

South Hero to Reconsider School Budget

SOUTH HERO Voters here will meet on Tuesday, May 4th to act on a pair of articles called for by a petition of 5% of the town's legal voters.

The meeting, to be held at the Folsom School at 7:30pm will act upon the following articles as warned:

"To see if the Town School District will vote the sum of money as recommended in the budget to support its school for the next year ensuing."

"Will the Town School District vote a sum of money to restore the Physical Education Program?"

School Board Chairman Horace Corbin said he was uncertain of the wishes of the petition signers, as he had asked to signers who were in favor of cutting the budget passed at the March Town Meeting, and other signers who wanted to raise that sum.

CCV Financial Aid

Those individuals interested in attending Community College of Vermont during the coming year, 1976-1977, and who might be eligible for financial aid should apply now.

The financial aid grant can be used toward education related expenses. To qualify, you must come in to the CCV office in Grand Isle or Franklin Counties.

A financial aid counselor will be available to explain the whole process and help you. Call 524-6717 or 933-8385 for an appointment, or drop by between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Federal Building, St. Albans, downstairs in the Multi-use room. In Grand Isle, Tuesday, April 27, a counselor will be available to help you between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the Folsom Elem. School in South Hero.

It should be noted that you're under no obligation to CCV or to accept the F.A. grant if you don't attend CCV this coming year. Even if you're not sure what courses you are going to take, you'll be ready for the Summer semester when it begins. The process to determine eligibility takes approx. six weeks.

Community College's activities are funded in part by a Federal Grant through Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

NOTICE

ALBURG The annual meeting of the Alburg Library Association will be held on May 13th at 8pm in the basement of the library building.

350 Attend Annual 4-h County Night

SOUTH HERO Some 350 persons jammed the Folsom Community and Educational Center on Saturday night, April 24th for the annual 4-H County Night activities.

Leading off the evening's activities were the club and action exhibits at 6:30 in the evening. North Hero was represented by Cooking and Knitting club exhibits and their physical fitness group; while Grand Isle's Crafty Crafters, and Dairy club, the Champlain Champions were also on hand. Host South Hero was represented by a 4-H Mini-Crafts group composed of Crewel, Cake Decorating, Modge Podge and T-Shirt decorating, and the Hero's Heifer's Club. All six groups will advance to 4-H State Day.

Following the action exhibits, the large crowd was treated to seven stage presentations, with the three towns again each being represented. North Hero's Physical Fitness Group, led by Cora Martin and Debbie Hall opened the stage show, and were followed by the Creativity Group from Grand Isle, led by Linda Horican; the South Hero Dress Review, led by Patty Chamberlain and Gladys Lane; The Strong American's, Grand Isle's physical Fitness group led by Martha Horican and Bev Baker; the Grand Isle Modern Dance Group led by Beverly Rock and Carry Cameron and the Little Sisters gym group, also from Grand Isle, led by Debbie Laferriere and Anza Harris.

The Strong Americans group and The Little Sisters, both of Grand Isle were chosen to represent Grand Isle County at 4-H State Day, while Extension Agent Bob White left the door open for other county groups, when he indicated that if any other county fails to fill its State Day Quota, more Grand Isle Groups might be sent.

Seven youngsters received National 4-H Awards for their achievements over the years. They were Marie Rock, Linda Horican, Robin Sorrell, Debbie Demars and Debbie Perry of Grand Isle, Debbie Hackett of South Hero and Robin Martin of North Hero.

A listing of all participants club-by-club in this year's county night will appear in our next issue. The length of the list did not allow its publishing this issue.

BOOK FAIR

SOUTH HERO The South Hero Community Library will hold a fund raising Book Fair at the library on May 6-8 in conjunction with the Everyday Book Store in Burlington. The library will receive 15% on the sale of hard cover editions and 10% on the sale of paperbacks. Hours will be from 8am-3pm on Thursday; 8am-5pm and again from 7-9pm on Friday; and 9am-4pm on Saturday. The sale will be held in conjunction with the Folsom Fun Fair.



Photo by Bret Corbin

Members of South Hero's Mod Podge Squad work busily at their action exhibit on 4-H County Night.



Photo by Oatmeal

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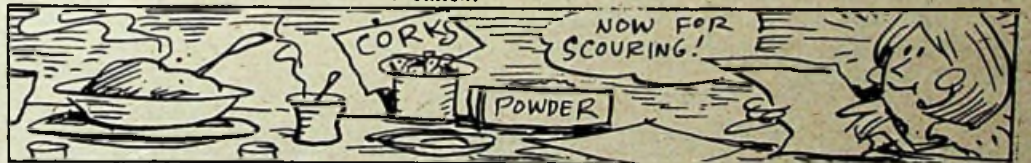
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Letters to the Editor

In the past two years our school board has had to eliminate programs from our school system because our budget has been cut. We voted to build our present facility four years ago because we needed more classroom space and we wanted to give our children a well-balanced academic curriculum. We have not operated our facility long enough to evaluate the true results of our original intentions that we taxpayers voted for when we built the new addition.

Our students have come a long way in the past three years. They are better equipped when entering high school and their attitudes are much better. The strong leadership we have in South Hero by our principal is one of the greatest assets to our children that we can provide. Our school board has presented a budget of \$378,244.00 which includes a well-rounded program at the lowest possible cost. They eliminated what they possibly could and the only increases included in the budget were fixed expenses.

We are going to have higher tuition costs in the next four years and if we have had to cut valuable programs in the past two years to meet this expense, what will we have left in four? No music, no kindergarten, no shop or home economics, nothing to give the children variety from the 3 R's! We will have lost years of hard work and progress. If programs and activities continue to be cut, the spirit and atmosphere of our school will disappear, also.

We feel as parents and citizens that we must face our responsibilities as taxpayers and meet our school's needs now or pay for our lack of support later. We cannot "see-saw" back and forth, first adding programs - then taking them away. Think about it. Attend and vote at the May 4 Town Meeting.

Larry & Sandy Roy
Bob & Jackie Dewyea
South Hero, Vermont

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE ESTATE OF LYDA L. JAMESON

The Undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Grand Isle, Commissioners, to receive, examine, and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Lyda L. Jameson, late of Alburg, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at the Town Clerk's Office in the Town of Alburg in said District, on the 1st Wednesday of May and 1st Wednesday of August next, on each of said days and that four months from the 6th day of April, 1976, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at North Hero this 6th day of April, 1976.

/s/ Duane Langlois
/s/ Stanley Mitchell
Commissioners

Apr. 13-20-27

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE ESTATE OF ARTHUR PARO

The Undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Grand Isle, Commissioners, to receive, examine, and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Arthur Paro late of Isle La Motte in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at the Town Clerk's Office in the Town of Isle La Motte in said District, on the 3rd Friday of May and 3rd Friday of September next, on each of said days and that four months from the 19th day of April, 1976, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at North Hero this 19th day of April, 1976.

/s/ Lafayette Paquette
/s/ Paul Jarvis
Commissioners

April 27, May 4-11

PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

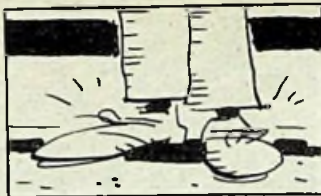
A public hearing before the board of adjustment of the Town of Isle La Motte will be held on the 19th day of May, 1976, at 7:30 o'clock p.m. at Town Office.

Double Mobile Home 56' x 24' Flood Hazard Area to consider an application for a variance from the town zoning regulations on Flood Hazard Area. Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. L. Zukor, 5801 Wolseley, Montreal, Quebec. Proposed Location: Little Canada.

Signed Diane Cherrier
April 22, 1976

Mobile Home 60' x 14' Lot 200' x 118' to consider an application for a variance from the town zoning regulations. Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. George Ashline, Plattsburg, N.Y. Proposed Location: West Shore.

Signed Diane Cherrier
April 22, 1976



Some people believe that if you put on your right sock and shoe before you put on your left sock and shoe you will have a good day.

WARNING RESIDENTS OF SOUTH HERO

The Selectmen of South Hero will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 11, 1976, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office to consider a Peddler's truck selling crafts within the Town of South Hero.

This permit is required under section 2 of the Interim Zoning Regulations of the Town of South Hero.

Selectmen
William Legge
Alan Kinney
Henry W. Robinson

Dated at South Hero
April 23, 1976

WARNING RESIDENTS OF SOUTH HERO

The Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 11, 1976, at 7:15 p.m. in the Town Office to consider the application of Dana Larrow to relocate his tool service business and also to operate a small Hardware Retail Store in the building adjacent to Branch's Store.

This permit is required under section 2 of the Interim Zoning Regulations of the Town of South Hero.

Selectmen
William Legge
Alan Kinney
Henry W. Robinson

Dated at South Hero
April 22, 1976

ESTATE OF LUCY L. WELLS STATE OF VERMONT

Probate Court
District of Grand Isle, ss.

To all interested persons:

Whereas, said Court has assigned the 21st day of May next, for examining and allowing the account of the Executor of the Estate of said Lucy L. Wells, late of South Hero, and for a decree of the residue of said Estate to the lawful claimants of the same, and ordered that public notice thereof be given to all persons interested in said Estate by publishing this order three weeks successively, previous to the day assigned, in the Islander, a newspaper published at Grand Isle in said District.

Therefore, you are hereby notified to appear at the Probate Office in North Hero at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to contest the allowance of said account if you see cause, and to establish your right as heirs, legatees and lawful claimants to said residue.

Given under my hand, this 19th day of April, 1976.

Chester C. Martel
Register

Apr. 20-
May 4-11

ESTATE OF HAROLD A. DESAUTELS STATE OF VERMONT

Probate Court
District of Grand Isle, ss.

