

VERNON COMMUNITY NEWS

Vernon's Free eNewsletter; Editor: Bronna Zlochiver; Contact: news4vernon@gmail.com

February 2016

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SAVE THE DATE—IMPORTANT EVENTS IN AND AROUND VERNON

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| Feb 1, 6:30 pm | Vernon Selectboard Meeting, Town Office Building, Selectboard meeting room |
| Feb 3, 6:30 pm | Planning Commission Second Public Information Meeting on Gas Power Plant, Vernon Elementary School, cafetorium; snow date will be Feb 10 at 6:30 pm. |
| Feb 5, 6:30 pm | Vernon Trail Breakers Meeting, Town Office Building, lower level |
| Feb 6, 1:00 pm | Castle Freeman Jr., Author Talk, Vernon Free Library |
| Feb 10, 4:30 pm | Vernon Free Library Trustees' Meeting, library |
| Feb 13, 4:30 or 6:30 pm | Sweetheart Spaghetti Dinner, Vernon Advent Christian Church, fellowship hall, by donation |
| Feb 13, 6:30 pm | Violin Concert by Michelle Liehti, Mountain View Seventh-day Adventist Church |
| Feb 15, 6:30 pm | Vernon Selectboard Meeting, Town Office Building, Selectboard meeting room |
| Feb 17, 4:15 pm | Elderly Assistance Board Meeting, Town Office Building, Seniors room |
| Feb 17, 6:30 pm | Candidates' Forum, Vernon Elementary School, cafetorium |
| Feb 18, 6:30 pm | Vernon Voters Alliance Meeting, Town Office Building, lower level |
| Feb 22, 6:30 pm | Fiber Optics Committee Meeting, Town Office Building, lower level |
| Feb 29, 6:30 pm | Town Meeting, Vernon Elementary School, cafetorium |
| March 2, 7:30 pm | Town Meeting continued, Vernon Elementary School, cafetorium |

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ATTEND BUHS ANNUAL MEETING & VERNON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET MEETINGS

by Lynda Staropinski

The School Budget is the area of the town budget that has the greatest impact on our property taxes. As schools consolidate to being run by the superintendent of schools--and they almost are already--we will have less and less say in how our money is spent (see Act 46 on education spending in Vermont). I am a proponent of public education: I served 10 years on a high school board, as well as serving on a board that advocates for early childhood education. However, as a taxpayer, there is only so much money in my pockets and I cannot afford to keep paying more when I have to be cutting back at home with my own expenses. All of us need to be really aware and involved. Even small savings add up: A penny saved here and a penny saved there eventually is a dollar saved!

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SAVE THE DATE—SCHOOL BOARD AND SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR

The Public School District Annual Meeting on the proposed 2016-2017 BUHS budget will be on February 9, at 6:00 pm at Brattleboro Union High School; this is where and when we Windham County voters get to vote on the school district budget.

We Vernon voters will have two more opportunities to ask questions, share our concerns, and voice our opinions on the proposed FY 2016-2017 Vernon Elementary School budget: on February 22, at 6:00 pm in

the Vernon Elementary School cafetorium; and on the first night of Town Meeting, Monday, February 29, at 6:30 pm in the Vernon Elementary School cafetorium.

Be sure to attend these meetings, our tax dollars depend on it.

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| Feb 8, 6 pm | Act 46, School Consolidation, Information Meeting, Vernon Elementary School, cafetorium |
| Feb 9, 6:00 pm | Public School District Annual Meeting, Brattleboro Union High School |
| Feb 22, 6:00 pm | Public Information Meeting (Official Hearing) on Vernon School Budget |
| Feb 29, 6:30 pm | Town Meeting Discussion on Vernon School Budget, Vernon Elementary School, cafetorium |
| March 1, 7 am-7 pm | Voting Day, Australian Ballot Vote on Vernon School Budget |
| March 2, 7:30 pm | Town Meeting continued, Vernon Elementary School, cafetorium |

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FEBRUARY TOWN BUS SCHEDULE—TO RIDE THE BUS, CALL REITA at 254-2694

Please note: If school is cancelled on the day of a scheduled town bus trip, the bus also will be cancelled. You can buy bus passes at the offices of the Town Clerk or the Town Treasurer. All trips will cost 1 punch each, unless otherwise stated. Please sign up for rides at rides@meeting/ontrips or by calling Reita at 254-9624.

