



### Upcoming Meetings...

- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Trails Committee:** *Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Economic Development Committee:** *Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*
- **Selectboard:** *Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*
- **Village Steering Committee:** *Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room)*

### Weekly Updates from Departments:

#### Hinesburg Community Police

- *Burglary* – On Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, officers responded to a residence on Pond Rd. for a burglary that had occurred. The homeowner discovered the front door was forced open and items missing from the home.
- *Driving While Criminally Suspended* - On Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, an officer made an enforcement stop on a vehicle for a registration issue. It was determined that the operator, a 31 year old male from Richmond was driving while criminally suspended. He was arrested and taken to the station for processing and was released on a citation to appear in court.
- *Agency Assist* – On Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, an officer responded to Starksboro to assist the Vermont State Police with a possible domestic assault. Upon arrival, it was determined that the victim was not present and no further action was necessary.

#### Hinesburg Fire & First Response

- Calls (12/01/2015-12/15/2015)
  - 12/1/2015 - EMS - Chest pain
  - 12/1/2015 - Fire - Mutual Aid (M/A) - Station standby for Charlotte while they were out at a crash involving a fuel truck.
  - 12/1/2015 - Fire - M/A to Shelburne for a possible chimney fire.
  - 12/2/2015 - EMS - Patient with general malaise.
  - 12/3/2015 - EMS - Patient weak and unable to walk.
  - 12/4/2015 - EMS - Man injured from fall.
  - 12/4/2015 - Fire - M/A to Shelburne for station coverage.
  - 12/8/2015 - Fire - Smell of propane in area.
  - 12/8/2015 - Fire - Carbon Monoxide (CO) alarm - no ill effects.
  - 12/9/2015 - Fire M/A to Charlotte - station coverage.
  - 12/11/2015 - Fire/EMS - Lift assist

- 12/11/2015 - Fire/EMS - Single car Motor Vehicle Crash (MVC) - RT 116
- 12/15/2015 - Fire - Fire alarm malfunction - faulty CO detector
- Training and other News
  - *iGel Airway Training* - AEMT's had training on 12/1/2015 to practice on and learn about the new iGel airway.
  - *Full-body Splint Training* - First response trained on a new full body splint and reviewed protocols on 12/2/2015.
  - *Hazmat Refresher Course* - The entire department went through a Hazmat Refresher on 12/9/2015. We covered changes to the Emergency Response Guide (ERG) and went through scenarios to use it.
  - *Business Meeting* - The department has our business meeting on Wednesday 12/16/2015.
  - *EMR Course* - The department is sponsoring an Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) course that is scheduled to begin in March. This is a great time to consider joining the fire department to get this needed EMS training.
  - *New Fire Truck* - Our officer delegation is reviewing the new Engine 1 fire truck this week for final acceptance. We are anticipating delivery by the end of 2015.

### **Recreation Department**

- *Youth Basketball* - The HRD Youth Basketball season is underway. Games for 3/4 boys and 3/4 girls will begin Saturday, 1/9/16.
- *Budget Presentation* - Rec. Dept. budget presentation was Monday, 12/14 at 7:00 p.m.
- *Preschool Play Yoga* - Through the use of music, art, song, and yoga-style games, children gain the benefits of yoga while hopefully developing a life-long love of the practice. Silly yoga sequences enhance concentration skills while refining motor co-ordination. Yoga games teach co-operative play and refined listening skills, which are essential for success in school. Thematic ideas such as peace, respect, gratitude & acceptance will be presented at an age appropriate level. Little yogis learn best through social interaction, repetition and play. Yoga classes will incorporate guided movement with music, simple child friendly yoga chants to encourage developing verbal skills and will sometimes incorporate thematic literature. Students should bring a mat and wear loose, easy-to-move-in attire.

**Who:** 2.5 – 5 years

**When:** Mondays, **Session 1:** 1/4 – 2/15 minus 1/18 MLK holiday (6 classes) and

**Session 2:** 3/7 – 4/11 (6 classes)

**Where:** Main room at Town Hall

**Time:** 9:30-10:15 am

**Cost:** \$70

**Teacher:** Ashley Williams-Wenschhof, CYT

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- *After-School Dance with Francesca* - Funk it up with a hip-hop dance class after school, full of popular music and cool dance routines.

**Who:** K-2 graders

**When:** Mondays, **Session 1:** 1/4 – 2/15 minus 1/18 MLK holiday (6 classes) and

**Session 2:** 2/29 – 4/4 (6 classes)

**Where:** Flex Space at HCS

**Time:** 2:50-3:45 pm

**Cost:** \$70

**Teacher:** Francesca Arnoldy

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- *Winter Adventure Camp* - Come to Common Ground Center in Starksboro for two fun-filled days in the snow! With 700 acres to explore children will snowshoe, track and learn about wildlife, sled, play games and build snow forts! Between outdoor activities, children will warm up inside the lodge with board games, crafts and hot chocolate. Morning and afternoon snacks are provided, but participants must bring their own lunch, sled, and winter clothing.

