's printed textiles, gifted to Shelburne Museum in 2020. Nancy Mladenoff is an artist based in New York City and Professor Emerita of Art at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her work is in the per-

manent collections of four major museums in the Midwest. J. J. Murphy is the author of *Children's Handkerchiefs: A Two Hundred Year History* (Schiffer, 1998) as well as four major books on independent cinema. He is Professor Emeritus of Film at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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- Mozart's "L____ del Cairo"
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- Skedaddle
- 18-wheelers
- "Guilty," e.g.
- Fabric inset
- One of the sibs
- *Super Bowl advertiser's purchase
- Anatolian language
- Decay
- "There it is," ‡ Paris
- "Hold on!"
- *Home of the Ravens, for both Super Bowl appearances
- Cuckoo for these puffs!
- Curved molding
- Medicinal plant
- Court orders, e.g.
- Sonny & Cher and Abbott & Costello
- Talk like a drunk
- Actor Danson and character Lasso
- "Owner of a Lonely Heart" band
- *Star of the most-watched Super Bowl Halftime Show

DOWN

- Paddleboarding acronym
- Court order
- Between ports
- Hungarian composer Bela _____
- *Either one of the opposing Super Bowl teams
- FlambÉ
- Position of leadership
- *2023 Super Bowl AZ location
- Frosts, as a cake
- Hit the road
- Like certain humor
- Disprove
- Dickens's Heep
- Each and all
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- Father, colloquially
- Round openings
- Pickled garnish
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- Found at the pump
- *Team with most Super Bowl appearances
- Signing tool at the cash register
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- Superior ones
- Itsy-bitsy bits
- Patterned table linen
- Lacking clarity
- Bread spreads
- Donned
- As opposed to base in chemistry
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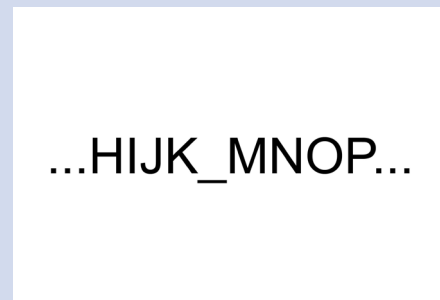
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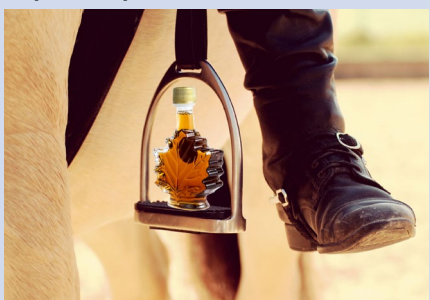
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PEOPLE

Fund Honors Andrea Morgante, Champion for Land Conservation

FROM VERMONT LAND TRUST PRESS RELEASE

Thanks to a passionate group of conservation-minded Vermonters, more resources for community conservation will soon be available. Open spaces, trails, forests, and waterways define our communities. For some people, these amenities are close at hand. For others, these amenities might require a car to find, or an able body to explore.



Andrea Morgante

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This digital exhibition is a precursor to the upcoming exhibition at Shelburne Museum featuring dozens of examples of handkerchiefs and associated ephemera in The Dana-Spencer Hat & Fragrance Textile Galleries from May 13 to October 21.

The online exhibit can be viewed at shelburnemuseum.org/online-exhibitions.



Unidentified designer and manufacturer, Cowboy and Cowgirl Child's Handkerchief, 20th century. Cotton, 9 5/8 x 9 5/8 in. Collection of Shelburne Museum, gift of Nancy Mladenoff and J.J. Murphy, 2020-9.138. Photography by Andy Duback.

Creative Futures Grants - Round 2 Now Open

Sole Proprietors Now Eligible

FROM VT ARTS COUNCIL AND VT CREATIVE NETWORK PRESS RELEASE

Awards of up to \$200,000 are available to creative sector organizations and businesses including sole

proprietors that can demonstrate economic harm caused by or exacerbated by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Funding amounts are based on 2019 (pre-pandemic) operating revenue.

The funds are for any regular operating expenses, including but not limited to payroll and benefits, utilities, rent and insurance.

Applications are evaluated using the following criteria:

- Severity of Covid-19 pandemic harm
- Community and cultural impact
- Economic impact

Changes have been made in round 2 to expand eligibility for sole proprietors and for new creative sector businesses that started after March 13, 2020, in response to pandemic economic changes. Full details are on the grant program web page at tiny.one/ArtsGrants.

What is a creative sector business or nonprofit?

