

The Hinesburg Record

March 18, 1988

Town Meeting Results

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected by Australian ballot on March 1, 1988.

- Town Moderator, 1 year. . . Henry Carse
- Selectman, 3 years. . . . Diane Snelling
- Selectman, 2 years. . . . Howard Riggs
- Lister, 3 years. Mary Plante
- Lister, 2 years. . . . Stephen Carlson
- Library Trustee, 2 years. John Kiedaish
- Library Trustee, 3 years. Vivian Hodgkin
- Library Trustee, 3 years. Earla Sue McNaull
- Library Trustee, 3 years. Merilyn Burrington
- Library Trustee, 3 years. Edward Burrington (write-in)
- Del. Tax Collector, 1 year. Pierette Lyman
- School Moderator, 1 year. . James Case (write-in)
- Local School Director, 3 years Eva "Heidi" Kristensen
- Local School Director, 2 years. . . . Stephen Russell
- CVU Director, 1 year. . . Karen O'Neill
- Peck Estate Trustee, 3 years. Robert Berry, Jr.
- Cemetery Commission, 1 yr. Hilton Place
- Cemetery Trustee, 1 year. . Leon Place
- Constable, 1 year. . . . Alan Fortin
- Town Agent, 1 yr Sam Hoar, Jr. (write-in)
- Grand Juror, 1 year. Unfilled
- Town Auditor, 1 year. Unfilled

To be elected by write-in, a nominee must receive at least 20 votes, or 1 percent of the voter checklist.

The votes for contested positions were as follows:

- Selectman, 3 years: Diane Snelling, 442; George Bedard, 401
- Selectman, 2 years: Howard Riggs, 561; Schuyler Jackson, 299
- Lister, 3 years: Mary Plante, 527; Edward Burrington, 248

Subsequent to the election, Edward Burrington was appointed as lister to fill an opening created by the resignation of George Bedard.

Voter turn-out was good compared to recent years. At Town Meeting, 259 voters were present from a voter checklist of 1994; by Australian ballot there were 887 voters casting ballots.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY RESULTS

REPUBLICAN

- George Bush 189
- Robert Dole 178
- Peter du Pont 4
- Alexander Haig, Jr. 2
- Jack Kemp 11
- Pat Robertson 18

DEMOCRATIC

- Michael Dukakis 194
- Richard Gephardt 27
- Gary Hart 21
- Jesse Jackson 144
- Paul Simon 27

LIBERTY UNION

- Willa Kenoyer 0
- Herbert Lewin 1

GRADER APPROVED, PLANNER REJECTED

After approximately two hours of debate, voters attending the annual Town Meeting approved purchase of a new grader by the Town Highway Department.

The debate centered on where the grader item appeared in the budget, and why the proposed budget included both repairs for the old grader and the first-year costs of the new grader.

Following debate, voters approved a \$279,209 highway budget, which includes funds for the new grader but eliminates the \$8500 estimated cost of repairs of the old grader.

A nearly-filled auditorium heard reports from various town departments, and most budget items were approved with little discussion. A faulty PA system made it difficult for some in attendance to hear questions and answers.

Polly Quinn discussed the history of the Sarah Carpenter Memorial Library (see article) and explained the trustees concern over overcrowding of the present facility.

The sidewalk budget of \$5,000 was approved. The plan calls first for

improvements in the village area from Lantman's Store through the park. The project would be continued in the following year from Lantman's to Kelley Field, with further extensions in subsequent years.

After much deliberation, voters rejected a request for \$25,000 to create a new full-time position: Town Planner. Members of the Board of Selectmen and Planning Commission described duties that would be carried out by the person filling the new office.

Several voters commented that the proposal had not been well thought out, and that the town's needs might be filled without committing the town to a new, permanent position. Following the discussion, the article was amended to request a \$15,000 one-time planning study to provide the data necessary for capital budget.

NOTES FROM THE TOWN CLERK

► Vermont Tax Inventory forms must be filed with the listers on or before April 20. All businesses must list their equipment. Forms are available in the Town Clerk's office.

► Vermont State Income Tax forms are also in the office. Federal forms are in the post office.

► Be sure to get your dog license before April 1.

► The Town Clerk's office will be closed on Wednesday, April 13, to allow the staff to attend the 1988 Town Officer's Education Conference.

Sponsored by the UVM Extension Service, subjects covered at the conference will include: Town Constable; tax collection; auditing; legislative changes; appraisal; growth; open meeting law; office of Selectmen; road surface treatment; waste disposal; laws, authority and practices of water, sewer and fire districts; and Town Clerk and Treasurer's duties and responsibilities.

The meeting will be held at the Sheraton in Burlington. The Board of Civil Authority will hold a separate training session May 4 in Burlington.

► "Felice" thanks the anonymous friend who left cans of food for her.

CRIME FIGURES FOR HINESBURG

The following information was taken from **Crimes in Chittenden County from January to December 1987.**

Crime was divided into two groups in the report. "Part I" crimes include homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, auto theft, and arson. "Part II" crimes are simple assault, forgery, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, sex offenses, drug offenses, crimes against family and children, liquor violations, disorderly conduct, and other.

The estimated population in Hinesburg is 2845. Hinesburg had 91 Part I crimes, or 31.930 per thousand; and 187 Part II crimes, or 65.614 per thousand.

Value of property stolen was \$41,551. Damaged property totalled \$13,359, with only \$610 recovered. The larger stolen/damaged items in the County included money, jewelry, motor vehicles, TV, radio, stereos, clothing, and consumable goods. Recovery is largest in the area of stolen vehicles.

Hinesburg had 4 assaults, 48 burglaries, 34 larcenies, 1 arson, and 4 auto thefts listed as Part I crimes. Part II crimes included 15 assaults, 30 instances of fraud, 2 motor vehicle thefts, 2 stolen properties, 44 instances of vandalism, 1 sex offense, 5 drug offenses, 9 family disorders, and 48 disorderly conduct cases.

Board Of Selectmen Meet

By Ed Burrington

Carl Bohlen, Hinesburg's representative to the Chittenden County Solid Waste District, presented proposed changes in the District's charter. These proposed changes would provide for proportional representation on the basis of member communities' population.

If a community wants to withdraw from the District it must give 30 days notice and it will remain responsible for funds committed while it was a member. Costs of the district will be apportioned on the basis of the volume of waste the community generates.

Members are prohibited from selling excess dumping rights without approval of the District board.

Larry Ketcham objected that the Selectmen were again being asked to make a decision with no time to evaluate the merits of the proposal. Rob Bast and Diane Snelling agreed with him, but felt the matter was important enough that they needed to make a decision before Town Meeting. The charter changes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Andrea Morgante explained that efforts to organize a recycling program in Hinesburg would be more successful with the support of the town. She requested that the Selectmen appoint a committee to organize the effort. The Board asked Morgante to report back to them on the size of committee needed and what it would do.

Phil Hammerslough requested permission to improve TR #14, from the

culvert, bringing it up to town standards. Arthur Goldsweig and Jeff Feussner, residents of the road, said the present road is unsafe and needs improving. Brad Blanchette, another road resident, felt that the Board needs to visit the site to see what improvements are proposed before making a final determination. The board agreed to visit.

Finally, the Board agreed to accept two small parcels of land along Texas Hill Road from David Lyman. Both pieces will eventually be needed to complete improvements to the road.

Zoning Board Of Adjustment

By Ed Burrington

The Zoning Board ruled that Brian's Custom Built Furniture, operated by Brian LaBell, is in compliance with the zoning ordinance.

Richard Davidheiser, who rents space in his building to LaBell, had been cited for a potential violation. The building is located at Ballard's Corner, which is zoned commercial. The Board decided that since LaBell runs a one-person operation, and performs only custom fabrication, he provides a service and is not a manufacturing establishment.

Ann Pastula was granted a setback variance to put a camping trailer on Lot #15 on Shadow Lane. She must remove the trailer from November 1 to April 1, and she may not occupy it for longer than 45 days in any six-month period. She was also given approval to use a chemical toilet.

