

Winter Newsletter 2012

December 2012



Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- ◆ **Select Board:**
- ◆ 12-18 at 7:00pm
- ◆ 1-15 at 7:00pm

- ◆ **School Board:**
- ◆ 12-18 at 6:00pm
- ◆ 1-22 at 6:00pm

- ◆ **Planning:**
- ◆ 12-4 at 7:00pm
- ◆ 1-1 at 7:00pm

Did you know?

- ◆ In its original charter issued by Benning Wentworth, Dorset was actually spelled "Dorsett". Soon after becoming a separate municipality the second "t" was dropped from the spelling.



The holidays are here.....

Dorset Resident Steve Davenport & family (pictured below) dressed up the Kubota and joined many other Dorset Tractor Enthusiasts to delight residents with the 2nd annual parade of glowing tractors. The parade was led by Conservation Commission Chairman Malcolm Cooper and his family. The parade route stretched from H.N. Williams Store to the Dorset Village Green and back.

Special Thanks to H.N. Williams Store for allowing the Tractors to use the parking area at the store as a staging location. Happy Holidays!



The Dorset Village Library

Library Hours: M,W & Fri: 11am to 5pm T, Th & Sat: 10am to 3pm/
www.dorsetlibraryinfo.org



New Saturday hours, the library stays open until 3pm on Saturday!

Volunteering The Library is always happy to have people volunteer if they are able to give the Library at least two afternoons a month. We always need help with shelving books, preparing books for circulation, straightening the shelves, etc. Students in fifth grade and above are welcome to volunteer if they are willing to commit to one afternoon a week for four weeks.

The Dorset Library enriches the lives of all children who attend the Dorset School by making bulk loans of books, audios, puppets, explorer packs and videos to the school upon a teacher's request.

Contact us: 867-5774 or dorsetlibrary@aol.com

Town Reminders...

Boil Water Notice (Dorset Water System)

- The Dorset Water District has issued a continuance to the recent Boil Water Notice: It will be extended another 21 days due to the roof project at the water system pump house. This notice will be published in the paper soon. Residents with questions can contact: **Jim McGinnis 802-375-4021**
- **Like us on Facebook: "Town of Dorset, VT": get up to date information about town, make inquiries about projects, keep in touch with neighbors etc.**

Updates from The Dorset School

Fitness Station Grant

Thank you again to the DPV and the Town of Dorset! Based on the funds raised by them for our Recreational Facilities Grant, we were awarded a Matching Funds grant from the Vermont Department of Buildings and Grounds. The amount is **\$5,000.00** and will go toward the fitness stations to be installed along the field and nature trail at the back of the school. Thank you so much to all who helped on the Playground Committee and Clearing the Nature Trail!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12/18 - School Board Meeting in the Library a 6:00 pm

12/24-1/1 Holiday Recess

Tax time, DO NOT BE LATE....

Reminder to Dorset Taxpayers:



PSST!

Second installment of
property taxes is due:

Tuesday March 12th

Mail payments to

Town Manager's Office:

PO Box 715 East Dorset, VT 05253

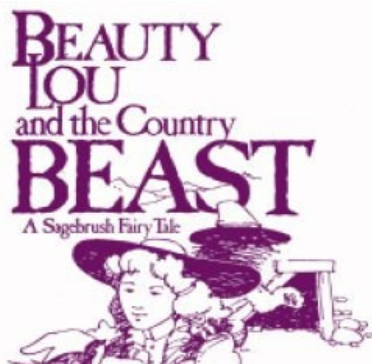
Or pay at the Town Offices:

112 Mad Tom Rd. East Dorset, VT
05253

*Late payments are subject to 8% penalty
& 1% interest (no exceptions!)*

Call 362-4571 x 4 with questions.

Dorset Players Winter 2012-13!



Produced & Directed by:

The Missoula Children's
Theatre

January 26
at 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm

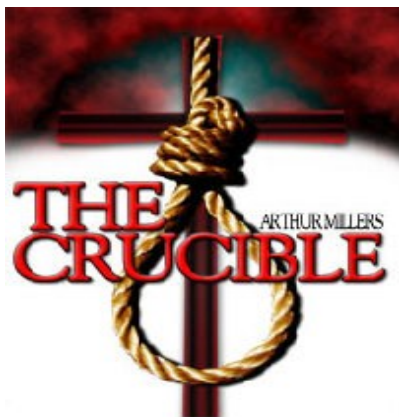
Director: Kevin O'Toole

March 8, 9, 15 & 16

at 7:30 pm

March 10 & 17

at 2:00 pm



Winter Recreation 2012-13!

Spend some time at the Riley Rink!

Visit the rink website to register: www.rileyrink.com

Register NOW for School Skate

January 8 - March 1, 2013 On your School's "JISP" Day



Early Bird Rate: \$83 per Student, \$205 Family Max (by 12/15/2012) \$100 per student (after 12/15/2012) **\$245 Family Max**

Register NOW for CAMP FREEZE!

The coolest Camp in VT **Winter Break Camp Dec 26-28th**

Ages 5-11, Hockey or Figure skating - 2 hours on ice, fun games, crafts and off-ice activities, Camp T-Shirt & a picture of YOU on our Zamboni! :o)

Riley Rink at Hunter Park Hunter Park Road | Manchester, Vermont

802-362-0150 | Toll Free: 866-866-2086 info@hunterpark.com

JISP



The Junior Instructional Snowsports Program (JISP) was started in 1951 to give local school children an inexpensive way to learn to ski. Today the Bromley Outing Club teaches over 700 local students per week to ski and snowboard. The program also offers one-on-one classes for special needs athletes.