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| Feb 2, 9 am p/u | Keene Shopping Trip |
| Feb 3, 1 pm p/u | Games, Town Office Building, Senior Room; snow date will be Feb 4 |
| Feb 6, 3:30 pm p/u | Winchester Bean & Hot Dog Supper, \$9.00 |
| Feb 8, 11 am p/u | Senior Pot Luck |
| Feb 10, 10:45 am p/u | Dummerston Lunch |
| Feb 10, 2:30 pm | Town Bus Event Planning Meeting, Town Office Building, Senior Room |
| Feb 11, 10:30 am p/u | Newfane Lunch |
| Feb 11, 3 pm p/u | Brattleboro Union High School Play |
| Feb 13, 3:30 pm p/u | Sweetheart Spaghetti Supper, Advent Christian Church, fellowship hall, by donation |
| Feb 16, 8:30 am p/u | Holyoke Mall Trip, snow date will be Feb 17 |
| Feb 18, 10 am p/u | Walmart Shopping Trip; Lunch at Panda North |
| Feb 22 | Birthday Social |
| Feb 24, 10:45 am p/u | Dummerston Lunch |
| Feb 26, 10 am p/u | Franklin Tech |

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MARCH 2016 ELECTION

We are one month away from the 2016 Town Meeting and elections for town officers. There are 15 Town elected positions on the ballot for election on March 1, 2016. The positions and respective candidates are listed below:

| Office | Candidate(s) |
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| DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR – 1 Year Term | Marylynn Scherlin |
| 1ST CONSTABLE – 1 Year Term | Peter Crossman |
| 2ND CONSTABLE – 1 Year Term | Scott Lane |
| GRAND JUROR – 1 Year Term | |
| LISTER – 3 Year Term | Carol J. Hammond |
| SCHOOL DIRECTOR – 2 Year Term | Marylynn Scherlin |
| SCHOOL DIRECTOR – 3 Year Term | Walter C. Breau |
| SELECTBOARD – 3 Year Term | Bronna M. Zlochiver |
| | Sandra Harris |
| SELECTBOARD – 2 Year Term | Stephen Skibnowsky |
| SELECTBOARD – 3 Year Unexpired Term (ends in 2018) | Joshua Unruh |
| | Bronna M. Zlochiver |
| TOWN AGENT- 1 Year Term | Nancy C. Howe |
| TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK – 3 Year Term | Nancy L. Gasset |
| | Timothy R. Arsenault |
| | Melissa R. Ferriss |
| TOWN MODERATOR – 1 Year Term | |
| TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR – 1 Year Term | |
| TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER – 3 Year Unexpired Term (ends in 2017) | Cindy Turnley |

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES FOR TOWN OFFICE

Are you running for a Vernon office? If so, the website VernonVermont.org would like to publish your candidate's statement on this website. Here are the basics:

- Statement should be no more than 500 words.
- Email your statement either as email text or as an attachment in Word, to Martin Langeveld at newsafternewspapers@gmail.com
- Include with your statement a good resolution digital photo (at least 400 pixels wide, please — the original photo file from your camera or cellphone would be best).
- No statement will be published until we have confirmation that you will be on the ballot.
- Send us your statement no later than Friday, February 19. All statements received will be published no later than Friday, February 26. In general, we will publish statements as we receive them, assuming your ballot status is confirmed.
- We suggest that in your statement, you tell the town about yourself, your background, your qualifications, the goals you would pursue if you are elected, and your vision for the future of the town of Vernon. We discourage statements that attack opposing candidates personally.
- Questions? Email Martin at newsafternewspapers@gmail.org

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IT IS TIME TO RENEW DOG LICENSES FOR 2016

According to the Town Clerk's Office, the 2016 dog licenses are ready. Vermont law requires that all dogs 6 months old and older must be registered with the Town on or before April 1 of each year.

