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Hinesburg Artist Series Celebrates 25 Years of Music and Memories

FROM PRESS RELEASE

As a celebration of bringing joy and music to the community, the Hinesburg Artist Series will present its annual spring concert featuring the beautiful Rutter Requiem that was performed at the first concert in 1997. This 25th season will feature the South County Chorus and Hinesburg Artist Series Orchestra under the direction of Rufus Patrick.

The talented musicians will also perform "Kyrie" by Rene Clausen, "Agnus Dei" by Mark Hayes, "I Will Live" by Bryan Sharpe, and "Sanctus" by Dan Forrest. Our concert will celebrate the memories of some

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Think Spring! Plots Available at the Hinesburg Community Garden

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Spring is just around the corner, so what better time than now to think about gardening. If you would like to grow organic vegetables, herbs or flowers for your family and friends to enjoy, please join us. Established in 2010, the Hinesburg Growing Together Community Garden, a project of the UVM Extension Master Gardener Program, has twenty plots,

each with two 4'x12' wooden raised beds. The plots are located on a sunny, breezy rise of land donated by, and next to the Community Alliance Church on Pond Road in Hinesburg.

You'll find the other gardeners friendly and helpful, along with our Master Gardeners who are available by phone, email and by visits to the garden to help answer ques-

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Our new crop of gardeners from First Roots next door.

CVUHS Alums Release Album

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The Tenderbellies, a home-grown band of CVU graduates, recently played to a capacity crowd for their album release party at Four Quarters Brewing in Winooski. The album - "One By One" - is the culmination of nearly a decade of gigging and songwriting. The eleven tracks form a fusion of bluegrass, blues, Dawg music, jazz and country and seeks to harness their live performances, improvisation, and orchestration. The album was recorded and mixed by Jeremy Mendicino at Lane Gibson Studios and mastered by Anna Frick.

Band members Colin Cope (harmonica), Matt Francis (mandolin), Luke Hausermann (bass), Chris Page (guitar), Greg Pauza (mandolin) and David

Titus (guitar) have been playing for over a decade at venues ranging from Higher Ground to Waking Windows, Nectar's, the Intervale's "Summervale," Shelburne Vineyard, the Burlington Jazz Festival and numerous other well-known sites. They are currently



Local band, The Tenderbellies

the house band on most Wednesday nights at Four Quarters Brewing in Winooski. Their website (<https://tenderbellies.com>) describes them as a string band that seamlessly blends Americana, bluegrass, new grass, jazz and rock. The music ranges from bold and brazen to delicate and somber through tightly arranged songs and improvisational exploration. The Tenderbellies have also appeared in many New England regional festivals and will be playing warm-up for Mile Twelve at the Radio Bean on March 3.

"One by One" is now available on all streaming platforms and CDs that can be ordered from the band's website, tenderbellies.com.

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TOWN NEWS

Town Clerk & Treasurer

BY MISSY ROSS

This will be my last article in the Hinesburg Record as town clerk and treasurer. As most of you know by now, I am not running for reelection to these positions. My assistant of three years, Heather Roberts, is running in my stead and I have every confidence that she will serve the town well in the years to come. I want to take this opportunity to thank the people of Hinesburg for putting your faith in me over the last 21 and a half years that I have been the town clerk and treasurer, and to thank the many colleagues whom I have had the privilege of working with during that time. Hinesburg is very lucky to have such a dedicated group of employees and I will miss them.

Town Meeting Day is March 7 and the polls will be open as usual from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and will be in the ground floor conference room at town hall. Though the space is somewhat limited, it has worked for the past several elections given that many more people now avail themselves of the opportunity to vote early. The main hall is still off limits and will remain so until such time as the town hall undergoes some renovations. You can vote early in the clerk's office any time up to noon on Mon., March 6. We close at noon to allow us time to prepare for the following day's election.

LETTERS

Letter Policy

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

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Letters should be 500 words or less, and we reserve the right to edit based on available space. When possible, letters should focus on local issues. Other forums exist for statewide, national, and international issues.

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

just around the corner!

As always, feel free to call us at 482-2281 x1 with any questions or concerns you may have. We are here to offer assistance in any way we can.

Town Meeting an Occasion to Thank Missy

BY ANDREA MORGANTE

Greet your neighbors and thank Missy Ross at Town Meeting, March 6, at CVU Auditorium.

For 25 years Missy has served the citizens of Hinesburg, beginning in 1998 as the Recreation Director and then as Town Clerk and Treasurer since 2001. Missy has always executed her responsibilities with a welcome smile and a listening ear. Let's make this year's Town Meeting an occasion to celebrate her service to each of us as individuals and collectively in attending to the town's records.

It's been two years since voters have had the opportunity to gather in person and conduct the town's business. Although we won't be voting from the floor we will hear the town reports, ask questions, share ideas, suggest changes and participate in shaping how we want democracy to function in Hinesburg. It takes over 100 people, volunteers and employees to provide the public services that help make Hinesburg a welcoming community.

There's been lots happening on the town committees on Zoom and at in person meetings over the past two years and many of these committees will displaying their work in the lobby of the CVU auditorium. Come talk with your neighbors who serve on these committees. As Hinesburg citizens learned long ago, these meetings are always better when food is involved. Chili and hearty soups will be served along with desserts beginning at 6:30 p.m. with donations going to the Hinesburg Food Shelf.

Selectboard Highlights

BY MERRILY LOVELL, SELECTBOARD CHAIRPERSON

January 18:

The Selectboard was pleased to appoint Travis Counter, the owner of Good Times Café, to the Economic Development Committee.

The Selectboard was also pleased to be able to appoint Phil Pouech to the vacant Selectboard position until Town Meeting Day, when voting for the seat will occur. Phil was previously a Selectboard member for many years. He resigned on Jan. 4 so he could devote his energy and attention to his newly elected position as our State Representative. We are grateful for Phil's willingness to serve until Town Meeting Day.

The Selectboard approved, after much discussion, Amendment No. 1 to the Step III Engineering Services Agreement with Aldrich and Elliott for Waste Water Treatment Facility Replacement. We also discussed the updated total project cost estimate, which has risen from \$11.7 million to \$16.6 million. The Selectboard will have a much better idea on the actual total project cost in a few months once construction bids are opened. In the meantime, staff are exploring additional funding opportunities and alternative financing options.

The Selectboard approved a Downtown Transportation Fund Grant Application, explained to us by Alex Weinhagen, Hinesburg's director of zoning. This grant is aimed at helping pay for the Village South Sidewalk, from the new development at Meadow Mist to the Hinesburg Community School. Construction of this sidewalk is slated to begin later this year.

The Selectboard went over the final draft FY24 Operating and Capital budgets. We discussed ways we might present this to town residents on the Informational Meeting on Mon., March 6, before voting on Town Meeting Day, Tues., March 7, 2023.

The Selectboard reviewed the Draft Town Meeting Warning and Articles. We plan to meet next week, on Jan. 25, 2023, at 6 p.m., for the purpose of voting to approve the Town Meeting Warning and Articles.

The Resolution of Necessity for Fire Engine Replacement was approved by the Selectboard. This item needs to be put on the ballot due to its large cost. The financing of this purchase will be discussed in more detail at our Informational Meeting on Mon., March 6, 2023.

The Selectboard had a robust discussion about sending a letter to

our federal representatives, Sens. Sanders and Welch, and Rep. Balint regarding issues of mail delivery in Hinesburg. As we were not able to come to consensus on this item, we recommend that all residents who are concerned about this issue write to our congresspeople at the following addresses:

Senator Bernie Sanders: sanders.senate.gov/vermont/services/casework
U.S. Senate, 332 Dirksen Building, Washington, D.C. 20510, Phone: 202-224-5141

Senator Peter Welch: welch.senate.gov/services/help-with-a-federal-agency
G12 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510, (202) 224-4242

Representative Becca Balint: balint.house.gov/contact
Washington DC Office 1408 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515, (202) 225-4115

Town Manager Report - Among other issues, Todd said that advertisements will go out for a new Assistant Town Clerk, as Missy is retiring as of Town Meeting Day, there will likely be an opening for that position.

Reappraisal work, expected to be a two-year process, will begin this summer. Todd and Joy had a 'kick-off meeting' with CGR for our Public Safety Strategic Plan. More details will be coming in future Selectboard meetings.

January 25:

The Selectboard had a brief meeting to approve the FY 24 budget and the Warning for our Annual Town Meeting.

In addition, the Selectboard agreed, even though there was one dissenting vote, we could send a joint let-

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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 McQuin, Recreation Coordinator, hinesburgrec@gmavt.net, 802-482-2281 ext. 230.

OTHER INFORMATION

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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 Koncewicz is the contact for Friends of Families, and she can be reached at the same number or at koncewicz@hinesburgresource.org.

Hinesburg Food Shelf 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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ter to our representatives in the federal government: Bernie Sanders, Peter Welch and Becca Balint; to request help in our difficulties in Hinesburg with mail delivery.

February 1:

The Selectboard gratefully approved the appointment of Joe Gannon as health officer, starting March 1, 2023.

The Selectboard was given a very helpful presentation of the Hinesburg Inclusion and Belonging Survey Results by Dr. Jude Smith Rachele. The slides of this powerpoint presentation can be found in the Selectboard packet for Feb. 1 on the town website.

After some discussion, the Selectboard approved the rough draft of the new charter for the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Committee. This document can be found on the homepage of the town website under news at hinesburg.org.

The Selectboard had a lengthy discussion of proposed changes to the application for boards, committees and commissions, with helpful input from people who had been part of creating the new application. The application will be brought back at our next meeting.

LEGISLATIVE

Governor Phil Scott Announces \$12.6 Million in Healthy Homes Initiative Awards

Two Hinesburg Developments Receive Awards

FROM PRESS RELEASE

On Feb. 8, Governor Phil Scott and the Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) announced \$12.6 million in Healthy Homes Initiative awards to help 36 manufactured housing communities (also known as mobile home parks) repair, replace, and upgrade water infrastructure.

“This critical funding supports safe, affordable housing and improves the quality of life for those living in manufactured housing communities,” said Gov. Scott. “Through this round of funding, an estimated 3,975 residents – including 1,100 seniors and 830 children – will be able to more reliably access safe drinking water, and will be served by improved wastewater, stormwater, and drainage systems, protecting both them and the environment.”

Most of the awards will address significant problems with outdated and failing wastewater and drinking water systems. Awardees will use the funding to cover the costs of:

- A needs assessment with a state-contracted engineering firm.
- Technical and permitting assistance.
- Construction needed to improve water infrastructure.

Eligible manufactured housing communities included those that are registered through the state’s Mobile Home Park registry, and awardees included communities in every county from which an application was received.

“Historically underserved and economically constrained, manufactured housing communities have often faced technical and financial barriers to fixing water infrastructure issues,” said Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner John Beling. “By offering both technical and financial assistance, we can help ensure these Vermont communities are healthier and more resilient.”

Community residents, owners, and partners applied for awards in July 2022 through the ANR Healthy Homes Initiative. This winter and spring, the ANR Healthy Homes Initiative plans to finalize agree-

ments that would award funding for the projects. In Hinesburg, the Triple L Mobile Home Park, and Sunset Lake Cooperative will be receiving awards.

The ANR Healthy Homes Initiative has also reserved nearly \$1.6 million for contingency funding that will be available to awardees to cover unforeseen costs. Contingency funding is limited based on the estimated cost of the project and must be approved by the ANR Healthy Homes Initiative.

The ANR Healthy Homes Initiative plans to accept new applications for the 2023 round of funding in the late spring or early summer. Eligible applicants who have not yet applied, or were not selected for this round of funding, are welcome to apply. To learn more, visit the funding webpage at tiny.one/VTmanufactured.

Lt. Gov. Zuckerman’s Statement on the Renewable Energy Standard

FROM PRESS RELEASE

On Feb. 1, Lt. Governor David Zuckerman issued the following statement regarding the proposed updates to Vermont’s 2015 Renewable Energy Standard:

“The proposed updates to the Renewable Energy Standard calling for more renewables are crucial if we are serious about tackling the root causes of the climate crisis.

