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Hinesburg's independent, nonprofit, community newspaper

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Cemetery Cleaning and Restoration a Success

BY MARY JO BRACE

e had an awesome turnout on Saturday, Aug. 19, cleaning and restoring monuments in an older section of the Hinesburg Village Cemetery. In four hours, we accomplished so much and could not have done it without all the hard work and enthusiasm of our volunteers and contributors. With roughly 35 volunteers ranging in age from four to mid-70s, 100-plus stones were repaired or straightened; and around 200 monuments scraped and brushed of lichen, moss and mildew. Huge thanks to all who made this project



Before and after.

such a success and appreciation to the VT Old Cemetery Association (VOCA) for their volunteers and expertise.

Thanks to the following local businesses and public for all the helpful donations and support: Hinesburg Sand & Gravel, Aubuchon Hardware, Kinney's Drug Store, Jolley Mobil, Lantman's Store, Wahl Landscaping, Steve Aube, Hinesburg Fire Department, and Ed Sprano.

I asked some of our volunteers about their experience, why they came, what they learned, what surprised them most, and would they volunteer again. Most volunteered to learn how to take care of their own family stones, to perform a community service, to meet others, for the love of the outdoors, and the need to honor those who went before us. Below are some of their responses.

Allison Cleary wrote, "My sister and I love to walk in the cemetery because it's so peaceful and beautiful. We wanted to help care for it."

Kathy Newton added, "We volunteered because my dad took pride in caring for this cemetery for years. He tried to keep up fixing the broken stone and my husband, Dave, works with stone." (We were fortunate and thankful to have his exper-

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Fall Open Studio Tour This Weekend

FROM PRESS RELEASE

September 30 and October 1, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

pen Studio Weekend is a statewide celebration of the visual arts and creative process, offering a unique opportunity for visitors to meet a variety of artists and craftspeople in their studios, some of whom are only open to the public during this event. Those who experience Open Studio gain an appreciation for the creative process and the role that artists and craftspeople play in the vitality of Vermont's communities. Participating small galleries and art centers show the work of local artists.

The free Vermont Studio Tour booklet contains maps and directions. The maps, along with the yellow



Hinesburg artist Scot Keefe is participating

wayfinder signs placed along the roads, guide visitors to arts sites. Pick up a tour guide from Vermont Welcome Centers, galleries, and studios, or download a pdf from

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Local Resident to Participate in the Green Mountain Book Festival

Second Annual Green Mountain Book Festival This Friday through Sunday

FROM PRESS RELEASE

he Green Mountain Book Festival (GMBF) takes place in Burlington Sept. 29-Oct. 1 during Banned Books Week. Cartoonist and graphic memoirist Alison Bechdel will headline.

Hinesburg resident and author

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Town News

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BY HEATHER ROBERTS

Property Tax Bills

Property tax bills were mailed in mid-August. If you didn't receive your bill, please contact us at 802-482-2281 x1 or at hroberts@hinesburg.org or kfrazier@hinesburg.org to confirm your mailing address. We are happy to send you a new copy by U.S. Mail or by email.

If you need to send a copy of the bill to your escrow company, please keep a copy for your own records as you will need it when filing your Vermont Homestead Declaration (Form HS-122) and Property Tax Credit Claim (Schedule HI-144) with your 2023 VT income tax return.

Tax payments are due by Nov. 15, 2023, and can be mailed, dropped in the secure drop-box outside the clerk's office or handed to us in person during our normal office hours of 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you would like a receipt, please bring your bill with you so we can stamp it paid or include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Dog Licenses

If you have a dog that has not been licensed in Hinesburg in 2023, it is not too late. Dogs must be registered each year so we can keep track of the number of dogs in town and so we can be assured that those dogs are vaccinated against rabies. Please come to the office at your earliest

LETTERS

Letter Policy

he 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.

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

Letters should be 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.

convenience to obtain a 2023 license for any dog who does not already have one. Please help us to keep our records up-to-date by letting us know if a previously-licensed dog has passed away or moved out of town.

Dogs six months of age or older must be registered by April 1 of each year by bringing the animal's latest rabies certificate to the Town Clerk's office. The fee for a license is \$10. of which \$5 goes to the State of Vermont for rabies eradication and a spay and neuter program. Look for reminders beginning January 1 of next year to license your dog for

Voter Checklist

The Hinesburg Board of Civil Authority recently completed the name-by-name review of our voter checklist mandated by the State in each odd numbered year. This review included the removal from the checklist of any voter who was challenged before November 2020 and who had not responded to our mailed challenge letter or participated in the last two General Elections.

We strive to keep our voter checklist

as up-to-date as possible, especially now that the State automatically mails ballots for General Elections to all active registered voters. Accuracy can be particularly challenging regarding young people who move frequently or who are now living out of state after completing college. Please let us know if you have a family member currently registered to vote in Hinesburg who is no longer living here (and does not intend to return) and/or has registered to vote in another jurisdiction. Please provide an address to which we can mail a challenge letter or have them email our office directly at **hroberts@hines**burg.org or kfrazier@hinesburg.org to confirm that they no longer live in Hinesburg and should be removed from our voter checklist.

If you have questions about any of the above, please contact our office and we will gladly assist you.

Town Manager Update

BY TODD ODIT

s the temperatures begin to drop and the leaves change color, inside of Town Hall we start looking forward 18 months as we begin preparing the Town's Fiscal Year 2025 Budget (July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025). At this point, we know what we spent the previous fiscal year (July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023), but we are only a few months into the current fiscal year. So, we try to anticipate the town's future needs based on what we know now and what has happened historically. Sometimes we get pretty close. sometimes we do not.

For example, ten months ago while working on the budget for the current fiscal year, the Selectboard wanted to see the impact of not budgeting the fourth highway position. It had been many years since that position had been full, so it seemed reasonable to think it would remain vacant and not budget for it and therefore, reduce the projected tax increase. Well, guess what? The position has been filled. For FY25, that means we need to add the salary and benefits back to the budget.

The current budget includes funding for a Director of Public Works to oversee Highway and the Water and Wastewater departments. Half of that position is covered by the general fund and the other half by the water and wastewater fund. It is a desperately needed position, that so far, has not attracted any qualified candidates. Do we continue to fund it and hopefully fill it? Or do we not budget the position to save money in the short term, only knowing that we will have to add it back in a future budget?

This is just one example of the many decisions staff must make to try and balance competing interests as they prepare their budgets. We also have the requests from the public to consider: improving gravel roads, adding sidewalks, paving, medical response, recreational improvements, reducing taxes. The needs and wants greatly outweigh what the community can currently afford.

As a result, as we prepare the budget, we do so wisely. We need to be frugal, but not at the expense of future years or future generations. We also need to make investments in the future. After all, we are temporary custodians of this community and it is our collective responsibility to leave it in better shape than we

The Town Manager's door is always open. Stop by to say hello and chat. You can also reach me at 482-4206 and todit@hinesburg.org

Selectboard **Highlights**

BY MERRILY LOVELL, SELECTBOARD CHAIRPERSON

September 6

The board appointed Rachel Kring and Nathan Fry to the Town Common Committee.

In June, the board rejected all bids for the wastewater plant upgrade and asked the engineer to explore less expensive alternatives. Wayne Elliot of Aldrich & Elliot returned to present options for cost reductions and additional funding. The board approved the changes, and the project will go out to bid again by the end of the year.

The board approved the lowest bid, for \$849,771, for the replacement of the fire department's pumper/tanker. Voters approved the purchase at the

2023 town meeting.

Alex Weinhagen, Director of Planning and Zoning, discussed the advantages of applying for the state's Neighborhood Development Area designation for the village growth area. In addition to reducing permitting costs – there is an Act 250 exemption for housing projects where at least 20 percent of units are affordable – the designation grants priority consideration for state funding of projects within the designated area. The Board will vote on whether to apply for the NDA exemption at its next meeting.

Alex also presented a report on future crosswalks along Route 116. The next crosswalk project is to install flashing beacons at the community school crosswalk, and the Town Manager will apply for funding as grant opportunities come up.

The board approved the 2024 Water and Wastewater budgets and rates.

The Agency Request Review Committee meets once a year and currently has no members. The board decided that it would review agency requests for funding during the budget process and dissolve the

HCRC: Who We Are and What We Do

ANNA MAIN. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HCRC

The Hinesburg Community Resource Center (HCRC) is a primarily volunteer-run nonprofit organization of neighbors helping neighbors. We work toward a community that is not in need, and feels connected and supported. HCRC runs the Hinesburg Food Shelf, Friends of Families Programs, Emergency Assistance Fund, a medical lending closet, and the Twice is Nice thrift store. Our organization is supported by our amazing community donors, town funding, grants, and the proceeds from Twice is Nice.

Hinesburg Food Shelf **Updates**

The Hinesburg Food Shelf is open on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and Friday mornings from 10 a.m.-noon. We proudly serve families from Hinesburg, Huntington, Monkton, and St. George. Shoppers can visit once each month and pick up pantry staples, frozen meats, fresh produce, dairy products, diapers, personal care items and pet food. A second visit provides another round of fresh produce from local farms. We are here to help and would love to connect with you!

Thanks to the United Church of Hinesburg's Hinesburg Youth

Do you need a Ride?

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Call SSTA: 878-1527

snack bags this summer vacation **GOVERNMENT** break to families in our community. We will continue to provide snack and vacation food to families during **CONTACTS** the week-long breaks this upcoming

Project, we were able to provide 225

The food shelf has had an incredible

amount of fresh produce this sum-

mer from many local farms includ-

ing: Trillium Hill, Reap & Sow, Full

Moon Farm, Needham Family Farm,

farmers and their generosity to our

For families who received P-EBT

funds from the CVSD district and

may not need the assistance, please

consider purchasing and donating

food to the Hinesburg Food Shelf or

the Little Free Pantry located at the

United Church. Suggested items for

donations include: hearty canned

items, canned tuna and chicken,

soups, tab top or easy open canned

stuffing boxes, canned gravy, corn-

bread, cake mixes and frosting for

holiday meals. This will make such a

difference for our neighbors in need

ur weekly playgroups have begun

their fall session and meet every

Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Parish

and is so greatly appreciated.

Friends of Families

Hall of United Church of Hinesburg.

er young families in our area.

Playgroups follow the school calendar,

Our FOF group was honored to be

part of the Hinesburg Fall Festival

UCH to bring back the No Strings

Attached marionette puppet show

Wild Roots school to provide fun

and partnered with the First Roots-

family activities at the village green.

Please join us for our Fall Children's

from 9-11 a.m. at the Parish House of

Please answer the need

Hinesburg Food Shelf

Food drop off box at

Lantman's in the orange bin

Monetary donations can be sent to:

Hinesburg Food Shelf

PO Box 444, Hinesburg, VT 05461

Hinesburg Food Shelf hours are:

Tuesday nights 5:30 - 7:30

Friday mornings 10:00 - 12:00

Clothing and Book Swap that will

take place on **Saturday**, Oct. 21,

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again this year. We worked with the

and are a great way to connect with oth-

school year.

community.

US Senators

Peter Welch, D 802-652-2450 welch.senate.gov Upper Valley Produce and Frog Song **Bernie Sanders** Farm. We are so grateful for our local

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

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

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

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

OTHER INFORMATION

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

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

Hinesburg Community Resource Center: 51 Ballards Corner Road. Shannon Wheeler. Executive Director, wheeler@hinesburgresource. org, 802-482-4946. Alex 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,

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

Have an ad? email ads@hinesburgrecord.org or call 802-999-2410.

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UCH. Donation drop offs will be accepted on Friday, Oct. 20, from noons p.m. Gently used books and clothes Don't Flush It. size 0-14 are accepted. This event is free and open to all.

Emergency Assistance **Funds**

Emergency financial assistance is available to residents of Hinesburg and St. George needing urgent help with utility bills, rent and more. Please reach out to Anna Main at 802-482-4946 or main@hinesburgresource.org for more information.

Medical Equipment Closet

Various medical equipment items including walkers, wheelchairs, commode chairs, shower benches and more are available for community members to borrow. Our lending closet is currently at capacity so we are unable to accept medical equipment donations at this time.

Twice is Nice Thrift Store

TIN was a finalist in the Seven Daysies "best thrift store" category this year thanks to our amazing Hinesburg voters! All proceeds from Twice is Nice are directly utilized to support HCRC's programs.