Dog license renewal forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office. The fees are \$13.00 for dogs that are not spayed or neutered and \$9.00 for spayed or neutered dogs. The fees have gone up \$1.00 because the state raised its fee to \$5.00 from \$4.00.

If your dog is required to have a rabies shot, the Town Clerk's Office cannot issue a license for that animal until it has received the required shot and the original rabies certificate is presented to them. The date the shot is needed is shown on your dog's license. If there is no date showing on your dog's license, then your dog's rabies shot has run out and you must have it vaccinated again before it can be issued a license.

Aine Lindquist, Acting Town Clerk, has scheduled the annual Rabies/Licensing Clinic for Sunday afternoon, March 13, 2016, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Vernon Fire Station located at 2482 Fort Bridgman Road.

If you no longer have your dog(s), please contact the Town Clerk's Office as soon as possible so they may correct their records. Their phone number is 802-257-0292.

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WINTER FIRE SAFETY

While fireplaces often conjure up images of warmth and comfort, they also represent a significant source (36%) of home heating fires. Creosote--a sticky, oily, combustible substance created when wood does not burn completely--rises into the chimney as a liquid and deposits on the chimney walls, and plays a role in nearly one-fourth of all home heating fires each year.

Placing things that can burn too close to heating equipment or placing heating equipment too close to things that can burn, such as upholstered furniture, clothing, mattress, or bedding, was the leading factor contributing to ignition in fatal home heating fires and accounted for more than half (52%) of home heating fire deaths.

Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from a fireplace, wood stove, or any other heating equipment, and create a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires. Also, make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room, and never leave a fireplace fire unattended, particularly when children are present. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container, and kept at a safe distance from your home.

Here are some additional statistics from the National Fire Protection Association's report *Home Fires Involving Heating Equipment*, October 2013.

- Space heaters, whether portable or stationary, accounted for one-third (32%) of home heating fires and four out of five (82%) of home heating fire deaths.
- The leading factor contributing to home heating fires (25%) was failure to clean, principally creosote from solid-fueled heating equipment, primarily chimneys.
- Half (49%) of all home heating fires occurred in December, January and February.

Winter fires are preventable! For more heating fire safety advice from the National Fire Protection Association and the United States Fire Administration's *Put a Freeze on Winter Fires* campaign, visit www.nfpa.org/winter.

Note: Thanks go to Chris Howe for this article, which originally appeared in the December 2011 *Vernon News*. And thanks to David Andrews for submitting such valuable information at that time. This repeat article has been updated to remove any dates for meetings, seminars, or the like, which would be outdated. Chris says, "I felt that it was a very important article, one worth repeating."

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NEWS FROM VERNON'S CHURCHES

Vernon Advent Christian Church, located at 4554 Fort Bridgman Road at the VT/MA state line, meets every Sunday at 9:15 am for Sunday School classes for all ages. Morning worship begins at 10:30 am and Youth Group and Intercessory Prayer meet at 6:00 pm. Adult Bible study begins every Wednesday at 6:30 pm at the church and other Bible study meetings are held throughout the week. The building is handicapped accessible. Email: accvern@together.net; website: www.vernonadventchristianchurch.com; and FaceBook: Vernon AC Church.

Mountain View Seventh-day Adventist Church, located at 1002 Fort Bridgman Road, Vernon, VT, meets every Saturday at 9:40 am for Sabbath School classes for all ages. Church service begins at 11:15 am. All are welcome. Pastor Art Miller. [802-490-0751](tel:802-490-0751).

Mountain View Seventh-day Adventist Church will host a violin concert by Michelle Liechti, a teacher at the Brattleboro Music Center, on Saturday, February 13 at 6:30 pm. All are welcome.

Vernon Union Church, located at 2631 Fort Bridgman Road (next to Vernon Hall), Vernon, VT. Meets every Sunday: 8:00 am, prayer time; 9:00 am Bible study; 10:00 am, morning worship, followed by a social hour. Childcare is available. The church is fully handicapped accessible. Rev. Terry Robinson, minister, 802-258-2228. Church phone: 802-257-8523.

