



Upcoming Meetings...

- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, December 17th at 7:30 p.m. (1st floor conference room)*
- **Trails Committee:** *Wednesday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. (1st floor conference room)*
- **Energy Committee:** *Wednesday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. (3rd floor conference room)*
- **Economic Development Committee:** *Wednesday, December 18th at 7:00 p.m. (3rd floor conference room)*
- **Conservation Commission:** *Tuesday, December 23rd at 7:00 p.m. (3rd floor conference room)*

Weekly Updates from Departments:

Hinesburg Community Police

- *Winter Storm* - This has been an interesting week for public safety in Hinesburg, not to mention our residents. The police department had 63 cases for the week, up from the usual 40. The fire department was self-dispatching and members were staying at the fire station. At times, the police were responding to multiple accidents and could not have done our job without the help of the fire department who could maintain a scene until we arrived. Thanks to all the volunteers.
- *Citizen Dispute* – On Sunday, December 7th, officers responded to Sunset Mobile Home Park for a reported citizen dispute. Officers determined that an altercation occurred when a female arrived to pick up a child and another female refused to let the child go until the father came home. The child was taken and transported to the grandmother who had legal custody. No further involvement was necessary.
- *Citizen Dispute* – On Sunday, December 14th, an officer responded to the Village Cemetery for a reported assault. Upon arrival, a female was folding up a pocket knife. Another male and female were walking down the road. These people knew each other and were not friends. None of these people were Hinesburg residents but arrived coincidentally at the cemetery within minutes of each other to locate a “Geobox”. Statements were taken and no one wanted to press charges.

Hinesburg Fire & First Response

- *Calls* – Since the last update, the Hinesburg Fire & First Response has been dealing with power lines down, cars off the road, trees down, EMS emergencies - it was a busy two weeks.
 - 12/4 - Fire - Motor Vehicle Crash (MVC) - traffic control 116 & CVU road
 - 12/4 - Fire/EMS - MVC - Shelburne Falls Road

- 12/4 - Fire - Carbon Monoxide (CO) alarm
- 12/4 - EMS - Dislocated shoulder
- 12/7 - Fire - Mutual Aid (MA) to Shelburne for station coverage.
- 12/8 - EMS - Chest pain with difficulty breathing
- 12/8 - Fire - MA to Shelburne for possible structure fire
- 12/9 - Fire/EMS - Car vs Tree - RT 116 in Shelburne
- 12/9 - Fire - Trees down in road - North Rd/ Sickman Hill
- 12/9 - Fire - Tree on power line and road - Beecher Hill Rd
- 12/10 - EMS - Difficulty breathing
- 12/10 - Fire - Tree down in road - Silver Street
- 12/10 - Fire - Power lines on fire - Tyler Bridge Rd
- 12/10 - Fire - Tree on power line - Richmond Rd & Cattail Lane
- 12/10 - Fire - Multiple car MVC - RT 116 in Shelburne near Dubois Corner
- 12/10 - Fire - Car stuck in middle of hill - O'Brien Hill
- 12/10 - Fire - Trees down in road - Gilman Road
- 12/10 - Fire - Flash/loss of power - Charlotte Road
- 12/10 - Fire - Power lines in road - Mechanicsville Rd
- 12/10 - Fire - Trees down in road - Lavigne Hill
- 12/10 - Fire - Trees down in road - Enos Rd
- 12/10 - Fire - Trees down in road - Hawk Lane
- 12/10 - Fire - CO alarm - Gilman Rd
- 12/10 - Fire - Trees down in road - Gilman Rd
- 12/11 - EMS - Difficulty breathing
- 12/11 - Fire - Trees down in road - RT 2A St George
- 12/11 - Fire - Large flash from power lines - RT 2A St George
- 12/11 - Fire - Assist with gas for generator.
- 12/11 - Fire - Tree down in road - RT 116 near Cedar Knoll
- 12/11 - Fire - Power lines in road - CVU Rd & Mechanicsville Rd
- 12/11 - Fire - Trees down in road - Gilman Rd and Hines Rd.
- 12/11 - Fire - Tree down in road - Beecher Hill Rd
- 12/11 - Fire - School Bus off road - Shelburne Falls Rd
- 12/11 - Fire - Tree down in road - Shelburne Falls Rd
- 12/11 - Fire - Tree down in road - Buck Hill West by Lavigne hill Rd
- 12/11 - EMS - Abdominal Pain
- 12/11 - Fire - Trees down in road - Lavigne Hill Rd
- 12/11 - Fire - Assist elderly patient that needed Oxygen and had no Power.
- 12/11 - Fire - Trees down in road - Pond Brook Rd - St George
- 12/11 - Fire - Tree down in road - Richmond Rd & Enos Rd
- 12/11 - Fire - CO Alarm
- 12/11 - Fire - Blown transformer - North Rd
- 12/11 - Fire - Tree down in road - Richmond Rd & East Shore
- 12/12 - Fire/EMS - House filled with smoke
- 12/12 - EMS - Dislocated shoulder
- 12/12 - Fire - Fire alarm activation - Baldwin Rd
- 12/12 - Fire/EMS - Two car MVC - RT 116 & Place Rd West
- 12/12 - Fire/EMS - Two car MVC - RT 117 & Silver St