TIN also hosted a back-to-school supply event in August which allowed many Hinesburg families to be prepared to take on a new school year.

Let's Connect!

Do you or someone you know need assistance? Do you want to learn more about HCRC? Do you want to see how you can help make a difference in our community? Please check out our website at hinesburgresource.org. and sign up for our monthly newsletter.



Fresh produce at the Hinesburg Food Shelf

CSWD

Don't Dump It!

BY MICHELE MORRIS. CSWD DIRECTOR OF OUTREACH & COMMUNICATIONS

Ever think about what lies at the end of your home's sink, tub, and toilet drains? Yeah, probably not! We tend not to bring it up at parties, but it's a topic we should all think about much

The fact is, anything you put down a drain in Chittenden County is ultimately going to go through an onsite septic system or to a wastewater treatment facility. Anything solid or even semi-solid-like fats and grease—that these systems aren't designed to handle will clog up the works and cause big problems. That means wipes, feminine hygiene products, and really anything that wasn't produced by your body or isn't plain toilet paper should never go down the drain.

This applies to things like medications and hazardous or toxic cleaners and materials as well. Fluids such as engine coolant and motor oils should also never be allowed to drain directly onto soil.

Ultimately, the water that carries these materials ends up in the groundwater, then flowing into Lake Champlain.

Toxic and hazardous substances will kill the beneficial bacteria in your septic system and in our soils and waterways, preventing these natural and human-made systems from doing their jobs effectively.

The Takeaway

Keep anything except plain toilet paper and body byproducts OUT of the toilet. Dispose of ALL wipes and paper towels in the trash.

Do not pour hazardous waste like bleach, household chemicals or medications down your drain. Dispose of these items properly.

Medications disposal options: cswd.net/a-to-z/medications

Hazardous waste disposal options: cswd.net/hazardous-waste

Help keep our waterways clean and clear and use the drains in your house for their original purpose: to safely and responsibly manage non-hazardous wastewater and human waste.

For more information and posters for rental properties, public restrooms, and commercial kitchens, visit the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation page on wastewater topics at tinyurl.com/

August 15: 7:30 a.m. Officers investigated suspicious activity on Hollow

10:25 a.m. A citizen was assisted with a VIN verification.

August 16: 7:22 a.m. An animal complaint on Route 116 was investigated. 12:30 p.m. Officers responded to a

single car motor vehicle crash involv-

August 17: 5:55 a.m. Officers were called for an alarm activation on Lewis Creek Road.

ing a deer on North Road.

8:30 a.m. Officers responded to an alarm activation on Commerce Street. 8:54 a.m. Found property was turned in and later returned to the owner.

8:56 a.m. An officer responded to Cedar Knoll Country Club for the report of an individual who was verbally threatening staff and customers for not giving him gasoline.

1:30 p.m. A loose dog was turned in to the police. The owner was later

9:28 p.m. Officers investigated suspicious activity on Leavensworth Road.

August 18: 10:06 a.m. A welfare check was conducted on Mountain Spring Court.

5:53 p.m. Officers responded to a twocar motor vehicle crash on Commerce Street.

August 19: 12:15 p.m. Officers investigated suspicious activity on Route

August 20: 9:06 a.m. A traffic stop for speeding was conducted on Silver Street. The operator, Alicha Lussier, 38, of Bristol had an active warrant

LEGISLATIVE

Sanders, Welch, Balint Announce \$9.9 Million Investment

Investment Championed by Leahy for New Aviation and Aerospace Manufacturing Workforce Training Center in Burlington School District

FROM PRESS RELEASE

ecured by former Senator and Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) through the Congressionally Directed Spending Process, the Vermont Congressional Delegation announced on Sept. 11 that \$9.9 million will be invested in the Burlington School District to educate and train the next generation in aviation and aerospace manufacturing. Administered by the United States Department of Commerce's National Institute of Standards and Technology, the federal funds will build a new aviation and aerospace manufacturing workforce training center that aims to serve up to 150 Vermont high school students and adults each year.

This investment will strengthen the local economy, create new career opportunities for young people and adult Vermonters, and help retain and propel forward Vermont's combined \$2 billion aerospace and aviation industry, which supports over 9,500 jobs in the state.

"I was proud to include funding for this Burlington aviation workforce training center in the FY22 Appropriations bill," said Leahy. "The center will offer students and adults interested in aerospace careers the skills they need for aviation jobs, a growing industry in Vermont that I have always been proud to support. In recent years, we have seen an explosive growth in job opportunities at Burlington Airport – in

large part thanks to BETA, which is leading the way in the development and production of eVTOL aircraft.'

Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.), Sen. Peter Welch (D-Vt.), and Rep. Becca Balint (Vt.-AL) said: "Burlington School District's new training center will open up job opportunities in Vermont and show our next generation of aviation technicians and manufacturers that the sky is the limit. Training young people in new and emerging technologies. and reskilling workers in the field are equally essential to fostering a strong workforce in Vermont. The Vermonters trained here will play an important role in securing Vermont's sustainable future through the growth of electric aviation. This investment is thanks to the dedication of Sen. Leahy and his staff, the Burlington School District, and our forward-thinking, community-based aviation and aerospace industries in Vermont.

The new center will train Vermonters in avionics, maintenance, repair and overhaul, and airframe and power plant skills – helping to close the skills gap and workforce labor shortage in the aviation and aerospace manufacturing industries, and create jobs in Vermont. Graduates will be able to enter careers in commercial, military, government, and private aviation, and use connections with the Vermont college system to gain higher degrees and qualifications in these fields

and was cited for failure to appear in court.

state police with a suicide.

picious activity.

August 31:8:00 a.m. Officers assist-

Hillview Terrace for the report of sus-

11:13 a.m. Officers responded to CVU

to assist staff with a student issue.

Richmond Road was investigated.

8 p.m. Found property was turned

September 1: 2:15 p.m. Officers in-

6:20 p.m. Officers responded to a

A death investigation is ongoing.

September 2: 9:15 a.m. Officers in-

2:50 p.m. An alarm activation at CVU

September 3: 11:15 a.m. An officer assisted Hinesburg Fire Department

with a bicyclist crash on Route 116.

September 4: 9:30 a.m. An alarm ac-

tivation at a residence on Pond Road

9:32 a.m. An officer responded to the

report of livestock in the roadway on

11:35 a.m. An alarm activation at

12:30 p.m. A loose dog was turned

into the police department. The own-

3:05 p.m. Officers investigat-

ed suspicious circumstances on

medical emergency on Gilman Road.

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3:30 p.m. A 911 hang up on

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Texas Hill Road.

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with fingerprinting for employment

ed with removing a traffic hazard

from the roadway on Route 116.

8:57 a.m. Officers responded to

August 21: 7:03 a.m. An officer responded to Pond Road to assist a citizen with a lockout.

1:56 p.m. Property damage at a business on Ballard's Corner Road was investigated.

3:35 p.m. An officer responded to Charlotte Road for a disabled vehicle.

10:19 p.m. Officers investigated suspicious circumstances on Route 116. August 22: 1:24 p.m. An officer as-

sisted a citizen recover a lost cell phone on Route 116.

1:35 p.m. Officers recovered a stolen vehicle out of Colchester on Route 116.

August 23: 8:30 a.m. A traffic stop for speed was attempted on Shelburne Falls Road. The operator, a juvenile out of Charlotte, was later charged with Eluding Police and Gross Negligent Operation.

9:48 a.m. A welfare check was conducted on Wile Street.

11:51 a.m. Officers investigated reports of suspicious activity in the area of Birchwood Drive.

August 24: 11:30 a.m. Officers assisted a houseless family with securing resources

3:45 p.m. A citizen was assisted with fingerprinting for employment purposes

10:54 p.m. Officers investigated suspicious activity on Hillview Terrace.

August 26: 1:30 p.m. An individual was trespassed from a business on Route 116.

August 27: 7:30 a.m. An officer recovered a stolen car out of South Burlington on Hollow Road.

11 a.m. Officers responded to a domestic dispute on Mountain Spring Ct. Michael Lavalette, 36, of Hinesburg was arrested for domestic assault, interference with emergency services & a warrant for failure to appear in court. Angel Robidoux, 24, of Hinesburg was arrested for domestic assault.

August 29: 7:45 p.m. A welfare check was conducted on Shelburne Falls Road.

10:06 p.m. An officer recovered a stolen vehicle out of South Burlington on Richmond Road.

August 30: 10:30 a.m. A fraud was re-

ported and investigated. 3:50 p.m. A citizen was assisted with a VIN verification.

5:28 p.m. Officers responded into St. George to assist first responders and

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1:10 p.m. An alarm activation at CVU was investigated.

5:55 p.m. A welfare check on Hillview Terrace was conducted.

September 5: 8:47 a.m. A motorist was assisted with a disabled vehicle on Texas Hill Road

9:11 a.m. A fraud was reported and investigated.

2:25 p.m. Three citizens were assisted 10:25 a.m. An officer investigated a parking complaint on Commerce St.

> September 6:8:16 a.m. An officer responded to the report of livestock in the roadway on Hollow Road.

8:53 a.m. Officers responded to an alarm activation at Ballard's Corner Road.

11:35 a.m. Officers served a trespass order on Bear Lane.

2:02 p.m. Officers assisted a citizen having a mental health issue on Ballard's Corner.

3 p.m. Suspicious circumstances vestigated the report of suspicious acon Green Street were reported and investigated.

> 5:50 p.m. An officer investigated the report of a dog left in a motor vehicle on Commerce Street

September 7: 8:31 a.m. A citizen was assisted with a VIN verification.

September 8: 7 p.m. A loose dog was found on Charlotte Road. The owner was later located

September 9: 10:03 a.m. Officers responded to a domestic dispute on Hidden Pasture Road. Matthew Borden, 31, of Hinesburg was arrested for first-degree aggravated domestic assault with a deadly weapon.

5:25 p.m. An officer assisted a citizen with a disabled vehicle on Route 116.

6:30 p.m. A citizen on Fox Meadows was assisted with a locked vehicle.

September 10: 11:52 a.m. An officer investigated the report of suspicious activity on Sherman Hollow Road.

September 11: 1:58 p.m. CVU was assisted with a juvenile issue.



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Business

Financial Focus: What to Know About HSAs and FSAs

FROM PRESS RELEASE

aying for health care can be challenging — but are you taking full advantage of all the resources available to you?

You might have access to a Health Savings Account (HSA) or a Flexible Spending Account (FSA), so let's look at both.

An HSA is a personal savings account used to pay health care costs. If you're enrolled in a high-deductible health plan, you also may be eligible to contribute to an HSA. You aren't taxed on the money you put into this account or on the earnings generated from your contributions, as long as withdrawals are used for qualified health care costs such as deductibles, copayments and coinsurance. And there's no "use it or lose it" provision with HSAs – the money stays in your account until you use it. In fact, you can carry your HSA with you all the way until retirement, when you can use the money to pay for qualified expenses that Medicare or Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap) doesn't cover. In 2023, you can contribute up to \$3,850 to an HSA, or \$4,850 if you're 55 or older; for family coverage, you can put in up to \$7,750.

It's important to keep in mind that your HSA's tax benefits only apply when your withdrawals are used for qualified heath care costs. If you use the money for non-qualified expenses, it is considered taxable income, and you may also face a penalty of 20 percent on the amount withdrawn. However, once you turn 65, you can use your HSA funds for any purpose without a penalty, though the withdrawals will still count as taxable income.

Now, let's turn to the Flexible Savings Account. An FSA may be available to you if you get health insurance through your employer. And because you fund your FSA with pretax dollars, your contributions can reduce your taxable income. (In 2023, you can contribute up to \$3,050 to an FSA.) Your employer may also choose to contribute to your FSA. Once your account is funded and active, you submit claims with proof of your medical expenses along with a statement that these expenses aren't covered by your plan, and you can be reimbursed for your

It's helpful to have a good estimate of your yearly medical expenses for a Flexible Savings Account. That's because an FSA generally needs to be spent before the end of the plan year — if you don't use all the money, you can only carry over some of it and any remaining balance is forfeited. (You can carry over up to \$610 from 2023 into 2024.)

You can't contribute to an HSA and a traditional FSA in the same year. But if you have an HSA, you might be able to use what's known as a Limited Purpose Flexible Spending Account (LPFSA) for dental and vision expenses. You'll need to check with your plan to see if this option is available.