“Vermont has done a good job of encouraging the electrification of vehicles and heating systems, two of the largest contributors of greenhouse gas emissions in the state. However, if we are not working toward 100 percent of our electricity coming from renewable sources such as wind, solar and hydro power, then we are not truly creating a sustainable green energy system but instead encouraging Vermonters to purchase new technologies that ultimately use power from the polluting fossil fuels we are trying to move away from.

“In addition to changing the energy goals in the Renewable Energy Standard to encourage additional renewables throughout New England, the proposed updates also require more renewable energy to be produced in Vermont rather than imported from other areas. We must stop exporting the impacts of our energy system to marginalized communities outside

of Vermont.

“We have an economic and moral obligation to people and the planet to do everything in our power to fight the climate crisis and create a more just future. I hope that legislators across the spectrum will rally behind this proposal so we can move toward a green energy future that saves people money.”

More details about the proposed updates can be found on Renewable Energy Vermont’s website at revermont.org/2023-policy-priorities.

Understanding How Government Works Will Empower Vermonters

BY VT SECRETARY OF STATE SARAH COPELAND HANZAS

As I begin my first term as Vermont’s 39th Secretary of State, I am keenly aware of my role as Chief Elections Officer for the state and the responsibility we all share in civic life. Despite the enormous role democracy plays in our everyday lives, many Vermonters are not civically engaged. This lack of engagement creates a void in Vermont’s democracy, a void that is oftentimes filled with dis- or misinformation, attacking the integrity and transparency of government. Elections and voting have been especially popular focus points of these attacks in recent years, but all facets of civic life are negatively impacted by these attacks, which exacerbate apathy and suspicion. It is time for action, not just reaction, against such attacks. This office will spearhead a new civics initiative and bring on a new position, an Education & Civic Engagement coordinator, to implement it; and we will need all the help we can get.

Voting is a Constitutional right, and free elections are the foundation on which faith in government rests.

Examples of democracy in action exist around us every day. There are municipal meetings almost every night of the week, citizen petitions and calls to action on Front Porch Forum every day, and lawn signs every spring and fall for town meeting and elections. Despite this, there are many Vermonters who simply don’t vote. 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 don’t know whether their vote will make a difference.

The next phase of strengthening elections in Vermont needs to be addressing these gaps. Many of us grew up understanding that civics is about the three branches of government, checks and balances, and one person one vote. And some of us remember being told from a young age that we have an obligation to participate in civic life. But as the demands of a 21st-century education have pulled schools away from requiring civics, and modern life has become increasingly full, many of these lessons have been lost.

Our focus on civic engagement will be on how you make democracy work for you.

Civics is about being able to affect change, solve problems and make life better for all of us. Individuals can only do so much on their own. Working together through civic participation allows us to accomplish things that any one individual would be unable to do themselves.

The Education & Civic Engagement Coordinator will be part of the leadership team at this agency and will work with me to create a civics curriculum for our schoolteachers, will engage Vermonters in their communities on how to do democracy, and will create a voter guide for the 2024 General Election, among other activities and initiatives. We have more tools and platforms than ever to engage with voters that my predecessors just did not have at their disposal. But this campaign will also be about “boots-on-the-ground” work, with events, school visits, and other in-person interactions.

I plan to have much more to share about this initiative in the weeks to come. I am excited to start this campaign and energize more Vermonters to participate in 2023 and beyond.

POLICE

January 10: 4:55 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprinting for employment purposes.

8 p.m. Jonathan Lamb, 56, of Hinesburg was cited for violating conditions of release and violating an Abuse Prevention order.

10 p.m. A subpoena was served to a resident on North Road.

January 11: 12:30 p.m. An officer investigated late reported damage to a motor vehicle.

5:25 p.m. A citizen was assisted with a VIN verification.

7:18 p.m. Officers assisted a disabled motorist on Route 116.

January 12: 8 a.m. An officer investigated the passing of counterfeit bills at a business on Ballard’s Corner Road.

6:15 p.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Lincoln Hill Road.

10:08 p.m. A 911 hang up at a residence on Swamp Road was investigated.

January 13: 6:42 a.m. An officer investigated an alarm activation at CVU.

11:15 a.m. An officer responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Charlotte Road.

12:23 p.m. A citizen on Ballard’s Corner Road was assisted with a civil issue.

3:40 p.m. A citizen on Mechanicsville Road was assisted with a civil issue.

5:03 p.m. Officers assisted DCF with an investigation on Kailey’s Way.

10:20 p.m. An officer investigated a burglary alarm activation at a business on Commerce Street.

January 16: 3 p.m. Officers responded to O’Brien Meadows for a juvenile issue.

January 17: 6:54 p.m. Officers responded to the Howard Center on

Hawk Lane for the report of a client being abusive with staff members.

10 p.m. Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle crash on Richmond Road.

January 18: 7:03 a.m. An officer investigated the report of a theft of property on Beaver Pond Road.

2:38 p.m. An officer investigated the report of property damage on Lyman Meadows.

January 19: 10:25 a.m. Officers responded to a residence on Green Street for a reported juvenile issue.

2:40 p.m. A motor vehicle complaint on Route 116 was investigated.

January 20: 12:42 p.m. A citizen was assisted with a lockout on Ledgewood Lane.

4:45 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprinting for employment purposes.

10:35 p.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

January 21: 11:25 a.m. An officer investigated the report of a citizen dispute on CVU Road.

1:20 p.m. Suspicious activity on Gilman Road was investigated.

January 23: 9 a.m. Officers responded to CVU after reports of threats to the school were made on social media.

January 24: 8:41 a.m. Officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

10:30 a.m. An officer investigated the report of property damage on Commerce Street.

5:12 p.m. Officers responded to the Community School to assist with a civil issue.

6:10 p.m. Officers responded to Hayden Hill West for a citizen dispute stemming from a custody issue.

10:50 p.m. The report of suspicious activity on North Road was reported

and investigated.

January 25: 5:30 p.m. A report of a stolen vehicle on Hidden Pasture Road was investigated.

6:54 p.m. Officers responded to a single car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

January 26: 11:05 a.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprints for employment purposes.

11:15 a.m. Officers responded to Geprag’s Park on Shelburne Falls Road for a welfare check.

January 27: 11:25 a.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprints for employment purposes.

11:30 a.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprints for employment purposes.

1:35 p.m. Found property was turned into the Hinesburg Police Department.

2:20 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprints for employment purposes.

2:25 p.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

4:10 p.m. An officer investigated a single car motor vehicle crash on Pond Brook Road.

10:10 p.m. Officers investigated a noise complaint on Mechanicsville Road.

January 28: 10:30 a.m. Officers responded to a business on Commerce Street for the reports of an unruly customer.

January 30: 9:45 a.m. An officer responded to a two-car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

1:40 p.m. An officer responded to a citizen dispute on Kailey’s Way.

4:30 p.m. Officers assisted Richmond P.D. with a single car motor vehicle crash on Hinesburg Road in Richmond.

6:30 p.m. An officer assisted a motorist with a disabled vehicle on Route 116.

January 31: 7:30 p.m. Officers responded to North Road for the re-

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port of a citizen dispute.

9:50 p.m. Officers responded to Route 116 for a single car motor vehicle crash.

February 1: 2:09 a.m. An officer investigated the report of a violation of a Relief From Abuse Order on North Road.

7:41 a.m. An officer investigated a reported custody dispute on Hayden Hill West.

9:07 a.m. A motor vehicle complaint on Mechanicsville Road was investigated.

12:01 p.m. An officer assisted Williston Police with attempting to locate an individual who fled from police in St. George.

4:40 p.m. An officer investigated a vehicle off the roadway on Lewis Creek Road.

7:03 p.m. A 911 hang up on Pond Brook Road was investigated.

7:15 p.m. An officer assisted a stranded motorist on Route 116.

February 2: 9:45 a.m. Officers responded to Lantman's Market to investigate damage to property by a motor vehicle.

12:15 p.m. Found property was turned into the Police Department.

2 p.m. Officers responded to CVU to assist staff with a student issue.

6 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprinting for employment purposes.

6:37 p.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

9:35 p.m. Officers investigated the report of a vehicle off the roadway on Magee Hill Road.

February 3: 7:31 a.m. Officers responded to a residence on Burritt Road to investigate a reported burglary.

9:15 a.m. Suspicious activity on Place Road West was investigated.

3:30 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprinting for employment purposes.

5:30 p.m. An officer investigated a reported two-car motor vehicle crash on Route 116.

9:40 p.m. An officer responded to Hillview Terrace to investigate the report of an attempted burglary.

February 4: 10:45 a.m. Suspicious circumstances on Ballard's Corner Road were investigated.

2:35 p.m. A burglary alarm activation at CVU was investigated.

February 6: 2:02 p.m. An officer responded to a citizen dispute on Kailey's way.

6 p.m. A stray dog was turned in to the P.D. and later returned to its owner.

FIRE

Spring Craft Fair

Join the Hinesburg Firefighters Association for their Spring Craft Fair, Sat., May 20, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Hinesburg Fire Station.

We are hosting a Craft Fair that will give our sellers the opportunity to share their crafts and wares. The event will include local crafters as well as outside business consultants and many home craft businesses. If you are interested in a space, contact dbaber7541@gmail.com.

Proceeds from the event will benefit The Hinesburg Firefighters Association.

Call Log

Jan. 1: 4:38 p.m. Birchwood Drive for a smoke detector sounding. An old smoke detector had been discarded in a trash barrel with the battery left in.

Jan. 6: 12:36 p.m. Route 116 and New South Farm Road for a motor vehicle crash. One car was involved and had rolled over. The operator was treated by Hinesburg EMS and transported to UVM Medical Center (UVMCC).

Jan. 11: 9:03 a.m. Commerce Street for a report of a propane odor near Aubuchon. The cause was a leaking 20lb propane tank outside the store.

Jan. 13: 1:55 p.m. Report of a dog stuck in the ice in a pond behind a residence on Route 116 in St. George. As HFD approached the area with our sirens, the dog was able to return to shore.

Jan. 14: 8:19 p.m. Route 116 in St. George for a report of smoke in the residence. The resident had reported to dispatch there was a light haze in the home. HFD officers requested a working incident and an engine and tanker from Williston. On arrival, the home appeared to be cleared. Crews checked the residence inside and out, as well as the chimney. There was no fire or smoke found. The suspected cause was a downdraft in the chimney for the wood stove.

Jan. 17: 10:03 p.m. Richmond Road and Jourdan Street for a reported motor vehicle crash, with the vehicle over the embankment. The first arriving officer located the vehicle down the embankment on the northwest corner. It was reported that there were two occupants, one appeared to be critically injured. The officer requested a second ambulance and Charlotte Heavy Rescue be dispatched.

HPD assisted the passenger out of the vehicle. HFD used the jaws to hyper-extend the passenger door, while one member accessed the op-

erator from the driver door window. Crews removed the driver out the passenger side, and up the embankment for transport to UVMCC.

Jan. 18: 11:33 p.m. Silver Street and Lewis Creek Road for a two-car crash with multiple injuries. One vehicle had rolled onto its roof, and the second was in a nearby field. Two additional ambulances were requested. Three patients were removed from one of the vehicles. Two were transported to UVMCC by Shelburne and Charlotte ambulances. The third patient refused to be transported.

Jan. 23: 5:20 a.m. Mutual aid to Shelburne at Route 116 and Shelburne Pond Road for a two-car crash. HFD was cancelled on route.

2:55 p.m. Green Street for public

assistance.

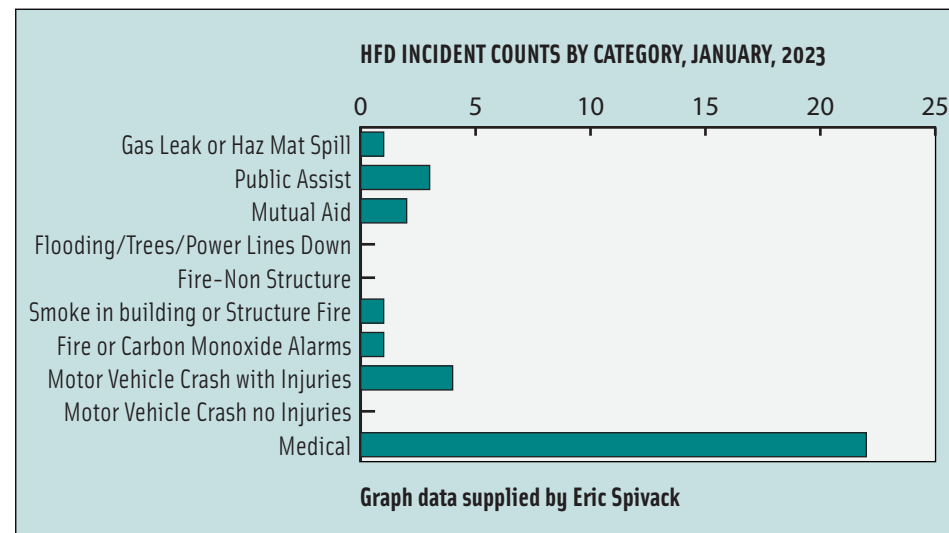
Jan. 26: 12:21 p.m. Hillview Terrace for public assistance.

