



### Upcoming Meetings...

- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Town Forest Committee:** *Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Development Review Board:** *Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Selectboard:** *Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*

### Weekly Updates from Departments:

#### Hinesburg Community Police

- *Suspicious* – On Friday, August 5, an officer responded to a property on Vermont Route 116 north of the village for a reported suspicious vehicle. The property owner found a male in a barn and it appeared that the male was removing a boat motor. He told the male to leave and did get a license plate number. The officer is following up on the incident.

#### Town Clerk's Office

- *Green Mountain Passports* - Green Mountain Passports are still here and still available for \$2.00! Such a bargain. They are good for life and entitle the bearer to free entry into all of the Vermont State Parks for day use. Get out and enjoy our wonderful state parks! They really are a great resource and a fun way to enjoy the outdoors.
- *Beach Passes* - Lake Iroquois Beach passes are here and are \$30.00 for residents of Hinesburg, unless you are over 62 years and then they are \$15.00. Beach passes can be purchased at the beach also.

#### Carpenter-Carse Library

##### CALENDAR

- *Board of Trustees Meeting* - The monthly meeting of the Trustees and Librarian will be on Wednesday, August 10, 2016. Board meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the library, and are open to the public.

##### WEEKLY STORY TIMES

- *Youngsters Story Time* – Join Librarian Sara Tuesdays from 9:30-10 am at the library's community room for stories, movement, songs and snacks (and sometimes ukulele tunes!)

##### OTHER YOUTH PROGRAMS

- *The Humane Society Presents: Meet Officer Chili!* - On Saturday, August 13 at 11:00 am children will have an opportunity to meet Officer Chili at the library, and to learn about the dangers of leaving a pet in a hot car.

- *Friday Afternoon Movies* -Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 3pm; September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 3pm - Children and adults cozy into the community room for a movie and popcorn. All movies will be rated PG or G. Movies will take place on the fourth Friday of every month. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Call the library to ask what movie will be playing (482-2878). Free.
- *Money Storytime with Jeanne Albertson from Merchant's Bank* - Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> 10:30am. Join Jeanne Albertson and Miss Sara for a special storytime all about money. They will have books, activities, a craft and snacks to share! Geared towards children ages 3-7.
- *Family Fun Night* -Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> 5-6:30pm. Join us at the library for an evening of games, Legos, crafts and more! The community room will be full of fun activities to keep the whole family busy. Pizza is available if you pre-register! Please call 482-2878. The second Wednesday of each month, starting in September. Drop in, or stay for the duration.

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

- *Better With Age: Costume Party and Vintage Movie Night on August 12, 2016* - Of all the gin joints in all the towns in all the world... while Hinesburg is no Morocco and we're no gambling den, here at the Carpenter-Carse Library we do know a good romance and the beginning of a beautiful friendship when we see one! Don your best 1940's garb, pin your hair up in Victory Rolls, paint on some stockings, and join us for the first of our "Better with Age" Series, to celebrate as time goes by! Refreshments and music start at 6:00, and the film starts at 6:30, with a costume contest to follow. There will be a prize for the best costume!
- *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, August 31<sup>st</sup>, when we will discuss *Three Day Road* by Joseph Boyden by Magda Szabo. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> when we will focus on *Evergreen* by Rebecca Rasmussen. Please phone Carrie @ 482-4565 for information on meeting locations and more.
- *Local History Discussion and Share! Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7 p.m.* - Join your neighbors and travel back in time to learn about Hinesburg and the surrounding towns through old maps, books, poems, and artifacts. Bring any old ephemera, advertisements, curiosities, photos, and of course, your memories, as we explore the history that makes our hometowns so interesting. Each gathering is an informational, fun sharing event. Join us!
- *Weed Walks @ the Library* - Our attempts to enjoy a weed walk have twice been thwarted by Mother Nature's thunder storms! We will keep you posted if we are able to reschedule yet again! As annoying as weeds can be, many have beneficial uses. Learn how to identify and enjoy them.

#### EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS AT THE LIBRARY

- *In Our Glass Case* - Fishing Lures - Shared by Henry Frost, HCS student
- *Mural* - A Vermont children's authors and illustrators' mural brightens the Carpenter-Carse children's area, thanks to the former Brown Dog Books & Gifts. ☺

#### OTHER NEWS

- *Little Free Library at the Town Hall* - We love stories! Do you? You may want to stop when you pass by the Hinesburg Town Hall, because a Little Free Library resides on the

porch for your use. How does it work? It is basically a book swap location with no associated costs. It functions on an honor system, with the assumption that there will always be books inside for the next visitor. Anyone may give or take a book; the more the merrier, as long as books fit securely inside. If you are out for a walk and looking for a good book to read, you may enjoy this little diversion. No books to swap? No worries! The folks at the Carpenter-Carse Library are stewards of the Town Hall Little Library. We welcome your feedback, and will likely place more of these wee structures around town.

- *Vintage Book Sale* – Come discover the charm of old books. Browse our eclectic collection of common and uncommon used books. Check out our bargain bookcase where all books are priced @ \$2.00. We also offer a fine collection of antiquary and not so old” books @ \$2.50 - \$20.00. All proceeds are used to purchase new books.
- *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)

### **Recreation Department**

- *Final Concert in the Park* - Our Summer Concerts in the Park will wrap up the series with the Hinesburg Community Band TONIGHT (Wed. 8/10) at 6:30 pm at the HCS gazebo. Mama Dog's Catering will be there to provide dinner, refreshments, and dessert in case you don't feel like packing a picnic. Special thanks to our sponsors Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom and Wahl Landscaping LLC. Hope to see you there!
- *Soccer Registration* - HRD Youth Soccer registration is OPEN. Sign up now at HRD's NEW online registration ~ [www.hinesburgrec.com](http://www.hinesburgrec.com).
- *HRD Fall Recreation Guide* - Look for HRD's Fall Recreation Guide in your mailbox this week. All programs are open for registration!
- *Great Escape Tickets* - Great Escape tickets are still available in the Clerk's Office. Cash only, please. \$39 and gate price is \$57.99 and \$46.99 under 48". Office hours are M-F from 8-4 and Wednesdays until 6 p.m.