To all interested persons:

Whereas, said Court has assigned the 3rd day of May next, for examining and allowing the account of the Executrix of the Estate of said Harold A. Desautels, late of Alburg, and for a decree of the residue of said Estate to the lawful claimants of the same, and ordered that public notice thereof be given to all persons interested in said Estate by publishing this order three weeks successively, previous to the day assigned, in the Islander, a newspaper published at Grand Isle in said District.

Therefore, you are hereby notified to appear at the Probate Office in North Hero at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to contest the allowance of said account, if you see cause, and to establish your right as heirs, legatees and lawful claimants to said residue.

Given under my hand, this 5th day of April, 1976.

Chester C. Martel
Judge

Apr. 13-20-27

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

NORTH HERO

Wed. April 28: beef w/ gravy on bread, corn, cranberry sauce, pears, and milk.
Thurs. April 29: hamburger on rolls, potato chips, toss salad, applesauce, and milk.
Fri. April 30: fish fry, potatoes, carrots, jelly sandwich, pudding, and milk.
Mon. May 3: veg. beef soup, crackers, bologna sandwich, fruit cake, and milk.
Tues. May 4: macaroni w/ cheese, green beans, cottage cheese, peanut butter jelly sandwich, fruit jello, and milk.

GRAND ISLE

Wed. April 28: Sloppy Joes on Bun, toss salad, cookie, and milk.
Thurs. April 29: vegetable soup, egg salad sandwich, crackers, carrot-celery sticks, fruit, and milk.
Fri. April 30: Tuna salad on Bun, potato chipps, carrot & celery sticks, oranges, and milk.
Mon. May 3: Cheeseburgers, french fries, peas, fruits, and milk.
Tues. May 4: baked chicken, sweet potatoes, green beans, bread, fruit, and milk.

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Grand Isle Notes

by Ramonah Devino 372-5596

GRAND ISLE The Island Hoppers Square Dance Club held their graduation for 17 dancers on April 19 with over 75 in attendance. With swirling skirts and fancy steps the graduation class was put through the usual paces to determine their newly earned honors. Many attended from Waterbury and Morrisville. The graduates were: Mr. and Mrs. Quinton Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kozic, Mr. and Mrs. Gene McAllister, Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner, Grace Poquette, Ed Pleasant, Craig Greene, George and Jay Cameron, Lisa Deo, Arlene Parrott, Norman Gardner and DeAnn Dubuque. A new group will be formed in September and all are welcome to join.

C. P. Griswold of Montpelier spent several days at the Henry Griswold home. Mrs. Becky Stevens and sons, Jeffery and Michael of Troy, N.Y. were also guests.

Vida Griswold was in South Hero last Tuesday evening to demonstrate the making of zipper jewelry to the Happy Islander's Club #2. It was held at the home of Mrs. Charlotte Bota.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bessette spent two weeks in Denver, Colorado, visiting Chris's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Sutton and two brothers and families, Mr. and Mrs. William Sutton and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sutton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Caswell were in St. Albans recently to visit her brother at Kerbs Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George Caswell, Mrs. Robert Arnold and daughter, Dori, were in Fair Haven recently. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Chester Anderson in Hubbardton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Caswell and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Arnold and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dewyea in South Hero on Easter Sunday.

The P.T.O. Benefit Shop is now accepting summer articles.

Mrs. Lucy Harris has been a guest of her sister Mrs. Gladys Bombard in Georgia.

Mrs. Bessie Wiltshire of Morrisville visited her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cary a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Tallerico of North Adams, Mass. visited Mr. and Mrs. Michael Plantier. Dawn and Mary Plantier returned home after visiting their grandparents during the school vacation.

Bicentennial Poster Contest

GRAND ISLE The Grand Isle Bicentennial Committee is sponsoring an essay and poster contest for all Grand Isle students, Grades Kindergarten through 8 with categories as follows: Kindergarten & 1st grade Poster Contest, 3 cash prizes; 2nd & 3rd grades Poster Contest, 3 cash prizes; 4 & 5th grade Essay Contest, 3 cash prizes; and 6th, 7th, & 8th grade Essay Contest, 3 cash prizes.

All poster & essay entries should be of a historical background of Grand Isle. No set amount of words are required for the essays. The group is looking for interesting reading material and not just a quantity of words. Good sources for this kind of material are your own friends and neighbors. The Grand Isle Library also has much information on Town History.

All entries must be submitted to the Bicentennial Committee by June 30th and prizes will be awarded at Grand Isle Festival on July 17th at the Grand Isle School. Submit entries to Ellen Deo or leave at the Grand Isle Store.

Helen Bullis Honored

GRAND ISLE By unanimous decision the Grand Isle Bicentennial Committee has elected Helen Bullis of Grand Isle as its Honorary Chairman. Mrs. Bullis has been an active member in various town offices for many years. She has served as Town Treasurer, Auditor and numerous volunteer services. Mrs. Bullis served in legislature and was instrumental in acquiring the Hyde Log Cabin as a Historical Society Building. Mrs. Bullis has also served as organist at the United Methodist Church for over 25 years.



Photo by Bret Corbin

Jenny Luck of South Hero adds final touches to 80,000 calorie bear, who looked too good to eat at 4-H County Night.

Grand Isle Notes Cont.

The Grand Isle County Extension Homemakers annual banquet will be held at the Sandbar Inn in South Hero on May 17th with Patrice Miller, I.Y.F.E. delegate who visited Turkey this year as guest speaker.

Town residents will take up the question of whether or not to buy the Champlain Islands Gun Club Building for a sum of \$10,000 at a public meeting to be held on Wednesday evening, April 28th at the Grand Isle School at 7:30pm.

Anyone interested in the starting of a mens and womans softball team is asked to contact Dick or Linda More at 372-4607

Miss Anne Cootware and Miss Arlene Parrott were co-hostesses Sunday afternoon to about 40 guests in honor of Miss Gail Cootware, who will be married May 15th to Charles Parrott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Parrott. Gail was assisted in opening her gifts by Connie Joe Baylies, who will also be her flower girl at the wedding. Mrs. Vida Griswold and Mrs. Donna Zabrosky made the two bridal shower cakes.

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7pm-9pm

May 8 9am-4pm

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Outdoors with B.G.



A Gray Ghost trailed the boat as the little three-horse outboard purred in seeming contentment. Working my way slowly along the shore through the early morning mist, I couldn't restrain a feeling of renewed vigor. Just a couple of weeks ago the big lake was ice-covered and the corn snow was knee deep in the nearby cedar swamp. The dead of winter had been rapidly erased by the sudden birth of spring.

Landlocked salmon were the objective that day, although the same fishing methods will work on rainbow, brown and lake trout. The gray ghost is not a water-born poltergeist. It's a streamer fly patterned to look like that classic salmonid food fish, the smelt...at least in the eyes of the fish. Some fishermen dispute its effectiveness, but the majority of dyed-in-the-wool lake fishermen who go after the big salmonids rely on it as an old standby at this time of year.

Smelt have been spawning in recent weeks, and the trout and salmon seem to know it. The big fish will often haunt the lake shore near the mouths of smelt spawning brooks. They will continue to cruise the shore and upper levels of a lake until continual warm weather drives them and the smelt down deep. Hence, for a while anyway, trout and salmon will be vulnerable to the patient fisherman who is willing to troll for them for them without a lead core or wire line.

Some gray ghost fishermen use fly rods with a sinking line and long leader, anticipating the great battle they will have if a respectable size fish hits on this equipment. Others settle for spin-casting gear and straight mono line. Either way, you may have to add a split shot or two four or five feet ahead of the fly. But remember, you probably won't need to go that deep this time of year.

Try various trolling speeds, beginning on the fast end of the scale. Salmon especially seem to like the faster speeds. Twitch the fly along as you go, and every once in a while let it just "swim" steadily.

A word of caution is due here. Set your reel drag so there is just enough tension to hook a fish if it strikes. The most common mistake made in this style of fishing is to have the drag too tight which results in a broken line after a heavy strike.

I did end up with a couple of nice landlocked salmon that day. One went eighteen inches and the other measured twenty-one. The word is out that salmon fishing in several Northeast Kingdom lakes is pretty fair this year. Memphremagog is big enough to mention, and the others are listed on the VERMONT GUIDE TO FISHING. The "fishing guide," as F&G personnel fondly term it, is a map of Vermont with the fish species, access areas, boat launching ramps, and a wealth of other information identified by symbols for each stream and body of water. The 1976 fishing guide is out and available. If you can't find one locally, write to the Information & Education Section, Vt. Fish & Game Department, Montpelier, Vt. 05602. They are free of charge.

By the way, the daily limit on landlocked salmon and lake trout is 2 fish, singly or in combination. The length limit is 15 inches for both species. Check in the back of the "Digest of Laws and Regulations," also free, for specific differences between the salmonids. Salmon can fool you ... double check!

SHORT TIP: The most effective lake trout and salmon fisherman I know is usually done fishing by 8:30 a.m. He is on the lake before sunup and trolling as the first rays of sunlight streak across the sky. Judging by his results, it's the best time of day to go after the big salmonids.

Turkey Night May 6

CASTLETON The restoration in recent years of the wild turkey, a once-prevalent member of Vermont's wildlife population, has been one of the state's major environmental successes of the 20th Century. Six years ago Vermont's wild turkey population consisted of 31 birds. Today this number has grown to 4,000 to 6,000 birds. To help celebrate the turkey's return to the Vermont scene, and to add to the modern citizen's understanding of this magnificent bird, the Vermont Natural Resources Council and the Vermont Fish & Game Department, Agency of Environmental Conservation, will jointly sponsor "Vermont Turkey Night" on Thursday, May 6th at 7:00 p.m. The program will be held in the Science Auditorium of the Florence Black Science Building at Castleton State College, Castleton, Vermont. Admission is free.