Bill Charbonneau, representing his mother, Elizabeth, requested clarification of restrictions on building on Lot #25 on Shadow Lane. The lot measures 30 X 80. The board felt that any building would intrude upon its neighbors and once a building was sited on the lot, there would be no room left to locate an adequate septic system. They decided that the lot was unsuitable for a building of any type.

AGENDA FOR NEXT ZONING MEETING

The Zoning Board will hold its next meeting on Thursday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. The agenda is as follows:

1. Eugene Beaudry - Conditional Use Permit for a recreational vehicle sales and service business on lot #3 of the Giroux Commerce Park.

2. Jan Shepard - Conditional Use Permit for a wood products manufacturing shop on lot #6 of the Giroux Commerce Park.

Planning Commission News

By Ed Burrington

Greg Tucker, representing Willard and Mildred Fish, sought final plat approval for a two lot subdivision off North Road. It was unanimously granted with the condition that utility lines be buried.

Clark Hinsdale, representing Howard and Norma Jean Riggs, reviewed the master plan for development of their

land on the west side of Route 116. They propose dividing the land into four lots. One lot would be developed as a commercial area, two would be developed as PRSD's and the third would accommodate the new Catholic Church.

This would require only one curb cut onto Route 116 and would adhere to the Town Plan. The Commission expressed concern over the density of development, allocation of sewer capacity outside of the village district, and the effect of travel on Rte. 116. They requested more information. The proposal was withdrawn without prejudice.

Gerrity Lumber presented Site Plan for a proposed lumber yard to be located on Lots #1 and #15 in the Giroux Commerce Park. They propose to build a storage shed immediately for building supplies. In a year, they will replace the Giroux quonset hut with a new building and landscape the perimeter of the lots and the front of the retail store. They expect to employ 25 full-time workers eventually.

Roger Kohn expressed concern that there was not enough landscaping in front of the store. He wanted to know if they would move the retail building back and build a berm near Rte. 116 to screen the store from the roadway. Diane Snelling, present as a concerned resident, stated that the Commission needs to balance the aesthetic concerns with what makes good economic and business sense. Bernard Giroux suggested that if the security fence was moved back, landscaping could be improved in the front at little additional cost. The hearing was continued until the March 2 meeting.

PLANNING BOARD AGENDA

The Planning Board has the following agenda:

March 16, 7:30 p.m. Meeting

1. Richard Farnham - Request to change phasing policy of condo's.

2. Larned Ketcham - Commercial site plan review for "function hall" in his riding stable on the Shelburne Falls Road.

3. Gerrity Lumber - Site plan review for the Giroux Building Supply business and several minor changes to the Giroux final plat conditions.

April 6, 7:30 p.m. Meeting

1. Frank Califano - Final plat public hearing for a 2-lot subdivision on the Burrit Road.

2. Mary & Leo Fortin - Site plan review of a produce stand on Rt. 116.

3. Eugene Beaudry - Site plan review for recreational vehicle sales and service in Giroux Commerce Park.

4. Jan Shepard - Site plan review for wood products manufacturing shop in Giroux Commerce Park.



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UNDER THE GOLDEN DOME
by Henry Carse

A foundation cost per pupil is set to allow a typical school district to provide an education meeting requirements of the state board. For the coming school year \$3875 is the cost per secondary pupil which state aid will assist the town in raising at a fair tax rate.

You have voted \$7100 cost per pupil for CVU. State aid will not help in meeting the cost over \$3875 per pupil.

The State Aid appropriation is coming from surplus, and is in jeopardy in the future if the rate of growth levels as the present tax structure will not support this appropriation.

The current level of state bonding will not support the demand for new school construction or new sewer plants. The Feds are withdrawing from pollution grants and Burlington is requesting 37% of the remaining Federal funds. There are no plans to meet the fiscal crisis looming in 1990, but after the election there will be substantial tax increases for both the general and transportation funds.

The Growth Bill, H 779, proposes that 1/2 the property tax on non-residential new construction or improvements shall go to the state. This would include all vacation property, commercial property, industrial property and farm buildings. It would include the value of any improvements to a house converted to an office or store. This amount could increase over time with the value of alterations to such property.

This money would be redistributed by the state according to a formula similar to state aid. A town would obviously not get back the amount paid in. The purpose is to discourage towns from permitting commercial and industrial uses.

Seventy-five percent of the residents of Hinesburg work outside the town. Hinesburg has seen the following changes since 1980:

- 14.4 % growth in population
- 15 % growth in housing
- 39.9 % increase in median adjusted gross income

I wish to thank all those who returned the questionnaire. Results are posted at the town clerk's office and elsewhere in this paper.

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203 TOTAL

	Yes	No	Not Sure
1. SHOULD THE LEGISLATURE ENACT A MANDATORY SEAT BELT LAW?	97	95	9
2. SHOULD THE DOE SEASON BE SUSPENDED FOR THE 1988 SEASON?	135	35	30
3. SHOULD MUNICIPALITIES HAVE THE POWER TO ENACT LOCAL TAXES SUCH AS INCOME, SALES, AND ROOM AND MEALS WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM THE STATE?	57	121	19
4. SHOULD THERE BE STATE PLANNING GUIDELINES THAT SHALL BE FOLLOWED BY STATE REGIONAL AND LOCAL PLANNERS?	117	47	31
5. SHOULD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES BE PERMITTED TO TEST FOR AIDS BEFORE ISSUING AN INSURANCE POLICY?	84	97	19
6. SHOULD FORMER HIGH STATE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BE PROHIBITED FROM LOBBYING FOR A YEAR AFTER LEAVING OFFICE?	140	39	21
7. SHOULD VERMONT HELP SUPPORT THE PRICE OF VERMONT PRODUCED MILK WITH STATE FUNDS?	97	80	23
8. SHOULD THE STATE FUND A PLAN PROVIDING HEALTH INSURANCE TO ALL UNINSURED VERMONTERS?	77	95	29
9. SHOULD THERE BE AN INCREASE IN THE GAS TAX TO FUND ROAD AND BRIDGE RE-CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR?	114	71	15
10. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THE VERMONT NEWS MEDIA IS DOING A GOOD JOB?	104	2	30
11. DO YOU BELIEVE GOVERNOR KUNIN IS DOING A GOOD JOB?	102	61	36
12. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THE VERMONT LEGISLATURE IS DOING A GOOD JOB?	91	61	44
13. SHOULD THE VERMONT BOTTLE LAW BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE LIQUOR AND WINE BOTTLES?	179	19	4
14. SHOULD THE TRI-STATE MEGABUCKS COMMISSION BETTER THE ODDS OF WINNING BY RETURNING TO 36 NUMBERS?	145	25	30
15. SHOULD MUNICIPALITIES BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE FOR LOW INCOME HOUSING IN THEIR MUNICIPAL PLANS?	119	63	19

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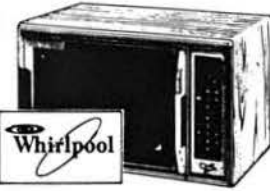
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FIREMEN HONOR MEMBERS

The Hinesburg Volunteer Fire Department held its 8th annual Ladies Night Banquet at the Old Lantern in Charlotte on February 13.

About 250 townspeople and guests attended.

Honored for their contributions to the Fire Department were Paul Emmons, an active member for 22 years (1966-1988); his wife, Arlo; and the following inactive members who have served 21 years each: Ernest Giroux (1953-1974); his wife, Theresa; and Rene Fortin (1947-1968).

POST OFFICE HOURS REMAIN SAME

Although area post office hours are changing, Hinesburg's at present remain the same.

The Post office continues to be open from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. on weekdays, and 7 a.m. until 12 Noon on Saturdays. Dispatch takes place at 4:15 p.m. weekdays.

FOURTH OF JULY NEEDS HELP!

By Chet and Audrey Horton

The Hinesburg Fourth of July Committee will hold a meeting on Monday, March 21 at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall.

We are looking for many committee chairpersons. Please help your town parade, fireworks, and other activities on the Fourth.

The "Hiney Monster," through the help of Lisa Carlson, is again sitting on the ice at Lake Iroquois. When do you think it will take it's yearly bath? Watch for details on how you can submit your prediction.