### **Planning & Zoning**

- *Solar Screening Public Hearing* – The Selectboard discussed the Planning Commission’s zoning regulation revision proposal a second time last week, and decided to hold the required public hearing on September 12. Only minor revisions were made to the PC proposal. Information about the proposed regulation changes are available on the Town website - <http://www.hinesburg.org/regulations.html>. The web page will be updated shortly with the Selectboard revisions and the public hearing notice.

### **Town Administrator’s Office**

- *Water Supply and Treatment Facility* – The project is, essentially, complete. The only process element remaining is the State’s issuance of a permit to operate. The permit has been drafted, and as of this writing, is undergoing final review within the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. Once the permit to operate is issued, the Town’s water will be supplied from the wells known as the “new” or Wainer wells. This water will be treated using the State’s first nanofiltration treatment system; water system customers have already experienced this water as the system was supplied (both directly and through the storage tank) on a number of occasions during July system testing.

Nanofiltration, in brief, treats water by forcing it through a series of filters at high pressure.

- *Open Meeting Law complaint* – The Selectboard received an open meeting law complaint filed by a small group of residents. That same group of residents comprises, in part, the intervenor group represented by an attorney in the Public Service Board proceedings related to Vermont Gas and Geprags Park. The Selectboard voted that no violation occurred and no remedy or “cure” is required. The memo prepared for the Selectboard by the administrator’s office (please see the August 4<sup>th</sup> Selectboard “packet” on the website) provides additional information related to the response.

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

### **Development Review Board**

#### New applications received

- *Iroquois Snow Beavers* - Conditional use review for development in a flood hazard zone. The applicant is proposing to add fill and replace a snowmobile bridge over Patrick Brook on a 46.2-acre property owned by David Lyman located west of Route 116 between Hinesburg Center and the LaPlatte River in the Agricultural Zoning District.

#### Applications to be heard at the August 16, 2016 DRB Hearing

- *Craig & Melissa Martin* - Conditional use review for demolition of a barn built before 1940, and site plan approval for a multi-family dwelling on a 0.49-acre property located at 10750 VT Route 116 in the Village Zoning District. The applicants are seeking renewal of an expired permit granted on November 18, 2014.

*For more information on any of these projects, please contact the Planning & Zoning office at 802-482-2281 or [lbudd@hinesburg.org](mailto:lbudd@hinesburg.org).*

### **Lake Iroquois Association**

- *Lake Iroquois Association Announces Milfoil Removal On Lake Iroquois* - The boat is in and the milfoil is coming out! On Monday, August 8, AB Aquatics, the company the Lake Iroquois Association (LIA) has contracted to do this work, began Diver-Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) of milfoil on Lake Iroquois. They are working to clear the channel at the fishing access so that boats entering the lake will not break up the milfoil thereby spreading it further into the lake. AB Aquatics will be working on the lake for at least two weeks.

If you are out on the lake, wave to the crew but please keep your distance. The crew asks that you not try to talk with them while they are working. They can't really hear you very well and for safety reasons they need to stay focused on the work. Remember also that there is a diver submerged working near the boat so make sure to maintain a 200 foot distance. However, if you would like to talk with the crew they expect to be unloading at the fishing access around 2:30 or 3 in the afternoon.

This method will not completely solve the milfoil problem. Rather it is a part of a many pronged effort to reduce and manage this invasive. Among the other activities aimed at



enhancing and maintaining the health of Lake Iroquois are our Greeter Program in which boats entering and leaving the lake are checked for invasives and cleaned, if necessary; projects to reduce nutrients entering the lake (which feeds the growth of milfoil) by mitigating nutrient-laden runoff; education of lakeshore property owners and lake users in best management practices; creation of no-mow zones and riparian buffers to prevent nutrient runoff into the lake; and monitoring and stream remediation to reduce sediment and nutrients carried into the lake via its tributaries. Most of all, your help and support (financial and/or volunteering time) will make a difference in protecting and enhancing this wonderful resource.

For more information, like us on Facebook, check out our web site: [www.lakeiroquois.org](http://www.lakeiroquois.org) or email us at [lakeiroquoisassociation@gmail.com](mailto:lakeiroquoisassociation@gmail.com)

### *What is Diver-Assisted Suction Harvesting?*

Diver-Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) is an effective method of removal of invasives. A diver physically hand pulls the targeted plant, being careful to remove the entire root system and to minimize fragmentation (milfoil fragments can easily root and spread throughout a waterbody). They then place the plant into a suction hose that takes the plant to the surface. Once at the surface the plant is discharged into a straining basket (sort of like a colander) set into the deck so that sediment and water flows through and the milfoil is captured. One crew member on the boat then puts the plants into bags while the second crew member on the boat maps the area being cleared with an Ipad and maintains voice communication with the submerged diver. At the end of the day the bags with the plants are emptied away from the lake where the material can be composted.

DASH boat crew removing milfoil on Lake Iroquois



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