Jan. 30: 3:51 a.m. Route 2A in St. George for a motor vehicle crash. The vehicle was located about 1/4 mile north of the Valero gas station off the east side of the road in the ditch. The operator was assisted out of the vehicle and was transported to UVMCC by Williston Rescue.

Jan. 31: 3:39 p.m. Huntington Fire requested department's mutual aid to Sleepy Hollow Ski and Bike Resort for a report of a trail groomer on fire, with fire impinging on a structure. HFD responded with Engine 1 and Tanker 1. HFD assisted with extinguishment. The fire was contained to the trail groomer.

Follow us on Facebook at [HinesburgFireDepartment](https://www.facebook.com/HinesburgFireDepartment).

Be sure to visit our website hinesburgfd.org.



HFD responded to 34 calls in January.

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

BUSINESS

Financial Focus

Can you count on Social Security?

FROM PRESS RELEASE

If you're getting closer to retirement, you might be thinking more about Social Security. Specifically, can you count on it to contribute part of the income you'll need as a retiree?

There's been an increase in alarming language surrounding the solvency of Social Security, but in reality, its prospects are not nearly as gloomy as you might have heard.

Here's the story: Under current law, Social Security is estimated to exhaust its trust funds by 2035, after which benefits could be cut by 20%, according to the 2022 Social Security Trustees report. However, the large cost of living adjustment (COLA) (8.7%) for 2023 could cause the trust funds to use up

their resources sooner.

But this outlook may represent a worst-case scenario. For one thing, the cost of the 2023 COLA will be somewhat offset by higher taxes on workers contributing to Social Security. The maximum amount of earnings subject to the 6.2% Social Security tax jumped from \$147,000 in 2022 to \$160,200 in 2023. And in looking down the road, further increases in this earnings cap may also help reduce the gap in the trust funds. Increasing the payroll tax is another possibility for boosting funding to Social Security.

And here's a political reality: Social Security is a popular program and it's unlikely that any future Congress wants to be blamed for reducing benefits. Of course, there are no guarantees, but it seems fair to say that you can reasonably expect some benefits from Social Security when you retire.

But perhaps the bigger issue is just how much you should depend on Social *continued on page 7*

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Security for your retirement income. On average, Social Security benefits will provide about 30% of a beneficiary's preretirement earnings, according to the Social Security Administration. But the higher your earnings before you retire, the lower the percentage that will be replaced by Social Security.

Still, you'll want to maximize the benefits that are available to you – and that means deciding when to start taking Social Security. You can begin as early as 62, but your monthly payments could be as much as 30% lower than your normal (or "full") retirement age, which will likely be between 66 and 67.

Even if you were to wait until your full retirement age before collecting Social Security, you'll also need to draw on other sources of funding. So, while you are still working, it's a good idea to keep contributing to your IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan.

The amount you contribute should depend on your overall financial strategy and your financial needs, so, for example, you probably shouldn't put in so much into your retirement accounts that you feel significant stress in your monthly cash flow. But when you do get a chance to invest more in these accounts, such as when your salary goes up, you may want to take advantage of the opportunity.

Ultimately, you should be able to count on Social Security as part of your retirement income. You may want to consult with a financial professional to determine when taking Social Security makes the most sense for you and how you can also get the most from your other retirement accounts. You'll want a retirement income strategy that's built for the long run.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor, Member SIPC

Red Wagon Plants Spring Events

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Red Wagon Plants in Hinesburg invites the public to join us for our Spring 2023 workshops and events. Our diverse workshops focus on creating abundance in our gardens, habitats, lives, and kitchens. Sign up for our newsletter and follow us on social media to stay in the loop with all of our events. Unless specified, our events are on site, in person, at Red Wagon this season. Please visit our website for more details. Keep your eyes out later in the season for our Summer and Fall events.

Julie Rubaud: Vegetable Garden Design Workshop: Virtual (Zoom): Tues., March 7, from 5-6:30 p.m., online. Plan your kitchen garden for beauty and bounty with RWP founder Julie Rubaud. Cost \$15. Zoom link sent out to participants prior to the class. Registration required.

Julie Rubaud: Vegetable Garden Design Workshop: Sat., March 11, from 10-11:30 a.m. Plan your kitchen



Growing a Cut Flower Garden



Queer Botanical Series

en garden for beauty and bounty with RWP founder Julie Rubaud. Cost \$25. Registration required.

Lily Belise: Growing a Cut Flower Garden: Sat., March 25, from 10 a.m.- noon. How to grow the right flowers at the right time for bouquets all season long. Cost \$25. Registration required.

Red Wagon Plants 2022 Open House! Sat., April 1, from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Join us for a sneak peek into our 2023 season. We will have tours and lots of tools, soil and early season plants for purchase to give you a jump start on your garden. This event is free, no registration required.

Julie Rubaud: Make and Take - Cold Hardy Annual Planter: Tues., April 4, from 5-6:30 p.m. Design and plant a beautiful, cold hardy planter that is sure to help usher

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Vegetable Garden Design Workshop

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in spring. Combining beauty and purpose, we will include a few edible flowers and herbs into each pot. Cost \$48. Registration required.

Chad Donovan: Planning a Perennial Meadow: Sat., April 8, from 10 a.m.-noon. Break out the graph paper and design a perennial meadow that will thrive for decades. Cost \$25. Registration required – space is limited.

Julie Rubaud: Make and Take - Cold Hardy Annual Planter: Tues., April 11, from 5-6:30 p.m. Design and plant a beautiful, cold hardy planter that is sure to help usher in spring. Combining beauty and purpose, we will include a few edible flowers and herbs into each pot. Cost \$48. Registration required.

Red Wagon Plants Opening Day! Fri., April 14, from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Julie Rubaud: Onions, Leeks and Shallots Workshop: Sat., April 15, from 10 a.m.- noon. Learn all about the allusive but easy and satisfying allium family. Cost \$25. Registration required.

Julie Rubaud: Tomato Preview and Pruning: Tues., April 18, from 5-6:30 p.m. Get a sneak peek at our favorite tomato varieties for this year, with lots of tips for a success-



Planning a Perennial Meadow



Leeks and Shallots Workshop

ful harvest. Cost \$25. Registration required.

Julie Rubaud: Make and Take - Cold Hardy Greens Planter: Thurs., April 20, from 5-6:30 p.m. Make a 'Garnish Box' planter with edible flowers, herbs and greens that can withstand the cold. Cost \$48. Registration required.

Jacob Holzberg-Pill: Plant Propagation from Cuttings and Division: Sat., April 22, from 10 a.m.- noon. Make more of your favorite perennial plants using different types of vegetative propagation. Cost \$25. Registration required.

Kat Consler: Queer Botany Series - Do Plants Have Gender? Tues., April 25, from 5-6:30 p.m. The April class focuses on spring flowers and some plants' ability to change their sex. How do we determine a plant's sex anyway? We will dive into some fun research and take a closer look at plants that might be poking up through the ground right now. Cost \$15. Registration required. In partnership with the Pride Center of Vermont.

Julie Rubaud: Make and Take: Cold Hardy Greens Planter: Thurs., April 27, from 5-6:30 p.m. Make a 'Garnish Box' planter with edible flowers, herbs and greens that can withstand the cold. Cost \$48. Registration required.

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RECREATION

HRD Spring Sports 2023

Little League

The famed Shelburne Little League has officially changed the organization's name to the Champlain Valley Little League (CVLL) to better reflect the 400+ children registered from the towns of Charlotte, Hinesburg, and Shelburne.

Registration is open for the 2023 Champlain Valley Little League baseball/softball season. Deadline is March 1.

To register, please visit champlain-valleylittleleague.org

2023 Spring Divisions:

Baseball

Pee Wee – Age 4 years (free)

T-Ball – Age 5 years (\$50)

Single A – Ages 6-7 years (\$75)

Double A – Ages 8 years (\$75)

Triple A – Ages 9-10 years (\$90)

Majors – Ages 11-12 (\$90)

Softball

Softball Minis – Ages 5-7 (\$75)

Minors Softball – Ages 8-9 (\$75)

Majors Softball – Ages 10-12 (\$90)

To determine "Little League age," please visit littleleague.org/play-little-league/determine-league-age.

Registration fees include uniform and a cap. Skills assessments and/or pre-season indoor practices are TBD. Stay tuned for more information.

Volunteer coaches and snack shack volunteers are needed. If interested, please send an email to cvllvt@gmail.com.

Lenny Bissonnette Scholarship Fund – please contact the Champlain Valley Little League @ cvllvt@gmail.com for more information.

The CVLL is in need of an official logo. Please send any design submissions/suggestions to cvllvt@gmail.com as soon as possible. Prizes will be awarded to the winning designers.

Co Ed K-1-2 Lacrosse

Sundays, May 7 – June 11. Millie's Field, Bissonnette Rec. Area. 11 – noon. Cost: \$50. Registration deadline April 30.

Boys and Girls Youth Lacrosse

Boys: 3rd and 4th grades, 5th and

6th grades, and 7th and 8th grades

Girls: 3rd and 4th grades, 5th and 6th grades and 7th and 8th grades

Outdoor practices can begin as early as mid-April, depending on weather. Please plan on two mid-week practices and two games on Saturday (boys) and Sundays (girls) from May 6 through June 11. A (\$30) US Lacrosse membership found at www.uslacrosse.org is mandatory to register for this program. Practices may be in Hinesburg, Williston, or Charlotte. Dates and times contingent on coaches and field space.

Note: All CVSD district players must register in their respective town – Charlotte, Hinesburg, Shelburne or Williston. Sorry, no non-resident registrations. At the close of registration, town recreation departments are committed to work together to ensure each child has an opportunity to play.

Cost: \$70 until March 6, \$80 afterward. Registration deadline is March 6 at 11:59 p.m.

Mini Shooting Stars Soccer Sessions

The O'Neil Deal shares their love of the game and teach foundational soccer skills.

3-5 years. Sundays, May 7 – June 4 (no practice on May 28). Millie's Field. 4-5 p.m. Cost: \$55.

Horseback Riding April Vacation

Looking for something during April vacation? Enjoy a horseback riding lesson, learn basic horse care and grooming: braid a mane, feed, brush, water, and groom along with learning the full routine of a horse barn. Wear boots with a heel, clothes you don't mind getting dirty and bring your lunch and water bottle. Masks are required.

Grades K-8. Monday – Friday, April 24–28. Livery Stables, 601 Lavigne Hill Rd., Hinesburg. Half day 8 a.m. – noon, or Full day 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. option.

Cost: Weekly, Half day \$365 or Full day \$495. More information can be found at liveryhorsefarm.com.

After-School Horseback Riding

Enjoy horseback riding lessons and so much more with Kim Johansen at Livery Stables. Lessons are for beginning to early intermediate riders. In addition, Kim and staff will instruct children on basic horse care, tacking, feeding, watering, and all that happens in the

horse barn. Take the bus from HCS to Livery Stables, located at 601 Lavigne Hill Rd. right after school. Please be sure to send a permission note with your child to ride the bus, pack a snack for your hungry rider, and send boots and barn clothes.

Grades K-8. Tuesdays, May 2 – June 6, and/or Fridays, May 5 – June 9. Livery Stables, 601 Lavigne Hill Rd., Hinesburg. 3-5 p.m. Cost: \$285. More information can be found at liveryhorsefarm.com.

After-School Junior Golf Program

Cedar Knoll Golf Course Pro Mike Slayton has a non-technical teaching philosophy but stresses the fundamentals of grip, stance, posture, balance and tempo. Although understanding that variations in swing techniques can all work, golf ball flight comes down to five basic laws. These laws include club head path, angle of attack, centeredness of contact, club face angle and speed. "The golf swing is a series of movements that must be executed in the proper sequence for optimal results."