Managing your health care expens-

es should be a key part of your overall financial strategy so consider putting an HSA or FSA to work for you.

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RECREATION

Community News

The Fire Association Craft Fair will be Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If interested in being a vendor, email **dbarber7541@gmail.com** for information.

Hinesburg Fire Dept. Annual Halloween Party: Tuesday, Oct. 31, from 6-8 p.m.

Second Annual CVU Turkey Trot on Saturday, Nov. 18, at 10 a.m. at CVU. Register with Hinesburg Recreation Department at **hinesburgrec.com**.

Youth Recreation & Sports

Hinesburg Recreation Youth Basketball

The HRD youth basketball program is for children in kindergarten through 6th grade and is held at the Hinesburg Community School (HCS) gym. Kindergarten, 1st- and 2nd-grade players are introduced to the basics of ball-handling and movement on the court with age-appropriate games and support. Grades 3-6 have one mid-week practice and one game each Saturday.

Note: Non-residents within CVU district, please register with your respective town first – Charlotte, Shelburne, or Williston. At the close of registration, our local recreation departments are committed to work together, when feasible, to ensure each child has an opportunity to play. Thanks for your support.

Dec. 2-Feb.10 (Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grade)

Dec. 2-Feb. 17 (3rd-6th grades)

Kindergarten & 1st Grade Coed: Sat. 8-9 am

Grade 2 Co-ed: Sat. 9:10-10:10 am Grade 3-4 Boys: Sat. 10:20-11:20 a.m. and Wed. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Grade 3-4 Girls: Sat. 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. and Tues. 6:30-7:30 p.m.



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Grades 5-6 Girls: Sat. 1:50-2:50 p.m. and Mon. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Please contact HRD if you're interested in coaching or assisting. A Volunteer Form must be completed. Please note that practice times are proposed and subject to change due to coaches' availability. If there are changes, you will be notified via email. No practices/games are available when HCS is not in session, unless otherwise stated.

Cost: \$55 by Nov. 17 and \$65 after. Deadline is Nov. 27.

Hinesburg Children's Choir

There is still some room for some late registrations at a pro-rated amount. The Hinesburg Children's Choir is back again. Designed for children in grades 2-4 on Wednesday (early release) from 2-3 p.m. at HCS, students will learn a variety of songs such as classical, folk, jazz, art songs, and pop selections. There will be a concert at the end of November or early December. Children will be learning to develop pitch, tone, rhythm, posture, harmony, and overall performance skills. The choir will be co-directed by Andrea Haulenbeek and Jenny Cianciola, both retired public school music teachers and performers Parent volunteers are welcome to help manage rehearsal tasks (binders, attendance, individual needs of children). For any questions, feel free to contact Andrea at andreainvt@gmavt.net or Jenny at jwcianciola@gmail.com

Grades 2-4. Wednesdays, Sept. 13 – Nov. 29. Time: 2-3 p.m. Music Room at HCS. Cost: \$180 will be pro-rated for a later registration.

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. Students may take the bus from HCS to Livery Stables, located at 601 Lavigne Hill Road, right after school. Please send a permission note to ride the bus, send a snack and water bottle, plus send boots and barn clothes. Any updates or changes will be communicated as needed.

Who: Ages 6 - 14. When: Tuesdays, Session 2: Oct. 3 – 24 and Session 3: Oct. 31 – Nov. 28 (no Nov. 21)

Fridays, Session 2: Oct. 13 – Nov. 3

Where: Livery Stables, 601 Lavigne Hill Road, Hinesburg. Time: 3-5 p.m. Cost: \$160. More information can be found at **liveryhorsefarm.com**. Maximum: 6 participants

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Get a KICK Start to the New School Year at Taekwon Do KICKS

TaeKwonDo KICKS is accepting new students this fall at their Hinesburg location.

Classes for all ages from kindergarten through adults – all classes are "family" style so all family members can train at the same time.

Classes are held on Wednesdays at St. Jude's – so walking distance from HCS.

Convenient right after school option with the first class at 2:15 to correspond with early release day. Contact Master Thomas for more class times at tkdkicks101@yahoo.com or 802-377-0476.

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"My daughter loves learning tae kwon do with Master Thomas. It's given her the confidence and drive to tackle new challenges. Master Thomas is the perfect combination of firm and fun. We've truly enjoyed becoming part of the TKD KICKS family"

Melissa, Hinesburg parent

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After-School Junior Golf Program with Mike Slayton

Junior golfers are the future of our game and PGA Professional Mike Slavton works diligently teaching children the importance of life skills through the use of golf as a tool. At the time of print and until otherwise noted, HCS students may ride the bus to Cedar Knoll Country Club.

When: Tues.–Thurs. Session 2: Oct. 3-12. Where: Cedar Knoll Golf Course. Ages: 6-14 years. Time: Tues.-Thurs. 3:30-5 p.m. Cost: \$150

Safe Sitter Courses

Safe Sitter® prepares students in grades 6-8 to be safe when they're home alone, watching siblings or babysitting. The course offers four main content areas: Safety Skills, Child Care Skills, First Aid and Rescue Skills and Life and Business Skills. Lessons are filled with fun activities and role-playing exercises. Teens will practice choking rescue and diapering. Register for one date that works best for your child. Register with the town offering the program. Instructor: Rec. staff

Grades 6-8. Classes are 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in each location.

Shelburne: Saturday, Nov. 4. shelburnevt.org.

Hinesburg: Saturday, Dec. 2. First floor conference room at Town Hall. hinesburgrec.com.

Williston: Saturday, March 9. willistonrec.org.

Charlotte: Wednesday, April 24. charlotterec.com.

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Literature & Arts with Susan Lepple

Join Susan for a creative approach to exploring children's literature. Through the use of fine art, movement, assemblage, drama, and music, students will experience and explore quality children's literature that is silly, thought-provoking, creative, and caring.

Tuesdays, 2:45-4:30 p.m. HCS Art Room, Grades 2-5, Cost: \$150

Session 2: Jan. 9 - Feb. 6

Session 1: Oct. 17 - Nov. 14

Session 3: Feb. 20 - March 26

Inline Skate Clinic with Doug Stewart

This basic inline skate clinic will introduce students to good balance on skates, proper striding techniques, proper turning, and how to stop. Protective gear and skates may be available due based on sizing. Cost: \$20 and \$5 for rental equipment.

Sunday, Oct. 1. Rain date is Oct. 8 Youth clinic: ages 5-11 years. 11

Adult clinic: ages 12 years and up.

12:15-1:15 p.m.

Skate to Ski Clinic with Doug Stewart

This skate to ski clinic assumes students have the basic skills to stride, turn, and stop on gentle hills. Building on these skills, students will learn the details of proper alpine turns with a slight downhill. The clinic will focus on the proper fundamentals for efficient and athletic alpine turns on skates. Inline skating is the best form of dry land alpine ski training, so get your next ski season off to a great start before the snow flies. Cost is \$20 and \$5 for rental.

Sunday, Oct. 1. Rain date is Oct. 8 Youth clinic: ages 5-11 years. 1:30-

Adult clinic: ages 12 years and up. 2:45-3:45 p.m.

AARPSafe Driver Course

Wednesday, Nov. 1. Time: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. First floor conference room at Town Hall. AARP members \$20 and non-members \$25

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Library News

🔽 f you were hoping to get cozy with a book, October is the month to do it. So many new books arrive this month: Jean Kwok's The Leftover Woman, Jesmyn Ward's Let Us Descend, Tim Johnston's Distant Sons, Jonathan Lethem's Brooklyn Crime Novel, and Bright Lights, Big Christmas by Mary Kay Andrews. John Grisham, Susan Wiggs, John Sandford & Janet Evanovich are all out with new stories this month, too. New nonfiction books include *Democracy Awakening* by Heather Cox Richardson, *Elon Musk* by Walter Isaacson, and Hope: How Street Dogs Taught Me the Meaning of Life: Featuring Rodney, Mcmuffin and King Whacker by Niall Harbison.

As usual our October schedule is full of fun programs including music, crafts, clubs, book groups, and more! Read on to learn about all we have on offer this month

October Youth Happenings at **Carpenter-Carse** Library

For more information about any of these programs contact jen@carpen-

Weekly Storytime: Tuesdays, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31 at 9:30 a.m.

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ture 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.

STEM Club Kick-Off: Saturday, Oct. 14, 12:30 - 2 p.m.

Families can make a project together and learn more about STEM programming available this year at CCL Please register.

Story and STEM Club: every Wednesday, Oct. 18 through Nov. 15, 2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Students in grades K-4 are invited to sign up for this fun and educational program. Each week, librarians will use STEM-themed picture books to engage and inspire children on each topic, then lead the group in various hands-on activities to meet a new STEM challenge. Students will be asked to work together in pairs or small groups and then share their weekly project and observations. We hope you can join us for creativity, friends, and fun! Please register.

Write Your Own Picture Book: Tuesdays, Oct. 3 through Oct. 17, 3:15 - 4:30 p.m.

Aspiring authors/illustrators in grades 1-6 can join for the last three sessions of this after school program. We'll read a book, have a snack, and discuss a new story element each week. At the end, you'll have a chance to present one of your books to the group, and to display it at the library for patrons to read! Please register.

Saturday Storytime: every third Saturday, 10-10:30 a.m.

Young children and their caregivers are invited to join us for stories and singing. Stick around for coffee, snacks, simple crafts, and book browsing. No registration is required - just show up and join the fun! This month's Saturday Storytime is happening on Oct. 21.

Halloween Lantern Making: Friday, Oct. 20, 3:15-4:30 p.m.

Children in grades 1-5 are invited to sign up for some fun Halloween crafting. We will be using the technique of decoupage on glass to create not-too-spooky lanterns to light up the dark nights in the coming weeks! Please register.

Mid-Grade Book Club: Thursday, Oct. 26, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Mid-grade Book Club is a club for students who would like an opportunity to read and talk about books that are past or current Golden Dome Book Award nominees or win-

ners. This group is for anyone who is reading mid-grade books, which is generally students who are 9-12 years old. Each month we will have a fun ice-breaker activity, eat pizza, talk about the book we read, and discuss what to read next! To sign up and receive a copy of the current book, contact Jen

October Adult **Programs** at **Carpenter-Carse** Library

For more information about any of these programs contact rachel@carpentercarse.org

Hands and Needles: Mondays, 10 a.m. - noon.

Bring whatever project you're working on (quilting, knitting, embroidery, etc.) to this weekly program for a morning of creativity and conversation. No registration required.

Mindfulness with Peggy Dippen: Wednesday, Oct. 4, 6 - 7 p.m.

Are you curious about cultivating a greater capacity for awareness and self-reflection? Are you interested in learning skills to create a deeper understanding of self, others, and the human condition? If so, then some mindfulness and meditation classes just might be the thing for you! This workshop will introduce you to some basic Buddhist principles and offer a few exercises to get you started for beginning an at-home practice. Depending on interest, further study workshops may be offered. Please register.

Songfarmers of Hinesburg: Thursday, Oct. 5, 6 - 8 p.m.

Do you play an acoustic instrument or just love to sing along to old time, blues, country, and folk music? Come join the Songfarmers for this wonderful live music offering. Listeners welcome! No registration required.

Personal Technology Help Group: Fridays, Oct. 6 and Oct. 20, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Kenneth Russell, personal technol-

ogy coach and helper, will lead you in a group exploration of facing the common frustration points in using our personal technology: smartphones, computers, tablets, smart TVs, etc. Which of you cringes when you hear the word "password" or 2-step verification? It's a wonderful but demanding thing having all this fantastic technology. Let's get together, grumble a bit about those frustration points and then find some solutions...step by step...in a fun, light setting. No questions are dumb! Bring your devices! Please

Mystery Book: Wednesday, Oct. 11, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

We meet at the library (outdoors when weather permits) to discuss a mystery book—ranging from cozy

to gritty. Please register to receive a copy of the book and to let us know you will attend.

October: Monday's Not Coming by Tiffany D. Jackson

Beginning Tai Chi Level 1: Thursdays, Oct. 12 through Oct. 26 (excluding Oct. 5), 10 - 11 a.m.

Beginning Tai Chi, also called "Sun Style" or "Falls Prevention" Tai Chi, is a martial art that helps maintain agility, balance, overall health, and mindfulness. This class will feature a gentle Qi Gong warm-up and a variety of movements and forms that specifically work on weight transference, mindfulness and balance.