REGIONAL SOLID WASTE NEWS
By Carl Bohlen

The Chittenden Regional Solid Waste Disposal District (CRSWDD) has issued its Preliminary Solid Waste Management Plan. The CRSWDD is seeking public comments on the preliminary draft and held a public hearing on Tuesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. in Winooski City Hall. All interested Hinesburg residents are urged to get a copy from Town Administrator, Tuck Cantrell.

The preliminary plan presents the goals and objectives of the 10 member communities (Hinesburg is a member) in the CRSWDD, and outlines the current solid waste situation in the state and the county including a summary of existing laws and pending legislation.

In addition, the plan describes various options the CRSWDD will be considering as it works toward finding a regional solution to Chittenden County's solid waste problem. Finally, the plan provides both the short-term and long-term needs of the District.

For more information, contact Hinesburg's representative to the CRSWDD, Carl Bohlen, at 482-3372.

The CRSWDD is also actively working toward finding an alternative solution once the July 1 shutdown of Hinesburg's landfill takes place. The District is working on a plan that would allow Hinesburg, as well as Shelburne and Huntington, to landfill its solid waste in a municipal landfill within Chittenden County.

The success of such a plan hinges on the State of Vermont's approval, and based on the precedent of the State allowing the Town of Stowe to use the City of Burlington's landfill, the District is optimistic an agreement with the State can be reached.

If not, the solution of sending Hinesburg's waste to Palisade Landfill in Moretown will be very expensive.

Another key focus of the CRSWDD is recycling. The District is very interested in working with the local Town recycling groups to come up with local and regional short-term and long-term plans to recycle cardboard, paper, glass, plastic, and metal. Hinesburg has a committee of residents who are working with the District's Sub-committee on Recycling. The goal of the District is to maximize the recycling of materials to cut the cost of disposal.

RECYCLING A SUCCESS
By Beth Russell

Hinesburg has begun to take responsibility for its waste disposal problems. Between 30 and 40 town residents participated in last month's recycling campaign.

The Selectmen agreed to appoint members to an official town recycling committee, and regular monthly collection dates have been established. This ripple effect of success comes from the spread of small, individual efforts.

As more of us individually practice the three R's of waste management: reduce, reuse, and recycle, we collectively do much more. We save both ourselves and the town money and we create alternative solutions for the problem of the landfill closing in July.

Hinesburg businesses have joined in the effort - several now have their own pick-up schedules for recyclables. Since businesses often deal with a much larger bulk and a greater number of items, we hope that more will follow the others lead.

The next recycling collection date is Saturday, March 19 from 10 a.m. to Noon in the parking lot behind Lantman's IGA. Remember to rinse and remove labels from glass bottles and jars. The same with plastic jugs and tin cans, which can then be flattened to save space. Only "flexible" plastic is accepted - that is, you can squeeze it and it doesn't crack. No plastic film wrap or bags, please!

Paper products are easier: they just need to be sorted and bundled with twine or placed in paper bags. Categories for sorting include newspapers, magazines, junk mail (plastic windows removed), and cardboard (no wax milk containers) such as packing boxes, cereal boxes, folders, etc.

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GUIDING OUR GROWTH

By Ed Burrington

As Hinesburg grapples with issues of growth and development, two boards of citizens attempt to bring order to building within the town. Their meetings are sparsely attended and both groups lament the lack of feedback from citizens in the town.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment, chaired by Tom McGlenn, is charged with overseeing the zoning bylaws of Hinesburg. These are the town's rules about growth. Zoning tries to allow property development in a way that uses the land best, disrupts neighbors least, allows the most efficient delivery of town services, and most strengthens the tax base.

ZBA hearings are usually about variance requests or conditional use permits. A zoning variance changes one of the zoning rules regulating building on a property. Conditional use permits are more difficult for the board, says McGlenn. A conditional use is permitted with ZBA approval, as long as the conditions set by the ZBA are met.

A conditional use permit goes with the land. It never ends once it is granted and it can be sold.

"It used to be that most of our considerations were variance requests," says McGlenn. "In the last several years we have heard more requests for conditional use permits. These are much more complicated and take more time to decide. Often we must depend on the developer for data because we don't have the resources or personnel to gather it ourselves. Increasing the size of the board has helped a lot. We do a better job now, but you never are sure you're expressing what the residents of the town want. You just do your best."

Luisa Finberg chairs the Planning Commission, which reviews all building, development, and subdivision requests in Hinesburg. Their responsibility is to be certain that the proposal (1) conforms to the town plan, (2) is permitted under the zoning ordinances, (3) is of acceptable quality, and (4) is aesthetically consistent with Hinesburg.

"Serving on the PC takes so much time, people just get worn out," says Finberg. "To do a good job you need to visit the site; you need to understand what is being done; you must take the time to get the answers to your questions. If you don't understand a project, you can't make a good decision,

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* **PAINTING.** HOME magazine says "Nothing you can do to a house will return your expenditure, dollar for dollar, like a good paint job."

* **LIGHT FIXTURES.** A very small expenditure can transform a space. Best results are likely in the kitchen and interior halls.

* **CARPETING.** If a sale is imminent, consider replacing worn, drab carpeting. This is as important as fresh paint.

* **KITCHENS.** "The kitchen sells the house," says The National Remodelers Council. Short-term recovery estimates for a well-planned kitchen remodeling average 75 to 100%. Bring your kitchen up to minimum standards for the market.

* **LANDSCAPING.** If the grounds around your home are in poor condition, money invested in landscaping can result in huge returns.

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and you only get to decide once. We don't have anyone we can depend upon to do the research for us. Sometimes you just don't know. You hope you are making the right decision but you don't have the answers."

"You do the best you can, and you try to respect what the people in town want," Finberg continues. "It's so hard to know, I wish that we heard from more residents."

Hinesburg is the archetypical Vermont town. It is a rural agricultural town facing stiff development pressure. The landowners are finding it harder to pay their spiraling tax bills. There is polarization between the people who moved to Hinesburg because of its rural nature and the people who own significant acreage and need to develop some or all of it. Next month we will talk with some of the people who are wrestling with the question: how do you break up your farm, preserve the town that you love, and ensure your financial well-being in retirement?

RECREATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

By Charlie Wood

Planning is underway for the 4th annual Supervalley to be held in June. If you are interested in helping with the planning or would like to be involved as a player or to form a team, call either Meg Munson at 482-3465 or Charlie Wood at 482-3172. This event is co-ed and is open to both adults and students.

Current team standings in adult volleyball:


Pool A	Won	Lost
1. Strike 3	15	4
2. Munson Auto	15	5
3. Unknowns	13	8
4. Maulers	10	9
Pool B		
1. Ballards	10	11
2. Roofers	7	13
3. Gamblers	7	14
4. Cruisers	4	16

REPORTERS NEEDED FOR THE HINESBURG RECORD

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From The Library

By Trudy Schlemmer

Story Hour for 3-5 year olds will be held on Thursday, March 24, 10:30-11:30 and every Thursday thereafter. Parents may drop off their children at that time.

Younger children should be accompanied by parents. Any one interested in doing the Story Hour should contact the librarian.

Some new books at the library are:

ADULT

CHATTERTON by Peter Ackroyd
HEARTS OF GOLD by Jessica Stirling
LIVES OF THE TWINS by R. Smith
THE TENANTS OF TIME by Thomas Flanagan
THE GOOD MOTHER by Sue Miller
DINOSAURS IN THE ATTIC an excursion into the American Museum of Natural History

CHILDREN

LITTLE NINO'S PIZZERIA by K. Barbour
CRAFTY CHAMELEON by M. Hadith
MACHINES AT WORK by B. Barton
THE STORYBOOK PRINCE by Oppenheim
POOH'S BIRTHDAY BOOK by A. Milne

► The library borrowing policy is one month with no fines for overdue books. At this time there is no limit on the number of books.

In order that books may be circulated among many users in a reasonable amount of time the following policies will become effective April 1st: We will be sending overdue notices two weeks after the due date. A second notice will follow two weeks hence signed by the Board of Trustees. (Eight weeks have now passed since the books were signed out.) If necessary a third notice will include a bill for the cost of the book.

