



### Upcoming Meetings...

- **Good Development Design Forum:** *Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*
- **Energy Committee:** *Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Trails Committee:** *Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Selectboard:** *Monday February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*
- **Conservation Commission:** *Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room)*

### Weekly Updates from Departments:

#### Hinesburg Community Police

- *Injury Accident* – On Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, Hinesburg Police officers and the Hinesburg Fire Department responded to an injury accident on Silver St. It was determined that a driver fell asleep and crossed the center line subsequently striking two other vehicles. One person was transported to UVM Medical Center.

#### Hinesburg Fire & First Response

- *Calls (2/10/15 – 2/16/15)*
  - 2/10/2015 Fire/EMS - 3 car motor vehicle crash (MVC) - Silver Street
  - 2/11/2015 Fire - Extinguish brush pile/unattended burn.
  - 2/12/2015 Fire - Single car MVC ( rollover ) - Palmer Rd / Sherman Hollow Rd
  - 2/12/2015 Fire - Mutual aid to Williston Fire for confirmed structure fire - Lyman Dr.
  - 2/12/2015 EMS - Difficulty breathing
  - 2/14/2015 EMS - Difficulty breathing
  - 2/14/2015 Fire - Carbon Monoxide detector
  - 2/14/2015 Fire - Alarms sounding
  - 2/15/2015 Fire - Two car MVC - North Rd / Texas Hill Rd
  - 2/16/2015 EMS - Patient fell - Lift assist.
  - 2/16/2014 Fire - Mutual Aid to Monkton Fire for confirmed structure fire - Rotax Rd.
- **Training**
  - Last week (2/11/2015) we trained on our air bags that we can use to lift apparatus to aid pinned patients.
- **Meeting**
  - *Business Meeting* - This week (2/18/2015) is our monthly business meeting.

### **Town Clerk & Treasurer's Office**

- *Voter Registration* - The last day to register to vote for Town Meeting is Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. Ballots will be available for early and absentee voting by Thursday, February 12, 2015. Please feel free to come in to vote anytime between that date and Town Meeting Day on March 3, 2015.
- *Dog Licenses* - Dog licenses are now due for 2015. The deadline for obtaining a license is April 1, 2015. Please be sure to bring an updated rabies certificate for each animal. You are welcome to call ahead to see if we have one on file for your pet(s). The fees for a license are \$8.00 each, of which \$4.00 goes to the State for rabies eradication and spay and neuter programs. We use license numbers quite frequently to reunite pets and their owners, so please be sure to come in for your license as soon as possible.

### **Recreation Department**

- *Valentine Cookie Decorating* - We had an entertaining Valentine Cookie Decorating Class with Wendy Frink on Thursday, 2/12.



- *Youth Basketball Season Comes to an End* - We wrapped up another very successful Youth Basketball season on Saturday, 2/14! Our 3/4 girls and boys teams all played in Shelburne to finish up the season. Way to go!
- Spring Sport Sign-Ups and Tentative Schedules available online at [www.hinesburg.org/recreation.html](http://www.hinesburg.org/recreation.html)

- HRD Spring/Summer Rec. Guide also available online and will be mailed next week.
- *Training for Warriors* - Another session of Training for Warriors is on its way! March 9 - April 10, Mondays and Fridays, choose 5:00-6:00 am or 6:00-7:00 am, for \$115. Register with HRD - [hinesburgrec@gmavt.net](mailto:hinesburgrec@gmavt.net) or 482-2281.
- *Afterschool Dance* - Another session of After-School Dance with Miss Jeanne will begin on Friday, 3/9 and run through 4/10 in the Flex Space at HCS from 2:45-3:45 pm. Cost is \$60. Register with HRD.
- *Literature and the Arts* - Another session of Literature and the Arts will run Tuesdays, 3/10 through 4/14 in the Art Room from 2:45-4:15 pm. Cost is \$105. Register with HRD.
- *Smugg's Sunday* - Our next Smugg's Sunday is March 1. Lift tickets for adults (\$25) and children (\$20), along with rental and lesson options. All forms available online and at Rec. Office. Deadline to register and pay is Thursday, 2/26. Next and last option for the season is March 8. Don't miss out!

## **Carpenter-Carse Library**

### CALENDAR

- *Library Board of Trustees* monthly meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> @ the Library. Please note this is a change from the original meeting date.

### WEEKLY STORY TIMES

- *Baby and Toddler Story Time* - Offered on Tuesdays @ 9:30 a.m. Caregivers of babies and toddlers 3 years old and younger are invited to come and enjoy this special time with their little ones and other caregivers.
- *Preschool Story Time* - Offered on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. ~ for children 3-5 years of age. Preschoolers can join Sara for an hour for stories, songs and games.

### OTHER REGULAR PROGRAMS

- *Lego Club* – Children ages 6 and up are invited to meet in the library's Community Room on Thursdays after school from 3-4 p.m. to enjoy Legos, board games and snacks. Please note, however that there will not be Lego Club on February 19<sup>th</sup> due to another Library program, or on the 26<sup>th</sup> due to school vacation.
- *Monthly Carpenter-Carse Book Discussion Group* – The next discussion features Paris Stories by Mavis Gallant. Readers will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Meetings are held in readers' homes with refreshments served. Please phone Elizabeth at (802)739-7552 for more information.
- *Vintage Book Sale* – Old books have a unique appeal. Books in our eclectic assortment are priced from \$3.00-\$100.00. Both adult and children's books are available. Higher priced items have been appraised. All proceeds are used for the purchase of new books.

