

VerShare

To enhance a spirit of community, foster economic development, and contribute to projects to benefit the residents of Vershire.

President's Message

Seasons Greetings,

Thanks to everyone who made Fall Festival a wonderful success. The stone soup was fantastic! The cider press and apple pie contest were ver popular and the Dragon Mountain kids did an impressive kung fu demonstration. The Barter/Flea market was a great addition with vendors offering everything from furniture and dishes to massage and frozen pork.

As we head into winter and our attention naturally turns more inwards it gives us time to reflect on the many changes taking place in our world.

No matter what your politics it is becoming clear that the country is going to face some serious challenges in the years ahead. Small communities that are able to come together and share their resources are the ones that will thrive. Helping each other makes us all strong. The recent drought is a good example. When some of our resident's wells ran dry other residents were quick to offer support. We even have a town faucet providing potable water. Now, fortunately, the problem has eased, but we never know when some new challenge will appear before us.

Thank to everyone reading this. We value your participation in this wonderful community and hope that you will continue to grow with us.

Aaron Hoopes, VerShare President



VERSHIRE NEWS

WELCOME HELEN



The Vershare Board is pleased to welcome Helen Wilson to the board as Treasurer. Helen has lived in Vershire off-and-on since 1975, and now lives on Parker Road with 4 generations of extended family. She divides her time among gardening, website design for non-profits, and technical writing for a software firm. Having worked as Financial Secretary for numerous non-profits, she is looking forward to working with Vershare as Treasurer and all-around volunteer.

NEW SIGN



Perhaps you've seen it as you've driven past the Church Orr House. The Vershire shop has a new sign. This one catches the eye much better than the old one. Don't worry the old one is inside with a new coat of paint. Both signs were made and donated by Aaron Hoopes.

Stop in and see all the new gifts and crafts we have from local artisans.



SATURDAYS
10am-1pm
Extended Holiday Hours
Sunday Dec 11th & 18th
12noon-4pm

FREE WIFI



LAST CHANCE!

VERSHARE DIRECTORY

The ALL NEW 2016 Vershire Directory is coming soon!

There is very little time left to make sure your contact information is up-to-date.

Contact Deborah Churchill to update your listing or to discuss advertising opportunities

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STAGECOACH STOP HOSTEL

The Stagecoach Stop Hostel is located in the Church Orr House and provides convenient and economical lodging for people visiting Vershire.

If you have any out-of-town visitors who need a place to stay...please come stay with us.

Hostel Rates:

\$35 per room/per night (single)

\$10 per extra person

Children under 12 FREE!

reservations email: information@vershare.org

20th Anniversary Snowshoe-A-Thon

March 4th 2017

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Vershire Snowshoe-A-Thon. Join us for a beautiful day on the trail from the Vershire Town Center to The Mountain School with a wonderful winter carnival & lunch at the finish line.

The even raises funds for the Children's Activity Fund which helps to fund extra curricular educational activities, tuitions to our summer day camps and many day outings. Many children benefit from your support first as they take pride in participating in the snow event and again when supported programs enrich their life experience.

We are asking you to help support the children by being a Snow Angel this year. Each Angel donation gives the children incentive to participate and boosts the overall funds raised

If you pledge per child, we'll let you know immediately after the snowshoe-a-thon how many children participated so you can fulfill your pledge. For the past few years we've had about 100 children, so a pledge of \$0.25/child = \$25, \$1/child = \$100, \$2/child = \$200. Every pledge amount is welcome.

Please be a Snow Angel!

Contact Karl Vitols or Andrea Herrington:

802-333-3690 or hummingbughillfarm@gmail.com



CIVICS KLATCH

Wednesday Mornings 7:30 - 9:00am at the Church-Orr House come for coffee, a thought-provoking DVD lecture from the Learning Company and a free-wheeling discussion. We just finishing a series entitled "Thinking About Capitalism" and will be deciding on the next series soon.

Come join us!

LYNN'S LIBRARY NOTES

The Fall Book Sale brought in \$224, about the amount we usually raise in the Fall. A big Thank You to all who helped!

We had a wonderful turnout for author Michael Tougias on October 29th to give a talk and slide show on his book "The Finest Hours: The US Coast Guard's Most Daring Sea Rescue". The Library has copies of that and his other book "So Close to Home", the story of a family that survived the torpedoing of a ship off the US coast in 1942. Also, there are still copies of the Shackleton books from Vermont Reads 2016 – what a great story! Come and pick up a copy to read as the weather turns cold and you can almost appreciate what Shackleton and his men endured. And we plan to show "The Endurance" again soon.

The Library is alive on Thursday afternoons with games and projects. November 10th and 17th Deb Churchill came to help kids make ceramic ornaments and Deb took them to be fired.

Santa will make his annual appearance at the Library on Saturday, December 10th at 11 am. Santa loves to read a book to the gathered children and parents and then hear the little ones tell what they'd like to get for Christmas. It's a major photo op! And Free Books for everyone!

Library hours are Wednesday 10-12, Thursday 2-5, and Saturday 10-1.
Hope to see you there.

-Lynn Roy



ONGOING EVENTS

1st Wednesday/Month - Community Lunch/Senior Lunch at Town Center

Saturday Mornings 10:00am - 1:00pm - Made in Vershire Shop

Wednesday Mornings 7:30am - Civics Clatch at Church Orr House

4th Friday/Month - Potluck/Soup Night at Town Center

UPCOMING EVENTS

Early-February 2017 - Chinese New Year Celebration Dinner

Mid-February 2017 - Hand-Building Pottery Workshop

Mid-April 2017 - 11th Annual CABARET - Musicians and Performers

wanted email Debra Kingsbury debra.kingsbury@fourseasonssir.com



March 4, 2017 - Snowshoe-a-
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YEAR OF THE FIRE ROOSTER