Patrons who have not settled their bills or returned their books will lose borrowing privileges.

At this time about 100 books are three or more months overdue. This represents a cost of \$1,000 if these books have to be replaced. Patrons who have overdue books at this time need to settle their accounts. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

► Look for further notices on Adult Book Discussion Series - beginning date is not available at this time.

► We are also looking for residents who would like to share slides from a trip or a talent in a workshop. Please let the librarian know when and what you'd like to do.

► Your contributions of books, magazines, and the New York Times Book Review are much appreciated. At this time we are looking for donations of magazines such as National Wildlife, Good Housekeeping, Mademoiselle, Changing Times, up-to-date issues to replace some of our subscriptions. If you are interested in doing this please contact the librarian.

► Library hours are: Monday, 2-9 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

► Spring cleaning is upon us, and the library is no exception! March 26 and April 9 have been set as "Clean Up Days." We would appreciate some extra hands and a truck to transport big items to a dump is possible. "Friends of the Library", here's your chance!

► There will be Trustee meetings on March 21 and April 18 at 7:30 p.m.

SCML STATISTICS AND DATES

The following bits of information were researched by the library trustees and presented by Polly Quinn at Town Meeting:

1810--Hinesburg Literary Society formed Library; 1824--Moved to Academy, present site of library; 1860--Moved to a room near the Town Clerk's office; 1902--New town hall built and new library opened there, budget set at \$25; 1915--Branch library in Mechanicsville; 1920--Budget doubled, \$50 a year; 1937--First warned as article to be voted at Town Meeting; 1947--Library hours increased from 4 to 6 hours, Leonard Carpenter gave the new building (present library) in honor of his mother on Mother's Day and started a \$500 trust fund; 1960--Mr. Carpenter voiced concern of library overcrowding; 1969--Leonard Carpenter died leaving \$18,458 to the library. \$13,578 placed in trust fund, remainder set aside for overcrowding study; 1971--Cataloguing completed; 1973--Hours extended to 1 1/2, town voted to fund full maintenance costs; 1975--Library first paid minimum wage; 1977--Friends of Library founded, Step I of State Library Standards met, open 15 hours each week; 1981--Circulation topped 10,000; 1983--Step II met; 1987--Circulation reached 18,250, open 24 hours weekly, new librarian hired, new facility studies continued.

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HINESBURG HISTORY

By Rae Palmer

Nancy Lane correctly answered our January question. She told us that Mechanicsville was originally called Patrick and Murray Village because those two families began and operated so many of the mills and factories in that area of town. For her fine effort, Nancy won a gift certificate to BARON'S VILLAGE FLORIST.

March Hinesburg History Question: Where was the first Hinesburg Town Meeting held, and when did it occur? The first person to call Ed Burrington (482-2780 or 482-3885) with the correct answer will receive a gift certificate to THE PORK SCHOP OF VERMONT, located at Ballards Corner.



BOOSTER AWARD GOES TO RUSSELL BERGER

The annual Hinesburg Booster's Club "Citizen of the Year" award was given to Russell Berger. In announcing the award at Town Meeting, Lynn Austin listed the following areas Mr. Burger has served the community:

- ▶ 16 years with the Boy Scouts
- ▶ Bicycle Rodeo Safety, St. Police
- ▶ Bicentennial Committee
- ▶ Skate-a-thon, March of Dimes
- ▶ 12 years Vestry Committee
- ▶ Santa Claus/Easter Bunny for HVCS
- ▶ 3 years HVCS
- ▶ Tutor of Math at HES for two years
- ▶ 3 years Resource Center
- ▶ Organizer of Youth Baseball
- ▶ St. Jude's Pastoral Council
- ▶ Recreation Committee

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News From Hinesburg Elementary School

BUDGET PASSES

A \$2,064,438 budget for the 1988/89 fiscal year was approved at the annual Hinesburg Town School District Meeting March 7.

Of that amount, \$1,418,092 must be raised by taxes. The remainder comes from state aid, earnings on investments, and the Peck Estate.

Out of 1994 eligible voters, 118 went through the checklist line.

Voters authorized the directors to spend additional unanticipated state aid for 1987 in two ways: \$5,250 for the district's portion of salary and benefits for an Early Education Coordinator; and \$30,899 for reducing the school taxes for the 1988/89 fiscal year.

Acknowledged for their contributions to HES were Director Rita Villa and Accountant/Controller Elinor Francis.

Rita was praised for her twelve years as a member and chairperson of the Board of School Directors. Present Chairperson, Ruth Ayer said, "She's been through good times, she's been through bad times." Rita replied that she was leaving at a good time, with a new addition, a new principal and good things happening.

Ellie has been with HES for 21 years and is praised by the board members for her extra work done after hours and often at home, especially during the strike and the recent building project. Her prompt financial reports to the board are envied by other town and school departments. Her knowledgeable investments have been profitable to the school, earning \$12,000 in the current budget.

Various programs and areas were discussed by the board. The \$14,938 Gifted and Talented program serves about 60 - 70 students, about the same number that are in special education. The Peck Estate, a 1912 trust left to Hinesburg, is now worth \$182,620 and earns an income of about \$12,000 to \$14,000 each year. Historically, it has been used for seed programs that are sometimes added to the regular program if successful. Guidance and French are two programs that first were funded by the Peck Estate.

The CSSD budget assessment is raised substantially because of expenses for housing, garage roof and an Early Education Coordinator. Hinesburg's total is based on the percentage of teachers we have in relation to the district. In 1987-88 we had 12.4 percent and in 1988-89 we will have 14.6 percent of the district teachers.

The Public School Approval Evaluation was explained. Improvements needed include a crossing guard, a written curriculum in each grade for each subject, reading and language arts, and industrial and home arts. These will be addressed in the next year, although some will take longer to implement.

A circle graph explaining how the school budget will be spent showed the following figures: Salary and fringe benefits, 71.9 percent; CVU transportation, 3.2 percent; Debt Service, 7.5 percent; CSSD, 4.2 percent; Special Education (Out of School), 4.0 percent; Supplies and equipment, 1.9 percent; and other, 7.3 percent.

The budget was passed in a meeting lasting about two hours.

FEBRUARY HES MEETING

The February meeting of the Elementary School Board was spent discussing plans for the March 7 Annual Meeting. (See article.)

Major budget increases were the result of half-time staff positions in guidance, administration and maintenance; debt service for the new addition; special-education expenses; rising insurance costs; increases in the CSSD budget.

Rae Harrell described plans for a play to be presented in May and asked that the curtains be available at that time.

A report by Barbara Foley, School Nutrition Specialist, was favorable to the lunch and breakfast program proposed for the fall.

The monthly discussion of acoustical problems in the new wing resulted in requesting the superintendent to get some answers prior to the next meeting.

Briefly discussed were topics of a summer youth program involving CVU students; the Texas Hill bus route; stage curtains and auditorium ceiling; playground equipment.

At the next regular meeting, March 22, SRA test results will be presented.

NATIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL WEEK

By Sally Robertson

During the week of March 14, sixth, seventh and eighth graders at HES celebrated National Middle School Week.

A committee of parents, teachers, and administrators worked all last year to form the philosophy and goals to guide the development of our middle school within our new building. Students and teachers are very aware of the difference it makes to be a middle school.

Students are very involved in all parts of the school and share in the decision making. Faculty have been particularly successful in sharing academic evaluation with students personally this year. There is a spirit of cooperation to make our middle school better and better.

Student Council members planned a week-long celebration; they called it "Spirit Week" and there was a different activity each day. There were male and female faculty/student basketball games. The high point of the week was a lasagna luncheon enjoyed by middle school faculty, students, and their guests. Students invited community members as luncheon guests to honor their contributions to the Middle School.

EIGHTH GRADE VIEW

OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Middle School has been in place for two years. Four eighth graders would like to share their positive viewpoints of the Middle School:

The most important thing is the preparation we are getting for high school. It's very beneficial to have many teachers. Also moving from class to class will help us adjust to the high school schedule.