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Sweetheart Spaghetti Dinner
To benefit Vernon Advent Christian Church
Mission Team to Haiti



Saturday, February 13th

4:30 pm or 6:30 pm

Vernon Advent Christian Church fellowship hall

Reservations requested with seating time
This will help us know how many to serve!

Need a ride? Call Reita at 802-254-2694 to go on the Vernon Bus

Reserve your dinner by calling 802-257-2341 or
emailing: accvern@together.net

By donation only (at the meal).

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"HUNTING" DOWN HISTORY (part 6)

by Barbara Emery Moseley

No doubt Jonathan Hunt, early on, had built a rough, cabin-like dwelling on his many riverside acres in Vernon. It was likely that it became attached , on the east side, to other sheds and barns. That was a practical New England style that allowed settlers access to their stored firewood and provisions, and to attend to the farm animals in all kinds of weather. His bride, however, would expect a more comfortable home.

Jonathan had the means to hire a master builder. Also, there was close access to a sawmill built several years earlier by his father. It was located on Lower Salmon Brook, near today's Post Office Plaza (George's Mill).

The home's construction plan is post-and-beam, with a huge central chimney. Its oddities are a very tiny entrance hallway, and a cramped staircase leading to second floor bedchambers, and then up to an open attic as big as the house.

The craftsman's superior skills are apparent in the paneled walls throughout the "mansion." In that time of giant white pines, Hunt had access to trees that would produce boards of enormous width, entirely free of knots. The most elaborate panelling is in the drawing room, to the left of the front entrance, where the fireplace mantel is framed by modified Ionic columns. To the right of the entrance is an elaborately paneled dining room, as are the two large upstairs bedchambers.

A large kitchen spans the back of the house, with its interior wall dominated by the huge brick fireplace and its baking oven. A small room is partitioned off on the north kitchen wall, probably used as the "birthing room." In those days, women were confined to bed about two weeks after childbirth, the "birthing room" provided warmth and the ability to oversee daily household activity.

Next month will introduce the bride-to-be, Levinah Swan. Her family background includes a "burning at the stake," goldsmithing, music written in the sand, and flocks of blackbirds kept as pets—maybe even a "mad hatter."

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HISTORIANS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DAY FOOD SALE

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016

7 AM UNTIL 4 PM

TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, DOWNSTAIRS

**OUR "HISTORY TOUR OF VERNON" DVD, PINE TOP SKI AREA
POSTERS, THE "VERNON VOICES"**

**AND 'WISE OLD SAYINGS' BOOKLETS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASE**

**PLEASE NOTE: MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBER SUPPORTERS ARE
ASKED TO BRING THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS OF BAKED GOODS/FOOD
ITEMS BETWEEN 6:45 AM AND 10 AM.**

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RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING NEWS

Notice to All Vernon Residents

Effective January 19, 2016

Large Trash bags will cost \$5.00 each or \$25 per roll

Small Trash bags will cost \$4.00 each or \$20 per roll

submitted by: Heather Frost

New Sure-Close Containers Available for Composting

You can pick up spiffy, new plastic Sure-Close containers for counter top composting collection at the Town Clerk's office for \$10 each or at the WSWMD station on Old Ferry Road in Brattleboro. These containers are easy to fill, carry, empty, and clean as well as being designed to reduce composting odor. Stop by the Town Clerk's office to pick up one for your home.

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VERMONT TAX REMINDERS

The Vermont Department of Taxes has updated its website, which can now be found at www.tax.vermont.gov. Select "For Individuals" on the left side to find information related to your personal returns.

The 2015 Vermont Income Tax Return, form IN-111 is due April 18, 2016.

Be sure to file your Homestead Declaration (Form HS-122 Section A) and Property Tax Adjustment Claim (HS-122 Section B) on time by April 18, 2016. If you miss this date, there is a \$50 late filing fee *even if no income tax return is due*. Extensions do not apply to Property Tax Adjustments Claims or Renter Rebate Claims.