You can attend any or all of the sessions in this 6-week series, brought to you by Age Well Vermont. Please register. Waitlist only.

To Be Read: An Any-Book Discussion Group: Tuesday, Oct. 24, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Is your "TBR" list in need of some fresh recommendations? Do you gush about your recent reads to your barista and hairdresser? Ever read a book so bad, you just need to complain about it? Join like-minded readers to chat about books you've read, books you want to read, books that made you ugly cry, and anything in between! Maybe you'll even leave the library with a new rec in hand. No monthly commitment or reading required to participate. Please register.

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COMMENTARY

Our Young People and the Imperative of Social-Emotional Learning

BY BILL SCHUBART

ur public schools have become the focus of our efforts to support youth mental health. Many parents are stressed beyond imagination because of the pandemic, flooding, and many other pressures, and they look to their schools to repair what's broken.

But is it right to place the entire burden on the schools?

Teachers are teachers, not mental health professionals. The innate human skills of our best teachers can provide help and direction for children in their care, but they would be the first to say they're not mental health professionals. And increasingly, educators seek the help of mental health professionals in the management of difficult students and a better classroom culture.

Youth spend most of their waking hours in schools, so if we are going to find a place to meet them and deliver services, it makes sense that schools should be a part of the an-

swer to this problem. We must reimagine our schools in ways that support students and families to enable learning

We must also focus on the damage we're doing to our children by allowing so many to live in poverty while jealously guarding the profits from college education (\$1.77 trillion in accrued college debt) and self-enriching healthcare (\$4.3 trillion). We must ask how much of the cause of this steep decline in mental health among our young is economic, how much is social, and how much is educational.

We hear the term "social-emotion-

al learning" (SEL) more and more. SEL refers to the process through which individuals learn and apply a set of social, emotional, and related skills, attitudes, behaviors, and values that help direct students. This includes thoughts, feelings, and actions in ways that enable them to succeed in school. In SEL, the teacher pays attention to the whole child and is trained in trauma-informed counselling to determine if adverse childhood experiences are affecting a learner's behavior and ability to learn. Trauma-informed counselling then sets a course for engaging family and support services to help the child succeed in the classroom and in their own social experiences.

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formed leadership to the issue of social-emotional learning. With many educational leadership positions open across the state, there is discussion about certification for trauma-informed principals.

We must come to understand that teaching and mental health services to learners must become more intertwined. Educators must learn new ways to promote mental health and create a learning classroom by better understanding how to engage students, their families, how to better plan how, and where in the school infrastructure student/family support meetings can be held.

Children in need of mental health counselling need private places within schools to meet with teachers and healthcare professionals. Schools with limited space often end up using inappropriate spaces like storage and janitorial spaces for meetings with children and families.

Schools that have no available office space are experimenting with discrete drop-in pods where counseling meetings can occur. At a cost of \$20,000, they are considerably less expensive than new construction. An elementary school in Burlington has installed such a pod and Green Mountain Mobile Therapy Center has a portable office in a trailer that they can bring on site.

In May, I wrote about the precarious state of the wellbeing of our young people (schubart.com/weare-letting-our-children-down). It was a hard piece to research, write and, I'm told, to read. It detailed the many ways statistically we have failed our young here in Vermont and in the nation.

In a recent report, The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) says 57 percent of U.S. teen girls feel persistently sad or hopeless. One hundred percent of all teens report increasing mental health challenges. Nearly 1 in 3 seriously considered suicide in 2021. Fifty-two percent of LGBTQ+ people have experienced poor mental health and 22 percent attempted suicide last year. Of Americans under 30, 41.5 percent are experiencing anxiety and depressive disorder symptoms.

To get an overview of the extent of malaise plaguing our young people, one need only screen the new documentary Anxious Nation available to screen on Prime, Apple, and Google. NAMI Vermont is screening it for free across the state in September and October. It's a sobering documentary and received positive reviews from scientific journals.

Have the economic burdens imposed by under-employment, poverty, hunger, and homelessness put such pressure on parents and their children that families fall prey to our failures? Unless they come from a shrinking background of economic and social privilege, many of the young people I speak with have lost any hope of going to college or ever having a house and raising a family in it.

Are the social norms that once regulated to some degree a common sense of community behavior and encouraged achievement so eroded by our screen and celebrity cultures that our young people are now lost?

When I get discouraged about the choices we often make as a society

essentially pitting profit against community wellbeing I look to the accomplishments and success of our young people as a sign that all is not lost and that our world may well have a future.

The recent success of 16 young Montanans, from five- to 22-years-old, in the Montana Supreme Court who claimed that "climate change has jeopardized their recreation, traditions, mental and physical health" greatly lifted my spirits. Our young people spoke out and the law required us to listen.

Watching some 30 kids recently gather in a formal garden in Craftsbury to perform Shakespeare's Twelfth Night and therefrom elicit all the underlying nuance, comedy, and farce made my summer.

I try never to miss a performance of the Youth Opera Company of Vermont. Just watching teens studying and performing grand opera lightens my spirit and refuels my hopes for our world.

The Vermont Youth Orchestra Association brings children to the community and healing of great music performance as well. More than 300 musicians in grades 1-12 from 63 regional schools gather to learn, study and perform music in performing ensembles, orchestras, training programs, and a private lesson program.

The Vermont Youth Conservation Corps works with diverse young people to create experiences in the natural world that teach mutual support and team building, create a culture of belonging and mutual accountability, and safety.

The Mental Health Initiative integrates and shares the resources of over 150 Vermont community-based mental health organizations and initiatives to shine the light on local groups and collaborations for family, friends, and neighbors.

Although these successes may lift our spirits and hopes for our young people, we must not deceive ourselves into believing that all is okay with our coming generation.

The Ethan Allen Express Plus

BY ROGER DONEGAN

ear the end of July last year, thirteen VIPs lined up to cut the inaugural ribbon for the Ethan Allen Express Amtrak 290 at Union Station in Burlington to celebrate the return of NYC to Burlington passenger train service. Expansion of the route from Rutland north to Burlington was a priority for decades.

Over time the State had invested over \$100 million to upgrade the track.

Delving further into newsy event reveals more than 100 people including train enthusiasts, young and old alike, rode the train to Castleton. Mayor Miro Weinberger is quoted saying, "this is the first time since 1953 a passenger train left Burlington's downtown train station bound for NYC." (Ethan Allen Express Inaugural Trip to NYC Celebrated, Williston Observer, Aug. 4, 2022)

An interpretive sign with an early image of Union Station greets people on the sidewalk at the bottom of Main Street; behind which the Ethan Allen Express arrives, departs, and at times idles her diesel engines. Focusing on architecture of the new Union Station the sign reads "Grand Central in Miniature – that's how Burlingtonians described their new train station in 1915..." Today the Ethan Allen Express last stop is Penn Station in midtown Manhattan, not Grand Central Station.

Following the Vergennes stop, the track veers easterly away from the Lake Champlain Valley to the Middlebury Station tracing Route 7. The Castleton Station is barely east of Fair Haven. In reaching the FT Edwards-Glens Falls NY Station, the railroad crosses the Hudson the first time. Here, the Hudson is navigable, completing a descent as a small stream from a pond named Lake Tear of the Clouds in the shadow of Mount Marcy in the Adirondacks. Nearby the Great Champlain Hudson Paddle (GCHP) of 2009 had launched a journey by kayak to mark the dual discoveries of Lake Champlain and the Hudson in 1609. Passing through the locks of the Champlain Canal at the start clinched the

Champlain connection.

The Amtrak 290 route continues westerly, slipping under the Adirondack Park Agency lands south to the west side of Saratoga Springs. Further south it crosses the Mohawk River to Schenectady Station. The Albany-Rensselaer Station is in name only as the train crosses back over the Hudson, which is straddled by Albany on the west bank with Rensselaer and train station on the east side. As good as it is, if Ethan Allen Express passengers could only transfer to tour buses or an excursion boat heading south from this point the remainder of the trip would truly be extraordinary. From here on, the train route remains on the east side of the Hudson, now tidal, for 150 miles to Spuyten Dyvil ("in spite of the devil" in Dutch) at the confluence of the Harlem and Hudson rivers.

I kayaked with the GCHP of 2009 and wrote 37 Leagues to the Zee (Internet). "Zee" means sea in Dutch. History-wise, 2009 was a very heady year. To celebrate Champlain, the Burlington 2009 Annual Report featured a silhouette of a Samuel de Champlain statue gauging up an astrolabe in hand, and invited international guests to festivities. An astrolabe is a navigational instrument used to tell time. A replica of Samuel de Champlain's astrolabe is fixed to a stone pedestal in a corner park at College and Lake streets.

The 9th Ethan Allen Express stop is Hudson, New York. Situated in the river there is the Hudson City Light, which warned commerce shipping north of the "Middle Ground Flats." Hudson Light is the first of a string of lighthouses passed heading south. Participants in the GCHP of 2009 were treated to an unscheduled rendezvous on the opposite shore with a replica of Henry Hudson's ship Half Moon

Henry Hudson is recorded to be the first European discoverer of the Hudson River, also in 1609. Built in 1989, the replica is owned by the New Netherland Museum and currently is home ported in Voledam, The Netherlands.

Departing Hudson, the city, the train passes under Olana, an eclectic mansion visible from the river, an estate, and museum center once the home of Frederic Church, a principal Hudson River School paint-



Replica of Half Moon passed on Aug. 8, 2009, during Great Champlain-Hudson Paddle.



COM-GCHP kayakers cool off in view of Storm King, Aug. 13, 2009.

er. Adopted Vermont son and latter-day Hudson River School painter Charles Louis Heyde (1822-1892) of Burlington's favorite subject were sunsets over Lake Champlain.

Twenty-two train minutes away from Hudson is the Rhinecliff station near Rhinebeck but across the Hudson from historical Kingston. River-wise Kingston is the home of the Hudson River Maritime Museum, which also homeports Clearwater, the Hudson River Sloop made famous by Pete Seeger. Pete Seeger, folk singer (1919-2014), is presently commemorated by a U.S. postal stamp under "Music Icons." Activist, Singer Pete Seeger Dies at 94 / Writer of 'Turn, Turn, Turn' and 'If I Had a Hammer' Influenced Singers, Generations, reported the Burlington Free Press on Jan. 29, 2014.

In the next run of river, the train route passes under the embanked Vanderbilt Mansion, Hyde Park, and the presidential home of Franklin D. Roosevelt. In this quieter stretch,



 $COM\hbox{-}GCHP\ kayakers\ cool\ off\ in\ view\ of\ Storm\ King,\ Aug.\ 13,\ 2009.$

close upon the opposite shoreline appears the Esopus Meadows Lighthouse. This lighthouse is sister to the Colchester Reef Lighthouse at the Shelburne Museum, built by Vermont architect Albert Dow with his award-winning design. Both lighthouses are constructed of wood frame and siding, refurbished; each prominently displays 1871 for the year they were completed below the light.

Although closer yet to New York City, Poughkeepsie Station provides access to tangible proof of the Hudson River's worldwide reputation for majestic river views, mountain panoramas, and historic landscapes via the Walkway over the Hudson. This Civil War-era railroad bridge-turned-pedestrian-platform is an uninhibited

1.3 mile flat walk 200 feet in the air above the water. Today, the Ulster Welcome Center on the Highland, New York, side of the Walkway features a life-size bronze statue with an exhibit of Sojourner Truth. She was one of the leading voices for abolition and universal suffrage in the 19th century. Particularly she is remembered for her dramatic and eloquent appeal that rescued her son from slavery at the Kingston Court House in 1828.

There's much more that the train passes by. Storm King Mountain is said to be the most widely photographed part of the Hudson. As a dissenting member of the Federal Power Commission, local Hinesburger Charles Ross prevented a pumped storage facility from be-



Replica of Champlain's Astrolabe in a corner pocket park at College and Lake streets.

ing located atop Storm King in 1961. The subsequent federal appeals court ruling became a cornerstone in environmental law. There's West Point on one side: then there's the West Point Foundry Preserve on the other, which manufactured the first U.S. locomotives. Never much to look at, the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant just south of Peekskill in Buchanan, New York, permanently ceased operations April 2021. With just two more stops remaining for the Ethan Allen Express, the Croton-Harmon Station in Croton-on-Hudson on Haverstraw Bay, named Tappan Zee by the Dutch, is one mile from Ossining, New York, home of the Sing Sing Correctional Facility.