- 12/13 - Fire/EMS - Structure Fire - Hollow Rd
- 12/13 - EMS - Asthma attack
- 12/14 - Fire - Tree on car – Walt’s Way
- 12/15 - EMS - Stomach Pain
- 12/15 - EMS - Diabetic shock
- 12/15 - EMS - Unresponsive
- Training - Last week's training was cancelled due to the weather.
This week is our monthly Business Meeting.

Carpenter-Carse Library

CALENDAR

- *Library Board of Trustees* regular monthly meeting will be 7 p.m. Wednesday, December 17th @ the Library.
- *Holiday Closing – The library will close Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year’s Eve, & New Year’s Day.*

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.
- Monthly Carpenter-Carse Book Discussion Group – Tuesday, January 13th @ 7:00 p.m. The January selection is The Snow Leopard by Peter Matthiesen. February 17th: Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie March: Paris Stories by Mavis Gallant. Meetings are held in readers’ homes with refreshments served. Please phone Renate at 482-7743 or Sally at 985-9102 for more information.

BOOK SALES

- *Winter Book Sale* – Like-new books! Excellent gift choices. Hardcover \$5.00; Paperbacks \$3.00; DVD’s \$3.00. - We have added many titles this week. Come browse; it’s fun! All proceeds are used to buy new library books.
- *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.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- *Santa* – Santa is coming on Thursday, December 18th from 6-7 pm! Santa will be reading holiday books for this month’s pajama story hour. Wear your favorite pajamas and join us for a festive evening of snacks, crafts and a chance to sit on Santa’s lap. Children of all ages are welcome with an adult – recommended ages: 0-8 years.



JANUARY EVENTS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- *Tea Party Storyhour* - Thursday, January 22nd, 6-7p.m. Cozy up with a cup of tea as we take a journey to other fantastical tea parties. We will read books, have a real tea party, and save some time for crafting as well. Wear your tea party attire! All ages welcome; recommended ages 3-8.
- *Concert with Mr. Chris* - Saturday, January 31st - Join us for a sweet sing-songy time with local children's musician Chris Dorman. He has wee ones in mind when performing and engages young children with music which "inspires laughter, wonder, and warmth between parents, and caregivers, and their children." We are thrilled to have Chris here and plan to get cozy in the community room! Everyone welcome; recommended ages 0-8.

EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS AT THE LIBRARY

- *In the Community Room* – Birds of Vermont Museum pictorial display; learn about bird survival in winter and much more.
- *In the Glass Case* – A collection of bird sculptures and statuettes, large and small, compliments of Ellen Foster. Thank you Ellen! Many bird species are represented.
- Book Displays:
 - Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanzaa

OTHER NEWS

- *A Place at the Table* - A documentary film *A Place at the Table*, about the hunger crisis in America was shown on December 8th, followed by a discussion. Library Trustee Susan Abell led the discussion with audience members who included teachers, social workers and others who deal with children affected by hunger and food insecurity. People shared ideas about possible solutions and ways we can help families right here in Hinesburg. Attendees brought items for the Hinesburg Food Shelf, at the request of the library.
- *Jody Albright Trio* - On Saturday, December 13th the library offered a lovely afternoon jazz concert featuring the Jody Albright Trio. The library was filled with warmth and music. Jody is an accomplished vocalist and teacher, and her young bass player and keyboard player are extremely talented. It was a wonderful way to end one of our stormiest weeks in Hinesburg!
- *Gifts to the Library* - Library staff and trustees are very appreciative of the various gifts we have received during this holiday season! Those who make monetary donations may request that we make additions to our book and media collection, or we can put donations to use to help with other library expenses.
- *VT Department of Libraries Annual Reports* - This week Director Sue Barden submitted the library's information for two VT Dept. of Libraries annual reports: The 2014 Public Library Report and Minimum Standards for Public Libraries.
- *Keep up-to-date on the current events happening at the library* - http://www.carpentercarse.org/ccl_programs.html

Recreation Department

- *Hinesburg Children's Choir Holiday Concert* - The Hinesburg Children's Choir Holiday Concert was an incredible success on Tuesday, 12/16 at 7:00 pm. After a scheduling hiccup, the United Church graciously hosted this event and the venue ended up being just perfect. Michael Sorce from Dark Star Lighting came through

with a professional sound system, with guitar played by Cailean Sorce, clarinet played by Andrew Miskavage, drums played by Bob Levinson, and flute played by Michelle Keller, with Director Andrea Haulenbeek playing piano, made this concert an unexpected treat. Twenty eight children in grades second, third, and fourth sang traditional English and French holiday songs, two Israeli folksongs, one pop, and soloists galore. Director Andrea Haulenbeek was in her glory as she asked the crowd, "Are these kids amazing or what? Two second graders volunteering for a solo? Just awesome!" The evening reminded me how much happiness music can bring. Thank you Andrea Haulenbeek for this incredible opportunity.



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- *Softball Information 2014-15* - The Shelburne Little League Softball Committee will be holding free pitching clinics for softball players league ages 8 to 12 in January to give players a chance for extra pitching practice and one-on-one instruction prior to the start of the 2015 season. League age is defined as a players age as of December 31, 2014 -- i.e., if your daughter is 8 years old on January 1, 2015 then she is considered league age 8 no matter when her birthday falls in the year. Clinics are open to all skill levels. Please feel free to forward this notice to any other folks who might be interested!

Location: All clinics will be held at the Shelburne Town Gym @ 5420 Shelburne Road.

Not a pitcher, but love catching or want to try catching?

Not a problem! We also welcome catchers at these clinics. Catchers will be suited up & asked to warm up the pitchers and then catch for them as they pitch from the mound. See instructions for catcher sign-ups below for more information.

Pitchers - Sign-up Instructions: Choose a time slot for any of the dates listed below to reserve a slot for your daughter. Due to space limitations we can only have 8 pitchers attend each time slot so reservations will be made on a first come first served

basis. That said, please do not sign up your daughter for a session that you cannot attend so that we don't have to turn folks away unnecessarily. Also, if you sign up your daughter for a date & then discover that she will not be able to attend, please let us know as soon as possible so that players on a wait list get a chance. Anyone who signs up after the slots are full will be put on a waiting list & will be notified if spots become available. Please send your reservation request to Lisa O'Day @ odayvt@gmail.com to reserve a spot. Players do not have to attend all sessions -- just sign-up for those that your daughter can attend.

Catchers - Sign-up Instructions: Choose a time slot for any of the dates listed below. Catchers will be paired with a pitcher based on their experience level. If your daughter is a pitcher as well as a catcher she may do both. If your daughter would like to try both, select a time slot for pitching and also a time slot for catching ensuring that you list which position the reservation is for. Catchers do not have to attend all sessions -- just sign-up for those that your daughter can attend.

What happens if sessions fill up and my daughter doesn't get a slot? Additional pitching sessions will be available during the course of the season.

Questions?? Please contact Lisa O'Day via e-mail: odayvt@gmail.com or mobile: (802) 233-1577.

Pitcher/Catcher Sessions:

Friday January 9th: 3:15 to 4:00 PM

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Friday January 16th: 3:15 to 4:00 PM

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Friday January 23rd: 3:15 to 4:00 PM

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Friday January 30th: 3:15 to 4:00 PM

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