Mont Vernon

Daland Memorial Library News

Library hours: Tues. & Thurs. 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.; Wed. noon - 8 p.m.; Fri. 2 - 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed Sun. & Mon.

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Library Director: Karen MacDonald; Children's Program Director: Bonnie Angulas; Library Assistants: Allain Schnable and Amanda Geisinger.

Junior Book Clubs

Bonker's for Books Junior Book Club for third and fourth graders will be reading "Mrs. Piggle Wiggle" by Betty MacDonald for February's meeting. Group will meet Wednesday, Feb.3 from 4-5pm for a snack and discussion.

The Page Turners Junior Book Club for fifth and sixth graders will be reading "The Mysterious Benedict Society" by Trenton Lee Stewart. Group will meet Monday, Feb. 1 from 4-5pm for a snack and discussion.

BOOK GROUP NEWS March 1: "The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey" by Candice Millard

The next selection for the Daland Memorial Library's 2010 adult book discussion program will be "The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey" by Candice Millard. the book will be discussed on Monday, March 1; at 9:30 a.m.; at the library. The group, active for more than seven years, usually meets at the library the first Monday of each month (note exceptions below). Sometimes, the group takes a field trip relating to a book or may watch a movie interpretation of a selection. Every attempt is made to get

copies of the books through interlibrary loan. Books may also be found in paperback at local bookstores including The Toadstool Bookshop. Occasionally, because of availability, dates of books to be discussed may be switched or substitutions made. Participants are asked to bring a question, comment or observation to a discussion. They also take turns bringing a light refreshment for the group. There are usually between eight and twelve attendees. Anyone is welcome to join in one or more discussion. Library Director Karen MacDonald purchases a copy of each selection for the library collection. Any title may be borrowed by a library patron, though a book that's to be discussed will be reserved for book group participants the month of the discussion.

Book list for reminder of 2010 April 5 - TBA

May 3 - fiction: "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Ja-

mie Ford June 7 - fiction: (optional: "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald); "Double Bind" by Chris Bohialian

June 28 - non-fiction: "A Sand County Almanac" by Aldo Leopold ~ NO JULY DISCUSSION ~

August 2 - fiction - graphic novel: "Book of Genesis Illustrated by R Crumb" by R. Crumb

August 30 - fiction: "Homeland: A Novel" by Barbara Hambley NO SEPTEMBER DISCUS-

October 4 - fiction: "The Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck

November 1 - fiction: "The Help" by Kathryn Sockett December 6 - poetry: Donald

Hall, Jane Kenyon, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Questions, please call the library

Passes to Five Museums Daland Memorial Library Area

Museum Passes.

Looking for local fun? Check out the museum passes currently available to library patrons:

Canterbury Shaker Village 288 Shaker Road, Canterbury, NH Tel: 785-9511 www.shakers.org http://www.shak-

ers.org/ Take away passes (Co-pay: Adults \$6.00; Children \$3.00) Contact the library for restricted

(In December, the museum is open on a very limited basis, please check the website for details. The museum will close the end of the year and then reopen in the spring. Watch for details.)

Currier Museum of Art 201 Myrtle Way

Manchester, NH Tel: 603-669-7194 www.currier.org http://www.currier.

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Two passes available per day - each pass admits two adults. Children 17 and under admitted without charge.

Manchester Millyard Museum **Corner of Pleasant and Commercial** Streets

Manchester, NH Tel: 603-662.-7531 www.manchesterhistoric.org http:// www.manchesterhistoric.org/ 1 pass, admits 4 people

SEE Science Center 200 Bedford Street Manchester, NH Tel: 603-669-0400 www.see-sciencecenter.org http:// www.see-sciencecenter.org/

Museum of Fine Arts 465 Huntington Avenue Boston, MA

3 family passes

Tel: 617-267-9300 www.mfa.org http://www.mfa.org/ Take away FLEX pass - one pass

admits two adults (NOTE: \$5 co-pay for EACH adult) Some special exhibits at the MFA require a ticket which is an additional charge - check their website for details.

To reserve passes stop in or call the library at 673-7888. All passes made possible through the fundraising efforts of the Friends of the

Daisy Troop Collects for Neighbor 2 Neighbor

Daisy Troop 10448 is still collecting for Neighbor 2 Neighbor. The donation boxes are out - look for them at the McCullom Building, Daland Library and the Mont Vernon Village School. These boxes will remain in place until February 28th. Please help these girls restock the Neighbor 2 Neighbor pantry by giving non-perishable items, or by dropping off a check made out to Neighbor 2 Neighbor in the donation box.



The latest posting on the MONT VERNON CARES! bulletin board at Town Hall is a photo of Mont Vernon Daisy Troop 10448 holding fleece blankets they made for Blankets for Hope for wounded soldiers. In addition to those blankets, the girls made six blankets for needy families in Mont Vernon that were distributed by volunteers from the Congregational Church's food pantry and Neighbor 2 Neighbor. Great job, girls!

If you know of an act of kindness that deserves recognition, please contact

Rich Masters at townofmontvernon@comcast.net or call the Town office at 673-6080. Photos, newspaper clippings, and brief writeups are welcome.