The creative sector economy is defined as the collective enterprises, organizations, and individuals whose products and services are rooted in artistic and creative content and includes culture and heritage; design; film and media; literary arts and publishing; performing arts; specialty foods; and visual arts and crafts.

Key Dates

Round 2: opened Jan. 5, deadline Feb. 28, 2023; notifications by mid-April.

Round 3: opens May 1, deadline June 30, 2023; notifications by mid-August

Applications that are not funded in one round may be re-considered in the next round.

See the list of Round 1 recipients at tiny.one/ArtGrantWins.

A new fund aims to address this gap, and bring the benefits of conservation to more people in more communities. It was established in honor of conservationist Andrea Morgante, who is a founding member of the Hinesburg Land Trust. For close to 40 years, Morgante has championed the conservation of roughly 3,000 acres in the town, including the recent expansion and conservation of the 1,125-acre Hinesburg Town Forest.

“Sledding hills, walking paths, town forests, and community gardens bring us together and strengthen our communities,” said Nick Richardson. “This fund helps us expand conservation to more communities across the state, particularly in underserved areas where access to these lands are sparse.

“Andrea is an unrelenting force for conservation and community building,” Richardson continued. “Creating this fund honors her leadership while forging stronger relationships between land and people throughout Vermont.”

We are still seeking donations in hopes of growing the fund. You can donate online at tiny.one/AndreaFund or by mailing a check to us with ‘Community Conservation Fund’ noted in the memo line.

Higher Education Honors

Madeline Baker and **Samantha Haviland**, both of Hinesburg, have been named to the SNHU Fall 2022 President’s List. Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President’s List.

Graham Perry Coates-Farley of Hinesburg, a junior majoring in computer engineering, was named to the Dean’s List for the Fall 2022 semester at Clarkson University in New York. Dean’s List students must achieve a minimum 3.25 grade-point average and also carry at least 14 credit hours.

Deona Proulx of Hinesburg has been named to Southern New Hampshire University’s Fall 2022 Dean’s List. Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 for the reporting term are named to the Dean’s List.

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OBITUARIES

Beth Ann Danon

On Friday, Jan. 6, 2023, Beth Ann Danon, 68, died in the arms of her sister, Mary, and best friend, Kate Mulgrew, succumbing to a recurrence of endometrial cancer. Beth lived the last few months of her life, first in the warm and welcoming home of her dear friends, Susan Sussman and Scudder Parker, and then with her sister, Mary Kehoe, brother-in-law, Jeff Johnson, and niece, Libby Dysart. In her last days, she was lovingly cared for by Kate, her best friend of 50 years.

Beth was born in Chicago, Illinois, on May 31, 1954, to William Kehoe and Joan Smith. As a young girl, Beth led her four siblings on endless exciting escapades throughout their Northside Chicago neighborhood; sneaking into hotel lobbies (Marlborough House), climbing on city statutes (Alexander Hamilton), swimming in the conservatory fountain (not allowed), and hunting for wounded turtles, birds and ducks in Lincoln Park (brought them all home). One of her favorite activities was forming clubs with the sole purpose of setting admission requirements she knew her little sister could not fulfill (like riding a bike down a long flight of stairs).

Beth began high school in Mamaroneck, New York, after her family moved there in 1967, so Joan could pursue her doctorate at NYU. In January of 1969, while in high school, Beth led a group of activists to Washington, DC, to participate in a nation-wide anti-war demonstration. Thus began Beth’s life-long pursuit of justice.

Beth finished high school in Hanover, New Hampshire, and immediately returned to New York. Beth started college at NYU in 1972 and finished at Hunter College in 1984. In the interim, she had a lot of fun, waiting tables in some of the classic folk and jazz clubs in Greenwich Village. Living in NYC enabled Beth to indulge her love of opera at the highest level. Beth went on to CUNY Law School at Queens College, graduating in 1987. During law school Beth provided legal services to victims of domestic violence. After graduation, she moved to Vermont to be close to her family, where she served as a third parent figure to Mary’s children, Peter and Libby.

Beth began her legal career as a law clerk to Vermont Supreme Court Justice Frank G. Mahady. After completion of her clerkship, she began practicing law as a plaintiff’s attorney. She was a partner at three law firms, most recently at Kohn Rath Law in Hinesburg, and at one time worked as interim director and staff attorney for



Beth Ann Danon

Vermont Protection & Advocacy. In her 35 years of practice, Beth accepted cases simply because her client needed help. She was never interested in making money. She was only interested in helping people and was drawn to those most in need. Beth was a fierce advocate and highly successful attorney, with the highest of ethical standards. One of her many victories included winning equal health care benefits for same-sex partners of UVM faculty and staff, well before such rights became universal.