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Cecilia Elwert said, "As I get close to retirement, I'm checking out volunteer activities I might enjoy. Cleaning headstones checked off a number of interests: working outdoors in a beautiful rural setting, genealogy, art in the stone designs and lettering, town history, a good upper body workout and meeting likeminded folks."

Most found it very gratifying; they found cleaning simple but very effective; they enjoyed learning the proper way to clean and straighten stones, "do no harm," and why and how trees and shrubs can negatively affect the monuments



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Tom Giffin, Dan Jacobs, Dave Newton repairing stones

Many were surprised how many folks from Hinesburg showed up and shared a mission.

Diane Moore said, "I enjoyed meeting, learning and working with the VOCA. They seem to enjoy their work and helping others to fix these older headstones. I was impressed how much we got done and how just a little elbow grease could make such a difference."

Robert Hyams added, "My biggest surprise was the history of the family whose stones I spent most of my time cleaning (for kicks, google 'Eugene Sanctuary Vermont')."

Daniel Jacobs said, "It felt good to connect with community members I normally don't see and learn how to properly handle some of these old

Cecilia Elwert commented, "First



Elise and Allison Cleary cleaning



Leslie Bostwick and John Mead straightening stones.



off, I learned what not to do and it was surprising how easy the moss, lichens and stains came off and very satisfying to see the before

Susan Miners added, "It was enriching to see our history etched in those old stones and to see how different families expressed their love and care. I think the thing that was most surprising and heartening was to see how many people turned up and enthusiastically pitched in on a cloudy, damp day! I was proud of us. Go Hinesburg!"

For myself, the fascination of clean-

ing a stone is the surprise you often get when a beautiful design or writing emerges that was previously hidden; or transforming a black stone to its natural gray. Seeing rows of broken and leaning stones is heartbreaking, seeing them fixed is amazing.

It was unanimous among our wonderful volunteers that they would all do this again. So please mark your calendars for next year's cleaning session - Aug. 17, 2024. More photos of the day's work are available on Hinesburg Cemeteries Facebook page.

▶ Open Studio

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The Vermont Crafts Council is a nonprofit organization, founded in 1990, serving the Vermont visual arts community. Open Studio Weekend is supported by the Vermont Arts Council, National Life Insurance and the Point Radio.

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Deborah Goudreau -Functional Pottery, Sculpture, Garden

Deborah enjoys making pottery that is functional, feels good in your hands and is appealing to the eye. Some of her work has been described as rather fanciful. Her sculptural works range from one-of-a-kind to theme-based series.

Fall Open Studio Map #19. 802-735-4481 1957 Charlotte Road, Hinesburg. goudreau802@gmail.com deborahgoudreau.com

Kathleen Fleming Art -Contemporary Mixed Media Paintings

Inspired by the forms, shapes and tones of the landscape, I use playful and exaggerated color and composition to create contemporary mixed-media paintings.

Fall Open Studio Map #21 802-343-3950 889 Bean Road, Charlotte kflemingart@gmail.com kathleenflemingart.com

EDUCATION

CVU Students Awarded with **Academic Honors**

FROM PRESS RELEASE

tudents at Champlain Valley Union High School (CVU) earned academic honors from the College Board National Recognition Programs. These programs celebrate students' hard work in high school and showcase their strong academic performance. The academic honors for rural area, Black, Indigenous, and/or Latino students are an opportunity for students to share their strong academic achievements with colleges and scholarship programs that are seeking to recruit diverse talent.

Awardees (as of August 17) at CVU High School include

Award Key: National African American Recognition Award (NAARA), National Rural and Small Town Award (NRSTA)

- Abby Niquette: NRSTA
- Ava Bouchard: NRSTA
- Brendan Fellows: NRSTA
- Charles Sprigg: NRSTA
- Charles Simons: NRSTA
- Elias Leventhal: NRSTA
- George Fidler: NRSTA
- Hannah Kuhlmeier: NRSTA
- Jacqueline Goldsmith: NRSTA
- Kaylee Bliss: NRSTA
- Kyle Stewart: NRSTA
- Lily O'Brien: NRSTA
- Veronica Miskavage: NRSTA
- Zorah Ngu: NAARA

Congratulations to all of these students!

The criteria for eligible students include:

- GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10 assessment scores that are within the top 10 percent of assessment takers in each state for each award program or earned a score of 3 or higher on two or more AP exams in ninth and tenth grade.
- Attend school in a rural area or small town, or identify as African American/Black, Hispanic American/Latino, or Indigenous/ Native.

Eligible students are invited to apply on BigFuture (bigfuture.collegeboard.org) during their sophomore or junior year and are awarded at the start of the next school year in time to share their achievements in high school as they plan for the future. At the same time, colleges and organizations using College Board's Student Search ServiceTM can connect directly with awardees during the recruitment process

"It's becoming increasingly hard for students to be 'seen' during the college recruitment process. We're exceptionally proud of the National Recognition Programs for celebrating students who are at times overlooked but have shown their outstanding academic abilities," said Tarlin Ray, senior vice president of BigFuture® at College Board. "This is a benefit not only for students but also for colleges and universities committed to recruiting diverse and talented students.'

Access CVU Registration is Open

FROM PRESS RELEASE

ccess CVU, your destination for community education based out of CVU High School right here in Hinesburg, has opened our class registration for the fall. With almost 200 classes to choose from, including a mix of past favorites and creative new options, there's something for everyone.

Some things of note:

- · Are you a maker looking for a new project? Our craft options this month are plentiful with everything from creating an autumn centerpiece, to carving a pumpkin and rug hooking.
- We are also holding our first "Paint and Pop Night"; come paint a festive pumpkin while sipping your favorite (non-alcoholic) fizzy drink. Sign up with your favorite creative buddy, or come meet a new friend. • If you prefer online classes, we
- have options that include gut health, advanced health care directives and Conversational Italian.

Below is a list of classes scheduled for October, 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

Cooking and Cuisine

Wednesday, Oct. 4, Pasta Making

Thursday, Oct. 5, Indian Vegetarian Cooking: Dal Palak

Thursday, Oct. 12, Gnocchi Times 3 Wednesday, Oct. 18, Vegetarian Mediterranean Feast

Thursday, Oct. 19, Indian Cooking: Chicken Curry

Monday, Oct. 23, Savory Buckwheat Crepes Tuesday, Oct. 24, Healthier Holiday

Baking Thursday, Oct. 26, Ethiopian/ Eritrean Cuisine - Vegetarian

Specialties

Fine Arts, Crafts, Fiber, Wood, and

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Monday, Oct. 2, Modern Calligraphy Workshop with Lydia Batten

Thursday, Oct. 5, Watercolor for Beginners

Thursday, Oct. 5, Digital Photography Studio: Make the Photographs That You Want to Make

Tuesday, Oct. 10, Learn How to Turn Thursday, Oct. 26, Autumn a Wooden Bowl!

Wednesday, Oct. 11, Intro to Knitting Monday, Oct. 30, Beautiful Barn - Super Bulky, Cozy Cowl

Thursday, Oct. 12, Traditional Rug Hooking for Beginners

Thursday, Oct. 12, Open Lathe Workshop - Bowl Turning with

Monday, Oct. 16, Intro to Calligraphy with Lydia Batten

Monday, Oct. 16, Fused Glass Small Plate Set

Monday, Oct. 16, Paint and Pop

Tuesday, Oct. 17, Fall Painted Sign

Quilting: Lap Quilt Thursday, Oct. 19, A Celebration of

Wednesday, Oct. 18, Beginner

Thursday, Oct. 19, Sewing Basics: Cotton Tote Bag

Monday, Oct. 23, Beginning Quilting - Placemats with Napkins



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Tuesday, Oct. 24, Turn a Wooden

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Tuesday, Oct. 24, Carving a Pie Pumpkin!

Wednesday, Oct. 25, Hula Hoop Making and Decorating Workshop

Thursday, Oct. 26, Knitting Cable

Centerpiece

Quilts 2' X 2'

Fitness, Dance, Yoga and Mindful Movement

Thursday, Oct. 19, Hula Hoop Flow Wednesday, Oct. 25, Zumba with Dillon!

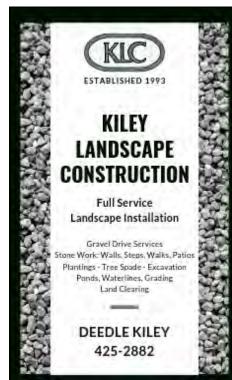
Thursday, Oct. 26, Gentle Evening Yoga with Ellen

Thursday, Oct. 26, Slow Flow Afternoon Yoga with Ellen

Monday, Oct. 30, Yoga Movement Foundations with Heather

Health and Nutrition, New Age and **Holistic Wellbeing**

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Monday, Oct. 2, Women's Circle

Tuesday, Oct. 3, Chakra Workshop

Thursday, Oct. 5, Oxygen Advantage® Breathing Workshop

Wednesday, Oct. 11, Gut Health & Digestion*

Thursday, Oct. 12, Gem and Crystal Workshop

Monday, Oct. 16, Gluten-Free Baking

Wednesday, Oct. 18, Reiki - First Degree with Amy deGroot

Wednesday, Oct. 18, Brand New -

Wednesday, Oct. 18, Herbal Remedies for Healthy Digestion

Thursday, Oct. 19, Oxygen Advantage® Breathing Workshop

Monday, Oct. 23, Brand New - Tarot

Monday, Oct. 23, Women's Circle

Wednesday, Oct. 25, Blood Sugar & Energy*

Wednesday, Oct. 25, Tarot Reversed

Monday, Oct. 30, Transformational Breathwork & Sound Healing

Home (DIY) and Gardening, Nature and Animals

Monday, Oct. 2, Beekeeping Basics

Wednesday, Oct. 4, Edible Landscaping

Thursday, Oct. 5, DIY - Outside the Box - Exterior Work!

Tuesday, Oct. 10, Tool and Knife Sharpening Thursday, Oct. 12, DIY - All About

Thursday, Oct. 19, DIY - The Inside Job on Painting!

Wednesday, Oct. 25, Native Plants Landscaping

Music and Languages

Wednesday, Oct. 4, Conversational Italian (Intermediate to Advanced)*

Thursday, Oct. 26, Ukulele Skillbuilder

One Night University

Monday, Oct. 2, Advanced Health Care Directives*

Tuesday, Oct. 3, Your Best Mind: An Owner's Manual for Your Best Mind

Monday, Oct. 16, Prehistoric Europe

Monday, Oct. 23, Protecting Yourself and Your Family from Forever Chemicals (PFAS)

Thursday, Oct. 26, Understanding Emotions: An Owner's Manual for Your Emotions



Oct 19: Sewing Basics: Cotton Tote Bag



Oct 26: Autumn Centerpiece

Professional Development and Writing Workshops

Monday, Oct. 2, Poetry Workshop Thursday, Oct. 5, Creative Writing*

Tech, Computers, and Automotive, Welding

Wednesday, Oct. 4, Introduction to Automotive Systems and Basic Electrical Theory

Wednesday, Oct. 11, CyberSecurity: Protect Your Personal Information!

Check out our website, cvsdvt. ce.eleyo.com (or Google "Access CVU"), for more information, and to register for a class. As a reminder, early signups help us plan - for popular classes it ensures you a spot in the class, and it avoids classes being canceled due to low enrollment. And if there's a waitlist for a class you're interested in, we encourage you to add your name since we will open up an extra section of a class if we get enough interest.

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SCHIP Grant Deadline Approaching

FROM PRESS RELEASE

he autumn deadline for Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Project (SCHIP) grant applications is Sunday, Oct. 15, 2023. Since SCHIP began making grants, many nonprofits have used their awarded funds to continue their mission to improve the lives of our neighbors and strengthen our communities. Grants range from a few hundred to several thousand dollars.

In addition to our Standard grant process for grants up to \$3,000, we are adding a Major Grant category, to fund the necessary seed money to be used for future self-sustaining projects. Grants funded in this category can range up to \$15,000.

- Applicant requirements: Be a 501(c)(3) or submit the application through such an organization.
- Projects must serve residents of Shelburne, Charlotte, and/or Hinesburg.
- Funds may not be applied to annual operating budgets or permanent staffing.
- Major Grants also require a detailed business plan.