Pete Farrar, nationally known turkey caller and hunter who is also President of the National Wild Turkey Federation, will demonstrate turkey calling and discuss hunting techniques. Jack Swedberg, a well-known nature photographer, will show recent footage of films he has taken of turkeys, and will also show some of his equipment and techniques. Swedberg is currently a nature photographer with the Massachusetts Division of Fish & Wildlife.

Other features of "Vermont Turkey Night" include Jeff Wallin, Biologist with the Vermont Fish & Game Department, who will speak on turkey biology and management, and John Randolph, Editor of the Vermont Sportsman newspaper, who will talk about public relations problems in turkey management. A speaker from the Audubon Society is scheduled to briefly describe the history of the wild turkey. An excellent film on wild turkey in Missouri will also be shown.

Anyone interested in learning more about turkeys is invited and urged to attend.

For further information contact either Seward Weber, Executive Director of the Vermont Natural Resources Council, Montpelier, Vermont, Telephone. 223-2328 or The Vermont Fish & Game Department, Agency of Environmental Conservation, Montpelier, Vermont, Telephone. 828-3371.

Salmon Announces Green-Up Changes

MONTPELIER Governor Thomas P. Salmon today announced that Green-Up Day in Vermont will have a different emphasis this year due to the changing nature of cleanup needs and the reduced budgets of those agencies and departments previously involved in this activity.

"In the seven-year history of Vermont Green-Up Day, there have been many changes and much progress," Salmon said. "One of the main factors is the excellent beverage container law that is working, and is the subject of many inquiries from other states and localities." The Governor said, "This law, which has attracted international attention in a Reader's Digest article, has been the major reason for a dramatic reduction in roadside trash accumulation -- the bottles and cans which used to be so blatantly noticeable as the snow melted in past years.

"People will perhaps remember that it was citizen reaction to that ugly mess which led to the first Green-Up Day and the eventual enactment of the Container Deposit Law. The law has now been made even stronger with the ban of the 'flip-top' can rings and non-returnable bottles effective next January 1," Salmon said.

Governor Salmon said the State's role in Green-Up this year will be necessarily different in light of the budgetary constraints on the departments which formerly were directly involved.

"We are looking to the towns to designate their own Green-Up Day as a general clean-up, paint-up, fix-up time," Salmon said, "and with many Bicentennial activities planned around the state, we know that many towns have already started a 'spruce-up' program."

Despite a somewhat reduced state-level role in Green-Up this year, many state contributions to general clean-up continue as usual. In the Transportation Agency, the Vermont Highway Department is completing its annual spring pickup of what post-winter trash there was.

The Governor's Action Line will serve as a clearinghouse for Green-Up information for local communities, and from the private sector, materials for Green-Up activities will be provided by the U.S. Brewers' Association as part of their "Pitch-In" program. These materials will be available from the Environmental Protection Division of the Environmental Agency in Montpelier.



Members of the Little Sisters 4-H group introduce themselves to the large crowd at 4-H County Night.

Photo by Bret Corbin

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Grand Isle Gardener

A new weekly column of general gardening interest by Dennis and Mary Bruckel of the Grand Isle Nursery in South Hero

STRAWBERRIES FOR THE HOME GARDEN

Strawberries are a very popular home garden small fruit. Low initial costs, relatively simple cultural practices, and high yields make strawberries a natural for gardeners with limited space.

Catskill and Sparkle are historically the most important varieties in Vermont. These are early and late-season varieties respectively. Midway is an excellent high yielding mid-season variety.

Most strawberries are so called June bearing varieties. These bear fruit heavily in June, the year following planting. Everbearing varieties yield fewer fruits in June, but also produce fruit in late summer and through the fall. Generally the June bearing varieties are more satisfactory.

Strawberries need fertile, well-drained soil in full sun for most of the day. Heavy applications of well rotted manure, applied well prior to planting and plowed or rototilled in will aid establishment.

Set plants out in May in rows 3 to 5 feet apart with 1 to 2 feet between the plants. The planting depth is critical. Be sure the plants are set so that the crown is about 1/2 covered with soil. Too deep or too shallow planting will hamper success.

Watering may be needed to help the plants become established and help runner formation. The flower buds, if allowed to develop fruit, will also reduce runner plant formation, so they should be removed during the first season.

The earliest formed runner will produce the best fruit, so try to encourage early runner rooting by good water levels, and frequent cultivation for good weed control.

The best fruiting is obtained if the daughter plants or runners are spaced and set early, 8-10" apart and the rows allowed to develop to 2-3 feet wide. Then remove any late forming runners as they will only compete with the already existing ones.

Fall care of strawberries is critical. The plants are not especially winter-hardy and need extra protection in the form of a mulch. Straw is the best as it is a good insulator, retaining lots of dead air spaces. Apply the mulch late in the fall, after several hard frosts but before the ground freezes. Use 6-10 inches of straw for good insulation.

Remove the straw in late April leaving some straw in the rows to hold developing fruit off the soil. The straw is commonly left in the areas between rows to make picking more comfortable.

Picking begins in early to mid June depending on season and variety. Good growing conditions will generally give a yield of approximately 2 quarts of fruit per original plant set. So 25 plants set in a 50 foot long row should yield around 50 quarts of fruit.

Yields in subsequent years decline and most growers find it necessary to plant new plants at least every other year. Be sure to plant commercially produced virus-free plants. Your own plants, or those of a friend almost certainly have any of several virus diseases which can reduce yield by as much as 50% and still look perfectly normal. Plants produced by commercial growers are inspected and tested by state regulatory agencies and certified free of virus.

Next Week: Grapes

Final Garden Course

NORTH HERO Community College of Vermont in cooperation with Grand Isle Extension Service is sponsoring a service of Public Service workshops in Grand Isle County. All workshops are free of charge.

Part III of the Gardening Series will meet on Thursday, April 29, at the North Hero Community Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Aline Coffey, U.V.M. Extension Nutrition Specialist will discuss "Freezing, Canning, and Preserving Your Vegetable Crop."

All interested persons are urged to attend. For further information contact either Joe Colburn or Burt Sisco at the CCV office in St. Albans. The numbers to call are 893-2525 or 524-6717.

Gardens Get Early Start

The recent high water and flooding along with damage to the County shore line effected only the shore line and low areas. Back on the higher land the lack of rain has speeded up the early planting. Several farmers have planted oats and seeded down a number of acres. This is great, because the work load can be spread out and there will be time to get ready for corn planting, when the ground dries out more and the soil temperature gets high enough for good corn growth.

Several have early gardens already planted.

Farm Bureau Poster Winners

GRAND ISLE The Grand Isle County Farm Bureau once again sponsored a poster contest this year. The contest was opened to any student in grades 1 through 8 who attended one of the Grand Isle County Schools. Over 200 posters were entered making the judging difficult, but a list of winners has been announced.

Winners in the Primary Division (grades 1 & 2) were Duane Williams of Alburg who won the \$5 first prize. Shauna Prime of Alburg, who was awarded the \$3 second prize and Paul Jacques also of Alburg, who won the \$2 third prize. Honorable mention in the division went to Lisa Benjamin and Nicole Boutin, both of Alburg.

Reggie Martin of Grand Isle was the \$5 first prize winner in the Intermediate Division (Grades 3 & 4) while John Mosher, also of Grand Isle placed second for \$3 and Karl Haberstroth of North Hero won the \$2 third place award. Honorable mention was given to David Aulis of Alburg and Travis Dubuque of Grand Isle.

Winners in the Upper Grade Divisions were Karen Sandor of Grand Isle, who finished first, Sherry Cheeseman of North Hero, who placed second and Connie Creveling of South Hero, who was third. The prizes were the same as in the other divisions, and Honorable Mention was given Rodney Straight of South Hero and Susan Cheeseman of North Hero.

Custom Rates Available

NORTH HERO Every year several people ask the usual custom rates charged for tractors, and all types of farm machinery. Each year Dwight Eddy, Extension Economist at U.V.M. publishes a list of custom rates charged in the northeast. These rates are compiled from Doane's Agricultural Report and an average figures that are reported for the northeast.

These sheets are available from the County Extension Office. Write or call me for your free copy.

Agra Advisory Board Named

WASHINGTON* D.C. U.S. Rep. James Jeffords has announced the formation of an Agricultural Advisory committee to advise him on farm related problems and to propose agricultural legislation.

Jeffords said he expects the bipartisan group to have significant impact on the positions he takes as a member of the House Agriculture Committee and ranking minority member of the Dairy and Poultry Subcommittee.

All 14 Vermont counties are represented, with Ray Allen and Hank Robinson, both of South Hero representing Grand Isle County. The group is expected to hold its first meeting in May.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone that attended the benefit Hot Dish Dinner for the American Legion Auxilliary on Sunday, April 25th. Your generous donations and support for our cause is very much appreciated.



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North Hero Softball Schedule

NORTH HERO The North Hero softball club has entered the Lake Champlain Sloe-Pitch League again this year and the following is a schedule of all their regular season games. Each week we will post the scores of the games.