Grades K-8.

Session 1: Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 16–25

Session 2 Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 30–June 8

Time: 3:30-5 p.m. Cost: \$160.

Session 1: Wednesdays and Fridays, May 17–26

Session 2: Wednesdays and Fridays, May 31–June 9

Cedar Knoll Golf Course, located at 13460 Route 116, Hinesburg. Time: Wednesday 2:30-4 p.m. and Friday 3:30-5 p.m. Cost: \$160.

Golf Camp with Mike Slayton

Tuesday through Friday, June 20-23, July 18 – 21, or

Aug 15-18. 9 a.m.– noon. Cost is \$320.

Boater Safety Course

Boating safety education is required for any motor boat operator, 12 years of age or older, born after Jan. 1, 1974. The Boat Vermont classroom course will enable you to get the certification that you need. The course is eight hours and is offered over four days. Participants must be present at all classes to be eligible for certification. Instructor is Jon Fick.

12 years and older. Mondays and Wednesdays, May 1, 3, 8, and 10. 6-8:30 p.m. R.E.I. Store in Williston. Cost: \$20 resident and \$30 non-residents.

Recreational Track

and Field

Participants will learn the basics of running, jumping, throwing, and relays. There will be meets with other area Rec. Depts. Athletes aged 7-14 are eligible to participate, unless they are a high school freshman in 2022-23 school year. Aging date is Dec. 31, 2023. VRPA State Meet is Sat., July 22. Instructors are program director and CVU athletes.

Ages 6-14 years. Mondays and Wednesdays, June 14–July 22. 6:15-7:45 p.m. CVU Track. Cost: \$50 resident, \$60 non-resident.

Horse Camp at Livery Stables

Join Kim Johansen and staff at Livery Stables for a week-long horse camp. Enjoy riding lessons, grooming, tacking, and general horse duties in the relaxed atmosphere of the barn. There are horse crafts, kittens to play with and an equestrian camaraderie that can't be beat! Please note below there are two options for camp times.

6-12 years. Livery Stables, 601 Lavigne Hill Rd., Hinesburg.

Camp Week 1: Monday – Friday, June 19–23

Camp Week 2: Monday – Friday, June 26–30

Time: 8 a.m. - noon, or 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Cost: \$365 for 8 a.m.- noon, and \$495 for 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Be sure to pack a lunch, water bottle, snacks, and send boots.

CVU Boys Lacrosse Camp

Run by CVU Varsity Boys Coach Tom Garvey and his players. June 26-29 (M-Th). 9 a.m. to noon. For students entering fourth through tenth grade. CVU Field C; Upper Lot on Pond Road. Cost is \$125.

Register at cvuboysslax.com/camp

Kevin Browne's Summer Driver Ed

Virtual classes and in-person driving. Class 1: June 13-15, 19-21, 26-28, July 3, 5, and 6. Class time: 5:30-7 p.m. Driving time: June 19-23, 26-30, July 3-7, 10-11.

Class 2: July 10-12, 17-19, 24-27, 31, August 1 and 2. Class Time: 5:30-7 p.m. Driving time: July 10-14, 17-22, 24-28. Cost: \$850 resident and \$900 non-residents.

Adult Recreation

AARP Safe Driver Course

Wed., April 5, 9 a.m.–2 p.m. First floor conference room at Town

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LIBRARY

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

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Library News

March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Is this true in our climate? We certainly hope so. We'll be at Town Meeting on March 6 with a table and some library goodies, don't neglect to stop by and say "Hello!" New books arriving this month include: mysteries by Jacqueline Winspear, Lisa Scottoline, and David Rosenfelt. Also new fiction by Harlan Coben, Margaret Atwood, Susan Mallery and Elizabeth Berg.

This month promises lots of opportunities to continue to read, and another book walk and talk if you are inclined to walk and explore the landscape with some area librarians. Other March highlights include a winter break concert and sing along, lantern making, and crafting club. Read on for more March delights.

Adult Programs

Make Your Own Lotus Lantern: Wed., March 1, 6-7:15 p.m. Join us at the library, or pick up a kit and

Zoom in from home, as we make beautiful Korean lotus lanterns and watch a short documentary. Presented by the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project. Open to adults, teens, and youth ages 10+. Materials are limited, so registration is required. Contact rachel@carpentercarse.org with any questions or to register.

Chess Club: Saturdays, 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, 10 a.m.-noon. 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: Thurs, March 2, 6-8 p.m. Whether you play an acoustic instrument or enjoy listening, join this monthly gathering to experience the joy of live music at the library.

Mystery Book Group: Wed., March 8, 10:30-11:30 a.m. We'll be meeting at the library to talk about *Murphy's Law* by Rhys Bowen (copies available for request).

Creative Cafe: Sat., March 11, 10 a.m.-noon. Adults and teens can drop by for snacks, drinks, and artistic community. Bring your own writing/art/craft project, find inspiration in our creative prompts, or unwind with our adult coloring books. No registration required.

Nature Walk & Book Talk: Sat., March 25, 11 a.m.-noon. Join the librarians from Carpenter-Carse Library, Charlotte Library and Pierson Library for a recurring outdoor perambulation and discus-

sion of books on the subject of our big, beautiful world. We will gather at Demeter Park in Charlotte (1489 Greenbush Road, Charlotte, VT 05445). The book we'll discuss is *Changes in the Land* by William Cronon. Please contact your home library to pick up a copy of the book.

Evening Book Group (Zoom): Tues., March 28, 7-8 p.m. We'll discuss *The Martian* by Andy Weir (copies available for request). Email rachel@carpentercarse.org to receive the link to join the conversation.

Youth Programs

Weekly Storytime: Join the fun and learning on Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 9:30 a.m. for 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.

Winter Break Afternoon Drop-In: Wed., March 1, 2:15 - 3:45 p.m. During our regular LEGO Club time we invite kids in grades K-5 to drop in this week for free-build time with LEGOs while we watch a LEGO movie and of course eat popcorn! You do not need to be a regular LEGO Club attendee to participate in this event, and no registration is required, however parents are asked to stay at the library if your child is not a LEGO Club member. Contact jen@carpentercarse.org with any questions.

Winter Break Concert and Sing-A-Long: Fri., 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.

LEGO Club continues this month on Wednesdays, March 8 and 15, at 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@carpentercarse.org

and join us for LEGOs, fun, and friends this winter.

Monthly Craft Club: Fri., March 10, 3:15-4:30 p.m. Students in kindergarten-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 or stop by the circulation desk.

Golden Dome Book Club: Thurs., March 22, 3:15-4:15 p.m. This is a new afterschool book club for students who would like an opportunity to read and discuss books that are past or current Golden Dome Book Award nominees or winners. This group will meet at the library every fourth Thursday of the month and will vote on which Golden Dome book to read next. At this first meeting, participants will be invited to talk about their favorite chapter book, enjoy a snack, and help choose our next group read. This group is for anyone who is reading mid-grade books, which is generally students who are in the eight to 12-year-old age range. If you're interested in joining this group, contact jen@carpentercarse.org

All Ages Game Time! Fri., March 24, 3-5 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of friendly competition with board games, card games, and Bingo. 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.

► Recreation

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Hall. AARP members \$20, non-members \$25. Please bring a lunch and water bottle.

Dog Obedience with Jim Warden

Join experienced dog trainer Jim Warden for this informative and beneficial dog training experience. This class is designed to provide enjoyment and interaction for both you and your pet. Jim makes it look easy, even with the most challenging dogs. Watch and see someone who truly "talks to the animals." Please note – leave your dog at home for the first class.

Dog and owner(s). Town Hall Field. Thursdays, May 11–June 15, 6-7 p.m. Cost: \$75 resident and \$85 non-residents.

COMMENTARY

My Gravel Slalom & Roads Scholarship

BY BILL SCHUBART

The annual back-roads slalom season has begun – where even the most abstemious seem to be driving under the influence. Some experienced back-roads slalom drivers appear like recent arrivals from England or Australia, driving freely on the left except as they approach the brow of a hill.

It's an annual rite and, with all the untimely thawing and rain, many of Vermont's dirt byways have become deeply pocked, chiropractic washboard roads or porridge-like slurries of mud, or both.

It's assumed that sober folks driving on paved roads steer along the roads' lanes and only drunks or drivers texting or checking emails zig-zag. But on our gravel roads the opposite is true. Intoxicated drivers tend to try and drive straight down the middle while sober drivers zig-zag to avoid potholes and sinkholes.

The most worrisome section of our own Baldwin Road runs by a small 19th century graveyard, and many of us in the 'hood quail at the thought of what seeps out into the road we travel daily.

The few imported Yugos, Ladas, and Renaults as well as our domestic Rambler American rust-buckets that made it to Vermont in my early days rarely lasted a year on Vermont's secondary roads. One Yugo was found buried deep in mud on a road in Eden when a trout fisherman spotted a side-view mirror sticking out of the ditch on the side of the road.

Renault Dauphines typically rusted out in 18 months and became very popular as composters. Gardeners pitched food and garden scraps in through the open sunroof and, after a few months, opened the doors and harvested rich loam.

I've finally reached that mind-body equilibrium we all seek. I'm both a "Roads Scholar" and a Gravel-Road Slalom competitor. You're probably not familiar with either unless you live year-round at the end of a four-mile-long dirt road followed by a steep driveway with switchbacks.

During a spring ice storm, learning to manage a controlled backwards skid is critical on our driveway when the wheels are turning in forward gear but the car is moving backwards.

And don't try what I once did, even though I survived: Once, when my VW Bug was simply spinning on a steep hill coated with black ice and

not moving at all, I got out, leaving it in gear, and tried to push it with no one inside. It worked... once.

Navigating our frozen driveway also reminds me of when I was teaching my youngest son to ski at Cochran's. I was skiing down the practice slope in a backwards snowplow while bending forward to keep my youngster's ski tips together as I taught him how to snowplow. Hard to believe, but with practice, there is such thing as a controlled skid, even going backwards (be sure to adjust your rear-view mirror).

For many the primal angst of "mud season" was diminished somewhat with the invention of Tyvek, now underlying the uppermost gravel layer on some of Vermont's back roads. The deep mires of spring mud that gave birth to the name "mud season" and "Mud City" and have been a defining spring characteristic since Vermont was a feisty Republic, have been reduced thanks to the miracle of Tyvek. It functions like a check valve in plumbing by allowing rainwater to seep down while preventing ground water from rising and brewing mud.

Old dirt roads are scarified and a subdermal layer of heavy Tyvek is laid down on the old gravel and then covered with another layer. This reduces the up-flow of groundwater. This same decorative lingerie gracing many unfinished homes in our backwoods turned out also to be a boon for those of us living on back roads where, in spring, the groundwater bubbles up over the road surface.

As to Roads Scholarship, visitors driving along our back-country roads after a few days of inclement weather may be surprised to see locals slaloming along the full width of our two-lane roads even as they approach hilltops. Unless you're born to the sport of gravel-road slalom, it will seem odd at first, if not fatal.

It's a thrill to follow an expert back-road slalom driver in the spring as they bob and weave back and forth across the full width of the visible road. They instinctively know their wheelbase and can usually find par-



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allel passages through a serious cluster of potholes, keeping both tires on a flat track or at least avoiding the deepest holes. Water-filled holes are the most deceptive as one can't assess their true depth.

Gravel-road slalom lacks the grace of a great snow skier following the fall line through a tight web of fiberglass poles throwing up clouds of snow from side to side. The gravel moguls we toss up on the roadbed as we carve our way through the aggregate only makes matters worse for the next driver. After several broken tie-rods and a blown shock or two, you'll learn to appreciate this unique Yankee sport.

And, if you see a hand-painted roadside notice offering to buy recyclable metal, look ahead for a whopper pothole. Tie rods, blown shocks, hubcaps, bent wheel hubs, even the occasional ancient Renault rusting in a nearby field should serve as a warning, and by the way, if you imagine that speeding over a pothole will incur less damage, you're in for a costly surprise.

Newcomers are often deceived by the idea that driving at very high speed means the wheels don't have time to actually penetrate potholes. They learn fast when a costly MacPherson strut rockets through the leather upholstery in the rear seat. Driving on washboard is like skiing on ice. There's little one can do but slow down, if possible, and go straight over it.