The grant deadline is now Oct. 15,

For specific requirements and to obtain an application, go to schipstreasure.org/apply-for-a-grant.

ACRPC and **LCA** Complete Work to **Reduce Flooding** Risk and Improve Water Quality in Starksboro

BY KATE KELLY (LEWIS CREEK ASSOCIATION) & ANDREW L'ROE (ADDISON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION)

Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC), Lewis Creek Association (LCA), and landowners have partnered to make improvements to water quality and reduce flooding risk in the Hollow Brook area near Lazy Brook Manufactured Housing Community on Hollow Road in Starksboro. In this area, Hollow Brook comes down off Lincoln Hill and the Hinesburg Town Forest, and would historically have spread out into the lower elevation wetlands. In these "alluvial fan" areas, streams often drop their sediment and move around over time. However, in this location,

past agricultural practices (straightening/berming along the stream) and development combined to push and constrain the stream into its current location. There was an old bridge crossing the brook near the manufactured housing community, which left concrete in and near the brook; this constricted the brook and caused floodwaters to leave the stream and flood the neighborhood.

Thanks to funding from the Flood Resilient Communities Fund (received by Addison County Regional Planning Commission), Jessica Louisos and Alex Marcucci of SLR designed a project to remove the old bridge abutments and concrete in the brook (which will help minimize the risk of flooding in the manufactured housing community in the future), and obtained permits from the state and federal entities for the project. A contractor (Ben Canonica of Canonica Landworks) was hired, and he began work in early August after assisting with flood recovery in other parts of the state. The project involved removing some trees and fill, including concrete blocks, in and next to the stream to create a new floodplain, burying root wads in the bank and floodplain, and placing boulders to improve fish habitat in the brook. The brook now has more space to spread out onto its floodplain during times of high flow, and the removal of the constriction caused by the abutments will minimize the flood risk to the manufactured housing community.

Elise Shanbacker, the Executive Director of the Addison County Community Trust, which owns Lazy Brook Manufactured Housing Community, expressed her gratitude to LCA and ACRPC for taking on this important project. "As we know too well from recent events, manufactured housing communities have experienced disproportionate impacts from flooding in Vermont," Shanbacker said. "Addressing flood risks to these communities is an important environmental justice issue. Most importantly, residents of the park can rest a little easier now that this project is complete, and ACCT can better ensure that this affordable housing resource stays safe and habitable for future generations of Vermonters."

Hollow Brook feeds into Lewis Creek in the northwest corner of Starksboro just south of Tyler Bridge Road in Hinesburg, and Lewis Creek eventually drains into Lake Champlain. Lewis Creek is impaired for \bar{E} . coli bacteria in stretches: LCA hopes to maintain water quality in Hollow Brook so that it doesn't contribute to harmful algal blooms and fish die-offs in Lake Champlain. 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/lca-

Birds of Vermont Museum Events

FROM PRESS RELEASE

The school year has started, but that isn't slowing us down up on Sherman Hollow Road. Check out the fall programs at the Birds of Vermont Museum, sign up for one if you like, or just drop by. We're open Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., until Halloween. The trails are open sunrise to sunset, every day. Libraries have passes, and admission is always free for members (birdsofvermont.org/membership)

For more information on each event, go to birdsofvermont.org/events. All events are held at the Birds of Vermont Museum unless otherwise noted: 900 Sherman Hollow Road, Huntington.

Spark! Fueling A Love of Birds

Daily, community art exhibit contin-

ues through October.

Many artists, photographers, writers and others have a "spark" moment that fueled a lifelong love of birds and birding. See them, read them, get inspired yourself. Included with admission.

The Big Sit!

Sunday, Oct. 8, at 6 a.m.-6 p.m.

The most relaxed birding around. And around and around ... How many birds can we identify from our 17-foot diameter circle? Donations and pledges welcome. Drop in to check on the count, or call if you are interested in joining the circle for some or all the time.

Tree Identification for Birders and **Friends**

Sunday, Oct. 8, at 10 a.m.-noon. Have you ever noticed a bird, then

wondered what kind of tree it was continued on page 16

A Folk Variety Show - 7pm, October 19th Isham Family Farm 3515 Oak Hill Rd, Williston













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Area above Sugarhouse Lane, after construction, where old bridge abutments were removed, and the floodplain was restored. Photo credit: Alex Marcucci, SLR

wq-videos. These include things like slowing water down, spreading it out, and sinking it in to the ground - "the three S's" that are central to LCA's Ahead of the Storm program. 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.

There are other water quality and flooding problems in this area: up-

brook. At Sugar House Lane, the double culvert is too small, so has blocked fish passage and increased upstream flooding risk. If funding can be obtained for the downstream culvert replacement and the upstream road runoff, water quality, flood resiliency, and habitat for fish will be further improved. Please reach out to Andrew L'Roe, alroe@ acrprc.org with any questions.

stream from this site, runoff from

the roads has focused water and

sped it up coming down the steep

slopes, which caused major erosion,

and dumped much sediment in the



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in, or why it was there? Us too! Let's take a walk and explore tree identification with Forester Kathleen Stutzman. Suggested donation \$15 (sliding scale, please pre-register).

Green Mountain Woodcarvers October 2023 Carve-In

Saturday, Oct. 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The museum is delighted to host the Green Mountain Wood Carvers (GMWC) October Carve-In! Visit, ask all your questions about woodcarving, or become a member.

Race Around Birds 2023

Self-timed virtual: Oct. 21-Nov. 3. Race Day: Nov. 4.

The Birds of Vermont Museum is again hosting a Race Around Birds! You can run (or walk) on Race Day, or run on your own schedule Oct. 21-Nov. 3. Take a lap in the fall forest.

We invite all MS/HS cross-country runners to extend their season just a bit and join this trail race!

October Bird Monitoring Walk

Oct. 28, 8-9 a.m.

Join our monthly monitoring walk to record birds on the museum property. Learn something new, share what you know, or both!

OUTDOORS

Five Techniques for Managing a **Forest Efficiently**

BY ETHAN TAPPER, CHITTENDEN COUNTY FORESTER

ome of my favorite forest managers are landowners, people who work on a small scale to make their forest a little heathier and more vibrant each year. While a thoughtful forest steward can have a truly positive relationship with their woods, the breadth of their impact is limited by their finite time and energy. Through using these five simple techniques, you can maximize the positive impact that you have on your forest.

1. Leave dead trees alone. Fallen trees, dead-standing trees and dead wood benefit wildlife habitat, soil health and fertility, carbon storage and forest hydrology, among other things. If the tree is dead, leave it alone! Be proactive, not reactive: focus on cutting living trees, especially unhealthy trees which are competing with healthier "crop trees."

2. Use the "crop tree release" method. Crop tree release is a shift in the

way that we look at the forest: instead of focusing on cutting all the trees that "need to go" - trees that are unhealthy, that have wounds or defects, trees of undesired species - we find our forest's healthiest, most promising trees and release them from competition individually. "Crop tree" is a bit of a misnomer: while a crop tree could be a tree that we're encouraging to produce a crop like maple sap, it can also be any healthy tree of almost any species. What makes crop tree release so efficient is that we only cut trees that are competing with our crop trees. If a tree isn't competing with a crop tree, leave it alone. To learn more about crop tree release, check out this video on my YouTube channel - tinyurl.com/CropTreeRelease, or my article about it in Northern Woodlands magazine at tinyurl. com/CropTreeRelease2.

3. Get comfortable with cutting trees and leaving them on the ground. As you release your crop trees, you'll end up cutting trees that are smaller or that, for a variety of reasons, just aren't worth pulling out of the woods. Instead of taking the time to process these small trees into firewood, leave them on

the ground and move on. This will be a more efficient use of your time - allowing you to release more crop trees and thus have a greater positive impact on your woods – and will also increase the amount of dead wood in your forest and its associated habitats and benefits. It's not a waste! These dead trees will be a real asset to the health and ecology of vour forest.

4. Girdle some trees. "Girdling" a tree means creating two shallow, parallel cuts around its circumference, just deep enough to touch its wood. This severs the tree's cambium, eventually killing the tree and turning it into a "snag" (a dead-standing tree), which is another important habitat. I generally use girdling as a faster and safer method for killing trees that are competing with crop trees but are too dangerous to fell. Girdling will turn trees into hazards, so it's not a method to be used around your house or your recreational trails.

5. Get comfortable with "messiness." In working with hundreds of landowners, I find that nearly evervone's instincts tell them that a healthy, well-managed forest looks like a park: with large, evenly-spaced trees and a clear, open understory. In fact, healthy forests are messy, with trees of all different sizes and ages, dead trees, gaps in the canopy and tons of dead wood on the forest



A cherry tree released using the crop tree release method.

managing them to look like parks - is not just a waste of time: it actually makes our forests less healthy, less resilient, less rich with habitat. When you manage your forest, avoid piling brush or lopping-up trees and branches so that they lie flat on the ground. While they make your forest look neater, these practices actually diminish many of the benefits that these trees and tree tops offer to wildlife and forest ecology. If you can learn to appreciate the messiness, you'll see that not "cleaning-up" your forest will save you tons of time and energy, and make your forest healthier at the same time. To learn more about these five tech-

floor. "Cleaning-up" our forests – re-

moving dead trees and dead wood,

niques, watch a short video on my YouTube channel at tinyurl.com/ Tapper5.

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**

Vermont's Archery **Deer Season Starts** Sunday, Oct. 1

FROM VT FISH & WILDLIFE PRESS RELEASE

6:00-7:30 p.m. CVSD Board Committee

Meetings. CVU High School, Hinesburg.

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Indigenous Peoples' Day.

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

Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballards Corner

7:00-9:00 p.m. Development Review Board

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

7:00-9:00 p.m. Trivia Night in Hinesburg! The

Dumb Luck Pub & Grill, 104 Ballard's Corner Rd.

3:30pm-4:30 p.m. Chess Club at CCL. Carpenter-

6:00-8:00 p.m. Folk Jam with SongFarmers.

Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd.

5:30-7:30 p.m. Economic Development.

Hinesburg Town Hall, 10632 Rte 116,

Meeting, Hinesburg Town Hall,

7:00-8:30 p.m. Village Steering Committee

Meeting. https://meet.google.com/

eub-awgw-prt. Town Hall.

The Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department says hunters are look-

ing forward to Vermont's upcoming Oct. 1- Nov. 10 and Nov. 27- Dec. 15 archery seasons.

A hunter may take up to four deer in Vermont's two-part archery season if they do not shoot any deer in the other deer seasons. The purchase of an archery deer license and tag is required for each deer. No more than one of the deer taken during archery season may be a legal buck if no buck is taken in the other deer seasons. Antlerless deer hunting is allowed during archery season statewide this year.

In WMUs C, D1, D2, E1, E2, G, I, L, M, P, and Q, a legal buck is any deer with at least one antler three inches or more in length. In WMUs A, B, F1, F2, H, J1, J2, K, N, and O, a legal buck is any deer with at least one antler with two or more antler points one inch in length or longer. For more information on WMUs, go to tinyurl.com/VTFWPointMap.

Hunters must have a standard hunting license in order to purchase an add-on archery deer hunting license, except that nonresidents may purchase an "archery only deer license" costing \$75. Licenses may be quickly and easily purchased on Fish and Wildlife's website: vtfishandwildlife.

deer hunting trip will find it helpful to download a copy of the 2022 Deer Harvest Report from Fish and Wildlife's website with this link: ber of deer taken in each town in last year's deer hunting seasons

For more information and a summary of regulations, download the 2023 Deer Seasons Guide from Vermont Fish and Wildlife's website, or pick up a free copy of the 2023 Hunting & Trapping Guide from any license

Local Motion Adds New Bike Routes and Businesses to **Interactive Map**

Local Motion is excited to announce the addition of over 170 business locations and two new bike routes to its Interactive Biking and Walking Map. The "ONE Love Loop" and the Pine Street "Arts & Craft Loop" are now waiting to be discovered via Local Motion's Interactive Map at vtbikeped.org. The map helps users know where to go as they find local parks, beaches, restaurants and bars, hotels, shops, and public restrooms.

The ONE Love Loop is an urban route of Burlington's Old North End, showcasing many amazing restaurants, markets, public art, historic sites, and neat neighborhoods. Learn more about the Old North End.