### UPCOMING EVENTS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- *A Call to India* – Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m. - Join us for an inspiring program on India presented by Hinesburg resident Allison Cleary, and student members of MOVE, Mobilization of Volunteer Efforts, at Saint Michael's College. Allison is an Instructor of Media Studies, Journalism and Digital Arts and also is Coordinator of International Service at the College. Volunteers involved in this program work with

the poorest of the poor in Kolkata, India, where millions are homeless, living in train stations or on the streets, and many more are living below the poverty line. Much of their time is spent volunteering at Mother Teresa's homes, which include orphanages for malnourished children and severely handicapped children, and homes for the destitute and dying of Kolkata. Volunteers also work with organizations that provide homes, education, and sustainability for children taken out of the red-light district in Kolkata, a place where most young girls turn to prostitution merely to survive.

This international service experience helps students understand social justice issues and the role they may have in making change happen in our world. By graduation, nearly 70% of Saint Michael's students will participate in MOVE in some way, which is a very high participation rate for any organization on campus.

Join us for this free event and meet the dynamic students involved! Donations will be gladly accepted to support their important work in India.

- *LEGO Family Fun Night* – Families, come to have fun with LEGOs on Tuesday, February 24th from 6-7:30 pm.; building abounds! There will be LEGO challenges, books, crafts and free-play. Snacks provided! Children of all ages are welcome with an adult- *recommended ages: 3 and up*. Free.
- *Fourth Friday Family Film Night* - Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm. Children and adults cozy into the community room for a movie and popcorn. All movies will be rated PG or G. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Call the library to ask what movie will be playing (482-4139). Free.
- *Animal Tracking Workshop with Kristen Littlefield* - Environmental educator Kristen Littlefield shares her knowledge and love of the natural world with children ages four and up. Attendees will learn tracking basics and create casts of animal tracks to take home. Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> 1pm. Pre-Registration Required. Free, but space is limited. Sign up at the front desk or call 482-2878.

#### EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS AT THE LIBRARY

- *In the Glass Case* - Hummel figurines, compliments of Dona Walker: *The Smart Little Sister, Farewell, Trumpet Boy* and more. The collection includes single figurines as well as small group statuettes. All are sweet representations of childhood....a must-see!
- *Book Displays*
  - New Children's Books
  - Music (youth)
  - Black History Month – Read about it!
  - A Call to India
- *In the Community Room* - Four quilts made for the 2003 Hinesburg Community Quilt Project are on display at the Library. The delightful squares were made by many hands, and provide a colorful and rich snapshot of our town. Included are some historical photographs of Hinesburg and artistic creations by community members. The project was funded by the Vermont Recreation and Parks Association and the Vermont Council on the Humanities. Suzanne Richard, now on the Carpenter-Carse

Library staff, coordinated this project. New members of our community as well as old-timers are encouraged to take a look at these treasured quilts.

#### OTHER NEWS

- *Graphic Novels/Cartoons* - The library's graphic novels and cartoons are now on a dedicated shelf area, with adult and young adult titles separate from junior titles. These shelves are along the wall located behind the circulation desk (previously used as a "free" shelf.) The Graphic Novel designation encompasses a wide range of genres and styles. Carpenter-Carse has true graphic novels, the type with a continuous plot paired with captions and graphics; we also have the comic strip type, and Japanese manga, which is read from right to left. The fiction and nonfiction collection includes not only titles that will provide lots of laughs, but also fantasy, sci-fi, romance, history, horror and wonderfully unique creations that defy labeling. There are classics like the Odyssey and Frankenstein in graphic format. These are fun shelves to explore, and you may be surprised by some of the serious, thought-provoking content.
- *New Books* - New adult and children's books are on the shelves and in circulation.
- *Online Language Instruction* - Online Mango Languages instruction, available through our web site, now offers Cherokee!
- *Keep up-to-date on the current events happening at the library* - [http://www.carpentercarse.org/ccl\\_programs.html](http://www.carpentercarse.org/ccl_programs.html)

#### **Planning & Zoning**

- *Growth Survey Results* – The Planning Commission's Growth Survey closed on February 3, and the PC reviewed the results at their February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. We received 225 responses to this four question mini-survey – a follow up to the more comprehensive survey done in the summer of 2014. The survey results are now available on the Town website. The survey is part of the Planning Commission's work on updating the Town Plan. I expect the new Town Plan will include recommendations related to the survey results.
- *Good Development Design Forum* – On February 18<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday, 7pm, Town Office), the Planning Commission is hosting a community forum on good development design (what is it, and how do we get it). Two noted speakers will get the conversation going. Michael Wisniewski of Duncan Wisniewski Architecture, and Brian Wright of the Town Planning and Urban Design Collaborative. They will be sharing examples of good development design and lessons learned, and will also be discussing how zoning regulations could be changed to focus more on building form rather than type of use.
- *Haystack Crossing Project Review* – DRB review of the Haystack Crossing project (Black Rock Construction) continued on Tuesday, February 17. This round of DRB review began on December 2, 2014 with continued discussion on January 6 and now February 17. This is the second sketch plan review for this project. Portions of the project were substantially revised after the DRB denied the first sketch plan application on August 27, 2014. Discussion items have included municipal water and sewer capacity, school capacity, appropriate mix of uses, necessary road improvements, etc. See the Town website for more information, including project

plans, planning & zoning staff reports, and input from Town departments and the Chittenden South Supervisory Union (i.e., schools).