Mont Vernon Police Department

Chief Kyle Aspinwall 673-5610

MONT VERNON — An organization's mission statement is the foundation upon which its priorities rest. With its new mission statement completed, the Mont Vernon Police Department is hoping to reach out to the community with a clear message that together, the police and the residents they serve and protect can work to provide a safe and healthy place to live.

According to Police Chief Kyle Aspinwall, the new mission statement for the department was developed with the help of the Police Department Advisory Committee, a citizen group formed to help shape the future of the department when Aspinwall took the helm a little more than a year ago.

Aspinwall said that the department's existing mission statement did not convey to the public a clear vision for a "partnership" between the police and the public in developing a sense of security and safety in Mont Vernon. It was also written without input from all of the "stakeholders," including town officials and members of the public, Aspinwall said.

The new mission statement reads as follows:

"The Mont Vernon Police Department exists to professionally serve and protect all people within the Town of Mont Vernon with respect, fairness and integrity. We do this in partnership with the community to ensure a safe, healthy environment in which to reside, work and enjoy

"A mission statement is supposed to be the cornerstone principle of how the police department can, should and will function," said Aspinwall. "The department and the Police Department Advisory Committee believe this new mission statement accurately captures our vision for the Mont Vernon Police Department."

Aspinwall said he was grateful to the citizens who have invested their time and energy volunteering to help the Mont Vernon Police Department build a solid foundation.

"There was an incredible amount of discussion and debate that went into developing a mission statement that accurately reflects the values and principles of the Mont Vernon Police Department," said Aspinwall. "I can't thank the Police Department Advisory Committee enough for all their hard work."

Make Your Voice Heard on SB 2

To the editor:

Announcement to Mont Vernon Taxpayers: The Annual March Meeting of the Mont Vernon School District Meeting is coming again!

A petition has been filed with the SAU 39 for SB2 (Senate Bill 2) which was enacted in 1995 for the purpose of giving all NH registered voters the privilege of voting by absentee or poll voting ballot for town and school meetings. Each town makes the decision to participate. With the exception of the Souhegan High School ballot, Mont Vernon voters do not have

MV registered voters will have the opportunity to express their views for the MVVS school petition on Thursday, February 11, 2010, 7 p.m.at the MV Village School.

Supporting this petition will give you the privilege of voting by absentee ballot on all issues for the MVVS whether you are out of town for business/ work/ military deployment/ vacation/ disability or health issues or for any reason you will be unable to attend.

For many years, the majority of MV taxpayers have not been given this opportunity. This is unfair-the bulk of your high priced property taxes filters into the school system and you have no say on the final voting day. Also, though meetings were charming as a gathering place in years they no longer satisfy the needs of the population of today.

We have 1,800 registered voters in MV. Possibly 300, more or less, have attended the MV School District meetings and THEY vote how your tax money is to be spent! Is that okay with you??

> N. McKinney Mont Vernon

Support for the Mont Vernon School Village School SB 2

To the editor:

The fact is that since 1995 the State of NH has allowed registered voters, in towns, to choose to vote by polling place ballot or absentee ballot, as an alternative to physical attendance at a school board meeting (on one evening), for their town's school district budgets and policies. It is known as a statute; SB 2, (RSA 40:13). The fact is also that, to date, Mont Vernon has failed to adopt this applicable to the Mont Vernon Village School. Enough signatures have been collected now, on a petition circulated through town, to bring this matter to the town fathers and now to a vote on March 9th.

Your vote via traditional polling place balloting or absentee balloting is your right and the only way to be able to fairly participate in deciding matters that most directly affects your property taxes. It becomes indeed necessary when so many are away from home; in the military, on business trips, working shifts, or are home bound.... It is the spirit of the Constitution; every voice having the equal opportunity to be heard through the ballot box. Voting in this manner will more accurately represent the desires of Mont Vernon residents.

A public hearing will be held, as posted, on Thursday evening, February 11th, at 7 pm, at the Mont Vernon Village School as an open forum for discussion of this pending vote.

Voters you deserve the opportunity to be fully heard.

Jan Miller Mont Vernon

"I Can Do This"

Join a support group/book discussion on Dr. Colbert's "I Can Do This" Diet beginning Monday February 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the MVCC. At the initial meeting we will determine a schedule for getting together as well as a review of the contents of the book and individual interests. Books will be available for purchase at the first meeting.

- · The Top Five Reasons that most diets do not work
- The Important basics of proper and healthy weight-loss How to overcome roadblocks using practical, spiritual, and
- mental tools. How to design a personal strategy that will actually work.

Dr. Colbert provides the structure to begin a new and permanent fit lifestyle. This weight loss program puts together all of the factors that affect your weight-emotional, behavioral, mental, dietary, hormonal, chemical, and lifestyle - and teaches you how to incorporate these principles into your life. The discussion will also include God's Promises for Weight loss highlighted in Dr. Colbert's book. Further questions; please do not hesitate to contact: Cindy Nemec, R.D. 672-4216.

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