We also have developed a better relationship with the younger kids in the Middle School. We have gained most of these experiences through extra-curriculum activities. As the oldest students we try to set good examples for the younger students.

The new addition has helped renew an awareness of our school spirit. The addition has also added to the academic atmosphere. It has given us a separate identity from the rest of the school. Our new gym has been greeted with much happiness, although there isn't much availability to the public during non-school hours.

The Teacher Advisor groups are helpful and are a good way to get to know your advisor and peers a little better.

The Middle School is a great experience and should be looked forward to by the younger children.

(Prepared by Mrs. Morrison's Eighth Grade English Class: Matt Kiedaisch, Mike Lizotte, Jason Palmer and Mary Thompson.)



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HES NOTES

▶ The next PTO meeting will be held Thursday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. The topic is Kindergarten Screening Procedures.

▶ The PTO held a successful book fair the week of March 14-21. It was also held in conjunction with Math Night on March 17.

▶ The Family Math Night was held March 17 involving grades 2-6.


▶ The Primary Grades are doing projects on hibernation, dinosaurs, careers, Vermont government, measurement, weather, sugaring, and money. Some are doing research topics, outlining, and note taking. Others are writing authors and to pen pals in Essex. In reading, students are involved in fairy tales, stories with little people, spring stories and poems. Plans are being made for a visit to the state legislature and for classroom plays.

▶ The first grade celebrated the 100th day of school by packing 100 children in Principal Lovelette's office. The children carried 100 unifix cubes, 100 buttons, and a chain of 100 paper clips counted earlier in the day.


▶ The sixth grade and some seventh graders will be at Nature's Classroom the week of March 21-25.

▶ The All District Music Festival will be held Saturday, March 26 at 4 p.m. at Mount Mansfield Union High School.


▶ Parent/Teacher conferences will be held at 1 p.m. April 13 and 14. Spring recess begins the 18th of April.




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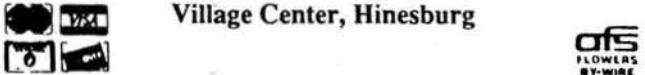



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News From CVU

CVU HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

The following Hinesburg students are on the honor roll at CVU:

Celina Aiguier, Lisa Atherton, Michael Barboza, Laura Berard, Kimberly Bird, Mark Bosma, Brian Brace, Bridget Callahan, Catherine Case, Melinda Clark, Jeffrey Collins, Christopher Curtis, Justin Feussner, Brent Francis, Brock Francis, Dominique Francis, Jennifer Gately, Jason Gervia, Jenney Izzo, Michelle Jimmo, Laura Lafreniere, Katherine Palmer, Piper Petrie, Kimberly Safford, Kerry Scully, Catherine Vanvliet, Todd Wainer, Sandra White, Andrea Young, Steven Place.

CVU HONORS TEACHERS

The annual CVU Breakfast honoring teachers was held at the Lyman C. Hunt Junior High School prior to the CSSD in-service day. The meal was catered by Isabel's on the Waterfront while CVU student violinists Becky Smith and Sofia Hermance provided background music.

Retiring CVU Board Members, Charles Magill of Williston and Gay Regan of Hinesburg, were honored for their many contributions to the school. Charlie will devote more time to the Green Mountain Habitat Program. Gay will become an educator and has a proposed grant written for HES.

Awards were presented to Computer Operations Director Craig Lyndes, Custodian Carol Cushing, and Guidance Secretary Evelyn Orvis for their many years of hard work and dedication to the students and staff.

Teachers honored were:

Twenty year award - Dick Lafreniere, Audrey Moore, Marie Hammond and John Emerson.

Bicentennial Celebration Program - Alice Hyerstay, Greg Cluff, Martha Ozturk, Chris O'Donnell, and Craig Knutsen.

Drama Program - Trudy Cohen, Audrey Moore, and Jean True.

Enrichment Center Program - Christine Johnson.

Student Intern Program - Harry Chaucer.

Principal Val Gardner praised the teachers and staff receiving awards and the retiring school board members. She welcomed the staff back from winter recess and reminded them that the re-opening of school would be difficult due to the fatal automobile accident involving students. She stressed that the staff should be sensitive to student emotions and ready to deal with any problems that may arise.

NEWS FROM THE CRUSADER CLUB

By Ruth Trombley

The monthly meeting of the Crusader Club was held March 3. Our principal, Val Gardner, attended and our topic was a continuation of previous meetings concerning drug and alcohol abuse.

Issues of concern were: Alcohol served/allowed by parents in their homes to minors; the absence of parents for days and even weeks at a time leaving teens to fend for themselves; partying in homes WITH parents permission even in the absence of the parent.

Val is in the process of setting up an informative evening at CVU in the near future with representatives from the Champlain Drug and Alcohol Center. We hope that every parent including those of 8th graders will attend. It is scheduled for March 31, beginning at 7:30 p.m., at CVU. If you feel there is someone who should be there but is hesitant to come, PLEASE, bring them with you or call and ask them to attend.

Good news: Last year's "RAP" session was a tremendous success. The administration will be at the school Thursday, April 7 at 8 p.m. and invite you to join them in a general "RAP" about all the good and positive things that are going on in our school. Parents of junior high students are invited to be a part of this night. We urge you all to come.

The next meeting of the Crusader Club will be Thursday, April 7 at 7:15 p.m. in the CVU library Classroom.

CSSD MEETS IN HINESBURG

The first meeting of the CSSD Executive Board to be in district schools was held March 2 in the HES Library. Hinesburg Representative Stephen Russell conducted a tour of the plant and favorable comments were shared.

Barbara Amblo was approved to served on the Special Education Advisory Council.

The Auditor Report was reviewed and a representative of the firm will be asked to appear at the May meeting to explain the publication and make suggestions to improve practices. Superintendent William Crocoll explained the report was for the 1986/87 school year and although the report was useful, some areas had already been improved and the recommendations would be fully implemented by the 1988/89 school year.

Betty Holloway, Director of Special Services, reported on Chapter I, a federal program for academically deprived students testing below the 40 percentile. The local program needs-assessment, required by Congress, is under way and parents of the students are involved.

Mrs. Holloway noted that Chapter I requires a coordinated approach to the curriculum, grades K-12. Math will be the first subject with this approach to try to raise district scores.

Discussion of ideas for the April 6 full board meeting were considered. To be held at CVU, topics to be discussed will be budgeting, evaluation of the superintendent and a workshop for the six new board members.

An orientation meeting for new members was held March 12 in Waterbury. It was suggested that local boards pick up the cost.

Future CSSD Executive Board meetings will be May 4 in Shelburne, June 1 in Charlotte and August 3 in Williston.

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IN-SERVICE DAY AT MARBLE ISLAND

The CSSD sponsored a conference for district teachers February 29 at Marble Island Resort. The theme was "Facing the Challenge" and included a keynote speaker and workshops.

Dr. Harvey Long, IBM Education Industry Consultant, titled his speech, "The Future is When?" He said the future is when:

--There is equity in technology to allow for communication with teachers showing, by example, its value to the student.

--Computer use is as basic a skill as reading and writing, with students knowing the application for its use. He said in "in times of rapid change sometimes experience is its own worse enemy."

--Publishers of the written word view technology as a business opportunity, describing computers as an extension of the book and how encyclopedias on discs are available to more students than a set on the shelf. He feels the student will find more enjoyment in the printed page after using computers.

--Education is acknowledged as a business with the student the raw material and technology solves, rather than creates, problems. The classroom will become more information-centered and less teacher-centered.

Long said the topic of education always become a discussion item during election campaigns and the platform stand is not always followed up after the election. He said "Washington can only deal with a crisis so education is now a crisis".

Predicting future classroom information will not be teacher-centered, Dr. Long told instructors that total satisfaction with their jobs might signify obsolescence. He urged them to get out of the "public vs. teacher" opinion and stay ahead of the technology-based future.