DATE	DAY	TIME	WHERE	FIELD	TEAM
May 4th	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Woodmen of the World
May 6th	Thursday	6:45pm	(Away)	Mooers School	Mooers K of C
May 11th	Tuesday	8:00pm	(Away)	Bowl Mart	Machinists (I.A.M.)
May 13th	Thursday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Richie's Village Tavern
May 18th	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Ayerst
May 20th	Thursday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Barcomb's TV
May 25th	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Mesec's
May 27th	Thursday	8:00pm	(Away)	Bowl Mart	Bowl Mart
June 1st	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Away)	Northeastern Clinton Field	
June 3rd	Thursday	8:00pm	(Away)	Bowl Mart	Mesec's
June 8th	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Away)	Field by Sheridan	Richie's Village Tavern
June 10th	Thursday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Barcomb's TV
June 12th	All Star	Game 2 seven games (each team 4 men) at Bowl Mart			
June 15th	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Rouses Point
June 17th	Thursday	8:00pm	(Away)	Bowl Mart	Woodmen of the World
June 22nd	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Mooers K of C
June 24th	Thursday	6:45pm	(Home)	North Hero	Machinists (I.A.M.)
June 29th	Tuesday	6:30pm	(Away)	Bowl Mart	Richie's Village Tavern
July 1st	Thursday	9:30pm	(Away)	Bowl Mart	Ayerst
July 6th	Tuesday	6:45pm	(Away)	Field by Sheridan	Barcomb's TV
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TREAT YOURSELF TO BREAKFAST IN BED

There are some luxuries in life that most of us can only dream about, but breakfast in bed is one luxury that anyone can enjoy. It's a special weekend treat when you can prop yourself up against the pillows and eat a tempting breakfast while reading the latest fashion magazines or watching your favorite TV program.

Your breakfast menu should be nutritious since this is the most important meal of the day. The ideal breakfast includes fruit, bread or substitute, eggs or meat, and milk. In other words, it should include something from each of the four major food groups.

A breakfast of Grapefruit Ambrosia and Ham and Cheese Pancakes with Peanuts accompanied by a glass of milk or two cups of cafe au lait—half milk and half coffee—is a nutritious, well-balanced meal that's as pleasing to the eye as it is to the palate. The Grapefruit Ambrosia combines fresh grapefruit and orange sections with pitted dates, flaked coconut and Planters Cocktail Peanuts.

The Ham and Cheese Pancakes with Peanuts are made by tucking slices of boiled ham between fluffy pancakes and topping them with a creamy cheese and peanut sauce.

Both recipes use Planters Cocktail Peanuts. Peanuts supply large amounts of protein, niacin, riboflavin and other important food elements.



GRAPEFRUIT AMBROSIA

3 grapefruits
2 oranges
1 cup quartered pitted dates
1 can (3-1/2-ounce) flaked coconut
1/2 cup halved Planters Cocktail Peanuts

Cut away peel and outer membrane from grapefruits and oranges. Separate fruits into segments. Combine segments with dates, coconut and peanuts. Toss mixture. Chill 1 hour before serving. Makes 10 to 12 servings.

HAM AND CHEESE PANCAKES WITH PEANUTS

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) margarine
2 tablespoons flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
Generous dash white pepper
1-3/4 cups milk

1/2 cup Shredded Swiss cheese
1/2 cup chopped Planters Cocktail Peanuts
2 tablespoons dry sherry
6 slices boiled ham
12 hot pancakes

Melt 3 tablespoons margarine in saucepan. Blend in flour, salt and pepper. Cook over medium heat, stirring, until smooth and bubbly. Remove from heat and gradually stir in milk. Return to heat and bring mixture to a boil, stirring constantly. Add cheese; stir until melted. Stir in peanuts and sherry. Keep warm.

Melt remaining 1 tablespoon margarine in skillet. Add ham and heat through. On each of 6 serving dishes place one pancake. Top with a slice of ham and a second pancake. Spoon on sauce. Serve immediately. Makes 6 servings.

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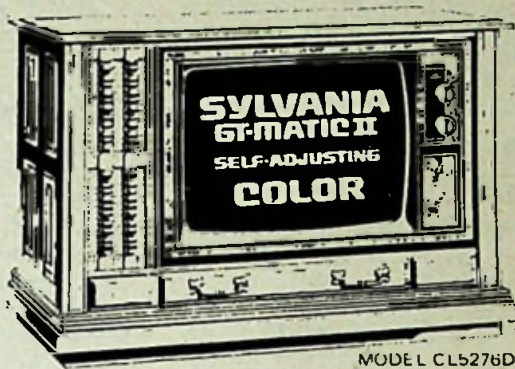
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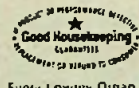
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Alburg to Meet on Plan

ALBURG On Monday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the Alburg School gymnasium, the selectmen and trustees of the town and village of Alburg will hold a public hearing to consider the revised town plan.

Anyone who is interested in the future of Alburg should attend as the town plan is the basis of a permanent zoning ordinance.

At the first meeting, which was sparsely attended, a number of changes were recommended in the plan. The plan has since been altered to meet the desires of those in attendance.

If the revised plan is accepted by the selectmen and trustees, the Zoning Board will begin work on the town's final zoning ordinance. The final ordinance will then have to be accepted by a vote of the citizens of the town and village.

Copies of the revised plan are available at the Alburg Town Clerk's office.

Easter Seal Drive Continues

ALBURG This year's Alburg Easter Seal drive for the Vermont Achievement center has netted only \$65.00 to date. This figure is far below the 1972 high of \$154.00. It is, however, slightly over last year's total of \$58.00.

According to Chairman Lynn Soule donations can still be made until May 5th. Anyone wishing to donate to this worthy cause is asked to please send their contribution to Mrs. Soule of Alburg.

\$406 Collected for Heart Fund

Alburg's 1976 Heart Fund has ended with the town not reaching its goal of \$160.00.

According to Lynn Soule, chairperson of this year's drive, a total of \$406.00 was collected. Last year's drive netted \$465.00.

Mrs. Soule would like to thank all 21 persons who were kind enough to get out and go door-to-door for this worthwhile project.

Correction

ALBURG Because of an oversight in our last issue, The Alburg Cub Scout Pack was inadvertently omitted from the list of participants in the presentation of the Bicentennial flag to the town of Alburg.

Our apologies to all of the members of the pack and to all those parents who have worked so hard to make the group as fine as it is.

South Hero Notes

by Jill Hackett & Staff

SOUTH HERO The South Hero Republican Party held its caucus on April 22nd at the South Hero Fire Station. Three delegates to the Party's State Convention were elected, along with two alternates. Chosen as delegates to the May 22nd Convention in Montpelier were Mary Bruckel, Nancy Tracy and Dr. Charles Norton. Selected as alternates were Al Jacobsen and Mrs. Dorothy Norton. The delegates are all supporters of President Gerald Ford, and were selected by the 16 members attending the meeting.

Three South Hero students have been selected to go to Hamlin, Germany as part of the Hamlin-South Burlington High Exchange Program this summer. The three South Hero students, who are all attending South Burlington High are Judy Geer, Debbie Hackett and Beth Maxham, who will be making the trip along with 12 other S.B.H.S. students. To aid in the financing of the venture a 10 mile Walk-A-Thon will be held on May 8th, in hopes of raising some \$1,000 towards expenses. Sponsors are needed to pledge an amount of money for each mile walked by one of the girls. Anyone interested in sponsoring a walker is asked to call either 372-5555, 372-5516 or 372-8373.

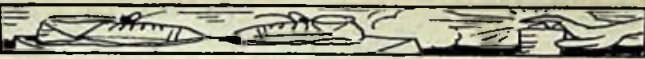
Elementary School students have returned to classes following the Easter vacation.

There will be a meeting of all parents of eighth graders going on the class trips to Washington, D.C. this evening at 7:30pm at the Grand Isle School to discuss the trip.

All of the South Hero 4-H clubs with action exhibits have advanced to 4-H State Day in Barre.

Folsom school has a new student teacher from the University of Vermont for the next three weeks. He will be teaching phys. ed.

The Folsom School Current Events Quiz Team of Jill Hackett and David Steady will be opposing Clarendon, New Hampshire on the WCAX-TV Quiz Show to be aired at 2:30pm on Saturday. Both schools are one time winners in this year's action. The winner of Saturday's quiz will advance into play against this year's two time winners. Team alternates are Heidi Chamberlain and Dean Pidgeon.



Canvas sneakers can be washed and dried in your washer and dryer, and then sprayed with a thin film of starch to keep clean.

Island Events

APRIL 28

SOUTH HERO Library Volunteers meeting at 1:30pm at the Library.

GRAND ISLE Public hearing on the purchase by the Town of Grand Isle of the Gun Club Hall for a sum of \$10,000 at the school at 7:30pm.

APRIL 29

GRAND ISLE Registration for the Grand Isle Kindergarten. For information call Mrs. Anne Plantier.

APRIL 30

ISLE LA MOTTE Bingo sponsored by the Bicentennial Committee at St. Joseph's Church at 8pm. Prizes, 2 cards for \$1.

ALBURG Card Party at the Islands in the Sun Senior Citizens Center at 7:30pm, prizes.

MAY 1

ISLE LA MOTTE Fellowship supper at the United Methodist Church at 6:30pm.

MAY 3

SOUTH HERO Breast Cancer Awareness Evening at the Folsom School at 7:30pm sponsored by the South Hero PTO. Diane Ward, a R.N. from the Burlington VNA will be guest speaker and will give a slide presentation.

MAY 4

SOUTH HERO Special meeting of Town of South Hero school District at 7:30pm at the Folsom School to reconsider the school budget passed in March.

NORTH HERO Meeting of the North Hero Fire Dept. Auxiliary at 8pm at the fire station.

MAY 7

SOUTH BURLINGTON Vt. Kidney Association's Los Vegas Night at the Ramada Inn at 8pm. \$7 donation buys \$700 worth of play money for the evening. Advance tickets available at the Vt. Kidney Association, P.O. Box 244, Burlington, Vt. 05401. Tickets will be available at the door.

