



Upcoming Meetings...

- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, February 24th at 7:30 p.m. (1st floor conference room)*
- **HCS Annual School Meeting:** *Monday, February 29th at 6:00 p.m. (CVU Auditorium)*
- **Town Meeting:** *Monday, February 29th at 7:00 p.m. (CVU Auditorium)*
- **Australian Ballot Voting/Election Day:** *Tuesday, March 1st from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*

Weekly Updates from Departments:

Hinesburg Community Police

- *Vehicle Crash* – Press Release from the Vermont State Police

OPERATOR: Michael Groff

AGE: 30

SEAT BELT: Yes

CITY, STATE OF RESIDENCE: Starksboro, VT

SUMMARY OF CRASH: On February 17, 2016 at approximately 1635 hours Hinesburg Police Officer Jeremy Hulshof attempted to stop a vehicle for speeding on Hollow Road in Hinesburg. As Officer Hulshof activated the blue lights of his patrol vehicle Groff failed to stop his vehicle and accelerated away at a high rate of speed. Officer Hulshof lost sight of the vehicle as he was turning his patrol vehicle around. Officer Hulshof continued in the direction the vehicle was traveling when he observed the vehicle had crashed into a stand of trees and Groff was entrapped inside the vehicle. Fire and Rescue crews from Hinesburg, Charlotte and St. Michaels were called to assist with extricating Groff from the vehicle. Chief Koss of Hinesburg Police Department requested the Vermont State Police to investigate the incident. The investigation is ongoing. Alcohol does not appear to be a factor in the crash. Anyone in the area of Hollow Road and who may witnessed the crash is requested to call the Vermont State Police at 802-878-7111.

Town Clerk & Treasurer

- *Early Voting* - Early voting is well underway. For anyone who wants to avoid traffic and lines at the polls on March 1, consider coming in to the town clerk's office anytime between now and Election Day. We are open daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The last day to register to vote is today, February 24th at 5 p.m.
- *Dog Licenses* - Dog licenses are due on or before April 1st every year. The fee is \$10.00 and you need only bring a current rabies certificate. Dogs are always welcome and will get treats! Woof!

Recreation Department

- *Spring/Summer Recreation Guide* - The HRD Spring-Summer Recreation Guide has been posted online and will be delivered to every resident by the end of the week. Think spring sports, golf, horseback riding, preschool soccer, dog obedience, concerts in the park, the July 4th celebration, and some camps!
- *Smugg's Sunday* - Don't miss the next Smugg's Sunday of 2/28 for discounted lift tickets, lessons, and rentals - \$20 for youths and \$25 for adults. Sign up and pay by noon on Thursday, 2/25. All forms and details are on the website and at Rec. Office.
- *HCS 6th Grade Team Pay It Forward Project* - On Friday, 2/19 Paul Lasher & Angela Gaylean's 6th grade team at HCS presented Jen McCuin a check for \$5000 to benefit the Bissonette Family Rec. Field project! Since last fall, this team embarked on a "Pay It Forward" fundraising project that would help with the future fields. To sweeten the pot and to encourage more funds, the students did an additional plug at the end to pay to see their principals and various teachers kiss a pig at the Friday afternoon assembly outside with every student present...talk about a send-off for school vacation. Way to go, HCS students! Thank you for this incredible community contribution!



Carpenter-Carse Library

CALENDAR

- *Library Trustee Meeting* – The February Board of Trustees meeting will be held on March 23rd @ 7 p.m. at Carpenter-Carse Library. Open to the public. Regular monthly meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of each month unless otherwise warned.

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.

OTHER REGULAR PROGRAMS

- *Lego Club* – No Lego Club this week due to school vacation.

- *After School Movie* – Join us for a Disney movie on Friday, February 26th. On March 25th we will watch a PG Columbia pictures film. Call the library for titles of movies being shown.
- *Art Exhibit & Opening* – The exhibit opening, potluck, & music originally scheduled for February 26th have been cancelled, though we hope to host the exhibit at a later date.
- *Book Discussion Group* - Avid readers are invited to join our library’s book club for adults, which meets monthly in readers’ homes. Come and meet the group at 7 p.m. for lively conversation and refreshments on Wednesday, March 17th when we will focus on Richard Flanagan’s *The Narrow Road to the Deep North*. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 12th when we will discuss *The Children Act* by Ian McEwan. Please phone Carol @ 482-3193 for information on meeting locations and more.
- *Café Make* – This is an all-ages Saturday program at the library. At the next Café Make on Saturday, February 27th you may continue working on the Arduino kit project or indulge in any pursuit of your choosing. Join us for crafting, good company and creativity. 10 a.m-1 p.m.
- *Crafternoons* - Kids get creative with craft materials for an hour after school on Tuesday, March 1st, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. The March theme is Build It: Marble Runs. Materials and snacks will be provided. Come prepared to have fun with a different theme every month. This *free* program is designed for children ages seven and up. Pre-registration is required; sign up at the front desk or by calling 482-2878.
- *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 next time will be March 9th 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).
- *Audubon Children’s Program: Sung in the Snow* - Winter is a wonderful time to learn about the comings and goings of our furry and feathered neighbors. Join us as we explore snow, nature’s blanket! Snuggle under the snow like meadow voles and experience the thrill of sliding like river otters. We’ll transform into some of Vermont’s most active winter animals as we learn about how snow helps critters keep warm, hide, and play! Presented by an environmental educator at Green Mountain Audubon Center. Ages 3-8. Preregistration required; limited to 15 participants. *Sign up at the library front desk. *The program will take place in the Carpenter-Carse Library community room.