Practicing law was not enough to fulfill her ardent need to pursue justice. Beth was an early board member, and then president, of Vermont CARES. She served as president of the Vermont Bar Foundation and the Vermont Association for Justice. She was a long-standing member of Vermont ACLU. Her work with these organizations is evidence of Beth’s devotion to maintaining a fair and just Vermont community.

Beth was the least judgmental person anyone could hope to know. She always had time to listen to her friends’ and family’s problems and woes for as long as necessary, often providing profound and helpful insight. She was reliable and willing to help at the drop of a hat. She found great joy in her Birdland community in North Hero, making connections that were deep and dear. Hers was life well lived.

Though Beth had no children of her own, she was a devoted aunt to her ten nieces and nephews. But no remembrance would be complete without mention of her adorable dog, Lilly. Her constant and dear companion for over 19 years, Lilly passed away in April 2022, leaving Beth bereft for some time.

Beth is survived by her sister, Mary Kehoe and husband Jeff Johnson of Shelburne, Vermont; her brother Bill Kehoe and his wife Kerstin

Emok of Belmont, Massachusetts; her brother John Kehoe and his wife Marina Kehoe of Statesville, North Carolina; and her brother Michael Smith Welch and his wife Ami Yamasaki of Tokyo, Japan. She is also survived by her stepfather, U.S. Senator Peter Welch, and his wife, Margaret Cheney. Her surviving nieces and nephews are: Peter (wife Raechel) and Libby Dysart; Lucas and Liam Emok Kehoe; Leo and Eji Conger; Max Kehoe; Whitney Johnson (wife Anubha Bhadauria); Kasey Murray (husband Osa Imadojemu); and Blake (wife Emily) and Steven Murray. She is also survived by her great-nephew Cassius Dysart, great-nieces Sosey Dysart and Theodora Imadojemu.

Our family wishes to extend special thanks Beth’s friends, too numerous to name, who supported her throughout her last months of life. We are also grateful for the support of UVM Home Health and Hospice, Nurse Judy Johnson, whose help was both indispensable and kind, and Beth’s primary care provider Dr. Susan Weinstein and oncologist Dr. Elise Everett.

A service to celebrate Beth’s life was held on Saturday, January 21.

Should anyone wish to honor Beth’s life with a gift, in addition to holding her memory close to heart, we suggest a donation to either the Vermont Bar Foundation or the Chittenden County Humane Society.



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Community Alliance Church

Pastor: Scott Mansfield
802-482-2132 • hinesburgema.org
info@hinesburgema.org

Location and Mailing Address:

190 Pond Road, Hinesburg (over-looking CVUHS soccer fields)

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

Middle School and High School Youth Group: Meets most Sundays for breakfast at 9 a.m. before the morning service plus lots of special events and outings. This is a great time to meet new friends, hang out and talk about real life and our place in this world. Contact Brandon and Mary Kate at **info@hinesburgema.org** for more information.

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

For more information, please contact the church at 802-482-2132 or visit **hinesburgema.org**.

Lighthouse Baptist Church

Pastor: Reverend Ed Hart
802-482-2588 • LBCvt.homestead.com
lighthousevt@aim.com

Location: Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 288

Regular Services:

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m., nursery provided.

Sunday Evening Service: 6 p.m.

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

Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

Pastor: Fr. James Zuccaro
802-425-2253 • stjudevt.org
stjude@gmavt.net

Location: 10759 Route 116, Hinesburg

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 69, Hinesburg, VT 05461

Pastor's Mailing Address:

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

Hinesburg Rectory: 802-482-2290, **stjude@vermontcatholic.org**,

P. O. Box 69, Hinesburg 05461 (10759 Route 116)

Parish Secretary: Marie Cookson, Rectory, 802-482-2290, **mcookson@vermontcatholic.org**

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

Parish Council Chair: Dennis Casey, 802-453-4054

Finance Council Chair: Doug Taff, 802-482-3066

Buildings and Grounds

Supervisor: Contact parish office.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:30 a.m., St. Jude Church, Hinesburg; Sunday: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Charlotte

Weekday Masses:

Monday and Friday, 8 a.m., St. Jude Church; Tuesday, Thursday: 5:15 p.m. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church; Wednesday: 8 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 p.m. and Friday following the 8 a.m. Mass at St. Jude Church and by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact

the Pastor at least six months in advance

Communion at Home: Call Parish Office, 802-482-2290

Religious Education Coordinator: Marie Cookson, 802-482-2290

Religious Education (CCD): The first Sunday of each month following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Students and parents meet each month.

Please call Marie at 802-482-2290 (Parish Office) or 802-879-3446 (home) for more information.