Mrs. Daisy Patnode has returned from a four week vacation in Newport Richie, Florida. While in Florida, she was a guest at the home of her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bready and grandchildren Joey and Denise.

The North Hero students will be participating in Green-Up Day sometime in May. Later in the day, after Green Up a picnic will be held followed by games at the school. This will be sponsored by the P.T.Y.O. and the town.

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by Bret Corbin

You can no longer buy medicine in a jar with an ordinary top. Our top inventors in the scientific world have come up with this fantastic lid for medicine called a "child-proof top." They come with easy instructions marked clearly on the lid that tell adults how to open them. Of course, since the little tykes can't read, they can't open them. You are wrong, oh great people of scientific achievement. The little people are the only ones who can open your bottles with the fancy twist.

There have been days when I have yearned for a 3 year old to open my bottle of Anacin and alleviate my migraine. I have all but taken a saber saw to the bottle top.

There are several different types of lids which all open a different way. Some you push in and twist while making a face only Allen Funt would appreciate. Some open like a safe by turning a 12 digit combination. By the time you've made the sixth rotation, the ambulance in waiting in the yard. Some you push in while turning in the direction of an arrow, which is no problem if you have been lifting weights for twenty years. And there is one where you match the arrows. This is probably the easiest, but you will need a carpenter's square in order to have them line up exactly.

The kids have no problem popping off any of these tops. They no sooner get their little diaper-scented hands on the tops and they're off. It's very embarrassing to have to call one of the neighbors to ask if Timmy can come over and give you your allergy pill. Sometimes it's necessary to make an appointment because the little duffers are making a bundle on anybody over five years old.

All over the world there are adults twisting and turning until they're blue. People that have never considered having kids are changing their minds so they don't have to rent the neighbor's kids to man the medicine cabinet. Older people are having even more trouble. One man was so exasperated with his top that he just sat back in his rocker and stared at his little liver pills for nearly a week. An elderly woman wrapped a slice of bologna around her medicine jar and tried to coax her dog into chewing off the top. People that take every day vitamins are now taking them bi-weekly because all the strength the vitamins give them is used to remove the bottle top. As for any hypochondriacs, well, they are phasing out rapidly. What fun is getting sick if it's so much work to get to the medication.

The new bottle tops are giving the tots employment, so don't be surprised if you see a pre-schooler riding his tricycle down the street with a roll of fifties strapped to the handlebars.

Hair Care Tips

by Holly Robinson, of the Country Cutter

What you need to know to have the very best haircut for you...

The most important thing you can do for your hair is to have it cut properly. The single most important individual you will meet in your search for enduring good looks is the person who does the job, a professional at hair dynamics.

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If you see a style in a magazine of a haircut you really like, take it along; it is difficult for most people to describe a haircut. Don't expect your cutter to give you an exact duplicate of the photo. Hair texture and body is different for every head of hair. Remember you are unique; no one in the world can look exactly like you, and your cut will be yours alone.

Healthful Hints

FROM THE GRAND ISLE COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL

Most women can do something about breast cancer. Make sure that any suspicious lumps in your breasts are brought to the attention of your physician immediately. However, since most women only visit a medical practitioner once a year, the American Cancer Society and the Grand Isle County Health Council recommend that each woman examine her breasts monthly to supplement the annual physical examination.

This breast self examination is simple, painless and easily performed once learned. It can be done when taking a shower or when lying in bed. The process takes just a few minutes to accomplish and will provide an early warning to the physician of any lumps that are found. With early warning and detection, treatment, if needed, can be started. As most breast lumps are not cancerous, early detection and diagnosis will also ease the minds of many women.

For more information contact the Champlain Islands Health Center for an appointment with the nurse practitioner.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT HAIR CUTS

A good haircut usually has a lifespan of 4 to 6 weeks. If you want your hair to look first-rate always, always have a monthly cut.

Even if you want to grow your hair very long, you must have 1/4 inch nipped off every month. Hair ends become dry and brittle from regular shampooing and brushing and eventually will break off anyway. It may seem a slow route to long hair but is the only way to shining and swinging hair.

Hair can be any length at any age. Bone structure, not age, determines your best cut and style throughout your life. What should change is the degree of softness and movement to the style that is best for you.

Hair should always be cut wet, and checked while still wet. Then hair should be dried and checked again.

Cutting your own hair is a dangerous hobby. If looks easy enough to cut a simple style—but only the professional knows about correct sectioning for a correct line.

Don't be discouraged if the cutter cannot give you what you want on the first visit. Your hair may have to grow before you can have the cut you want.

Hair should be blunt cut. Sculpting a head of hair with scissors is an art form. The pair of scissors is basically an extension of the expert's hand.

HAPPY HAIRCUTTING!

Breast Cancer Clinic

ALBURG The Grand Isle County Health Council and the County Cancer Society are co-sponsoring a Pap smear and breast self examination clinic to be held May 6 and 7 in the Alburg Area. A mobile van supplied by the Vermont Cancer Society will arrive May 6 in Alburg to provide residents with a free Pap smear and teach women breast self examination.

All interested women are urged to have these painless tests done. There is no charge for the test. Hours will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the two days.

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Agency on Aging Announces Staff Changes

NORTH HERO The Champlain Valley Area Agency on Aging has made several changes in Staff responsibility affecting Grand Isle County. Effective immediately transportation and outreach services for Alburg and Isle La Motte are being performed by Janet Horican. Transportation and outreach for North Hero, Grand Isle and South Hero are being handled by Sr. Mary de Chantal and Mrs. Elizabeth Whiteman. Requests for all services are to be made through the Grand Isle Information Service - 372-5184. (Call collect from Isle La Motte-Alburg Area.) Sister de Chantal and Mrs. Whiteman are also doing outreach work in the Milton and Westford areas.

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Vt. Senior's Camp

HIGHGATE SPRINGS The 21st session of Vermont Senior Citizens' Camp will be held this year May 30-June 4 at the Tyler Place in Highgate Springs, Vermont. The Camp is operated on a grant from the Vermont State Office on Aging and is open to Vermonters aged 60 and over.

The five day program features varied activities including arts and crafts, a trip, social games, exercises geared to older persons, cook-out, entertainment and card games.

Campers may participate in the activities or not, as they wish and there is always plenty of time for just chatting, walking, knitting or relaxing. The waterfront will be open for boating and fishing. The Camp is held prior to the regular season of the Tyler Place, and all 165 lakeshore acres are open for the Camp session. Fee for the five day session is \$55 and registrations should be completed by May 10. A limited number of full and partial scholarships are available. Further information and application forms are available from: Marjorie N. McBride, director of the Vermont Senior Citizens' Camp, Messenger Street School, St. Albans, Vermont 05478; Tel: 524-4939.

Dicker Den

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WANTED: Used cement or cinder blocks in good condition. Call 372-4630.

Senior Citizens Menus

ALBURG

Tues. April 27: citrus juice, baked pork chops, applesauce, whipped potato, green beans, dark bread-butter, gingerbread w/ topping, milk-tea-coffee.

Thurs. April 29: citrus juice, beef pie, mashed potato, broccoli cuts, cottage cheese salad, baking powder biscuits-butter, fruit jello-cookies, milk-tea-coffee.

Tues. May 4: citrus juice, baked beans, hot dogs, cabbage salad, Harvard Beets, brown bread-butter, raspberry turnover, milk-tea-coffee.

Thurs. May 6: tomato juice, turkey soup, macaroni & cheese, green beans, tossed salad, dark bread-butter, cherry cake, milk-tea-coffee.

SOUTH HERO

Mon. April 26: citrus juice, baked chicken, steamed rice, spinach, beet salad, dark bread-butter, applesauce dessert, milk-tea-coffee.

Wed. April 28: citrus juice, chicken soup, shepards pie, with potato-peas-carrots, tossed salad, peanut butter bread-butter, chocolate pudding cake, milk-tea-coffee.

Mon. May 3: tomato juice, beef pie, boiled potato, buttered carrots, cole slaw, baking powder biscuits-butter, cherry pears-cookie, milk-tea-coffee.

Wed. May 5: citrus juice, spaghetti w/ meat sauce, tossed salad, green beans, hot rolls-butter, peanut butter pie, milk-tea-coffee.

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The Great Bridge Building

The following is an account of the building of the first bridge connecting the Town of North Hero with Alburg. It was originally published in the Swanton Courier of Friday evening, October 29th, 1886, some 90 years ago.

At several times during the next few months, we will be reprinting accounts of several important island events. This particular account was obtained through the courtesy of one of our readers, Mr. Edward Hazen of South Hero.

The magnitude of the immense iron bridge across Alburg passage, Lake Champlain, connecting the island of North Hero with the mainland, is not generally understood outside of bridge and engineering circles. The promoters of this vast enterprise were at first mainly from the isolated Islanders. The question of the great cost would have appalled most people, but men who had been isolated these many years were not to be deterred. The enterprise took shape in 1884, when Grand Isle County elected the Hon. Henry Mott, Senator, and the town of North Hero elected Giles Hawrican, Representative. These gentlemen presented the sore needs of North Hero people before the legislature. The legislature, being satisfied that those claims were just, granted aid for the construction of the North Hero bridge to the extent of \$25,000 or dollar for dollar on what the towns would raise, some \$50,000 being raised.