In the good old days, cars sank in well over their running boards and draft horses strained as if they were at the county fair horse pulls to overcome the mud's suction. Those days are gone. To avoid the mires today, most cars simply take an alternate route.

Although, several years back, I remember on Monkton's Prison Hollow Road seeing a D4 Caterpillar dozer that had tried to extract a large John Deere tractor from a mud bog on a side road. Both were above their axles in mud and there was no one in sight.

Many suburban Vermonters living in housing developments today that were cornfields fifty years back rarely have to travel dirt roads at all. While the farmers who tilled those fields in the spring had to use flotation tires, the current residents travel only on well-drained

aggregate covered with asphalt.

Any seasoned Vermont driver keeps a come-along and log chain in the trunk of their vehicle. A sturdy tree and these two tools connecting the car's frame and the tree will usually enable an embogged driver to extract their vehicle from anything. Just don't make the mistake that city folk often make by connecting the chain's hook to the bumper or the doorknob.

At my age, I'm proud of my Roads Scholarship and my skill at Gravel-Road Slaloming, skills to which most newcomers can only aspire.

Vestiges of the American Revolution Underfoot

BY ROGER DONEGAN

I was gobsmacked by Patrick's Mom's email last May 4. "Patrick found what he thinks is a British Revolutionary War 53rd Regiment uniform button on the O'Neil Farm yesterday." It's true. In fact he's found two; a second British 53rd Regiment of Foot metal uniform button was found near the same location in the fall.

Family and friends know Patrick, then 13 years old, is an enthusiastic and experienced metal detectorist. His handheld apparatus is always within reach, kept at the ready to head outdoors to sweep a swath of ground somewhere on the 259-acre conserved O'Neil Farm for what may turn up a telling piece of hardware, a coin, or who knows.

That Patrick had instant knowledge of what the raised numbers on the unearthed button meant once brushed off is another shock, a phenomenon of the times where electronic data and devices in the hands of young people get them right to the heart of the matter. His firsthand knowledge had come from a Youtube video posted by

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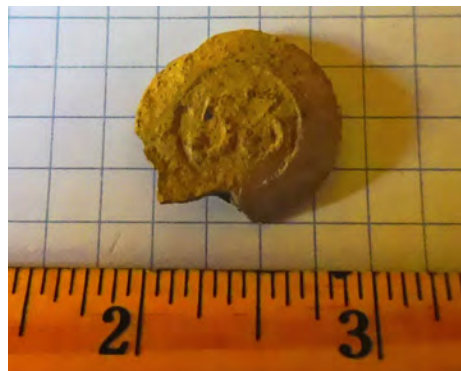
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Green Mountain Metal Detecting, titled “Treasure Hunter Unearths Incredible Rare Revolutionary War Artifact.” The video demonstrated technique unearthing a well-preserved belt buckle in New Hampshire embossed with the same numerals identifying the British Revolutionary War 53rd Regiment of Foot.

The O’Neil Farm was conserved in 2018 by the Vermont Land Trust, and contributed to by the Hinesburg Land Trust. It straddles the town line between Hinesburg and Charlotte and borders the La Platte River. The buttons were unearthed in Hinesburg territory. The oldest memorial in the O’Neil Farm Cemetery that is readable dates from 1799. It’s no coincidence farming necessity and good stewardship has preserved the O’Neil Road in frontier state. The distant mountain horizon hems in places where parts of the American Revolutionary War transpired.

The Lake Champlain and Lake George north-south waterway corridor is dotted with the earlier French and Indian War and later



Patrick’s British 53rd Regiment of Foot Uniform Button.

American Revolutionary War sites and museums today. Patrick and his younger brother Franklin and I toured Fort Ticonderoga in 2019 and Valcour Island, the namesake of the revolutionary Lake Champlain battle, in 2021. While taking a day in summer for fun and adventure was the real goal, history was an aside.

My own fascination is owed to AP writer Chris Carola and his many articles printed in the *Burlington Free Press (BFP)* between 2002 and 2019, often datelined from the municipality of Fort Edward, N.Y., one with very deep pre-colonial roots. Half of the articles were updates on the ongoing work of archeologist, professor, and author David R. Starbuck at near at hand historical site excavations. One article detailed how old Fort Edwards’ submerged timbers were restored in Vermont at the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum (*BFP*, Oct. 5, 2013). The French and Indian War (1754-1763) was concluded by the Treaty of Paris.

Fort Edward had a lengthier historical timeline more significant than Fort Ticonderoga. Native American Indians had named



Younger Brother Franklin and Patrick at Fort Ticonderoga In 2019.

the spot “Great Carrying Place.” Analyses of the prehistory artifacts of arrowheads, spear points, and shards of pottery date from the Archaic period 8000-6000 B.C. In the French and Indian War, Fort Edward had quartered up to 15,000 men when there was little other settlement in this vast wilderness frontier.

James Fenimore Cooper’s novel, “The Last of the Mohicans” (1826), was set in 1757 with an opening scene at Fort Edward. The notorious Major Rogers and his Rangers barely survive the real life “Battle on Snowshoes” in close proximity to the fort in 1758 but most do live to fight again. An insight of its enduring importance as a strategic waterway, the Champlain Canal dug in the 1820s joined the Hudson River east of the tip of Rogers Island at Fort Edward.

David R. Starbuck’s “Rangers and Redcoats on the Hudson” (2004), a comprehensive archeological report, addressed several aspects of Patrick’s buttons unearthed in 2022. It categorizes metal buttons as Personal Adornment Items. Of the 131 metal buttons excavated at the Fort Edward dig, 39 of them were unearthed in an area labeled “latrine.” None of them were numbered regimental buttons. Starbuck states regimental buttons don’t turn up until the American Revolutionary War.

“Benedict Arnold’s Navy” (2006) by James L. Nelson speaks of two major embarkations of British soldiers from England to relieve the Continental Army siege of Quebec, together sizable enough to support a plan to push south through “the lakes” to cut New England off and put an end to the rebellion. The second embarkation likely carried 53 Regiment of Foot soldiers who first arrive at Quebec City in May of 1776 and served under Sir Guy Carleton in the Battle of Valcour Island that October. In 1777 the 53rd Regiment of Foot flank companies served under British General John Burgoyne in his ill-fated Battle of Saratoga, begun



Valcour Island and Monument, 2021.

Sept. 19, where 1,135 British soldiers were killed or wounded and 6,222 were captured or missing.

Closer to home online sources and a monument at Shelburne Beach speak of Moses Peirson Block House engagement in Shelburne in March of 1778 by a band of British soldiers and Native Americans. Six British soldiers from an unidentified regiment were taken prisoner. Major Christopher Carlton (Carlton’s Raid) landed 454 men of the 29th, 31st, and 53rd Regiment of Foot at Crown Point on Nov. 6, 1778, to attack mills on Beaver Creek and in Middlebury and New Haven on Otter Creek, plus raid supply stores in Monkton and another mill near Shoreham, largely unopposed. Only one British soldier was wounded, one man was killed by a falling tree, and 17 men were lost in a bateau.

One book, bought at one Hinesburg Fourth of July book sale, whose text literally places Green Mountain Boys face to face with soldiers of the British 53rd Regiment of Foot is “Lake George and Lake Champlain” (1940) by Frederic F. Van de Water. The book was part of a series on American lakes. On the eve of the British defeat at Saratoga in 1777, Ebenezer Allen, described as a captain in the Grants rangers and Ethan’s salty cousin, is part of a large force which makes an attempt to secure Fort Ticonderoga again, two years after Allen’s historically famous success.

At sunrise Ebenezer and sixty men storm Mount Defiance, a looming precipice distant from the fort, to seize its blockhouses and capture Lieutenant Lord of the 53rd Foot and small garrison. Two captains of the 53rd Foot were similarly taken at remote positions which rendered 304 more soldiers captive. While history could cite many opportune ways just how two British 53rd Regiment of Foot uniform buttons came to languish in the soil of the O’Neil Farm one certainty is these are vestiges of the American Revolution left to posterity in the North Country.

EDUCATION

School Budget Meeting and Information

FROM CVSD PRESS RELEASE

Dear Champlain Valley School District Community Members and Voters,

As an informed voter, it is important to understand the significance of the proposed budget for the Champlain Valley School District. This year, the district has proposed a budget of \$96,119,804, which represents an increase of 7.5 percent from the current year.

Despite these increased costs, the CVSD proposed budget is still 1.2 percent below the statewide average for equalized pupils and 1 percent below the state average spending increase. This demonstrates the district’s commitment to being financially responsible while still providing the best possible education for its students.

The budget proposal takes into account various external forces, such as statewide and national health-care increases, inflation, and a tight labor market. Despite these challenges, the Champlain Valley School District remains dedicated to supporting all students and providing a high-quality education.

By voting for the proposed budget, you are supporting the education of the students in the Champlain Valley School District. Investing in our future through education is a vital part of ensuring a strong and thriving community.

Please reach out to the CVSD School Board with any questions; cvdschoolboard@cvsdvt.org or use the School Board or Budget Let’s Talk topics [cvsdvt.org/page/268](https://www.cvsdvt.org/page/268). On behalf of the CVSD School Board, we appreciate your generous support.

Please join the CVSD Annual Informational Meeting on Mon., March 6, 2023, at 5 p.m. at CVU.

More information:

Budget page: [cvsdvt.org/budget](https://www.cvsdvt.org/budget)
CVSD Annual Report: [cvsdvt.org/Page/602](https://www.cvsdvt.org/Page/602)
2023-2024 Budget Booklet: bit.ly/FY24CVSDBudget

Budget FAQs: bit.ly/CVSDBudgetFY23FAQs

See the Annual Warning on the budget page of our website for all of the ballot articles. We encourage all eligible residents in Champlain Valley School District towns to vote on March 7 or earlier.

Kindergarten Registration

FROM CVSD PRESS RELEASE

Hinesburg Community School will open kindergarten registration for the 2023-2024 school year starting Feb. 1, 2023. Champlain Valley School District (CVSD) is asking families to register their incoming kindergarten students earlier this year.

If you have an in-coming kindergarten student, please complete the online forms (link below) by Feb. 24, 2023. These enrollment numbers help us to plan our staffing needs for the upcoming school year and help us to coordinate our site visits for placement in the spring.

Deb Lavalette is our point-person for registration and she is looking forward to hearing from you. You can contact Deb at (802) 482-2106 or dlavalette@cvsdvt.org. Natalie Raby, our PreK-4 school counselor, and Suzan Locke (PreK-4 principal) are happy to help with questions.

We appreciate your help with registering your child early this year and we’re looking forward to meeting you. This is such an exciting time for you and your child and we are happy to share this experience with you.

Registration and information link: tiny.one/CVSD-kindergarten.

Access CV Winter/Spring Semester Launches

FROM 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 under way. With over 120 classes that have yet to start, and more being added monthly, there’s something for everyone!

Some things of note:

- Have you ever wanted to make your own Adirondack Chair? Join Tony Hashem, a Hinesburg local, as he guides you through the process of making your own modern version of a chair and table.
- Are you a maker looking for a new project? Our craft options this month are plentiful with everything from knitting and sewing to fused glass, pottery, painting and calligraphy.
- If you prefer online classes, we have options that include night sky photography, learning to speak Italian, cat behavior, writing, gardening and more.

Below is a list of classes offered



Adirondack Chair and Table – Mar. 8



Felted Soaps – Mar. 21

during March, 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

- Monday, Mar. 13 Sourdough Bread Workshop
- Thursday, Mar. 16 Spices of Chai!
- Thursday, Mar. 16 Indian Cooking: Chicken Tikka Masala
- Monday, Mar. 20 Baking 101: Cream Puffs & Éclairs
- Monday, Mar. 27 Cake Decorating Basics

- Wednesday, Mar. 29 Chocolate Specialties!
- Thursday, Mar. 30 Ethiopian/Eritrean Cuisine – Vegetarian Specialties

Fine Arts & Crafts

- Tuesday, Mar. 7 Learn How to Turn a Wooden Bowl!
- Tuesday, Mar. 7 Ceramics: Wheel-Throwing and Hand-Building
- Tuesday, Mar. 7 Ceramics – Hand-Building: Home Decor and Tea Lights
- Wednesday, Mar. 8 Build a Modern

Adirondack Chair and Table

Thursday, Mar. 9 Intro to Oil Painting – All Levels Welcome!