Remember to start with the HI-144, Household Income form, to see if you are eligible for the property tax adjustment or renter's rebate. Coming soon in February, you will be able to file the Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment Claim online at <http://tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/property-tax-adjustment-claim/filing-checklist>. Look for the green button box in the middle of the page "File a Property tax Adjustment Claim Online". The Renter Rebate Claim form, PR-141, is available online and must be mailed with the Landlord Certificate, LC-142.

If you need an extension for your *Vermont income tax return*, file the Vermont Form IN-151 by April 18. This form (and others) can be found at <http://tax.vermont.gov/research-and-reports/document-library/tax-forms/individuals>. Keep in mind that it does not extend the time to pay your taxes. Therefore, you may want to pay the taxes due (or what you estimate will be due) by the April 18 deadline. Interest and penalty will accrue on taxes due from the original due date of the return (4/18) to the time of payment.

Vermont Taxpayer Services will take calls (toll free) 866-828-2865 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 7:45 am – 4:30 pm. You can also email questions to tax.individualincome@vermont.gov or visit the VT Department of Taxes website as listed above.

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Business & Tax Consultants, Inc.
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Brattleboro, VT 05301

*(**Enrolled Agents** – Licensed by the IRS, enrolled agents are subject to a suitability check and must pass a three-part Special Enrollment Examination, which is a comprehensive exam that requires them to demonstrate proficiency in federal tax planning, individual and business tax return preparation, and representation. They must complete 72 hours of continuing education every 3 years.)

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VERMONT COUNCIL ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY VISIT PROGRAM

Vermonters across the state know that local action makes our communities vibrant. But, in order to succeed and prosper, local action often needs support from regional, state and even federal partners to achieve goals. To respond to this need in Vermont, the Vermont Council on Rural Development (VCRD), through its Community Visit Program, provides local leaders with the resources they need to build capacity for their communities as they look to the future.

VCRD's Community Visit Program is a way for towns to engage and bring together their residents, set common goals and directions in a neutral and facilitated structure, and access resources that will help them take action on those goals. The Community Visit Program, provided at no cost to communities, gets citizens engaged in working for their communities and connects them to the resources they need to be successful.

In March of 2015, Paul Costello, VCRD's executive director, and Jenna Whitson, VCRD's community and policy manager, met with about 40 Vernon residents and explained the CVP and expressed their interest in helping Vernon to build our capacity to thrive and survive in our post-VY future.

In late August of 2015, Costello returned to tell the Selectboard that VCRD will be coming to Vernon this Spring.

This is the first part of a two-part story on how VCRD has helped the residents of two Vermont towns work together for their communities and how VCRD has connected these communities with resources to achieve goals they set for themselves. For more information on Community Visits and the other VCRD programs, go to vtrural.org.

CRAFTSBURY

Community life in Craftsbury, VT, is defined by connectedness and a shared sense of pride in the beauty of the rolling hills, the family farms that dot the landscape, and the unique character and quality of life in this Northeast Kingdom town. ... This is a community that comes together to celebrate, share a meal, enjoy music on the Common, and work together for the long term good.

Craftsbury's biggest asset is its people. When the town worried their beloved school was at risk of closing, they rallied together to find the resources to breathe new life into the Academy and build a stunning new gym with a floor made of locally-donated wood. This is also a town where two local businesses, the Craftsbury General Store and the C Village Store collaborate and throw the town a block party each year attended by 1,000 residents. This is a community that celebrates local leadership and initiative and recognizes all they can accomplish together.

While Community Visits are designed to help communities come together, review major issues, develop priorities and line up for action, VCRD has a couple of other goals behind these efforts. VCRD seeks to build new volunteerism and encourage more local folks to get involved in moving the community forward. They

want to help build the connections of the community to human, technical, and funding resources from lead agencies and organizations in the state. VCRD builds Visiting Teams from these outside resources and helps each Visiting Team learn more about local needs and the dynamics in the diverse towns of rural Vermont so they can better serve these communities.