The town of North Hero in May, 1885, entered into a contract with the R. F. Hawkins Iron and Steel Works of Springfield, Mass., for the construction of a first-class iron bridge of the most approved design. It is but just to say that seven other bridge companies submitted designs, but after a careful inspection and discussion of their respective merits, the Hawkins Company took the honors, and were awarded the contract. The Selectmen and bridge committee received counsel and professional advice from Charles H. Clark, B.E., State Engineer. Mr. Clark had been duly appointed engineer by the Legislature bridge Act. Mr. Clark is the oldest practical bridge engineer in Vermont, and he is the chief bridge engineer of the Central Vermont system, having been connected with railroad and highway bridges for over 40 years. The construction of the North Hero bridge commenced in June 1885, under the management of Manager George Ayer, Prof. E. B. Jennings, C.E., of Springfield, Mass., being the consulting engineer and designer. The work of constructing the sub-structure was rapidly pushed. The plan of construction called for 475 lineal feet of stone approach on the east side, and 350 lineal feet of stone approach on the west side, and 850 lineal feet of iron bridge, with a draw span of 196 feet, supported on high piers of cut stone masonry, the cut stone piers being supported by cribs of large size. The building of the immense cribs is worthy of mention, as they consumed over 2,000,000 feet of timber, which was 12 x 12, and 30 to 48 feet in length. The largest crib was 37 feet high, 30 feet wide, and 50 feet long, firmly locked or fastened with cross timbers every 6 feet. The cribs were filled with 9,000 yards of Isle La Motte stone. None of these wooden cribs come to the top of the water, so the visitors can see nothing of this vast amount of material. Wood cribs under water are in existence in Rome at the present day, that were built over 1,000 years ago. So there can be no doubt as to the permanency of the foundation cribs of the North Hero bridge. The cut stone masonry is done in such a workmanlike manner that we doubt if it is excelled in New England. Those that think nothing is done durably in this country should inspect these massive buttresses and piers.

The superstructure—that is, the bridge proper—is constructed of the best wrought iron (no cast iron being used). The style of connection is the English system, the riveted lattice, which makes a most solid bridge. This system of connection is the same as used on all English railway bridges, and is the one thing that Americans can well take pattern of. The other system that is sometimes used on bridges is the pin and link connection. The weight of bridge in this case is sustained wholly on pins varying in thickness from one inch to two inches. If one pin should break with a train of cars moving over, or loaded teams, the chances are that the whole span would collapse. With the riveted lattice this danger is obviated, as 50 rivets could be removed without danger. Riveted connections are made with 7-8 Burden's best iron rivets; each bar of iron in the bridge is securely riveted, and in a 150 feet of space, as many as 1700 rivets are used, making the whole one solid superstructure, with no rattling of loose pins, or bolts or nuts to get loose.

With these brief facts the people can understand that they are paying for a good bridge, at North Hero, and it being a Vermont enterprise, everyone should be interested in the progress of this work; and as Vermont is prolific in bridges, it may interest her people to know that the longest iron highway bridge in Northern New England, if not in all New England, (the North Hero bridge) was built in St. Albans, Vermont, and a superb structure it is, with trusses over 20 feet high, and a roadway of 14 feet. It is ample for all time. The draw space turns on a turn table, giving boats a chance to pass through two passages, each 96 feet wide. This famous bridge will be open for travel November 1st, 1886. A collector of tolls will be duly appointed, and nominal tolls will be collected. The receipts will go to the town of North Hero, who will hereafter have full care, and pay for the maintenance of the same.

The Vermont Construction Company is an outgrowth of the North Hero bridge. The officers of the company who built this bridge are: Hon. Richard F. Hawkins, President; George T. Ayer, General Manager; S. W. Bowles, Secretary and Treasurer; E. B. Jennings, Chief Engineer; Charles Babbitt, Superintendent of Iron Department; Edward Babbitt, Superintendent of Wood Department; John N. Merrill, Superintendent of Stone Department.

It would be but just and proper to say that this great work has gone on with no clashing and no strikes; everything, as it were, has gone like clockwork. Messrs. Hawkins and Ayer are to be congratulated for the business system, rapid progress and management. And Messrs. Clark and Jennings on the perfect completion of an undertaking so vast in its details of engineering. On or about the first day of November the Governor and Treasurer of Vermont will formally accept the bridge. It is proposed by the people to have a grand celebration of the event.

PROGRESS THE NORTH HERO BRIDGE

Thursday was a great day for Grand Isle County, and particularly so for North Hero. The big bridge building for the past two years, was formally thrown open to the public under the most favorable circumstances of bright sunshine, gentle breezes, august and large attendance, witty speeches and festive boards. It was an event that all who attended will remember for many a day with interest and pleasure.

At 10:30 the special train from Montpelier of eleven coaches in charge of Conductor Nash, drawn by the Gov. Smith, pulled into Maquam with the Vermont legislature, and there was a grand scramble for the Steamer Maquam. The first of the legislative party to put in an appearance was Senator Abell. He strode down the dock with a determined step, erect as a Mohawk Indian, his dusky locks floating in the breezes, his umbrella gripped firmly in his right hand and there was a bit of a wild look in his eyes as he looked at the boat and then back at the long line of fellow lawmakers. After a little hesitation he skipped down the gangplank. Right behind him was Flagg the "rasler", but there was no wild look in his eye as he bounded upon the deck and looked for somebody to throw. Then came a crowd of fat and lean men, of all sizes, some in plug hats with a professional air and others in the simple garb of the horny handed tiller of the soil. True Fletcher of St. Johnsbury hurried along with a lot of ehums, then there was Col. Jewett and many other wellknown faces. The big brass buttons on Capt. Hawley's blue uniform beamed brightly on all as the Captain welcomed his guests. Then the bridge company's steamer "Little Nellie" led the way to the scene of strife. The Nellie carried Gov. Ormsbee and wife, Lieut. Gov. Fuller, Auditor Powell and lady, Treasurer Du Bois and wife, Speaker Grout and wife, Judge Royce, Mayor Hatch of Burlington, Senator Marsh, Doorkeeper Coffey and the committee of arrangements, Senator Bunker, Senator Valentine and Representatives Reynolds, Curtis and Whalen. An hour later the Maquam touched at the Alburg section of the bridge and unloaded, while everybody cheered and the big flag on the bridge waved proudly. Then two muscular

employees worked a long iron lever for exactly seventy-five seconds, and the big draw swung into position, and the throng passed over to the island and the festivities.

MR LADD'S ADDRESS

On a little high ground near the big banquet tent, the speechmaking took place. Gov. Ormsbee occupied the seat of honor. On his right was Lieut. Gov. Fuller, on his left, Judge Royce. Then there was Speaker Grout, Auditor Powell, Treasurer DuBois and the venerable Ira Hill of Isle La Motte. Giles Hawrican, Master of Ceremonies, introduced Hon. Jed P. Ladd who welcomed the guests heartily, and gave a brief history of the bridge. In substance, Mr. Ladd said:

I am instructed by the inhabitants of North Hero to express to all present their thanks for this visit, and to tender you a hearty welcome. They deem your presence an indication of consideration on your part for the welfare of the people of this town.

This community has been laboring under great disadvantages, with which nature surrounded the island and which could only be overcome by financial aid from some source outside the resources of the inhabitants of the town. The inhabitants of this island have been isolated from the mainland for about a century. It has been impossible, quite a portion of each year during all that time, for its inhabitants in any way to reach the mainland, or return from it, on account of the insufficiency of ice during spring, fall and early winter, and at all times, egress and ingress has been attended with delay and danger. No one who has not experienced the inconvenience, delays and dangers incident to the dwellers upon a small island, can fully comprehend the disadvantages to which they are subjected. The distance from shore to shore here, less than half a mile, might not to those unaccustomed to water thoroughfare seem a great barrier to ready intercourse between the two shores; but such is not the fact. The high winds which are incident to lake localities, often in the summer season, and more frequently in spring and fall, render ferrying impossible at times, often attended with long delay, and not infrequently, dangerous.

The passage being narrow here, it freezes early in the cold season, but the current, being quite rapid, wears the ice in the channel so that in the fall and early winter, for a considerable time, it is impossible to cross with safety. Again the ice in the channel, from the effect of the current, is always treacherous, and early in March and sometimes in February is so worn in places as to be entirely unsafe; while between the channel and shore it remains solid and firm—thus for a long time being impassible.

To obviate these difficulties, a bridge was necessary, the expense of which must necessarily be so great as to practically put it beyond the power of the inhabitants of the town of North Hero to incur. In this dilemma, aid was sought from the state, through the general assembly of 1884. A competent bridge builder prepared a plan and estimated the cost of a bridge, which was submitted to the legislature, and what a liberal and humane response! An act was passed appropriating the full amount asked for, \$25,000, upon condition that only so much of the appropriation should be drawn from the state treasury, as was necessary to construct the bridge; the town of North Hero to first furnish and expend in specific installments, an equal amount.

The inhabitants of North Hero bonded the town for between six and seven times the amount of its grand list, thereby raising \$16,000. The town of Alburg contributed to North Hero, \$3,000, and from other sources, the town has received \$1,000; in all about \$20,000. The bridge has cost \$46,500, which obliges North Hero to raise \$3,250 more, as under the provisions of the state appropriation, only such part of the \$25,000 can be drawn from the treasury as is equal to the amount paid toward the structure by North Hero. Had the state appropriation been unconditional, the town would now have but \$1,500 more to furnish.

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Bridge Building Cont.

It seems unnecessary to comment upon the structure. The bridge shows for itself, though but a small share of the material, or expense is visible above the water. I have been informed by competent judges who have examined it carefully, that it is one of the best and most permanent bridges in all its parts, that the country affords. The people of North Hero are proud of it, and well they may be; it is a just pride founded on the benefits it will afford to not only the inhabitants of this age, but of future generations, and they feel grateful to the state for the aid it has furnished. They were surprised at the liberality of the legislature in 1884, and it was surprising that representatives scattered over the state so remote from the location, who could not expect to receive any pecuniary benefit from the appropriation, should with such unanimity vote so large a sum. And what was even more surprising and satisfactory was that the people and press throughout the state, almost universally, not only acquiesced in the propriety of the appropriation, but expressed approval of it. These facts indicate the character of the inhabitants of the state of Vermont. It places them on a higher plane of intelligence and liberality, and shows conclusively that there is a feeling of state pride pervading the whole state, and that human sentiments predominate.