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

Food Shelf Weekend: Every first Saturday and Sunday of the month. 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 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 donation. Please call in advance so we have plenty of food on hand. For reservations call Ted Barrett at 802-453-3087 or Marie Cookson at 802-482-2290 (parish office). Caretakers are welcome. Hinesburg Rides will pick you up and bring you home at no charge. For more information, call the parish office at 802-482-2290.

United Church of Hinesburg

An Open, Welcoming, Affirming and Reconciling Church

Pastor: Rev. Jared Hamilton
802-482-3352 • ucfoh.org
unitedchurch@gmavt.net

Location: 10580 Route 116

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 39

Office Hours: Monday and Wednesday, 9 a.m. to noon, and by appointment.

Sunday Worship Service: 10 a.m.

Senior Meals: Second Friday of the month; cost \$5. Contact Judy Clark, 802-453-2121.

Sunday School: Nursery; children's programs for ages Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Williston Federated Church

United Church of Christ and United Methodist Church

An Open and Affirming Reconciling Congregation

Minister: Rev. Paul Eyer
802-878-5792 • steeple.org
WillistonFederatedChurch@gmail.com

Location and Mailing Address:

44 North Williston Road, Williston VT 05495

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

Rector: Rev. Dr. Fred Moser

802-985-2269 • trinityshelburne.org
office@trinityshelburne.org

Location and Mailing Address:

5171 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482

Worship service and Sunday School:

Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. – hybrid service, in person and online (go to **trinityshelburne.org** for instructions on accessing Zoom link for online attendance).

All Souls Interfaith Gathering

Pastor: Rev. Don Chatfield

802-985-3819 • allsoulsinterfaith.org

dchatfield@allsoulsinterfaith.org

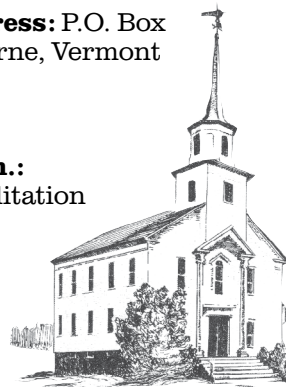
Location: 291 Bostwick Farm Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1124, Shelburne, Vermont 05482

Services:

Sunday 9 a.m.: Morning Meditation

Sunday 5 p.m.: Music & Spirit Service



► Hinesburg's Hero

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Brian Busier – the man behind Lantman's ...and so much more.

Brian was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma in the spring of 2017 and passed away on Dec. 13, 2022. He always had an abundance of energy and was often referred to as the “Energizer Bunny.” However, being treated for Multiple Myeloma meant he had to slow down and pursue hobbies that were not as physically demanding. Brian was always musically inclined and taught himself how to play the harmonica. As a lifelong grocer, he was passionate about food. He spent more time preparing meals and experimenting with new recipes discovered online. He took up wood carving and created a menagerie of animals out of blocks of wood with his chainsaw. But most of all he adored spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren, who were the pride and joy of his life.

► Youth Rowers

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Oar event, Vermont was also well represented. Mt. Abe placed second in the event, followed by BHS in third, and SBHS in fifth. CVU commanded the competition in the Experienced Six-Oar event and won the overall race.

The day ended with a nautical mile race where 16 boats lined up for one massive start. Mt. Abe won the Intermediate Four-Oar event by over 30 seconds. Vermont teams eclipsed the Intermediate Six-Oar event once again with two entries from CVU and three entries from BHS. One of the crews from CVU won the race, followed by all three of the BHS crews in second through fourth place. The final CVU crew rounded out the Intermediate Six-Oar event in fifth place. SBHS placed third in the Experienced Four-Oar event, followed by Mt. Abe in fourth. CVU held the top position in the First Six-Oar event with a decisive victory.

The boats used by Vermont teams, as well as some used by other competitors, were all built in the boat shop at Lake Champlain Maritime Museum by other local middle and high school students. Now that the rowing season in Vermont is over, the museum will be hard at work over the winter



This is the start of the novice distance challenge. There are no boats from CVU in this photo.

repairing the fleet and building a new four-oared boat with this year's boat building students.

This successful rowing season and races are truly a team effort and would not be possible without an amazing community of rowers, parents, coaches, donors, and dedicated staff at Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. Middle and high school rowing will pick up again in the spring. If you're interested in joining a youth rowing team or supporting this program, learn more at **lemm.org/champlain-longboats**.

Crossword Answers

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Hinesburg's Hero

BY MARY JO BRACE
AND KEVIN LEWIS

We were fortunate to know Brian Busier

Father, husband, mentor, friend; however you knew Brian Busier, he definitely made an impression on you. He continues to impact our community since his passing in December.