The address was followed by workshops led by area educators. Kathleen Shepard, Learning Specialist in the Richmond School System, led "Peace in the Classroom" dealing with problem-solving skills from classroom to global level. A social studies teacher at Harwood UHS, Katherine Cadwell, explored ways to link Vermont to the world beyond our borders.

Nancy Stone, involved with a Russian trip with the Children's Art Exchange, presented a video and Harwood students singing and talking about their experiences. Marion Stroud, Williston principal, looked at alternatives to traditional

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ideas for curriculum and alternative education problems.

Explaining how computers are used in classroom curriculum and new programs that are available was Dr. Henry Olds, Senior Advisor for a computer periodical. Vermont Institute of Natural Science Associate Michael Caduto told an Indian folktale and suggested activities teaching about the environment.

The session ended with a presentation by Mac Parker, Vermont poet and story teller.

**CLASSROOM OF THE FUTURE EXPOSITION
by Gay Regan**

On February 11 Chittenden South Supervisory District had an exposition of technology being used in the schools as teachers explore ways of accessing, presenting and communicating information and skills.

A number of teachers received Classroom of the Future mini-grants that are funded through Federal Chapter II money that is distributed by the state. Some of the exciting technology shown at the exposition and being used in Hinesburg Elementary School is:

1. VOYAGE OF THE MIMI is a scientific study of whales in Tim Bourne's fourth grade using video episodes and computer software. Mr. Bourne sailed on a whale watch this summer to help prepare for this study.

2. EXPLORE A STORY is being used by Recille Hamrell in her language services. This colorful and imaginative software allows a student to listen to a story and then retell the story pictorially on a computer screen with figures and objects that move. The student may print out his final creation of pictures and words.

3. NEIGHBORHOOD EXCHANGE is an opportunity for students to exchange writing with other students using computers for word processing and telecommunications. Gay Regan worked with students on an exchange of letters between seventh graders in Hinesburg and Shelburne Middle School students. The students word processed their letters which were sent over the wires. Students "chatted" with each other using the computer to exchange messages. In addition, twenty students in grades four through eight submitted their poems and stories to a school publication of children's work in Sewickley, Pennsylvania. This publication, called VOICES OVER THE WIRE receives all submissions by electronic mail box or on discs from children all over the United States.

4. A laser disc player has been set up in the library so that students are able to research topics in the electronic encyclopedia and view paintings in the National Gallery of Art.

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Polly, having just been named Vermont Trustee of the Year by the Vermont Library Association, said the award was a complete surprise. In reading and talking with her it is no wonder - her focus is directed as Chairman of the Building Committee for the permanent home of the AMHA being built on Route 7 in Shelburne adjacent to the Museum.

Although Vermonters tend to think historically this is where the institute should be, New York, Kentucky, and Oklahoma City were seriously considered. The three-acre Shelburne site has a central paddock with the headquarters building and museum on the highest level.

A native of Waterbury, Polly has always wanted horses. With a masters degree in English and history, she began her library work to put herself through school. She was Assistant Librarian at UVM, Librarian at Overlake Day School,

and was a valuable resource when the HES library was being organized. She has served 32 years as trustee at SCML.

Polly, her late husband Paul and children Mike, Sara, Patty and Nina began raising Morgans 22 years ago at their Heyday Farm. In increasing the number of horses to suit the size of the family, they decided their third horse would be a Morgan. "Maggie Allen" presented them with their first foal, "PQ Allen Alert" better know to Hinesburg residents as Rufous.

Rufous, now 22, was the children's 4H project and used in turn for western riding, hunter jumper and saddle seat horse. All four children got into showing horses and Paul became the photographer full time, working throughout the eastern and southeast states.

Polly assisted in the show ring and was active with 4H groups in the horse projects. Lots of hard work resulted in a string of successful Morgans that were involved in showing, driving and dressage around the country.

Polly said most Morgans are in California, as many as in the New England States and New York combined. She has served as Vermont Morgan Horse Association President, and an officer of the UVM Morgan Horse Program Advisory Committee, the New England Morgan Horse Club and the AMHI.

WHAT-KNOT OR WHATEVER

By Russell Berger

Do you know the difference between a sheetbend or a bowline? Can you whip a rope?

No, we are not referring to folding sheets or bow and arrows or beating a rope with a stick!

Ask any of the boys presently enrolled in the Scouting program in Hinesburg these questions and they'll show you! They have been working the past several weeks learning numerous knots (two of which are the sheetbend and the bowline), whipping the ends of rope (a process which prevents fraying and unravelling of the ends), and lashings, in preparation for the upcoming District Spring Camporee in May.

The troop is also preparing for a "Court of Honor" which will be held in late March/early April. (More on this next month.)

Any boy 11 years or older (or having completed 5th grade) is eligible to join the Scouting program. Meetings are held every Tuesday night from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Hinesburg Elementary School.

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"Taking Steps - Planning for Critical Health Care Decisions" will be the topic of a discussion sponsored by the Modern Homemakers. It will take place March 29 in the HES Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited. Speakers will be Dr. Paul Stanilonis and Sara Thompson. Refreshments will be served. For further information, call Sue at 482-2652.

WANT TO KNOW ABOUT AIDS?

If you want to know or have questions about AIDS, come to a free presentation given by the Vermont Department of Health on Wednesday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m. The discussion will take place in the Hinesburg Town Hall on Route 116 and is sponsored by the Hinesburg Community Resource Center. For further information please call 482-3694.

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ANNETTE'S PLAYSCHOOL PROVIDES HIGH QUALITY CARE
by Merilyn Burrington

"You won't last two weeks," Annette Besaw's father warned her in 1978 when she started Annette's Playschool.

Frustrated at not being able to find good child care for her new baby, she had decided to leave her job as head secretary at a Burlington brokerage firm and start her own licenced group home for 12 children.

Nine years later, Annette's is flourishing. With a spacious building and new addition, it is licensed for 54 children and has a waiting list. There are four full-time certified teachers and one part-timer.

Annette's began as a day-care center, but Annette soon decided she wanted to provide more than babysitting. She started a pre-school program for children three years and up six years ago and an accredited kindergarten program three years ago. She went back to school to broaden her knowledge of child development and visited all the pre-schools in the area.

She emphasized that she's still learning. "I'm a self-made person. I read everything I can about children."

Annette's greatest achievement occurred in May 1987, when the school received an award from NAEYC, the National Association of Education of Young Children.

After an intensive evaluation, Annette's became the only accredited school of its kind in Vermont. "This accreditation tells the public that we provide high quality care," she explains. "It does the footwork that busy parents don't always have time to do when they're looking for a school."

The school is open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Prices are reasonable ("almost to the point of non-profit", Annette laughs). The surroundings are a child's paradise, including a huge exercise room with palladian windows, a reading loft filled with dinosaur pillows, and a fully equipped playground with a formica slide which never gets hot (designed by Annette and her husband).

Annette radiates a love for children which is the driving force behind the success of her business. She admits she has done well because she focused so intensely on the school.

Since the recent birth of her daughter, she has cut her 60-hour per week workload, and now serves as director and manager.

AUTHOR SERIES FEATURES ROOD

The final Author's Series program at Champlain College will feature nature writer Ron Rood of Bristol, whose humorous insights into the world of animals include HOW DO YOU SPANK A PORCUPINE? and LOONS IN MY BATHTUB, on Tuesday, March 29.

The free program will be held from 7-9 p.m. in the Morgan Room of the Lola Aiken Hall, corner of Maple and Summit Streets in Burlington.

CC'S NASA CENTER GETS STATE FUNDS

The NASA Regional Teacher Resource Center at Champlain College has received a \$13,837 grant through Vermont's Title II program.

The grant will enable the Resource Center to expand its outreach program to Vermont elementary and secondary schools.

The funding will make it possible for the program coordinator to visit schools to provide teacher training; to conduct more professional-development workshops; to mail information about the Center's resources to the region's teachers; to establish a mail-order program for teachers who cannot visit the Center; and to support other math and science training programs in Vermont by providing materials to help teachers and trainers develop new curricula.

1988 BIG GAMES IN ONTARIO

Tom Bessette of Shelburne has been named General Chairman of the 1988 Burlington International Games.