The committee of the legislature that came here in 1884, seemingly took in the situation. They were convinced of the necessity of a bridge, independent of outside aid and their liberality and kind sentiments prompted them to recommend state aid; and they were able to make such a report to the legislature as to enlist the sympathy and convince the judgment of that body in favor of the project.

The state at large has endorsed their action, and you, Gov. Ormsbee and Auditor Powell, are here today in your official capacity, to inspect the bridge, to enable you to decide whether it is completed to your satisfaction, agreeable to Section 10 of Act No. 239 of the laws of 1884. The people of North Hero and the vicinity welcome you heartily in your official capacity.

The persons upon whom the duty has devolved to contract for, and to have general charge of the construction of the bridge have spared no effort to secure a permanent and excellent structure, and it devolves upon you to decide whether they have succeeded in their effort and whether the company who have contracted to construct the bridge have forfeited their contract. The inhabitants of North Hero are satisfied that the contractors have honestly, faithfully and excellently performed their contract; both as to material and construction, and they thank the contractors and their employees heartily for the faithful performance of their several parts. They also heartily welcome you, gentlemen, as representatives of both branches of the legislature and as citizens of the state without reference to your official capacity; they deem it a great compliment to themselves and to the people of the vicinity that you have exhibited so much interest in the welfare of this community by coming so far to inspect and investigate a matter in which they are so deeply interested.

This visit will long be remembered as an epoch in the history of North Hero and Grand Isle county, and those who have been instrumental in securing or furthering the result which we celebrate today are entitled to the kind regard and gratitude of not only the inhabitants of North Hero and Grand Isle County of the present age, but of future ages; as this structure, in its principal parts, is as permanent and enduring as the bodies of land which it connects.

I am also delegated to tender imbounded thanks to Hon. J. Gregory Smith, for the substantial aid he has furnished toward the building of this bridge, and for the courtesy he has extended in aiding visitors to be present today. And to Col. A. B. Jewett and Captain Hawley, thanks are due, and heartily rendered them in the same direction. And finally, I am authorized to express thanks to all who have in any way contributed toward the accomplishment of this project, and I may add that the ladies of North Hero and vicinity not only fully concur in those expressions of thanks and gratitude, but wish to be considered as joint and several principals. I am authorized to say that it is especially gratifying to the people of North Hero and vicinity, that His Honor, Chief Justice Royce, has deemed this matter of sufficient

importance as to be present on this occasion. We sincerely welcome him.

Once again, we extend a cordial welcome to all who are here. We are happy to meet you and to greet you, one and all. I know it is not in my power to find words to adequately express the gratification which this visit affords to those who are so much interested in this bridge. Their only regret is that on account of the location of the bridge, the inconvenience surrounding, and the limited time you are able to remain here, they cannot do more to make your visit pleasant and agreeable.

GOVERNOR ORMSBEE'S REMARKS

Gov. Ormsbee made a neat little speech and was heartily applauded. Substantially he said:

This is not a time for speechmaking, but it may not be out of order for me to express my gratitude for coming today and seeing for the first time this portion of our State. I hope it may not be the last time. It is fitting that I, as your executive, should congratulate the people of the town and vicinity on their success in securing this fine structure. In the legislature of '84, I heard the appeals for State Aid, and know something in regard to it. Your isolation appealed to the people; you were successful and I am glad of it. I am told that you are a peculiar people; that you are clanish. I say that while you may be clanish and live by yourselves, it has not been to your disadvantage. This bridge will give the young men and young maidens of the mainland an opportunity to come over and see you. But if I keep on I shall make a speech and that is not what I am prepared to do. I assure you it is a pleasure to be here today and I thank you for your invitation and kindness.

REMARKS

Judge Royce received a hearty greeting as he stepped forward with the ease of the polished orator that he is. His remarks were few but feeling and eloquent. The judge in substance said:

I did not come to make a speech. Late years I have done little speechmaking, but as you all know, my time has been given more to law, and you may expect no extended remarks from me. The history of the enterprise is to be written. I have been often called to your Island, and from my own experience I know the bridge was an absolute necessity. I have attended many weddings but this is one of the most notable I ever attended. It is the royal marriage of this Island town to the mainland. The policy of Vermont is to make her people happy. This is not a gift, but aid rightly and justly given. Your Governor and State Auditor will inspect the work and find, I think, that it is well done. This is something to endure for ages. It is not for you alone but for future generations that this bridge is built, who will remember, I hope with gratitude, the interest of a noble State in its people.

LT. GOV. FULLER A HIT

Lieut. Gov. Fuller made some happy remarks that brought out frequent applause. He said:

I certainly did not come here to make a speech. I couldn't if I would, and another thing, I do not want to ruin my voice by trying to make this vast crowd hear.

It is lucky for those beyond the reach of my voice that they cannot hear. I don't know anything about bridges, and I have brought a large company with me, who, I am sure, are equally skillful with myself. (Applause) The history of your town is interesting. It is among the earliest of the state. This formerly, was the great channel of communication between the Canadas and historic points south of us. Your history dates away back 200 years. Your inhabitants served in the wars. Brattleboro has the honor of introducing the first postage stamp, but I believe a resident of this vicinity, a Mr. Kingley, originated the special delivery. A century ago, it is said, your women would take their spinning wheels on their backs, visit their neighbors, spin, then go out and catch a mess of fish, have a feast and a social time. Your hospitality is proverbial and we have heard of your oyster suppers, but I smell something from afar, perhaps its an oyster. It is something to eat anyway, and I am speechmaking. In closing I will read this little ode to North Hero, written by the sister of the gentlemen who has welcomed us and grand-daughter of J. P. Ladd, the first storkeeper and postmaster of your town.

There is no Island green and bright,
That sunshine warms and moonbeams kiss,
More fresh at morn, more sweet at night,
There is no Isle more fair than this.

SPEAKER GROUT'S REMARKS

Speaker Grout made a decided hit. He said:

I thank you for being noticed so much as to be called upon for remarks. You are said to be a peculiar people, but so far as I can see, you are very much like the rest of us who have come from the 200 towns of the State. It is a pleasure for the people of the state to come and visit their Island neighbors. We have heard of your industry and frugality, and now we have come to take a birds-eye view of you and we hope you will not be the sufferers by the contact. The bridge is here for all time, as it has been said, for generations to come. It means better agriculture, progress and more prosperity and that is what our boys and girls are living for. I congratulate you upon the success and completion of this great enterprise and I hope you all live long to enjoy it. But I cannot run on in this way--I will not, so--Good-by!

AUDITOR POWELL'S TALK

Auditor Powell made some witty remarks that were well received. He said:

A speech is not in my line, but I can tell you of my official capacity with the bridge. My friend Chapin, of Middlesex, manipulated the law in the way of an amendment, so it became necessary for me to inspect this work at various stages and pronounce upon its completeness. How, I don't know any more about bridges than I do about the "Choctaw" language, but I have tried to do my duty. When the engineer sent word to me that they had laid so many thousand cubic feet of stone, I came and inspected the work.

I saw the hole where the stone was said to have been dumped in. The waters were as serene and placid as though never a pebble had disturbed its surface. I didn't go down and examine the bottom, but I do not doubt the stone is all down there. I certainly know well how this has worked as a "sinking fund." This is a small state and all the people are interested in the enterprise. The bridge was needed and I congratulate the people that they have it.

SENATOR CHAPIN'S REMARKS

William Chapin, Senator from Windsor County, who was one of the committee, sent to North Hero two years ago by the legislature to report upon the advisability of an appropriation was introduced and spoke as follows:

I am happy to be here today. You will hardly expect much from a speech from a plain farmer. But I venture to offer my sincere congratulations on the completion of this noble structure. It is grand in its strength and noble in its usefulness. I am glad that you have it and that the people who shall hereafter travel to and from your caprice of wind and waves, nor on the uncertainty of ice or water. The state has given liberally and I trust you are duly grateful to the state and the men, who, like Senator Mott and Representative Hawrican and others of your county who labored long and faithfully to bring this about. It has pleased my friend Hawrican to introduce me as the "Father of the Bridge." There may be a reasonable doubt as to that, though I should be proud of the title and happy to say to the belle and queen of all the bridges of the lake, My daughter, Oh, my daughter. But deliberately charge the nursing and bringing up of the child to Giles Hawrican of North Hero and Henry Mott of Alburg. They sang to it sweet songs in its infancy and brought it up respectably. Sacred and patriotic are the memories connected with this beautiful lake upon whose waters and along whose shores Allen, Warner and Baker with their Gallant Green Mountain Boys won immortal fame battling for right and liberty where my father and grandfather stood side by side with many of yours of Plattsburg in 1814, and helped to beat the British troops by water and by land. I am pleased to be here in such good company, with the ladies of the State, the light and joy and life of our existence, with his Excellency, our worthy Governor, Commander and Chief of our army and navy, with our gallant Lieut. Governor, with our faithful State Auditor and with the Honorable Joint Assembly. I think it may be a good test of its strength if the bridge shall bear up safely the executive and legislative branches of our government. While you have been heavily taxed as

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corporators and individuals to build this bridge. I trust that it will be for all coming time, its own exceeding great reward. When the last link of the chain of bridges shall have been built, uniting your county fully, as it will within the next ten years, and you shall have the finest pleasure resort in the State, then may your tolls increase and your debts and taxes diminish.