Known to many as owner of Lantman's Market, Brian was very involved in the grocery business, but he still made time to contribute to his hometown and the surrounding community. He served as a member of the Select Board, was the driving force in founding the Hinesburg Recreation Department and contributed to many other organizations any way he could. Brian was recognized by the Hinesburg Volunteer Fire Department for Outstanding Support and Dedication and given The Hinesburg Fireman's Association Award of Honorary Membership. Additionally, Brian was acknowledged by the Lions Club, the Hinesburg Youth Lacrosse program, the Hinesburg Nursery School, Hinesburg Community School and PTO/PiE, Buccaneers youth football program, Champlain Valley Union High School Athletics, and many other organizations.

Brian was a champion of the local grocery community. He was a long-time member of the Vermont Grocers Association (VGA, now the Vermont Retail & Grocers Association, VRGA) and sat on the Board of Directors for both organizations. As an independent grocer, Brian received many awards and recognitions. He was named to the Honor Roll of Outstanding Independent Grocers 1990 and 1993, awarded the VGA Grocer of the year 1992, named Single-Store Retailer of the Year by C&S Wholesale Grocer in 2008. Additionally, under Brian's guidance Lantman's produced three Best Baggers; all of whom won the VGA Best Bagger Competition and were awarded trips to Las Vegas to compete at the National Grocers Association competition.



Always eager to lend a helping hand.



With regard to *The Hinesburg Record*, Brian made Lantman's Market one of *The Record's* best advertisers. He did business with *The Record* more out of support for a community newspaper than for any revenue gained via advertising.

Raised in Hinesburg, Brian was the eighth of nine siblings. When Brian turned 14, he became a stock associate at his hometown grocer, Lantman's IGA (now Lantman's Market). He was so enthralled with the grocery business that he told his

sister Susan: "One day I am going to own Lantman's" – which he did!

Brian was a magnet for town history and stories, most of which he gained from listening to his mother and all the old timers who passed through the store over the years. If you stopped to chat with Brian, it was never for five minutes. Several minutes or hours later and you would leave more knowledgeable about the town, old and new, and having discussed several topics.

Through owning Lantman's, Brian was able to pursue his passion for sharing his knowledge and teaching others. His classroom was not located in a school or on a campus but rather within his store. Brian enjoyed working alongside new hires and teaching first-time employees – mostly teens in their first job experience – the value of a strong work ethic and the expectations of employment.

Judging the nature of Lantman's personnel, the quality of its products, and the shopping experience in general, Brian's leadership worked like magic.

How many teens in our area had their first job as a Brian Busier hire?

This alone makes Brian a hero in so many lives.

In Lantman's, Brian established a community hub and resource rarely found elsewhere, preserving a small-town feel with big-time efficiency and know-how. It's amazing how little time it takes to get in and out at Lantman's and still bring home all that is desired.

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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.

Mentoring

Hinesburg Community School is looking for Mentors!

Mentors are distinct members of a team of caring adults who show up to spend an hour a week with a 5-8th grader during the school year.

Mentors bring with them a sense of shared fun, new experiences and great listening skills. Mentors bring encouragement and options for expanding a young person's regard for themselves and their world. By sharing yourself with your mentee you can inspire them to create a richer future for themselves. Contact Program Coordinator Livy Bulger at lbulger@cvsdvt.org or 802-482-6248 for more information.

Hinesburg Trails

Help maintain public trails. All skill levels from none (just enthusiasm) to experienced chainsaw operators, and trail designers are needed. For more information contact Jane Sheldon at elcabi2@gmavt.net.

Meals on Wheels

Help out local area residents who cannot easily get out of their homes. Become a Meals on Wheels driver. Routes take anywhere from an hour to an hour-and-a-half depending on the day. You need not commit to a weekly schedule. Call Jane Gage at 802-482-6096 for more information.

Visit a Senior

Hinesburg seniors need your help. Some seniors live alone with limited social contact and would love to share their gift of gab with you. Just an hour of your time can make a big difference in the life of one of the seniors in our town. If you would be willing to help contact Bev at 802-642-5119 for more information.

Town Committees

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

- Affordable Housing Committee
- Agency Request Review Committee
- Conservation Commission
- Economic Development Committee
- Planning Commission
- Recreation Commission
- Village Steering Committee

Check town web site hinesburg.org for the most current committee openings, descriptions and instructions on how to apply. For more information contact Joy Dubin Grossman (Assistant Town Manager) at 802-482-4207 or jdubingrossman@hinesburg.org.

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