Craftsbury's Visiting Team was impressed with the town's strong turnout from beginning to end and the way the community embraced all residents input, young and old, new to town and folks who go back generations. With over 185 local people participating in the process and over 90 volunteers now engaged in active Task Forces to advance priorities, VCRD knows that there is great energy for real progress in Craftsbury today.

Craftsbury residents look to a future for the community where:

- Craftsbury has a vibrant school that is the center of educational excellence and expertise. Preschool is available to every child. There is a positive connection between Sterling College, the Outdoor Center, and the schools.
- Craftsbury has an active working landscape; farmland is preserved, and farmers are given special emphasis for their role in maintaining and preserving open spaces.
- Craftsbury has beautiful and open landscapes. Its viewsheds and watersheds are protected. The lakes are protected from milfoil infestation as well as from development and are maintained for recreation such as paddling, fishing, and hunting.
- As a community, there is a sense of conservation of resources.
- Craftsbury is an inclusive community where people from all backgrounds and identities feel welcome and at home. It is a multi-generational community for residents of all ages.
- Craftsbury has economic vitality that makes it possible for our young people to stay in the community.
- Craftsbury is a safe place for our most vulnerable, the very young, and the very old. Nobody goes hungry or is food insecure and affordable housing and emergency services are available to all.
- Craftsbury is a community of neighbors where residents are neighborly to those next door as well as those who live across town. Residents engage in respectful and civil dialogue and are well practiced in those skills.
- Craftsbury is a walkable, bike-able community that is not too dominated by cars. Road travel is safe and slow through town and roads are safe for horseback riders and bikers.
- Craftsbury embraces outdoor recreational opportunities, such as cycling and equestrian activities that encourage a lifelong active lifestyle for community members.
- There is a gathering place, a restaurant, café, or tavern where community members connect and relax together. Local access to art, theater, and music is promoted.
- As a community, we encourage businesses to locate in town that are compatible with community values.
- High speed Internet is available to everyone.
- We recognize, value, and highlight the good things we can do as a small rural place that would not be possible in a larger place.

Craftsbury residents selected three priorities for future action:

• Advance Craftsbury Land Protection

Many residents are concerned about development pressures on Craftsbury's open landscape and village character. A Task Force could be formed to evaluate ways to protect and enhance community assets including the potential for really well designed land use tools to protect, sustain, and enhance beloved community assets.

• Improve Cell Phone and Broadband Access

Craftsbury residents would like to have better access to cell coverage and broadband Internet access. Craftsbury could convene a partnership of local residents to work with regional, state, and federal partners to bring improved cell and broadband coverage to the community.

- **Build Partnership between Schools and the Community**

Craftsbury Academy students and community members expressed a desire to better connect the Craftsbury schools, the community, the Outdoor Center, and Sterling College. A group could come together to better connect students with the community, the college, and the outdoor center by developing communitywide activities and programs, building internship and service opportunities in local businesses or the Craftsbury Community Care Center for students in the town, or create collaborative programming and learning opportunities with the Outdoor Center and Sterling College. The group could look into opportunities to raise funds for these activities and to establish a foundation to help support these efforts.

At the end of the Community Visit, VCRD sees strong, practical work plans and some direct connections being engaged for key support from USDA Rural Development and the VT Department of Public Service on improving broadband and cell phone access; the Northeastern Vermont Development Association on advancing land protection; and, locally, from the Craftsbury Outdoor Center, Sterling College, The Art House, and Craftsbury Academy on building connections between the schools and the community. The town has chosen to take on challenging initiatives, and the work ahead will not be easy, but Craftsbury is a dedicated, motivated, and strong community that is ready and willing to get to work to ensure future prosperity and quality of life for residents of the town.

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Do you know ...

... that Quinektuckut means long river in the Mohegan Indian language and that Connecticut is a French corruption of the Mohegan word.? The Quinetucket/Connecticut River forms the eastern boundary of Vernon and all of Vermont. Salmon and shad were abundant and furnished food for the Indians and European settlers.