- *Hinesburg Center Phase 2 Project Review* – DRB review of the Hinesburg Center Phase 2 project continues on March 3. The review of this project began on December 16, 2014 with continued discussion on January 20 and again planned for March 3rd. The applicant is in the process of making plan revisions in response to discussion at the December and January meetings. See the Town website for more information, including project plans, planning & zoning staff reports, etc.
- *Blomstrann, Wind Energy Associates Project Review* – Jan Blomstrann (owner of Renewable NRG Systems) has submitted a sketch plan application for the 66 acres of land she owns on the east side of Route 116 – largely in the village northeast zoning district. The proposed master plan shows 101 potential dwelling units and approximately 180,000 square feet of new office/manufacturing building space. The project plans and narrative will be posted to the Town website shortly. The DRB review is scheduled to begin on April 7.
- *Municipal Infrastructure DRB Discussion* – On February 3, the DRB discussed the capacity limitations of the municipal water and wastewater treatment systems. They discussed how this factors into specific provisions in the Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations. It was a good discussion, and ended with a recommendation that the Selectboard provide greater clarity on how limited capacity will be allocated in the short term along with if and when additional capacity will be brought online.

### **Town Administrator**

- *Nanofiltration Feedback Requested* – The Selectboard is considering nanofiltration to treat the water from two new wells scheduled to come on-line later this year.

The system will primarily treat the water for hardness, but will also remove bacteria, viruses, parasites, salts, metals, and organic materials. Nanofiltration filters are made out of synthetic polymers, wound around a central core, and then strung together within a single tube in a series of 40-inch long segments. Water enters on one end of the tube untreated, is moved through the filters in the tube between 90 psi and 150 psi, and emerges treated on the other end. The treated water is then blended with a smaller amount of untreated water that bypasses the filtration tube to achieve a desired level of hardness and pH balance. The “discarded” water is diverted to the municipal wastewater system.

Filters are cleaned every three months or so, primarily with a citric acid solution, and need to be replaced every six or seven years. Annual operating and maintenance costs for the nanofiltration system are estimated to be \$20,000. The Town’s treatment of water eliminates the need for water system customers to own and operate in-home or in-business treatment systems.

The system recommended is manufactured by Industrial Services Incorporated (ISI), a St. George-based manufacturer of water treatment equipment. More information

on the proposal can be found on the Town’s website ([www.hinesburg.org](http://www.hinesburg.org)). Water system users are encouraged to submit any feedback to the Town Administrator’s office ([tlashua@hinesburg.org](mailto:tlashua@hinesburg.org); 482-2281, ext. 221). The Selectboard may make a decision on the recommendation as early as its February 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

- *FY16 Budget* – The FY16 budget and supporting materials are available on the Town’s website, [www.hinesburg.org](http://www.hinesburg.org). Look under the “Quick Links,” and click on “Budget.”
- *Annual Reports now available* – Annual Reports have been delivered to postal patrons and are now generally available. The report contains information for both the Town and schools. For those picking up their mail at the Post Office and not wishing to bring the Annual Report home, please place them in the specially-marked recycling bins.

## Weekly Updates from Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

### Development Review Board

#### *Upcoming Applications for DRB Review:*

- *Jody & Judy Johnson: Revision to Final Plat* - The applicants are requesting a revision to the final subdivision plat in order to revise the current building envelope to accommodate the placement of a detached garage on the north end of their existing driveway. This property is located at 89 Crow Hill Road in the Agricultural Zoning District. *This application has been scheduled for the March 3<sup>rd</sup> DRB Meeting.*
- *Jack Bird: Transfer of Land to Adjoiner* - The applicant is requesting an interior boundary line adjustment between two properties, owned by the applicant. These properties are located at 8713 VT Route 116 & 8760 VT Route 116 in the Rural Residential 1 Zoning District. *This application has been scheduled for the March 3<sup>rd</sup> DRB Meeting.*
- *Alan & Nancy Norris: Final Plat Review for a 24-unit Planned Unit Development (PUD)* – The applicants are requesting final plat approval for a 24-Unit Planned Unit Development. The 24 units will be comprised of one 3-unit, two 4-unit, one 6-unit and one 7-unit multi-family dwellings. The proposed development is on a 23.96 acre parcel split between the Rural Residential 2 and Agricultural Zoning Districts. *This application has been scheduled for the March 17<sup>th</sup> DRB Meeting.*



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