Classes are divided according to their ability and are taught by volunteer instructors who are trained by the BOC coaching staff.

The BOC offers classes in beginner skiing and snowboarding through racing, freestyle and snowboard competitions for all levels of students.

The cost of this program is \$85 for ten days of lessons throughout the season. There are numerous Sunday afternoons that the students can ski or ride at Bromley on their JISP pass and two exchange days at Stratton.

DISCOUNTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR RILEY RINK PROGRAMS!

THE TOWN OFFERS A 25% REIMBURSEABLE DISCOUNT FOR JISP!

VISIT WWW.DORSETVT.ORG/RECREATION.PHP FOR INFO!

Town Clerk's Corner

The Town Clerk's Office is responsible for the recording of all land records, maintaining all vital records, supervising elections, issuing fish & wildlife licenses, dog licenses, and renewal of motor vehicle registrations.

- ◆ Stop by the Town Clerk's Office to register to vote, Town Meeting will occur in early March
- ◆ Voting takes place at the Dorset School at 130 School Drive Dorset, VT 05251
- ◆ After **January 1st 2013**, Dogs living in the Town of Dorset will need to be registered with the Town Clerk's Office.
- ◆ Dog Licenses are \$10.00 for dogs that are spayed or neutered and \$14.00 if the dog is not spayed or neutered. Proof of a current rabies vaccine is required. After April 1st the fees increase to \$12.00 and \$18.00

Recent Property Transfers (Sept 2012 to present)

Seller	Buyer:	Address:	Price:
Faszholz, James	Furtado, Carmel	3009 Route 30	\$154,000
Hawkins, Wilton	James & Patricia Zeigler	65 Hidden Hollow Ln	\$630,000
Hopkins, Edward	Charles S & Daniela Stewart	o Timberbrook (land)	\$136,000
Lehr, Phillip & Vickie	Battenkill Way Partners LLC	o Battenkill Way (land)	\$100,000
Melton Jr, Andrew	Slattery, Kerry	o Black Rock Ln. (land)	\$100,000
Van Benschoten Estate	Zweck-Bronner, Stanley	591 Nichols Hill Ln.	\$290,000
Zeigler, James & Patricia	Redmond, Richard & Jane	121 Lane Road	\$932,500

Questions? Call 362-4571 x 2 , Sandra Pinsonault, Town Clerk, CMC, CVC

Around Town.....



Malcolm Cooper skidding logs at The Pinnacle



Re-grading the beach at Emerald Lake State Park

We want your pictures! Throughout the year we'll be taking pictures to include in the 2012 Town Report, we invite residents to submit pictures to be included in the report & on the town website.

Email pictures to: townmanager@gmail.com or drop at the Town Offices.

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Winter in East Dorset Village circa 1940's

Winter Events in Dorset

Wednesday December 5,

Dorset Tree Lighting, Dorset Green ~ We'll begin at the Christmas tree on the Dorset Green for a Christmas Carol Sing-a-long [we have printed carol books--Bring a flashlight].

Then we will head over to the Dorset Church for a Chili and Soup Potluck. Please bring a pot of your favorite chili or soup. After supper we will have an ornament making session.

We will be making ornaments for the "Jesse Tree" to be hung by the congregation families on December 9th at the Christmas Tradition Sunday service.

Also we will be collecting NEW, UNWRAPPED toys for children aged 1-12 years to donate to the Community Sharing Project.

Saturday Dec 8,

Holiday Open House at Dorset Historical Society ~ featuring Christmas ornaments from the 1940s to the present. 11a.m - 1 p.m.

December Ongoing:

Tour one of Dorset's fine Lodging places (through the Manchester Chamber of Commerce www.visitmanchestervt.com)

- **The Dorset Inn (only Dec. 1st)**
- **The Inn at Westview Farm**
- **The Squire House Bed & Breakfast (only Dec. 1st)**



IN THE NEWS

Meet the New Board Members:

Art Gilbert: Art has been involved at DHS since moving back to the ancestral home in the 1990s after a long career as a geologist. He has cultivated an extensive knowledge of Dorset and the DHS collection making him the 'go to man' for answers about our history. Art volunteers at the museum cataloging the collection, leading quarry walks, and advising the 'new guard'. Art was elected to a two year term after serving as the treasurer during 2012.

Malcolm Cooper: Malcolm grew up in Dorset often underfoot at the J. K. Adams, a business started by his father in 1944. One of his first 'professional' ventures was the publication of the *Dorset Weekly Newspaper* with his brother, Tom. Malcolm brings to DHS a perspective on 'recent' Dorset history and a fascination with the generations who came to Dorset before him. We are most grateful to him for the recent donation of extensive drawings, scrapbooks and artifacts detailing the first years of J.K. Adams' history. Malcolm is owner and chairman of the J.K. Adams.

Al Eckhardt: We are welcoming Al back on the Board as treasurer after a year's leave.

Judy Harwood: Judy retired to her ancestral homes in Dorset (Harwood) and in Manchester (Lathrop) after a career in academic librarianship. She is a member of the Manchester Historical Society, serving on the Board, planning the annual July walk, contributing to the Manchester book in the Arcadia Series Images of America, and relating Manchester history to the residents of Equinox Terrace. Judy brings her knowledge of local history and her professional skills as a 'keeper of information' to DHS.