**Who:** 3-6 graders

**When:** Tues. 2/23 and Wed. 2/24

**Where:** Common Ground Center located at 473 Tatro Rd., Starksboro.

**Time:** 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

**Cost:** \$90

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- *GroupFIT with Jess* - No time to work out? How about an early morning option RIGHT IN TOWN! Jess offers a fitness plan that uses detailed warm-ups, speed, strength, endurance, and flexibility training. Experience a metabolic training system for burning fat, building muscle, and getting fit!

Where: Main room at Town Hall

**When:** Mondays and Fridays. **Current session** is 11/9/15 – 1/1/16 (8 weeks and 16 classes)

**Next session** is 1/4/16 – 2/26/16

**Time:** 6-6:45 am

**Cost:** \$186 per session\*

**\*You are welcome to enroll for current session and pay a pro-rated amount.**

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## **Carpenter-Carse Library**

### CALENDAR

- *Holiday Hours:*
  - Christmas Eve & Christmas Day, 12/24 & 12/25, CLOSED
  - New Year's Eve – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
  - New Year's Day – CLOSED
- *Library Trustee Meeting* – Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Carpenter-Carse Library. Open to the public.

### WEEKLY STORY TIMES

- *Youngsters Story Time* – Babies and kids ages 0-4 join Librarian Sara every Tuesday from 9:30-10 am at the library's community room for stories, movement, songs and snacks. Sara is surveying parents/caregivers about story times; we may need to increase our offerings, based on high attendance at the Tuesday a.m. program.

### OTHER REGULAR PROGRAMS

- *Come Read to Therapy Dog Charlie!* - Charlie is a standard poodle and loves to hear stories and visit with you. He will be at our library one Wednesday a month. The first time will be December 9<sup>th</sup> from 3:15 to 4:30. This is an excellent opportunity for emerging readers and dog-lovers alike. Pre-registration is encouraged but not required (482-2878).

- *Book Discussion Group* - Avid readers are invited to join our library's book club for adults, which meets monthly in readers' homes. The December discussion book, *Buddha in the Attic* gave the group much to talk about—structure of the book, the story it told and, sadly, its relevance to today's world and national events. Come and meet the group for lively conversation and refreshments at 7 p.m. on January 7<sup>th</sup> when we will focus on Jules Verne's classic *20,000 Leagues under the Sea*. Please phone Diane @ 482-4455 for information on meeting locations and more.
- *Café Make* – The next Café Make will be from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Come join us for a cozy, creative time. This is a time for you to “get away from it all” and work on a favorite project or try something new. Drop in for a while or stay for the duration.
- *January Crafternoon: Fun with Collage* – Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 3-4 p.m. This free program is a kid-driven hour of crafting and fun experimentation for children ages seven and up. Music, materials and snacks are included. Register at the library front desk.

#### BOOKS FOR SALE!

- *Holiday Book Sale* – Come discover what is available at our table of like-new books selling for \$3.00 - \$5.00 each. This annual sale raises money for our book budget and is popular with library patrons. The books & movies are in excellent condition and make great gifts at a modest cost. Come browse the many titles on display. Vintage Books – The library also has 100+ vintage books for sale in the main room of the library, priced from \$2.50 to \$20.00+. We have sold 77 vintage books.

#### EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS AT THE LIBRARY

- *In Our Glass Display Case* - The world's high peaks hold a powerful fascination for many of us, and numerous books offer us a sense of experiencing the grandeur, adventure and menace that the tall peaks represent. Two dozen books telling of mountaineers' expeditions on Mt. Everest and the mountain's special qualities are on display at the library, compliments of Greg Glade of Top of the World LLC. For each book, Greg has provided a brief synopsis of the central mountaineering figures and their expeditions. Reading these descriptions, it is easy to see why readers, as well as climbers, just can't get enough of Everest.
- *Mural* - A Vermont children's authors and illustrators' mural brightens the Carpenter-Carse children's area, thanks to the former Brown Dog Books & Gifts. ☺
- *Book Displays*
  - Celebrate the Holidays: Christmas & Kwanza [Children's books], Chanukah [Youth books]
  - Holiday Cheer & Crafts [Adult books]
  - It's Holiday Movie Time!

#### OTHER NEWS

- *Good News for Puzzlers!* – We have set up a card table with a jigsaw puzzle, “Killington, VT” while holiday sale books are on the large table.
- *Holiday Table for kids* – We also have a table with lots of really fun handouts for children to color...elves, snowmen, tree ornaments, dreidels, and holiday stamps.
- *Mailing Address* - We ask that all correspondents use the P.O. Box 127 address when sending mail to the library. Envelopes with the 69 Ballard's Corner Road address may be delayed *or not be delivered*.