BOOKS FOR SALE!

- *Vintage Book Sale* – Come discover the charm of old books. Some are collectors’ items; others more commonly available. We have more than 100 vintage books priced to sell in the main room of the library, and you will find a few “new” additions every few days.

EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS AT THE LIBRARY

- *In Our Glass Display Case*
 - *Sir Ernest Shackleton’s Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition (1914 – 1917) on the ship Endurance* - The Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition, commonly known as the Endurance Expedition, is considered the last major expedition of the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration. Conceived by Sir Ernest Shackleton, the expedition was an attempt to make the first land crossing of the Antarctic continent. After the conquest of the South Pole by Roald Amundsen in 1911, this crossing from sea to sea remained, in Shackleton’s words, the “one great main object of Antarctic journeys.” The expedition failed to accomplish this objective, but became

recognized instead as an epic feat of endurance. Greg Glade of Top of the World LLC has arranged a display of photos, objects and books rich in details of the epic journey. Greg's descriptive notes add much to the exhibit. We thank him for sharing.

- *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*
 - Spring Gardening
 - Black History Month: Read about It!
 - Needlework
 - Miss Sara's (chapter book) Reads
 - Sara's YA Reads
- *Additional Youngsters Storytime* - Starting in March the library will be offering a second Youngsters Storytime each week on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. Due to the positive response from families and the crowded rainbow rug on Tuesday mornings, this second offering will be open again for care-givers with children aged 0-4. Please note: the Tuesday & Thursday content of storytimes will be more or less the same each week. You are welcome to come to both, but please expect repeats.
- *More good news!* - We welcome Jessica LaBrie to Carpenter-Carse, as we continue plans to launch some new adult programs at the library. Jessica will bring her experience and many talents to bear as she joins the library team. Jessica is an herbalist, and has varied experience as an educator, counselor and more.
- *Keep up-to-date on the current events happening at the library* - http://www.carpentercarse.org/ccl_programs.html

Town Administrator

- *Town Report* – The Town Reports are here! Notification was sent out via a postcard that Town Reports are now available to be picked up at Town Hall. The full report is available on-line as well. http://www.hinesburg.org/annualreport/Hinesburg_AR_2015.pdf
- *Town Meeting* – Town Meeting will take place on Monday, February 29th at the CVU Auditorium. HCS Annual School Meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and the Hinesburg Town Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. Australian Ballot Voting will take place at Town Hall on Tuesday, March 1st from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- *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: (3) 4-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 or drop off in the Town Administrator's Office.

Application forms can be found at:

http://hinesburg.org/documents/cbc_application_form.pdf

Appointments and Procedure Policy:

<http://hinesburg.org/documents/cbc-appointment-and-procedure-policy.pdf>

Weekly Updates from Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Development Review Board

New applications received

- *No new applications*

Applications to be heard at the March 1, 2016 DRB Hearing

- *Town of Hinesburg/Old Police Station:* Combined Preliminary Plan and Final Plat Review for the subdivision of, and a Planned Unit Development on a 0.85-acre parcel; also for Conditional Use Review for office space exceeding 1,000 square feet. The property is located on the west side of VT Rte 116 and the south side of Farmall Drive in the Village Zoning District.
- *Daly:* Conditional Use Review of a woodshed added to a previously existing non-conforming structure on a 0.57-acre property located at 426 Turkey Lane in the Agricultural Zoning District.
- *Dziurzynski:* Conditional Use Review of a Non-Complying Structure and Revision to a Subdivision Final Plat for two 0.18-acre properties located at 90 & 108 Shadow Lane in the Rural Residential 1 and Shoreline Zoning Districts. The applicant is seeking to merge two adjacent properties, remove the existing seasonal structures, and build a year-round single-family home.
- *Haulenbeek / Prindle-Baldwin, LLC:* Conditional Use Review for an Integrated Agricultural Operation on an approximately 345-acre property located at 1570 Baldwin Road in the Agricultural Zoning District. The applicant proposes to host events in a reconstructed barn.

For more information on any of these projects, please contact the Planning & Zoning office at 802-482-2281 or lbudd@hinesburg.org.

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