The Pine Street Arts & Craft Loop takes users on a leisurely ride Hunters planning a Vermont archery down the Greenway and through Burlington's historic arts district on Pine Street. Stop for craft beer, local art, and fantastic food along the way! Both routes include slight hills, city tinyurl.com/yufjfhsb It has the num-streets with and without bike lanes,

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Publication date for The Hinesburg Record. 3:30pm-4:30 p.m. Chess Club at CCL. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd.

10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Rummage Sale. Richmond Congregational Church, 20 Church St, Richmond 05477.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER :

8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. CSWD Rover in Hinesburg. Hinesburg Drop-Off Center, 907 Beecher Hill Rd., Hinesburg.

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Rummage Sale. Richmond Congregational Church, 20 Church St. Richmond 05477.

Open Studio Weekend-Great Scot Arts & Crafts.

Open Studio Weekend-Great Scot Arts & Crafts. **12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.** Pie Day. 190 Pond Rd., Hinesburg.

7:30-9:00 p.m. Vermont Astronomical Society Meeting. Zoom Meeting.

Commission Meeting. https://us06web.zoom. us/j/82438637932?pwd=MTZqRWdPMVZkZ3M 0b3FWb3pIY2dVdz09

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

7:00-9:00 p.m. Trivia Night in Hinesburg! The Dumb Luck Pub & Grill, 104 Ballard's Corner Rd.

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

Advertising and news deadline for The Hinesburg Record. 3:30pm-4:30 p.m. Chess Club at CCL. Carpenter-

Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd. **6:30-8:30 p.m.** Lewis Creek Association Board Meeting. https://us06web.zoom.us/j/830930

64817?pwd=eUVRT1MxazhvckJtMHN3YkFIZUNt Zz09. lewiscreekorg@gmail.com. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd. 7:00-8:30 p.m. Town Forest Committee

Meeting. https://meet.google.com/ kks-okby-ejy. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

6:00-9:00 p.m. Rm 160 & 162, CVSD School Board Meeting. Champlain Valley Union High School, 369 C V U Rd., Hinesburg.

7:00-10:00 p.m. Development Review Board

Meeting. Town Office, Lower Level Conference

Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Trivia Night in Hinesburg! The Dumb Luck Pub & Grill, 104 Ballard's Corner Rd.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

7:00-9:00 p.m. Hinesburg Conservation **7:00-9:00 p.m.** Trivia Night in Hinesburg! The Dumb Luck Pub & Grill. 104 Ballard's Corner Rd.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Trails Committee. Remote

meeting.

3:30pm-4:30 p.m. Chess Club at CCL. Carpenter-Carse Library, 69 Ballard's Corner Rd.

7:00-9:00 p.m. Trivia Night in Hinesburg! The Dumb Luck Pub & Grill, 104 Ballard's Corner Rd.

7:00-7:00 p.m. Affordable Housing Committee Meeting. Remotely and in person at Hinesburg Town Hall.

7:00-8:30 p.m. Carpenter-Carse Library Trustees Meeting.

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

THURSDAY OCTOBER 26

Publication date for The Hinesburg Record. 3:30pm-4:30 p.m. Chess Club at CCL. Carpenter-

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variable paving conditions and possible construction zones.

"We are excited to see the expansion of Local Motion's Interactive Map to include two new bike routes that promote and celebrate Burlington's small businesses. These new routes will help visitors explore new neighborhoods and support amazing local businesses along the way," said Will Clavelle, Assistant Director of Business Development, Department of Business and Workforce Development.

The Pine Street "Arts & Craft Loop" and the "ONE Love Loop" introduce visitors and locals alike to the vibrancy of Burlington and encourage users to shop local along the way. Thousands of summer visitors can enjoy exploring Burlington and the Champlain Islands by bike and by foot, using Local Motion's Interactive Map.

Local Motion's mission is to make it safe, accessible, and fun for everyone to bike, walk, and roll in Vermont.

Learn more at Local Motion.org.

Arts & Leisure

Vermont Arts Council Receives Major Funding Award to Support Creative Aging

FROM PRESS RELEASE

he Vermont Arts Council recently secured \$95,000 in new funding from a national program to bolster creative aging programs for older adults—one of only nine state arts agencies to receive the award.

The award is part of \$855,000 in nationwide creative aging grant funding from the States Leading Creative Aging program, which is a joint effort of the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies (NASAA) and E.A. Michelson Philanthropy. With this funding, each state will build on existing creative aging programs to gain significant ground in meeting the needs of older adults in underserved communities through-



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out their state. The program builds upon the transformative success of NASAA's Leveraging State Investments in Creative Aging initiative, which catalyzed arts learning opportunities for older adults in Vermont and nationwide.

In Vermont, the funding will increase

arts programming and access for older adults across the state through its Creative Aging Grants program, which opened for applications on Sept. 1. Creative Aging grants support skill-based instruction alongside opportunities for social engagement and community building in and through the arts for older adults. Applicants must be nonprofits with 501(c)(3) status, such as arts organizations, area agencies on aging, or social service organizations. Organizations may apply for up to \$6,000 to support activities designed for older adults aged 60 and older, led by experienced teaching artists.

Funding will also help to increase the diversity of voices contributing to the state's creative aging effort through teaching artist recruitment and culturally responsive training. To meet this goal, the Council has partnered with Clemmons Family Farm (CFF) to recruit and provide training to selected members of the Vermont African-American/African Diaspora Artists' Network.

"We are thrilled to partner with the Vermont Arts Council to provide this wonderful professional development opportunity for Vermont teaching artists to build skills and to support the needs and creative interests of older Vermonters. Clemmons Family Farm's role is to validate and expand the expertise of Vermont's

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Black teaching artists to bring the creativity and power of African diaspora cultural traditions, including storytelling, into the practice of creative aging," said CFF President and Executive Director Lydia Clemmons.

The new funding will also support the Council's Creative Aging Idea Exchange, which will include four bimonthly virtual gatherings for teaching artists across the state to share best practices and provide mentoring; will enhance the Council's Creative Aging Teaching Artist Roster; and support video documentation of its Creative Aging initiatives.

More than nine percent of Vermonters are at least 65-years of age, and Vermont is on track to be the oldest state in the nation (65+) by 2032. Vermont also has one of the highest life expectancy rates at nearly 80 years of age.

The Council's Creative Aging initiative began in 2021 with an inaugural grant program, which provided up to \$4,000 to support Vermont organizations in their arts programming for older adults. A total of 29 applications were received, and seven grants were awarded, supporting written storytelling, ceramics, photography, Tin-Pan Alley discovery and singing, place-based storytelling through historical archives, traditional Abenaki artmaking techniques, and dance and movement.

"The council's approach to Creative Aging is built on research that demonstrates the power of the arts to promote optimum health and wellness and facilitate social connection and engagement," said Vermont Arts Council's Executive Director Susan Evans McClure. "This new funding allows us to deepen and broaden our Creative Aging work completed over the last two years, increasing the number of communities served and expanding access to teaching artists new to this work."

For more information about the Council's Creative Aging initiative, visit **vermontartscouncil.org/ programs/creative-aging**.







The majestic 220-foot steamboat Ticonderoga is an iconic feature of Shelburne Museum's 45-acre campus that floats in a sea of light for the museum's Winter Lights extravaganza. Photography by Adam Silverman.

Winter Lights Tickets Now on Sale

Shelburne Museum's Popular Event Starts November 24

From press release

Tickets to Shelburne Museum's popular holiday light spectacular, Winter Lights, are now on sale. From the day after Thanksgiving through Jan. 6, Shelburne Museum lights its campus aglow in a spectacular visual display of lighting accompanied throughout by musical selections.

Shelburne Museum's iconic landmarks, including the 220-foot steamboat Ticonderoga and its companion 1871 Lighthouse as well as the magical Beach Woods and beautiful Bostwick Garden, are all festooned with thousands of lights that make for a breathtaking walking tour of the museum campus in the evening hours.

In all, Shelburne Museum will decorate 18 of its buildings and gardens for the event, which will run starting on Thanksgiving weekend and extend through Jan.6, an addition of an extra weekend for this season. Other new offerings this year include lighting the Locomotive 220 and Grand Isle Rail Car at the Train Station, and visitors can hear the sounds of the Ticonderoga plying the waters of Lake Champlain while gazing upon the brilliantly lit massive steamboat. This season, special

Wednesday evening hours will be in effect for drive-through tours of the display, available with advance ticket purchase online.

Winter Lights will run Thursday evenings through Sunday evenings starting Friday, Nov. 24, through Saturday, Jan. 6, from 5–8 p.m. and for the holiday week of Dec. 26 through Jan. 1, with drive-through evenings on Wednesdays. Visitors are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance on the museum's website shelburnemuseum.org/winterlights. Tickets are non-refundable and non-changeable.

Winter Lights Schedule

The event runs from 5–8 p.m. on each date:

Friday, Nov. 24 – Sunday, Nov. 26 Thursday, Nov. 30 – Sunday, Dec. 3

Thursday, Dec. 7* – Sunday, Dec. 10

Thursday, Dec. 14 – Sunday, Dec. 17

Thursday, Dec. 21 – Saturday, Dec. 23

Tuesday, Dec. 26 – Monday, Jan. 1

*Hours and ticket pricing differ this night. See Special Events below for more information.

Thursday, Jan. 4 - Saturday, Jan. 6

Winter Lights Ticket Prices

\$15 per adult, \$10 per child, ages 3-17, Free for children under 3

Special Winter Lights Events

Member Night – Thursday, Dec. 14, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Shelburne Museum Members explore the expanded Winter Lights

Ice Bar at Winter Lights – Thursday, Dec. 7, 5:30–9:30 p.m.

sor Lake Champlain Chocolates.

and receive a sweet treat from spon-

Shelburne Museum has mixed its fantastic Winter Lights extravaganza with spirits for the perfect night out with a twist that's sure to spark the holiday spirit. This special evening of merriment features outdoor bars along with snacks to savor from local food trucks, all within the magical wonderland of Winter Lights. Tickets are \$85 for the general public and \$75 for Members, and prices increase on November 25. All tickets include tokens for food trucks and drinks. Must be 21 or older to purchase tickets.

Winter Lights is sponsored by Lake Champlain Chocolates, Radiance Medical Aesthetics & Wellness Spa with additional support from Global Foundries and Vermont Mutual.

PEOPLE

Higher Education Honors

Olivia St. Peter of Hinesburg has qualified for the Spring 2023 Dean's List at Seton Hall University (NJ). After the close of every semester, undergraduate students completing all courses with a GPA of 3.4, with no grades lower than "C", qualify for the Dean's List.

OBITUARIES

Craig Michael Chevrier



Craig Michael Chevrier of Hinesburg passed away unexpectedly on Friday, Sept. 1, 2023. He was 53.

After living in both the Albany and Boston areas, Craig moved to Hinesburg in 2002 to create a home and start a family with his soon-to-be wife, Laura. He was the first in his family to receive an undergraduate degree, earning both a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Public Relations from Utica College and a Master of Arts in Political and Organizational Communication from SUNY Albany. He excitedly shared his digital and marketing strategy expertise with en-

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tities in which he believed.

Craig was a passionate civic participant and worked tirelessly in pursuit of efforts to support social justice and sustainability. His work supported a number of causes important to him such as education, the environment, and a well-functioning democratic society. He was a founding member of the Vermont Green Party. Additionally, he served on the Hinesburg Land Trust Board of Directors from 2004 to 2008. As an active board member, he played a critical role in several key land conservation projects; most notably in the complex conservation project involving over 600 acres of farmland, wetlands and forest of which 300 acres were conveyed to the Town of Hinesburg as the LaPlatte Headwaters Town Forest. Craig was not only passionate about the ecological and agricultural values of conservation, he was also a strong advocate for people and the critical importance of public access to natural areas.

Craig helped with many board activities, including organizing public out door events and speaking and writing on behalf of conservation. His famous chili was part of the Hinesburg Land Trust's first Stone Soup Supper and was enthusiastically consumed. After leaving the board, Craig continued his dedication to conservation in his close attention to stewardship of the town forest and the protection of the Indiana bats.

Craig cherished time with his wife Laura, to whom he was joyfully dedicated for over twenty years, and his son Brendan, born in 2007. Those closest to Craig were consistently reminded of the love, delight and connection he had with Brendan. Golf, skiing, music and so many other activities filled their days since Brendan was born. Craig's pleasure in creating a life of activity and contribution to the world with his son was only outweighed by his pride in seeing Brendan grow into a kind, smart, funny, respectful, loving young man.