Monday, Mar. 13 How to Start a Quilting Project for Beginners

Monday, Mar. 13 Modern Calligraphy Workshop

Tuesday, Mar. 14 Carving in Wood – A Painted Songbird

Wednesday, Mar. 15 Beginning Colorwork – Knitting the Limitless Cowl

Thursday, Mar. 16 Traditional Rug Hooking for Beginners

Thursday, Mar. 16 Gelli-Print Collage

Monday, Mar. 20 Fused Glass Coasters

Tuesday, Mar. 21 Felted Soaps

Wednesday, Mar. 22 Flower Accessories

Monday, Mar. 27 Fused Glass Wind Chime

Monday, Mar. 27 Introduction to Welding Fabrication

Monday, Mar. 27 Modern Calligraphy Workshop

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Tuesday, Mar. 28 Learn How to Turn a Wooden Bowl!

Tuesday, Mar. 28 Basket Weaving: Two-Handled Lading Round

Tuesday, Mar. 28 Sew Your Own Tote Bag

Thursday, Mar. 28 Knit Your First Sweater

Fitness, Dance, Yoga & Mindful Movement

Thursday, Mar. 9 Happy Thursday Yoga Flow

Thursday, Mar. 23 Yoga Thursday with Ellen!

Tuesday, Mar. 28 Strength & Cardio Training

Fun & Games

Monday, Mar. 13 Bridge for Beginners: Club Series OR Diamond Series

Monday, Mar. 13 Bridge: Defense Series – Hearts

Health & Nutrition, New Age & Holistic Wellbeing

Thursday, Mar. 9 Intuitive Eating Skill Building

Thursday, Mar. 16 Herbal Remedies for a Good Night's Sleep

Thursday, Mar. 23 Oxygen Advantage® Breathing Workshop Intro

Tuesday, Mar. 28 Therapeutic Massage Techniques for Managing Headaches, Neck & Shoulder Tension

Wednesday, Mar. 29 Blood Sugar & Energy*

Thursday, Mar. 30 Oxygen Advantage® Breathing Workshop Series

Home, Garden, Nature & Outdoor Living

Monday, Mar. 6 Suburban Homesteading 101: Homestead Planning*

Tuesday, Mar. 7 Tool and Knife Sharpening

Wednesday, Mar. 8 Bird Nests: Custom-Designed and Custom-Built for the Growing Family*

Monday, Mar. 13 Suburban Homesteading 101: Vegetable & Herb Gardening*

Tuesday, Mar. 14 Does Your Garden Need Some Hügelkultur?*

Thursday, Mar. 16 Home Repair Series: Drywall

Monday, Mar. 20 Suburban Homesteading 101: Backyard Chickens*

Wednesday, Mar. 22 Cat Behavior: What is Your Cat Saying?*

Thursday, Mar. 23 Home Repair Series: Painting



Sew Your Own Tote Bag - Mar. 28

Tuesday, Mar. 28 Winter Tree Identification

Thursday, Mar. 30 Home Repair Series: Exterior Maintenance

Kids, Teens, & Parenting

Tuesday, Mar. 21 Kids in the Kitchen: Let Them Eat Pie

Music & Languages

Wednesday, Mar. 8 Conversational Italian (Intermediate to Advanced)*

Thursday, Mar. 16 Ukulele for Adults – Level 2

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Tuesday, Mar. 14 Relationship Manual: Understanding & Improving Your Relationships

Thursday, Mar. 16 Relationship Manual: Understanding & Improving Your Relationships*

Thursday, Mar. 23 How to Be a Prepared Hiker, Part 1

Photography & Technology

Tuesday, Mar. 7 Night-Sky Photography Workshop*

Professional Development & Writing Workshops

Thursday, Mar. 9 Writing Workshop – Getting Your Story Out*

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, ensuring you a spot in the class, and avoiding 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. We will open 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 you contact us directly.

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SPORTS



Caleb Nye at the D3 Championship at Bowdoin

Hinesburg Student Receives Cross-Country Honors

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The Endicott men's cross country team has earned U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) All-Academic Team honors for the 2022 season. In addition to the team award, Caleb Nye of Hinesburg was named to the USTFCCCA All-Academic Athlete list.

Endicott received USTFCCCA All-Academic Team accolades for having all student-athletes on its roster who used a season of eligibility obtain at least a 3.10 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale through the most recent semester.

The Gulls ranked 11th overall in the East Region with a 3.39 GPA.

Meanwhile, Nye garnered USTFCCCA All-Academic Athlete honors for registering a cumulative GPA of at least 3.30 on a 4.0 scale and finishing in the top-25 percent of the field at the NCAA Division III regional championship meet.

Nye, a criminal justice major, is the first student-athlete in program history to earn USTFCCCA All-

Academic Athlete honors.

At the NCAA Division III East Regional Championship last fall (Nov. 12), Nye highlighted the squad with a 52nd place finish on the 8-kilometer course (27:31.1).

Girls on the Run Vermont Seeks Volunteer Coaches

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Girls on the Run Vermont needs coaches. Girls on the Run is a physical activity-based, positive youth development program that inspires students in third through eighth grade to be joyful, healthy, and confident.

The ten-week program incorporates movement to empower participants to develop critical life skills, build confidence, cultivate positive connections with peers, manage their emotions, and stand up for themselves and others. Volunteer coaches utilize a curriculum to engage teams of girls in fun, interactive lessons. The spring season begins the week of March 27. Teams meet twice a week for 90 minutes and the program culminates with all teams participating in one of two noncompetitive, celebratory 5K events in Essex and Manchester, Vt.

Coaches do not need to be runners! Girls on the Run Vermont (GOTRVT) provides training so volunteers have all of the tools needed to facilitate the season and to have a positive coaching experience. All volunteer coaches must complete a background check. GOTRVT welcomes high school students to volunteer as Junior Coaches. Please visit gotrvt.org/coach for full details or email info@girlsontherun-vermont.org.

Locations that are still in need of coaches include: Brewster-Pierce Memorial School in Huntington, Charlotte Central School, Hinesburg Community School, Richmond Elementary, and Shelburne Community School.

Participant registration opened on Wed., Feb. 22, for Northern teams and Wed., March 1, for Southern teams. More information about the program, and registration can be found on the Girls on the Run Vermont's website: gotrvt.org.

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Lewis Creek Association News

LCA Works with Town of Starksboro to Design Water Quality Improvements for Ballfields

BY KATE KELLY

Lewis Creek Association (LCA) has partnered with the Town of Starksboro to plan for improvements to water quality in the town-owned ballfields area, which abuts Lewis Creek. Stormwater collects in the parking area, and the fields are often wet, which can cause problems for water quality in Lewis Creek, which runs next to the ballfields (as well as making the fields difficult to play on!). LCA hired engineering firm SLR to collect data at the ballfields, which included where the water flows during a storm, how the river has migrated during the last decade, and where wetlands are that should be avoided. The engineers proposed a suite of possible solutions for the area, including parking lot improvements to direct water to a raingarden (bioretention area), in-field infiltration trenches (underground pipes with gravel around them) that would allow some water to sink into the ground, repair of the berm that keeps sediment and debris off the property during flooding, plantings of trees and shrubs, and some bank stabilization using logs and natural materials. These solutions will help with the three S's that are central to LCA's Ahead of the Storm program: slow it down, soak it in to the ground, and spread it out. You can learn more about the problem and what landowners can do to improve water quality in a brief 17-minute presentation that can be found on LCA's website at lewiscreek.org/water-quality-videos. (You can learn more about the Ahead of the Storm program at lewiscreek.org/ahead-of-the-storm.) It is crucial that we all do our part to improve water quality in small ways, in order to improve Lake Champlain's water quality and beauty, and to protect the animals and plants that live in our rivers and streams.

The concept design that was finalized in collaboration with town representatives included a rain garden to capture and clean the water com-

ing off the parking lot, infiltration trenches on the field, and stream-bank stabilization and planting native trees and shrubs along the bank. If the Town chooses to proceed, final design work on the area could be completed if additional grant funding is received. In addition to improving the wet areas in the parking lot and field, the rain garden would beautify the area, native plantings would provide habitat for animals, and Cota Field area would have improved parking and pedestrian safety with the proposed changes to trails and parking layout.

Please reach out to Kate Kelly, LCA Program Manager, at lewiscreekorg@gmail.com with any questions. This project has been funded by a Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation grant to Watersheds United Vermont, with a subgrant to Lewis Creek Association.

LCA Focuses Water Quality Improvements on McCabe's Brook

McCabe's Brook has poor water quality. The brook originates near the Charlotte Central School, passes through Charlotte and east of Earthkeep Farmcommon. It is visible as it passes under Route 7 in Shelburne near the Vermont Day School/Teddy Bear Company, then runs west of the School Street neighborhood and passes under Harbor Road between Davis Park and the Arbors. From there, the wastewater treatment facility drains into it, and it parallels the Ti Haul Path before draining into the LaPlatte River just upstream from its mouth in Shelburne Bay. Runoff, stormwater discharges and stream erosion near the Shelburne village, combined with upstream agricultural runoff and stream erosion, has led to phosphorus (a nutrient) levels in McCabe's Brook that exceed the state criterion. The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation and US Environmental Protection Agency have deemed McCabe's Brook as "impaired" in its downstream stretches by excess nutrients, as it does not adequately support aquatic life (fish and invertebrates).

To help address this problem, Lewis Creek Association (LCA) received a grant to develop a prioritized list of projects to help reduce nutrient levels in the brook, and to de-



Starksboro Cota Ballfields and parking lot are inundated during a rain storm. Photo credit: Chris Runcie

velop concept designs for three of these projects. LCA hired engineering firm SLR, and collaborated with the towns of Shelburne and Charlotte, the Vermont Department of Conservation, as well as private landowners, to develop and prioritize the list of projects after the engineers made site visits. The total list of over 30 projects included everything from floodplain restoration and tree plantings, to bio-retention areas (rain gardens), to dam removal, to swirl separators (which remove sediment and some phosphorus from water before it leaves the separator). The project team ultimately chose three projects to have the engineers progress to 30 percent design. One project is a swirl separator at the outlet of a storm drain in the School Street neighborhood. The second is a swirl separator along Harbor Road in Shelburne, which would remove sediment and pollutants collected over a large portion of the Shelburne Village. The third is a series of settling basins and filter berms that would allow water to slow down and drop sediment along Depot Road in Shelburne where there has been significant erosion and road washouts. Each of these treatments remove sediment from water before it reaches McCabe's Brook.

These solutions will help with the three S's that are central to LCA's Ahead of the Storm program: slow it down, soak it in to the ground, and spread it out. You can learn more about the problem and what landowners can do to improve water quality in a brief 17-minute presentation LCA's website at bit.ly/lea-wq-videos and about the Ahead of the Storm program at bit.ly/lea-aots. It is crucial that we all do our

part to improve to water quality in small ways, in order to improve Lake Champlain's water quality and beauty, and to protect the animals and plants that live in our rivers and streams. LCA hopes to help move some of these projects forward in the coming years, to improve water quality and habitat in McCabe's Brook.

This project has been funded by an agreement awarded by the Great Lakes Fishery Commission to NEIWPC in partnership with the Lake Champlain Basin Program.

New Environmental Scholarship Announced

BY JEAN KIEDAISCH

In keeping with its commitment to protecting Hinesburg's working landscape, recreational lands, and natural systems, Responsible Growth Hinesburg (RGH) is offering a one-time \$1,000 scholarship to a Hinesburg graduating senior who has demonstrated commitment to these same values. The student might be attending CVU, Vermont Commons, Rice, or the Waldorf School.

The scholarship will support the student's further education at a college or university, technical program, or vocational training program. The focus might be on studying environmental science or a related field or pursuing environmental journalism.

The deadline for applying for this scholarship is April 1, 2023. To be considered, the student must submit an essay describing:

- why it is important for citizens to en-

gage in local activities that improve or conserve the important qualities of Hinesburg.

- how their own involvement has benefited them so far and affected their enjoyment of Hinesburg and its surroundings.
- how they plan to continue that involvement in the future.