BIG is a yearly athletic event for the youth of Burlington, Vermont and Burlington, Ontario. It features competition in 14 different sports including baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, tennis, swimming, gymnastics, bowling, golf track and field, wrestling, field hockey, flag football, and volleyball.

The 1988 games will be held in Burlington, Ontario on July 22-25. This is the 20th season for BIG.

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FITNESS CLUB CLOSER TO OPENING
By Ed Burrington

The Fitness Club of Hinesburg is moving closer to reality. Richard Farnham, the man behind the idea, said today that the first mailing to prospective members has gone out.

"What is needed now," said Farnham, "is a demonstration of interest from the community." If he can generate enough commitments from individuals to become members he should be able to receive the necessary financing. Farnham's initial mailing is seeking between 300 to 500 applications for membership.

"We're really excited. Making this happen seems more and more likely all the time. Interest and support in the Fitness Club has just been tremendous," said Farnham. "With a little luck and a solid display of interest, we hope to have the facility open by mid to late September."

Farnham's idea of the Fitness Club is unique to this area. It will be a member owned organization in a leased building. Members will own all the equipment and inventory of the club. Members will control all decisions about fees, programs, and management.

The members will receive any profits generated by the facility.

Essentially each member must own a share of stock, at an estimated cost of \$250. Each new member will pay a one time initiation fee of \$150. Members will pay monthly dues between \$15 and \$45 for use of the facilities.

There will be an Olympic length indoor pool, two racquetball courts, a weight training room, and an exercise/activity room. Estimated hours of operation are presently 5 a.m. to 10 p.m.


Farnham encourages anyone with questions about the Fitness Club to call himself, Ed Burrington or Charlie Wood at 482-2791 to receive answers.

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Letters To The Editor

TLC HEALTH TIPS

By William Hodgkin, M.D.

The long nine months are over, the new baby is here. You arrive home from the hospital with your newborn and like most parents are looking forward to the anticipated joys but are a bit apprehensive.

The first thing Dad notices is the bandaid on the big toe and even though the nurses explained what the tests were for you are a bit unclear regarding the reasons for the tests.

All babies born in hospitals are tested for three different conditions all of which can cause mental retardation but with prompt diagnosis are treatable.

The first is PKU (phenylketonuria), an inherited condition occurring in approximately one of every 15,000 births. The heterozygote or carrier state of the gene occurs in one out of every 60 people.

The second condition, galactosemia, is also inherited but is less frequent with one out of every 40,000 newborns having the disease and a carrier rate in the general population of one in 100 individuals. The third condition is hypothyroidism or low thyroid which may be inherited or may be due to other causes.

In any case the outlook is much improved by prompt diagnosis and early treatment.

At your first visit to the Pediatrician be sure to ask for results of these tests as they should be available at that time.

HEALTHNOTES

If you're trying to quit smoking, you may be interested in the Freedom from Smoking program. Call the Vermont Lung Association at 863-6817. Also, a Quit Smoking Support Group will meet twice each month at the Fanny Allen Hospital. Call 655-1234, ext. 216.

Cholesterol screening is offered in exchange for a \$5 donation at the Fanny Allen Health Education Center each Thursday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

The Medical Center Hospital of Vermont is offering the latest in a series of successful "Healthbeat" series this spring. Most courses are free and deal with health, parenting, wellness, lifestyle changes, fitness, and health screenings. For a complete list call 656-2886 or write Healthbeat, MCHV Public Relations Dept., Burlington 05401-9881. Classes run from March through May.

April 23 is the scheduled MCHV "Family Fair" co-sponsored by the Vermont Department of Health. On May 4th the hospital will run one of the largest health screenings ever - a full day of blood pressure and cholesterol tests.

A HINESBURG PERSPECTIVE

The RECORD invites Hinesburg residents to express their views in short perspective columns or letters to the editor. We will publish as many as possible, depending on space available, and the need to provide balanced coverage of community issues. All submissions must be signed. We reserve the right to edit. Please keep your submissions as short as possible.

Opinions expressed are solely those of the writers.

(The following is an open letter, from Schuyler Jackson to Howard Riggs, written following the vote count in their contest for Selectman.)

Dear Howard:

That was a very fine win - I knew my boat was sinking by mid-day as your friends and neighbors came through.

Hinesburg is a wonderful town, as you know better than I, and has a great opportunity to avoid some of the destructive growth we have seen in other communities.

I know that you will do a good job for the town.

I hope to continue to make a contribution through the Planning Commission and as the Town's representative on the Regional Planning Commission.

Good luck and congratulations.

Very truly yours,
Schuyler Jackson

The View From District #5

by Ed Burrington

In the 1800's the village was the fifth district of the Town of Hinesburg. Since both my home and place of work are within District #5, the name seems to fit.

Hinesburg needs a goad to offer critical comment and say what some have been thinking. You are invited to agree, disagree or line the cat box with this column, but hopefully, you'll talk about it. The more we talk to one another about what's happening in our town, the better the town will operate.

Were you offended by the patronizing attitude at Town Meeting? First, they want us to buy a grader, but they don't present the costs and options so we can decide intelligently. We spent one and a half hours trying to get the straight skinny. Then we were asked to buy a bureaucrat for \$30,000, but no one was able to tell the ultimate cost or benefits to the town. Would we save any money from the elimination of part-time positions, or would this be another lap for the cat to sit in? It was impressive how we glided over a \$100,000 mistake in our last budget. Did you catch the explanation? Town Meeting was a little loose. The Moderator didn't keep discussion on track all the time. But then, the Selectmen didn't help with their spontaneous answers.

The Planning Commission didn't meet March 2. Gerrity Lumber came up from Dover, N.H., and Larry came down from Falls Road, only to find out at 7:10 that there weren't five members present. No quorum, no meeting. Bet Hinesburg looks like a great place for companies to do business. But, we don't need the tax dollars, do we?

Incidentally, overheard a member say that people don't always get a fair hearing before the Planning Commission. Do you think that's possible? It wasn't George commenting this time, either.

I would like to say "Thank You" to the voters for your support in the recent election - a fine turnout. I pledge to do my best!

Howard S. Riggs
Selectman



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The La Leche League of Middlebury provides support, information, and encouragement for pregnant and nursing mothers. Those interested are invited to join the group at 9:30 a.m. on Big Hollow Road in Starksboro Village. The April 14 meeting will discuss Nutrition and Weaning. For information call Kathy at 453-3087, Marilyn at 425-3469, or for directions call 453-3087.

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Church News And Schedules

COMMUNITY SUNRISE SERVICE

A welcome is extended to everyone. April 3: Easter Sunday at 6 a.m. Held in the CVU parking lot.

Followed by an Easter breakfast in the Osborne Parish Hall alongside the United Church in the village. Donations will be received for the breakfast.

Bad weather conditions-the Sunrise Service will be held at the Community Alliance Church which overlooks the CVU high school.

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE CHURCH

Pastor: Keith Reddell, 482-2132. Parsonage, 482-3828.

Youth Pastor: Philip Sepanski, 482-2133.

Sunday Services:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School - all ages.

10:15 a.m. Morning Worship Service, Nursery and Children's Church provided.

7:00 p.m. Evening Service of Praise and teaching

Monday: 9 -11 a.m. Ladies Bible study and fellowship at church in Room 5.

Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer/ Youth Groups/Pioneers (grades 1-5)

Easter Services:

March 27: Palm Sunday - Pot luck meal to follow morning Service.

April 1: Good Friday Service, 7:30 p.m.

April 3: Community Sunrise Service, 6 a.m., CVU parking lot (See article). Easter Sunday Service 10:15 a.m.

We extend a special welcome to all friends and visitors to our services.

UNITED CHURCH OF HINESBURG

Pastor: Gordon Mitchinson. Parsonage, 482-2284. Church Office, 482-3352.

Worship Service and Sunday School Sunday, 11 a.m.

Lenten Bible Study each Wednesday (3/23 & 3/30) Parish House, 9:30 a.m.

Choir and Bell Choir: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Youth Choir: Saturdays 9:30 a.m. at the Parish House.