- *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**

- *Solar Installation Screening* – On 12/9, the Planning Commission discussed draft screening/landscaping regulations for ground-mounted solar arrays. Pursuant to legislation passed in 2015, if a Town adopts screening standards for such facilities, the Public Service Board (PSB) will consider them during the review process. Important since utility installations that go through the PSB are exempt from the Town’s development review process. The catch? First, we cannot single out solar arrays. Any screening standards we adopt cannot be more restrictive than screening requirements applied to commercial development. Second, the requirements can’t have the effect of prohibiting solar arrays or interfering with the intended use. The PC discusses this again at their 12/16 meeting, and hopes to have a draft ready for public comment and a public hearing early in 2016.
- *Required Agricultural Practices* – Staff attended a meeting on 12/9 to discuss an early draft of the State’s proposed Required Agricultural Practices (RAP). These would tighten up water quality protection practices on farms, including small, medium, and large farms. Stream buffers for manure spreading and tilling crops were discussed along with changes to the municipal permitting authority for small farms. Staff intends to follow up by providing comments to the Agency of Agriculture before the 12/18 comment deadline. The formal draft RAPs will be released in 2016 along with formal public hearings and another public comment period.
- *Community Outreach* – Staff attended a Parish Council evening meeting at St. Jude’s church on 12/10 to help explain options and the development review process for some site improvements being considered by the church.
- *VT Planners Association Meeting* – Staff attended the VPA’s fall conference and annual meeting in St. Albans. The day included presentations focused on “Water Works” – i.e., water quality issues. From State regulations to local solutions to municipal stormwater utility fee structures. Warm weather also allowed a tour of improvements made in/around the city park – e.g., pervious concrete sidewalks, filter strips, stormwater velocity reduction devices, and street-side filter boxes.
- *Town Report* – Staff completed reports for inclusion in the annual report, including an analysis of zoning permits issued, DRB applications reviewed in 2015, and general planning activities for the last year.

### **Town Administrator**

- *Water Supply and Treatment Project* - Construction began on the water supply and treatment project Monday. Brandon, VT-based Naylor and Breen Builders, Inc., were selected as the contractor (they were the low bid of three received). The current timeline for the project puts completion of the project -- with the new wells online and supplying water -- on July 4th, 2016.
- *Highway Garage Replacement Scoping Study* - The highway garage replacement scoping study should be complete in mid-January. The study will include a site plan, cost estimates, and renderings of the proposed structure. The Chittenden Solid Waste District (CSWD), which operates a drop-off center on the site, has also been involved in the

planning process to ensure that both enterprises fit harmoniously on the revamped site. The Town is also working on a lease agreement extension with CSWD for the drop-off center, a process which should be complete before the close of the calendar year. A bond vote was originally planned for March 2016, but is likelier to occur in November 2016 at this time.

- *Photos Needed for Town Report* – Have you snapped any pictures from events taking place in town this past year – July 4<sup>th</sup>, Fall Festival, Concerts in the Park, etc.? Are you a member of one of our Town Boards, Committees or Commissions and you have pictures from work that your group has done this past year? If you would be willing to share your photos, please send them to [rmarshall@hinesburg.org](mailto:rmarshall@hinesburg.org)
- *Vacancies on Town Committee, Boards, Commissions* – The following seats are currently open: <http://hinesburg.org/boards.html>

Affordable Housing Committee: (2) 3-year term  
Agency Request Review Committee: (4) 3-year term  
Conservation Commission: (5) 4-year term  
Development Review Board Alternate (1) 3-year term  
Economic Development Committee (1) 3-year term  
Energy Committee: (4) 3-year term  
Planning Commission: (1) 4-year term  
Recreation Commission: (2) 3-year term  
Trails Committee: (1) 3-year term  
Village Steering Committee: (3) 2-year term

Applications are available on the Town website or can be picked up in the Town Administrator's office. Please submit an application via email to Renae Marshall, [rmarshall@hinesburg.org](mailto:rmarshall@hinesburg.org) or drop off in the Town Administrator's Office.

Application forms can be found at:  
[http://hinesburg.org/documents/abc\\_application\\_form.pdf](http://hinesburg.org/documents/abc_application_form.pdf)

Appointments and Procedure Policy:  
<http://hinesburg.org/documents/abc-appointment-and-procedure-policy.pdf>

LANTMAN'S MARKET PRESENTS

# Quadra



**Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**

*The Old Lantern, Charlotte, Vt*

**with Special Guests, THE GROWLERS**

**Doors Open @ 6:30 • 21 and over**

**\$15 in advance • \$20 @ the door**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT:** Hinesburg Jiffy Mart

Thomas Ayer, 482-5163, tomayerhinesburg@gmail.com

**A benefit concert  
for the Bissonette Recreation Fields**

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