More details will be shared on Front Porch Forum. Questions? Email Natacha Liuzzi. (nml1961@gmail.com)

Vermont Genealogy Library Classes

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Please visit our website, vtgenlib.org, for additional details and for registration.

Using Microsoft OneNote – Dwight Fowler, Feb. 25

This class shows how genealogists can organize their research materials using a free tool from Microsoft called OneNote. The power of OneNote is in its ability to combine all kinds of media.

Start your move away from paper, and instead organize photos and articles, imbed PDF files, word docs, and use links to outside sources. In this class Dwight Fowler will review the basics of OneNote to show its capabilities, with examples of it in use for research. Attendees should be familiar with Microsoft Word, PowerPoint or Excel. An understanding of MS Onedrive, or cloud-based tools like Dropbox, or Google Drive, is also recommended, but not required. This class may be followed by a virtual training offering if there is sufficient interest. This class will be a Zoom webinar from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$10.

An Elephant in the Room & a Skeleton in the Closet – Jack Crahan, Mar. 4

How does a genealogist acknowledge and address the subject of "Family Shame" that has led family members to hide certain events? Jack Crahan will lead this discussion using real life examples, subject matter abstracts, questions, and quotes from professionals in an attempt to guide and assist the genealogist and family historian in tackling one of genealogy's most difficult subjects. This class will be

a Zoom webinar from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$10.

An Acadian Genealogy Primer – Donlon Hurtubise, March 11

In this course Donlon Hurtubise will provide: 1) a review of Acadia (largely today's Nova Scotia and New Brunswick) from its founding, through the brutal deportations of Acadians under British rule during that is referred to as the Great Upheaval or Le Grand Dérangement that commenced in 1755; 2) an overview of the post-1755 geographic distribution of our Acadian ancestors in exile; and 3) a focus on what is known about the reassembly of some exiled Acadian families in Quebec. This primer will contain a significant number of maps and charts, as well as suggestions for specific resources and locations of interest to those exploring their Acadian roots.

This class will be a Zoom webinar from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$10.

Researching Your Irish Ancestors, March 13, 7 p.m. Ed McGuire


As part of the 2023 Burlington Irish Heritage Festival, the VT Genealogy Library is again hosting a free in-person presentation by Ed McGuire titled, "Researching Your Irish Ancestors." This talk will provide a brief history of Irish immigration to North America and some of the major problems facing researchers. Ed will discuss techniques for finding your ancestors' parish and the major record sets in Ireland. The talk will also cover major collections that have appeared online recently and provide a handout listing key references with links to online resources. This presentation will begin at 7 p.m. on Mon., March 13, at the Vermont Genealogy Library in Pinewood Plaza, 57 River Rd., Essex Junction. This will not be recorded for later viewing.

Tipperry to Gettysburg: The Story of John Lonergan – Liam McKone, March 18

Join us in person at the Vermont Genealogy Library on Sat., March 18, for Liam McKone's presentation on the life of Captain John Lonergan, recipient of the Medal of Honor for gallantry at the Battle of Gettysburg. Lonergan formed a company of Vermont Irishmen, Company A, 13th Vermont Volunteer Infantry, to preserve the

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Union and to gain military skills to help fight for Irish freedom. After the war, Loneragan helped organize two Fenian raids into Canada with the hope that the raids would pressure the British to surrender control of Ireland.

This presentation will be held on Sat., March 18, in-person at the Vermont Genealogy Library in Pinewood Plaza, 57 River Rd., Essex Junction. It will be from 10:30 a.m. to noon and the cost is \$10. This will not be recorded for later viewing.

Census Records to 1950 – Lynn Johnson, March 25

Census records the world over are easier to access than ever. Lynn Johnson will focus on teaching you how to pull the greatest number of details of your ancestors' lives out of these records by looking at the complete document. This will be done while giving an overview of U.S. censuses, starting from 1790, and including the 1950 census which was released just last year. We will delve into common mistakes that can lead you astray, while also touching on U.S. state and Canadian census records along the way. This class will be a Zoom webinar from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$10.

OUTDOORS

Cryptic Function Loss

BY ETHAN TAPPER, CHITTENDEN COUNTY FORESTER

Each of our native species occupies an ecological niche, influencing the ecosystem around it in different ways. The more we learn about forests, the more we discover how critical each species is to their health and function: from towering trees to tiny invertebrates, from the bats that regulate populations of defoliating insects to the rodents that disperse acorns, seeding future generations of oaks.

It is relatively easy to understand the profound impact of an extinction on an ecosystem. What is less apparent is when the role of a native species changes as a result of climate change, historic land use, non-native invasive pests and pathogens, and the many other components of global change. Our modern world has given rise to a phenomenon known as cryptic function loss: when the function of an ecosystem is altered by the extirpation (local extinction) of a species, a change in its abundance, or a shift in its behavior as a result of

global change.

An example of cryptic function loss is the case of American beech. Historical records suggest that beech once accounted for 40-60 percent of all the trees in Chittenden County. While most of us know beech only as a sickly tree with cracked, pock-marked bark, it used to be very different. Once, beech trees were capable of becoming massive and ancient, living 400-600 years. One can only imagine how many habitats healthy beech trees once provided, how many species relied on their abundant beechnuts, in how many ways they shaped the forests of the past.

Today, beech is still common in our forests, but its behavior has changed entirely. With the introduction of beech bark disease (a non-native pathogen), most beech trees live only 40-60 years, dying centuries before they can reach the stature of their ancestors. When beech trees are stressed from beech bark disease, they produce clones from their root systems which can dominate the forest understory, creating a monoculture of trees destined to be as unhealthy as their parents.

Another example of cryptic function loss is the shape of our modern forests themselves. Vermont's forests have regenerated from the near-complete deforestation of the 1800s, today covering about 75 percent of Vermont. This fact masks a complex reality: as a result of historic deforestation, the loss of wildlife species, the functional loss of tree species like beech, elm, butternut and chestnut to non-native pests and pathogens, soil degradation and much more, our modern-day forests have been transformed.

While Vermont's forests (for the most part) consist of the same tree species that were here prior to European colonization, many components of pre-colonial forests – a diversity of tree species and forest types, structural diversity (trees of different sizes and ages), deep, well-developed soils, dead wood, and old trees – and the critical functions and habitats that they once provided are underrepresented or missing from our modern forests.

Cryptic function loss demonstrates a complex and important idea: that in ecosystems it is not enough for something (a species, a forest) to exist – the nuances of how it exists matter. Our forests are resilient and adaptive but also very sensitive. Slight changes in environmental conditions, or the presence or absence or behavior of a single species can have consequences that ripple throughout a forest community, causing harmful and destabilizing impacts.

To me, cryptic function loss is a call to action. In the midst of a climate crisis and a biodiversity crisis, it is our responsibility to protect the health and the resilience of forests, and the tens of thousands of species that rely on them, and to help them recapture the critical functions that have been lost. Actively managing for diversity and complexity is part of this, as is controlling biodiversity threats like non-native invasive plants, deer overpopulations, deforestation and forest fragmentation, as is promoting resistance to the causal agents of cryptic function loss – such as the non-native pathogens that affect native tree species like beech.

Considering the impact of cryptic function loss on our forests is alarming but also oddly hopeful. Unlike extinction, cryptic function

loss is a phenomenon of things that still exist, of species and functions that may yet be rediscovered. Our modern forests have lost so much, but with our help they may find a better path forward.

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.

Three Record-Setting Fish Caught in Vermont in 2022

FROM VT FISH & WILDLIFE PRESS RELEASE

Vermont Fish and Wildlife announced that three fish caught in 2022 were certified as new state records.

In February, Swanton angler Matt Gingras landed a new Vermont record burbot while fishing on northern Lake Champlain in the West Swanton area. The burbot, caught on a live golden shiner set under a tip-up, weighed 10.9 pounds and measured 32 1/2 inches long with a 17-inch girth. It beat the previous state record burbot caught in 2012 by 2.1 pounds.

Unfortunately for Matt, his reign as the state record burbot holder lasted just two months. In early April while open water bass fishing on Lake Champlain around South Hero, Stephen Estes of Auburn, N.H., caught an 11.0 pound burbot casting a Ned Rig. The fish measured 34 inches in length and had a 17 1/2-inch girth.

In May of 2022, North Hero angler Jacob Kinney was out bow-fishing at night for carp on Lake Champlain and took a fish that weighed an incredible 63.4 pounds. This monster carp smashed the previous record set just last year by Bradley DiSorda – a fish that weighed 44 pounds 11 ounces, also

taken on Lake Champlain by bow. Kinney's new record measured 39 1/4 inches in length while its girth was an immense 37 1/4-inches.

Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department fisheries biologist Shawn Good, who administers the state's Record Fish Program, says Kinney's carp is the heaviest fish ever entered in the program.

"The department started tracking state record fish in 1969, and this 63-pound carp is far and away the largest fish ever entered," said Good. "As a matter of fact, looking through the more than 1,200 entries received over the last 53 years, seven of the ten biggest fish on the list are carp. The other three fish in the Top 10 are a muskellunge, a lake trout and a channel catfish."

Good says with the increased interest in carp fishing in North American waters in the last 10-20 years, Kinney's giant really shines a light on the potential Lake Champlain has as a world class carp fishing destination.

"Bradley's record carp last year

was no slouch at nearly 45 pounds," said Good. "But then Jacob's fish beating it by nearly 20 pounds is really just mind blowing."

Good says that at 265,000 acres and 120-miles long, Lake Champlain offers a nearly untapped carp population that receives very little attention.

"I think that die-hard carpers, whether they fish European style, or go after them with fly gear, would be floored at what Champlain has to offer. The lake not only produces trophy-sized fish but it also provides consistent action for carp in the 15 to 20 pound range. It truly is a carp angler's dream paradise."

Good says that for anglers looking for new challenges and adventures, Vermont provides many overlooked fishing opportunities.

"Vermont has an abundance of waters with a wide diversity of fish species that can be targeted and caught by hook-and-line, which speaks to both the variety and qual-

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- CrÈme de ___
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- Part of circumference
- Threatened Asian or African odd-toed ungulate
- Ready for picking
- Reasons to sue
- Romanian money
- English county
- Popular Arabic name
- Lemon, in Paris
- Latissimus dorsi, for short
- Angola's southern neighbor
- Dairy farm glands
- Relax, or ___ out
- Brooke or John Jacob, of New York
- USPS delivery
- "Cards against what?"
- Medicinal plant with purple berries
- Bug-eyed
- Tiny bottle
- a.k.a. jumping bone
- Plucked string instrument
- Makes a mistake
- "___ Day," desirable square in The Game of Life
- Bard's before
- Rip apart

DOWN

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- Fabled fliers
- Mine passage
- India's Chennai, pre-1996
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- Hose woes
- 100 centavos in Mexico
- Rum cake
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- Somewhat late
- Be at the helm
- *Not chutes
- #39 Across, pl.
- Is no longer
- *Trade, build, settle this island
- Oenophile's concern
- Curtain fabric
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- Theater passage
- Asparagus unit
- Written works
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- "___ a high note"
- A Camel, for short
- Result of equipment failure
- The beauty of the ball?
- Morgan Freeman in "Driving Miss Daisy," e.g.
- Sign of bad news
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PEOPLE

Higher Education Honors

Emma Bissonette and **Abby Ferrara**, both of Hinesburg, have been named to the Fall 2022 Dean's List at The University of Rhode Island.

Stephen Harlow of Hinesburg graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science degree from Castleton University (VT) following the successful completion of the fall semester in December 2022.

Frederick Marshall of Hinesburg has been named to the Dean's List for Fall 2022, at The University of Hartford (CT).

Caleb Nye of Hinesburg is among those named to the Dean's List at Endicott College (MA) for the Fall 2022 semester. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5. Among the 404 Dean's List honorees Nye was one of 68 student-athletes who achieved a 4.0 GPA for the semester. Nye is majoring in Criminal Justice. Nye is the son of Amber Nye and William Nye.

Trinity Nye of Hinesburg has been named to the Dean's List for the 2022 fall semester at the University of New England (ME). Dean's List students have attained a grade point average of 3.3 or better out of a possible 4.0 at the end of the semester.

Students Named to the University of Vermont Dean's List

The University of Vermont is proud to announce that the following Hinesburg students have been named to the dean's list for the fall 2022 semester.