[Thanks to Heather Frost for compiling these historical tidbits.]

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Bernardston Kiwanis Chicken Pie Supper: the LAST Saturday of the month, January through April; 5:00-6:30 pm continuous seating; \$10. Frozen pies to take home available for \$12.

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WINTER HOURS

November 3 to March 31, 2016
Monday 1—6 pm
Tuesday 9 – noon & 1—5 pm
Wednesday 1—5 pm
Thursday 1 –6 pm
Friday CLOSED
Saturday 9—12 noon

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kathy Korb

Janis Pereira (Chair)

Dawn Petrovsky

David Webb

Bronna Zlochiver

PROGRAMS

BASIC COMPUTER CLASSES

Call Kris to arrange a class.

KNITTING GROUP

Every Wednesday @ 1 pm

READING GROUP

2nd Thursday of the month @ 5pm

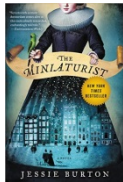
RHYME TIME

Every Monday @ 10:30 am for ages 0 to 5 years old

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

4 times a month - check website for dates and times

FEBRUARY READING GROUP SELECTION:



THE MINIATURIST

by Jessie Burton

The READING GROUP meets next on Thursday,
February 11 at 5pm in the library.

Join the discussion!



Listen Up! Vermont

NEW LOG-IN

UN: full 14-digit patron barcode number

For example: 2VSRS9XXXXXXXXX

PW: Your last name with the first letter capitalized

MEET THE AUTHOR

CASTLE FREEMAN JR.

RETURNS to the library

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6th @ 1 pm



“By the author of the acclaimed novel *Go With Me*, which has now been adapted to a film starring Anthony Hopkins and Julia Stiles, a modern reimagining of *Doctor Faustus*, set in Castle Freeman Jr.’s trademark depiction of rural Vermont.



Saturday, February 6th

Check out the wide range of no-cost educational resources and services available to you and your children at the library. Enjoy seasonal book displays, activities and crafts!



GREEN MOUNTAIN LIBRARY CONSORTIUM

***Interlibrary delivery service
comes to Vermont!***

Vernon Free Library has joined the Green Mountain Library Consortium (GMLC) Pilot Delivery System. Vernon Free Library is one of 80 libraries in Vermont participating in the pilot program and will be able to use the delivery service to send and receive interlibrary loan books and materials for patrons.

GET FIT IN 2016

6-7 pm Monday and Wednesday

Led by Mary Jo Hauri since 1993

Vernon Elementary School Gym

\$5 for walk-ins

First half hour: warm up, low impact aerobics, cool down

Second half hour: strength & endurance training

You can do this!



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shipman**

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802 579 1196

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VERNONVERMONT.ORG

Have you visited www.VernonVermont.org, the website that's all about our town?

Here's what you'll find there:

- A variety of posts on happenings in Vernon
- A directory of town offices, with listings of all boards, committees and officers
- A Vernon business directory
- Links to recent videos of Selectboard meetings
- A document archive with meeting minutes and agendas (not official and not complete)
- Various historical vignettes
- A page linking to all kinds of online maps of Vernon
- A page of information for people interested in coming to live in Vernon
- A page of Vernon facts and statistics
- Pages about the town's boards, committees, departments and officers
- A directory of Vernon-related Facebook pages
- A listing of upcoming events
- School board and district calendar
- The town bus schedule
- Recent Sheriff's reports
- Photo galleries featuring the seasonally-changing site-top slideshow photos

This website is run by volunteers, and you can help! We can use people who want to:

- Report on town meetings and events
- Help post agendas, warnings and meeting minutes
- Keep our directory pages up-to-date and complete
- Maintain listings in our calendar of events
- Help out on the tech side of the website

Interested? Contact Martin Langeveld (newsafternewspapers@gmail.com) or Bronna Zlochiver (bronna.zlochiver@gmail.com), founders of this website.

We request town boards and committees to send us minutes, agendas and warnings for posting on this site, and we invite clubs, organizations and businesses to send us news and event information.