March 26: Youth Fellowship, roller skating at Skateland, meet at church 12:30 p.m.

March 27: Palm Sunday Service, Infant baptism.

March 31: Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Communion Service will follow a potluck supper at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share, and your table setting. Prayer Vigil following the service and will continue until 3 p.m. Friday. Sign-up sheets available March 20.

April 1: Good Friday Service at the Richmond Congregational Church at 7:30 p.m. United Church of Hinesburg and Huntington Baptist Church will participate; combined choirs. Pastor Gordon Mitchinson will be preaching.

April 3: Community Sunrise Service, CVU parking lot, 6 a.m. (See article.) Easter Morning Worship: 11 a.m. with special music. There will be no Church School, nursery care available.

April 5: Women's Union Meeting, 1 p.m. Home of Grace Chickering. Planning Meeting: 7 p.m. at the Parish House.

April 10: Family Fellowship, Sugar-on-snow, 6 p.m. at the Parish House.

April 12: Administrative Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at the Parish House.

April 24: Community Fellowship Supper, 5:30 p.m. at the Parish House.

ST. JUDE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor: Walter D. Miller, Parsonage. Masses: Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m. Both held in the CVU Auditorium.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By appointment.

Religion classes: Grades 1-6 Wednesday after school (when in session). Grades 7-9 Monday, 6:30 p.m.

Choir: At 9:30 each Sunday in preparation for Easter.

Food shelf: Parishioners are asked to be generous in bringing canned and dried food.

Planning Commission: Every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory. All are welcome.

Parish Council: Monday, March 28, 7 p.m. in the rectory. All are welcome.

Ladies of St. Jude: Monthly meeting, March 21, 7 p.m. in the rectory.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday: (Last Sunday at CVU) Saturday, March 26, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 27, 10:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday: (St. Jude's Church) Mass and reposition of Blessed Sacrament, March 31, 5:30 p.m.

Good Friday: (St. Jude's Church) Good Friday Service and Holy Communion, April 1, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday: (St. Jude's Church) No Saturday Mass. 4:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday Mass: (St. Jude's Church) Saturday, April 2, 11:30 p.m.

Easter: Sunday (St. Jude's Church) April 3, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.


Confessions will be heard on Wednesday, March 30 from 6:15 to 7 p.m. and Saturday, April 2 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the church.

Seminar for parents of children making first Holy Communion in May will be held on Monday, April 11 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

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Calendar Of Events

Saturday, March 19

Recycling collection date, 10 a.m. to noon, Parking lot behind Lantman's IGA. (See article for directions.)

Monday, March 21

HES Board Meeting postponed until March 22.

Selectmen's Meeting, Town Hall, 7:30
Town Clerk's hours 12-9 p.m.

Sarah Carpenter Memorial Library Trustees Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

July 4th Meeting, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
YOUR help is needed.

Nature's Classroom, 3/21-3/25, Grades 6 and 7.

Tuesday, March 22

HES Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23

HVCS Bingo, HES, 6:15 p.m. Early Birds, 6:45 regular program.

Thursday, March 24

Zoning Board, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Fireman's Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Spectrum counselor available 12-4 p.m.,
HCRC, Appointment, 864-7423.

Friday, March 25

XYZ Seniors Dinner, United Church,
Noon. Reservations, 482-2451.

Saturday, March 26

All-State District Musical Festival, Mt. Mansfield UHS, 4 p.m.

Monday, March 28

CVU Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Town Clerk's Hours 12-9 p.m.

Get dog licenses before 4/1 deadline.

Tuesday, March 29

Taking Steps, planning for critical health care decisions, HES Cafeteria, 7:30 p.m. Transportation available. Call 482-2652 for information.

Wednesday, March 30

AIDS presentation, Town Hall, 7:30

HVCS Bingo, HES, 6:15 p.m. Early Birds, 6:45 regular program. Benefit HINESBURG RECORD.

DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION FOR THE HINESBURG RECORD?

Do you have information from a committee, from your town office or from an organization? Do you have an opinion you wish to express or an article you wish to submit?

The HINESBURG RECORD is pleased to receive any material. Space permitting, we will try to print it if it is received by the deadline. Information received after the deadline will probably NOT be printed.

We do, of necessity, reserve the right to edit. We have strict limits on space, and make every effort to use that space in a way that provides balanced coverage of the issues that affect our community. But if you wish to share in the editing process, to be sure that the printed version is acceptable to you, you may make arrangements to do so.

The deadline for the next issue always appears on the back page below the calendar. The deadline for the upcoming issue is April 11. If you would like a list of deadlines for 1988 please call the staff.

Thursday, March 31

Spectrum counselor available 12-4 p.m.,
HCRC, Appointment, 864-7423.

CVU Crusader Club and Champlain Drug and Alcohol Services presentation for students grades 8-12 and parents (see article). CVU, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 1

Deadline for dog license.

XYZ Seniors Dinner, United Church,
Noon. Reservations, 482-2451.

Sunday, April 3

Community Sunrise Service, CVU Parking lot, 6 a.m. (See article in Church News)

Monday, April 4

Selectmen's Meeting, Town Hall, 7:30
Town Clerk's Hours 12-9 p.m.

Wednesday, April 6

CSSD Meeting, Full Board, CVU.

Planning Commission, Town Hall, 7:30

Hinesburg Boosters, Kali Yuga, 6:30

HVCS Bingo, HES, 6:15 p.m. Early Birds, 6:45 regular program.

Thursday, April 7

HES Academic Spotlight, new methods for screening kindergartners, 7:30, all welcome.

Zoning Board, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

CVU Crusaders Club, CVU, 7:15 p.m.,

Library classroom, All welcome.

Spectrum counselor available 12-4 p.m.,
HCRC. Appointment 864-7423.

Federal Commodities Distribution, cheese and flour, United Church, 9 a.m. to Noon.

Friday, April 8

XYZ Seniors Dinner, United Church,
Noon, Reservations, 482-2451.

Monday, April 11

CVU Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Town Clerk's Hours 12-9 p.m.

DEADLINE APRIL HINESBURG RECORD

HVCS BINGO SUPPORTS RECORD

by Russell Berger

The Hinesburg Volunteers for Community Service sponsor a bingo each Wednesday night at the Hinesburg Elementary School.

Once each month a special bingo is offered to support a special project or need that will benefit the community. This month a special bingo will be offered on March 30 in support of the publication and mailing of the HINESBURG RECORD.

Last month's special bingo raised \$250 for the local food shelf. Also, \$200 was raised last month for a special Drug and Alcohol Abuse Training program that will benefit our local elementary school students.

Please note the time and place on your calendar. Time: 6:15 Early Birds; 6:45 Regular program. Place: HES Cafeteria. Date: Every Wednesday Evening.

Wednesday, April 13

HVCS Bingo, HES, 6:15 p.m. Early Bird, 6:45 regular program.

Town Clerk's office closed for Town Officers Education Conference.

Parent-Teacher Conferences, 1 p.m.

Thursday, April 14

Firemen's Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Spectrum counselor available 12-4 p.m.,
HCRC. Appointment 864-7423.

Parent-Teacher Conferences, 1 p.m.

Friday, April 15

Hinesburg Historical Society, Ruth Murray's, 2 p.m.

XYZ Seniors Dinner, United Church,
Noon, Reservations, 482-2451.

Monday, April 18

HES Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Town Clerk's hours 12-9 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting, Town Hall, 7:30

SCML Trustees Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

School Spring Recess begins.

(4/18-4/22)

Wednesday, April 20

Planning Commission, Town Hall, 7:30

HVCS Bingo, HES, 6:15 p.m. Early Bird, 6:45 regular program.

Vermont Tax Inventory Forms must be filed with Listers.

Thursday, April 21

Zoning Board Meeting, Town Hall, 7:30

Spectrum counselor available 12-4 p.m.,

HCRC. Appointment, 864-7423.

Friday, April 22

XYZ Seniors Dinner, United Church,
Noon. Reservations, 482-2451.

Monday, April 25

CVU Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Town Clerk's Hours 12-9 p.m.

July 4th meeting, Town Hall, 7p.m.

School back in session.



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