Jacob Ashe, majoring in Exercise Science.

Ashton Barbeau, majoring in Biological Science.

Michaela Buscher, majoring in Business Administration.

Andre Eastman, majoring in Business Administration.

Lena Heinrich, majoring in Zoology.

Julia Hillier, majoring in Exercise Science.

Peter Hyams, majoring in Environmental Sciences.

Harper Mead, majoring in Elementary Education – K-6.

Olivia Morton, majoring in Biology.

Jake Potter, majoring in History.

Zoe Prue, majoring in Biological Science.

Mia Twarog, majoring in Psychological Science.

To be named to the dean's list, students must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better and rank in the top 20 percent of their class in their respective college or school.

Outdoors

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ity of sport fishing opportunities supported by healthy waters and good aquatic habitat," said Good.

A great example of that, according to Good, is seeing the burbot record broken three times in the last ten years, and twice last year in just a two-month span.

"While fishing remains excellent for more traditional species such as bass, trout, salmon, and pike, there are so many other fish out there

that can provide amazing action with real trophy potential. Fish like burbot, bowfin, drum, gar, fallfish, suckers – the opportunities are endless," said Good.

"The three records set in 2022 just reinforce the notion that Vermont anglers are expanding their fishing pursuits and having a great time while doing it."

For more information on Vermont's fishing opportunities, Record Fish Program and more, visit Vermont Fish and Wildlife's Fish page at vt-fishandwildlife.com/fish.

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OTHER NEWS

Funding Available Through the Spark Connecting Community Grant Program

FROM PRESS RELEASE

Funding is now available for organizations and projects across the state of Vermont through the Spark Connecting Community competitive grant program at the Vermont Community Foundation. Spark supports projects that nurture community and build social capital—the connective tissue of our communities. Spark prioritizes community resilience and strength, increased civic engagement, and collaboration among organizations. The program will accept applications from hyperlocal, place-based projects (applications from a single community or a few towns working in partnership in the same region) or statewide/regional projects that support a community of individuals with a shared identity or interest.

Think Spring!

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tions and guide us along the way.

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Community Gardens in Full Bloom

Hinesburg Artist Series

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who have supported our concert series, and remember Brian Busier for his incredible support from day one of our musical journey. Lantman's IGA, Lantman's Best Yet Market and Lantman's Market supported our mission, sponsored concerts and advertised in every program for 25 years.

Performances will be at 2 p.m. and again at 4:30 p.m. Sun., March 12, at St. Jude Catholic Church in Hinesburg.

"We have sung so many wonderful pieces over the years, and this program includes some of the pieces we have loved most," said Rufus Patrick, HAS Music Director and founder of the organization.

"Singing in the community for so many years has been incredibly satisfying," said Yvonne Whitaker. She joins ten other musicians who also performed in the first HAS concert. "We've had such a variety of music, and it has all been so inspiring. We all owe a huge thanks to Rufus for creating the Hinesburg Artist Series and making it what it is today."

Mr. Patrick said, "We are so grateful to have had so many years of performing for a very appreciative audience right here in our community. It brings joy to us all. The last few years have been difficult for the arts, especially performing groups. We are inspired to perform this concert and celebrate 25 years of music and memories."

They will be joined by guest cellist Jiwon Lee, who is currently maintaining an active schedule as a soloist, chamber musician, and teacher in the U.S. and South Korea.

She has participated in numerous music festivals and concerts in Korea and North America, such as Music in PyeongChang, Eumyeon International Music Festival, and Bowdoin International Music Festival. She is coaching cello at Browns River Middle School, is faculty at Vermont Youth Orchestra Association, and joined the faculty at The University of Vermont in 2022.

Tickets for the concert are \$25.00 and available at the door or you can order at the HAS website, hinesburgartistseries.org.



HAS Guest Cellist Jiwon Lee

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

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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 • ueofh.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

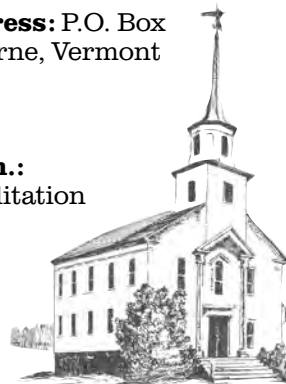
Location: 291 Bostwick Farm Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482

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

Services:

Sunday 9 a.m.: Morning Meditation

Sunday 5 p.m.: Music & Spirit Service



Local Couple Adventure

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adventure. We especially cherish times spent with family and many friends along the way."

From enhanced boats to upgraded marinas, much has changed on the Great Loop since the early 1900s, including the Tennessee Tombigbee Waterway, a 234-mile passage erected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1984 to connect the Tennessee and Tombigbee rivers. With this shortcut, loopers shave off the lower Mississippi River, making the trip significantly faster, and more pleasurable, since the lower Mississippi can get bogged down with barges and commercial shipping.



Grandson Donovan, 9, at Lock 23 of Erie Canal in New York.

Approximately 150 boats complete the Great Loop each year, making it a feat more unique than swimming the English Channel or climbing Mount Everest. Throughout this trip of a lifetime, they relied on America's Great Loop Cruisers' Association to provide them with information and assistance vital to the successful completion of their journey.

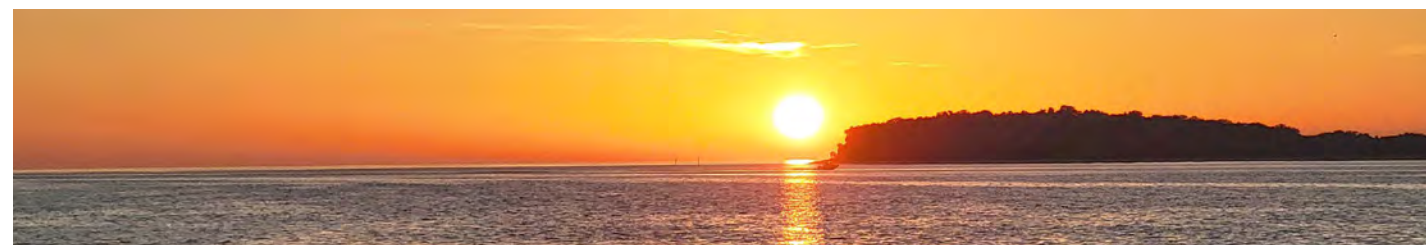
For more information on America's Great Loop, contact America's Great Loop Cruisers' Association, 500 Oakbrook Lane, Summerville, SC 29485, 1-877-GR8-LOOP (478-5667), www.GreatLoop.org, email info@greatloop.org.



On the Mississippi River under the "Arch"



Anchorage at Georgian Bay, Killarney, Ontario



Sunset in the Florida Everglades.

Crossword Answers

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BACK STORIES

of Hinesburg

Livin' the Dream!

Local Couple Completes Unique Adventure

FROM PRESS RELEASE

David and Amy Deutl of Hinesburg received their MasterLOOPerate degree from America's Great Loop Cruisers' Association (AGLCA). The degree is given in recognition of completing one of the world's most unique adventures, America's Great Loop – twice. Boaters doing the Great Loop are on a 6,000-mile journey that circumnavigates the eastern part of the U.S. and Canada, cruising up the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, through the New York State

Canals, into the Great Lakes, down the inland river system, across the Gulf of Mexico, and around the southern tip of Florida.

David and Amy completed the Great Loop aboard their 44' Hi-Star Motor Yacht power boat, *Selah Way*. The first time it took 356 days – June to June. But it was the second time that they really took their time, spending more than a year



David and Amy Deutl

doing several side trips and spending extended time with friends and family on the way.

When the *Selah Way* is moored, a dinghy, christened *Shofar Away*, is vital for going ashore and getting supplies, or just taking side trips.

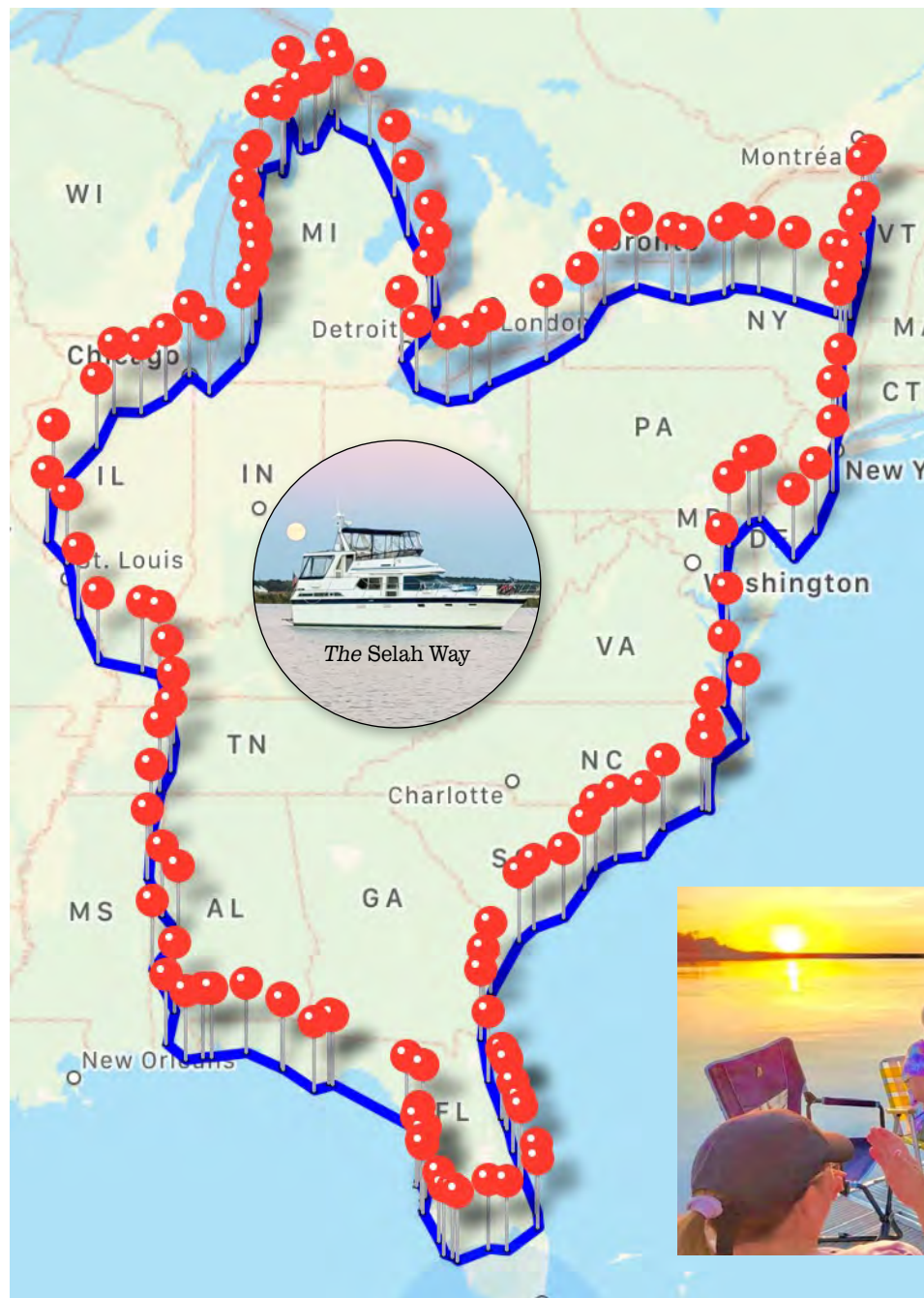
It's not all fun and games, especially if you don't know your way around a boat. But for the most part the cruising is delightful.

And, occasionally, as David points out, "It's about going to exotic places to make boat repairs."

Places along the way are NYC, a place called Steinhatchee in Florida, St. Louis and Niagara Falls. Advice for avoiding the actual Niagara Falls: stay left!

In addition to facing the challenges inherent to long-distance cruising, the couple enjoyed unparalleled views of the U.S. and Canada from the distinct vantage point of the water's edge. They had this to say about their adventure:

"It still seems surreal that we have been able to live this cruising lifestyle experiencing such beauty and **continued on page 23**"



One of the Deutl's "Great Loops."



David and Amy taking their dinghy, Shofar Away, for a spin



Sister Judy and friends at Steinhatchee, Florida, along the "rim route" of the Gulf Crossing

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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