Craig was an avid reader, consuming several books a week, and a music lover. He was always at the ready with a recommendation for a book or new music. Craig cared deeply about his family and friends and showed his love through attentive gifts, trip and concert planning and a unique

generosity he tailored for the wide array of individuals that surrounded him in his life for decades. He loved to garden and cook and hoped to one day open his own establishment to share that joy with others.

Craig was born Sept. 19, 1969, in Lynn, Massachusetts. He is survived by his wife Laura Carotenuto, son Brendan, mother Barbara Trott, sister Colleen Laffan (Eddy), brother Adam Trott, and nephews and nieces Zachary, Fiona, Natalie, Max and

Upon the wishes of the deceased, there will be no formal services. A celebration of life was held on Sept. 23. Those wishing to support the family are kindly asked to consider a contribution to a fund gofund. me/0a1cc799 that will be used for Brendan's ongoing educational and extracurricular activities which were of paramount importance to Craig. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Hinesburg Land Trust, P.O. Box 137, Hinesburg, Vermont

Nancy Lorraine Stowe



Nancy Lorraine (Mahan) Stowe, 93, passed away at the home of her daughter in Vergennes on Sept. 11,

She was born Nov. 9, 1929, in Lancaster, Massachusetts, to Thomas William Mahan and Mary Anna Josephine (Couture) Mahan. Nancy grew up in hardship during the Great Depression, but faced life with courage and found happiness in simple country life. She graduated from Burlington High School, where she walked from her home

on St. Paul Street every day with a young man, Richard K. Stowe, whom she married in 1952. They made their home in Hinesburg, where they raised 11 children. During high school, Nancy was employed at Charlie's Red Hots. After graduation, she worked at the Burlington Free Press as a teletypist, and later at IBM with her husband.

spent her life doing good and volunteering, attending many days at the state capitol advocating for educational rights for intellectually disabled children. She assisted with PTA fund-raising, was a volunteer driver for Meals on Wheels, a typist for The Hinesburg Record, and a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, where she filled many callings, often at great personal sacrifice. She loved visitors and opened her modest home to anyone in need. She enjoyed singing, gardening, horses, and her family, and was a beloved mother, daughter, sister, aunt, and grandmother.

Nancy was a force of nature. She

She is survived by ten of her children: Linda (Ralph) Miller of Vergennes; Danniel (Pam) Stowe of Provo, Utah; Laurel (Jim) Brady of Mapleton, Utah; Dave (Jane) Stowe of Hinesburg; Robert (Andra) Stowe of Genola, Utah; James (Jill) Stowe of Hinesburg; Susan (Greg) Phillips of Washington, Utah; JoAnne Stowe of Hinesburg; Christine Stowe of Salt Lake City, Utah; Benjamin (Katie) Stowe of Grain Valley, Missouri; brother-in-law, Harold (June) Stowe from South Burlington, Vermont; sister-in-law, Marjorie (Dave) Thorpe of Meredith, New Hampshire; and friend, Jean Smith of New Haven, Vermont. She leaves 45 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, all of whom she loved dearly. She was predeceased by her husband of 65 years, Richard "Dick" Stowe, her son, Timothy, her granddaughter Valerie Stowe, her parents, and siblings Madeline Arter, Armand Mahan, William Mahan, Estella Bartlett, Rachel Kirkland, and parents-in-law, Karl and Vera Stowe.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Sept. 22, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Chapel in Middlebury. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Addison County Home Health & Hospice, PO Box 754, Middlebury, VT 05753

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

Location and Mailing Address:

190 Pond Road, Hinesburg (overlook ing CVUHS soccer fields)

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

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

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

org for more information.

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

Lighthouse **Baptist Church**

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

Location: Hinesburg Village Center, 90 Mechanicsville Road

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 288

Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 a.m. Lunchtime 11:40-12:20 p.m. Bible Study until 1:00 p.m. No evening service

Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting

All services live-streamed on Facebook Live (Lighthouse Baptist Church Hinesburg page)



sweep@gmavt.net (email for special promotions)

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Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

Pastor: Fr. James Zuccaro 802-425-2253 • stjudevt.org stiude@gmayt.net

Location: 10759 Route 116,

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

Pastor's Mailing Address:

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

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

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

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

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

Parish Council Chair: Dennis Casey,

Finance Council Chair: William

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 & Friday at 8:30 a.m. at St. Jude's; Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

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

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

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Please call Marie at 802-482-2290 (Parish Office). Eucharistic Adoration: Eucharistic

ents meet each month.

Adoration is held the first Friday of each month following the 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Jude's and every Tuesday following the 5:15 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mount

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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 vour convenience.

Senior Bingo. Seniors, you are invited to a morning of free bingo at St. Jude's from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. Reservations are required by the Wednesday before. **Due** to the increased numbers of COVID 19 in our area, we ask that everyone again wear a mask while at Senior Bingo. Free masks will be available if you need one. If you have symptoms, have been recently exposed and/or are feeling ill, please stay home. Thank you!! If you are a newcomer to our event, please call the week before that you are attending, so that enough Grab and Go Meals can be ordered. You will be given a packaged complete meal to take home, provided by Age Well. The suggested donation is \$5.00 per meal due to pandemic funding coming to an end. Bingo prizes will be provided by St. Jude's Contact Kathy and Ted Barrett at 453-3087 (leave a message) or email to tedbar rett79@gmail.com for reservations.

United Church of Hinesburg

An Open, Welcoming, Affirming and Reconciling Church

Pastor: Rev. Jared Hamilton 802-482-3352 • ucofh.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.

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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

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 ce@trinityshelburne.org

Location and Mailing Address:

5171 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne, VT

Worship service and Sunday

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 • all souls interfaith.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

Ad and news deadline is October 12 for the next issue. Publication date is October 26. Go to hinesburgrecord. org or call 802-999-2410 for more information.

▶ Book Festival

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Chris Tebbetts will participate on two panels at the Fletcher Free Library on Sunday, Oct. 1, the day the festival presents children's content. His first, "The Search for Self: Creating Middle Grade Characters that Readers Love," takes place at noon. The second, "Scribbling Ideas: What's in your Writer's Notebook?" takes place at 1 p.m. Tebbetts is the author of Me, Myself, Him and is co-author with James Patterson of the Middle School series of books, among others.

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draw awareness to the increasing threat of book banning.

Based in Vermont, the GMBF is a 501(c)(3) organization with a mission to cultivate and promote literary arts in Burlington and across Vermont. This annual event, which offers its Saturday and Sunday programming free of charge, celebrates the written word, inviting participants to honor free expression, embrace diverse voices, and encourage a deeper understanding of self and community through a shared love of reading and books. Learn more at greenmountainbookfestival.org.

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▶ Big News!

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arships at Champlain Valley Union High School.

In the past few years, *The Record* operating expenses have exceeded its income. While The Record has received relatively few donations over the years, it is hoped that by becoming a 501(c)(3), it can actively fundraise and return to operations that are "in the black." Any donations to 501(c)(3) charitable organization are now fully tax-deductible.

More importantly, The Record will continue to be a vital, involved and committed part of the Hinesburg community, and for years to come.

For more about *The Hinesburg* Record – and in particular how it has educated readers, grown the community and benefited local business - please read "It Makes a Village" on The Record website at hinesburgre-

A huge thank you goes out to Mary Jo Brace and Kevin Lewis, who spent countless hours over many months running the red tape gauntlet that is the process by which a 501(c)(3) is registered.

Thanks also go to Adam Miller at Pease Mountain Law, who advised and consulted in the 501(c)(3) process, as well as wrote the new bylaws for The Hinesburg Record.



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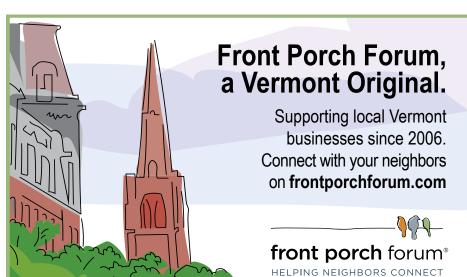
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BACK STORIES of Hinesburg

Our Big News!

Status as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization granted to The Hinesburg Record

BY THE HINESBURG RECORD TEAM

n September 7, with the election of a brand new and unpaid board of directors, The Hinesburg Record finalized a year-long initiative to become a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. While just one step in The Hinesburg Record's 37-year journey as a news organization, it is a significant one.

Meet the new directors!



Tom Giroux

Tom was born and raised in Hinesburg, and is back full-time after spending 22 seasons managing Florida golf and country clubs. Florida is

still in his blood, as he drives "snowbird's" cars back and forth 16 to 22 times a year, and has made the drive 197 times. He is one of the founding fathers of the Recreation Committee and still an active member; but now instead of coaching, he plays a major role in the July 4th parade and the Concerts in the Park, and maintains Bissonnette Field. Tom has volunteered for decades for the Vermont Marathon and now is on its commission, as well as on the Board of Directors for Vermont Twin State Soccer. He is busy each fall assigning and refereeing soccer matches for three middle schools, keeping 17 soccer and field hockey fields painted, and keeping the clock for CVU's varsity soccer matches (and Florida trips on the weekends). He has written many articles over the years for The Hinesburg Record and thinks highly of the paper his mother co-founded.



Pat Mainer

Pat has had the pleasure of living in Hinesburg since the early 1970s, essentially her whole adult life. Inspired by June Giroux, she

has volunteered for The Hinesburg Record in one way or another most of the time since the early 1990s. She feels that with the advent of electronic media, and The Citizen published

weekly, the paper version of The Hinesburg Record might be a bit less relevant, but *The Record* is still part of the glue that makes Hinesburg not just a town, but a community and a wonderful place to live, work, recreate, and raise a family.



Ginny Roberts

Ginny Roberts moved to Hinesburg 25 years ago with her husband, Geoff Gevalt, and their three children. She immediately took to

living in a small town and has come to appreciate this vibrant community and the beauty of Vermont. She recently retired from her job at Hinesburg Community School, where she developed

and ran the Connecting Youth Mentor Program. She continues her work on the Hinesburg Community Resource Center, as a volunteer and board member for the last 15 years. She has embraced the concept of a volunteer-run, community newspaper from her first days in Hinesburg and lent a hand as copy editor for many years. She is proud to be joining The Record board. Ginny enjoys tending her extensive perennial gardens, walking in the woods and time with friends.



Dotty Schnure

Dotty and her husband, Willem Leenstra, have lived in-Hines-

burg since 1986. They raised their two daughters here, and enjoyed many years of Hinesburg schools, sports and other activities. Dotty spent her career with Green Mountain Power, where working with the media was one of her responsibilities. She was often seen on TV, reminding people to be safe during outages and updating on storm restoration. She

loves singing in the South County Chorus, and is part of the a capella group In Accord. Dotty feels fortunate that both of her daughters, sons-in-law and her five grandchildren live nearby, with homes in Hinesburg and Shelburne.



Richard Watts

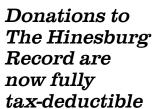
Richard Watts is the Director of the Center for Research on Vermont: a senior lecturer in the Department of Geography and the found-

er of the Center of Community News (CCN). Richard is also the co-director of the Reporting & Documentary Storytelling Program; and a former coordinator of the internship program in the College of Arts & Sciences. In coordination with CRVT, the College of Arts & Sciences created the Community of Practice intern program which led to the successful spin off of the Community News Service.

We are still here!

Long-time president Kevin Lewis, vice-president Cathy Ryan, and trea-

surer Mary Jo Brace retain their positions. They plan on continuing doing what they've been doing for many, many years now!



Formerly, The Hinesburg Record had been registered with the state of Vermont as a nonprofit entity, and not federally as a nonprofit. When The Hinesburg Record received revenue in excess of operating expenses, those revenues went back into the community in the form of donations to other local organizations such as Hinesburg Community Resource Center, Hinesburg Community School Mentoring Program, the food shelf, chorus program and schol-

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Make a Difference

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

Mentorina

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 Ray Mainer at rmainer@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.

The Hinesburg Record

Help publish your community newspaper which is produced by volunteers who write, edit, and lay it out each month. The Record needs people to write and edit copy, take photos, and help with distribution and mailing. One-time or occasional submission of articles is more than welcome.

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