OTHER ADDRESSES

Ex-Senator Hebard, who was one of the investigating committee two years ago, was called upon and told of the perils of the voyage over the ferry, of Chapin's fondness for dry land and how he fought and bled at the time for the enterprise. He said he was fully convinced of the necessity of some safe means of getting on and off the island. The visit of the committee resulted in the bridge and he congratulated the people upon getting it.

The venerable Ira Hill of Isle La Motte, 95 years old, made some sensible remarks and attracted special attention on account of his great age. He said he always had favored bridging Grand Isle County. Isle La Motte was the first to connect with the mainland with a good bridge, but North had followed with a masterpiece and now it only remained for Grand Isle to step in and complete the chain of connections.

Ex-Senator Mott of Alburg made a few happy remarks, expressing pride in seeing the noble structure completed, and the only fault he could find was that it was not built years ago.

The Banquet followed the speeches, the visitors being served by the people of the island with their usual liberality, to the best the land afforded. There were endless chicken pies, big pans of beans, stacks of doughnuts, cakes, pies, apples and coffee. There was plenty for everybody, and though it was impossible to serve the guests with much style, all enjoyed it and were happy. The island people are to be complimented on this part of the program as it was quite a tax upon them to attempt to feed so many.

The bridge is one of the finest structures of the kind in the state and one reflecting credit upon the originators, the engineers, the contractors and the State. It is built of stone and iron and is likely to endure for ages. On the east side there is a stone approach 475 feet and on the west an approach 350 feet long. The bridge proper is of iron, 850 feet long.

NOTES

The first ferry at this point was run by Abraham Conklin as long ago as 1805. The ferry was simply a float of hewn pine logs, 30 x 12 feet, propelled by sweeps.

Mr. O'Neil has operated the present ferry for fifteen years.

Judge Kingeley has helped to take three dead bodies from the lake at this point, the lives being lost by the treacherous ice.

John O'Neil's double team, carrying a load of 17 persons, was the first to cross the bridge.

Work of the Legislative Committee:

Voyage of discovery

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All agree "if we reach shore alive, the bridge must be built."

It was.

North Hero which is brought into considerable prominence by the building of the big bridge, and the exercises yesterday, it a patriotic name. North and South Hero having been named the "Two Heroes" in honor of Gen. Ethan Allen and Col. Ira Allen. In 1788, the island was set off as a town and named "North Hero." The original French name, however, was Isle Longue, and was granted in 1737 to M. Coutrecoeur by the Governor of Canada, and for a long time was the subject of dispute between the French and the English. On October 27, 1779, all of what is now Grand Isle County, except Alburg and Isle La Motte, was chartered to Ethan and Ira Allen with 363 associates. Enos Wood came to the Island on snow shoes in the winter of 1783, locating at the south end, others followed, but the settlement was slow, and in 1791 there were only 125 people on the Island. The census of 1880 shows a population of 637. The town was organized March 17, 1789, at the residence of Benjamin Butler, with Nathan Hazen moderator, N. Hutchins, Jr., town clerk, N. Hazen, John Knights and John Bronson, selectmen, Solomon Wood, Benjamin Butler and Asabel Trumbull, lister, Enos Wood, constable. Adin Wood was the first child born on the Island, November 4, 1785. Lois Hazen taught the first school in John Knight's barn. Jed P. Ladd started a store in 1809, and a mail route was opened in 1813 with Mr. Ladd, P.M. At the time of Battle of Plattsburgh, Joseph Hazen raised a volunteer company.

Geographically, the town consists of an immense body of Utica slate. The Island is 15 miles long, containing about 6,272 acres, nearly all of it rich farming land yielding largely, and the inhabitants are prosperous and happy, many of them wealthy. The choicest beans Boston gets come from this town and there is no end to the onions and apples. The picturesque bays are becoming very popular with campers, and some of the finest fishing ground on the lake can be found along its shores.



Three of Alburg's finest teachers,
Viola Martin, Doris Letourneau, and Jane Oman.

Jane Oman Honored

by Harold Mitchell

ALBURG On Sunday an open house was held in the Alburg school gymnasium to honor one of Alburg's finest and most dedicated citizens, Mrs. Jane Reynolds Oman.

Mrs. Oman is well known among Alburg's youngest and oldest as she has spent the last 50 years of her life in the classroom teaching practically all of them. Based on an 8 hour day she has spent over 72,000 hours in the classroom. Over the last half century she has influenced 857 students in Alburg which comes to over 61,632,000 student hours.

Not only has she influenced them but she has done so in a way that will forever endear each and every one of them to her forever, for to have Jane Oman as a teacher was an honor, as she was one of the great educators of our time.

Mrs. Oman was born on January 15, 1906. She graduated high school from Franklin Academy in Malone, N.Y., in 1923 and then attended Potsdam Normal School in Potsdam, N.Y., for 2 years. At age 19 she came to Alburg and taught for 1 year before returning to Potsdam where she graduated in 1927.

She then taught for 1 year in Pond Ridge, N.Y., and 1 year in Irvington, N.Y. When her mother died in 1929, Jane returned to Alburg to teach and care for her brother George.

In the years that followed, she taught all grades 1-8 in a number of schools around Alburg.

She was married to Oscar Oman of Alburg in a ceremony held in Waterbury, Vermont, on November 25, 1953. Rev. Hazen, former pastor of the Alburg Congregational Church resided at the ceremony.

Sunday's program in Mrs. Oman's honor was attended by many friends old and new. Some of Jane's old superintendents, principals, fellow teachers, and also many of her contemporaries paid their respects and love.

Mr. Armand Premo, superintendent of schools, introduced the guests to the some 300 friends, students, and relatives who attended. Mr. Premo presented Jane with letters of commendation from President Gerald Ford, Vice-President Nelson Rockefeller, Governor Thomas Salmon, Congressmen James Jeffords, Senator Patrick Leahy, Senator Robert Stafford, and Commissioner of Education, Robert Withey. Mrs. Oman was also presented with an engraved brass replica of her 50th contract.

From the staff of the Islander and from everyone whose life was touched by Mrs. Jane Reynolds Oman and especially from this writer thank you and may God bless you for you are truly one of this country's great human beings.

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PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF NORTH HERO

The Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing, Tuesday, May 25, 1976 at 8:00 p.m. at the North Hero Town Hall.
Purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Zoning Regulations as published and posted prior to voting.
Official Ordinance and Zoning Maps are on file at the Town Clerk's Office for inspection.
Dated and posted this 23rd day of April, 1976:

Irving W. Blackwell
Gerald I. Tudhope
Ronald C. Tier

Board of Selectmen
Town of North Hero

TOWN OF NORTH HERO

Zoning Regulations

ARTICLE I: ENACTMENT, PURPOSE, AND AMENDMENTS

Section 110 ENACTMENT

In accordance with the Vermont Planning and Development Act, (hereinafter referred to as the "Act") 24 V.S.A., Chapter 91, Subchapter 6, Section 4401 and 4491 (c), there are hereby established Zoning Regulations for North Hero which are set forth in the text and map which constitute these regulations. These regulations shall be known as the "Town of North Hero Zoning Regulations."

Section 120 PURPOSE

It is the intent of these Regulations to provide for orderly community growth and to further the purposes established in the North Hero Town Plan and in the Act, Section 4302.

Section 130 APPLICATION OF REGULATIONS

The application of these Regulations is subject to Sections 4405, 4406, 4407, 4408, and 4409 of the Act. Except as hereinafter provided, no building or structure shall be erected, moved, altered or extended, and no land, building or structure or part thereof, shall be occupied or used unless in conformity with the regulations herein specified for the district in which it is located. Any use not permitted by these Regulations shall be deemed prohibited.

Section 140 INTERPRETATION

Except for Section 4409 (b) of the Act, and where these Regulations specifically provide to the contrary, it is not intended to repeal, annul or in any way impair any regulations or permits previously adopted or issued, provided however that where these Regulations impose a greater restriction upon use of a structure or land than are required by any other statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, permit, easement, or agreement, the provisions of these Regulations shall control.

Section 150 AMENDMENTS

These regulations may be amended according to the requirements and procedures established in Sections 4403 and 4404 of the Act.

Section 160 SEPARABILITY

The invalidity of any provision of these Regulations shall not invalidate any other part.

Section 170 EFFECTIVE DATE

These Regulations shall take effect in accordance with the voting and other procedures contained in Section 4404 (c) of the Act.

ARTICLE II: ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND ADMINISTRATION

Section 210 ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS

The Town of North Hero is hereby divided into the following Zoning Districts as stipulated in the approved Town Plan and shown on the Town Zoning Map:

RL-1 Rural Lands One RL-2 Rural Lands Two RL-3 Rural Lands Three SL Shorelands District
V Village District

Section 215 ZONING MAP AND INTERPRETATION OF BOUNDARIES

The location and boundaries of Zoning Districts are established approximately as shown on the attached Zoning Map which is a part of these Regulations. Where uncertainty exists with respect to the boundary of any Zoning District the Planning Commission shall determine the location as indicated on the official large-scale map located in the office of the town clerk.

Section 220 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The Administrative Officer is hereby designated to administer the Zoning Regulations as provided for in Section 4442 of the Act.

Section 225 ZONING PERMIT AND CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

No land or building development may commence, nor shall any land or structure be used, extended in any way or be occupied, unless a Zoning Permit and Certificate of Occupancy shall have been duly issued by the Administrative Officer, as provided for in Section 4443 of the Act.

The Administrative Officer shall not issue a Zoning Permit unless an application, fee, plot plan and any other approvals required by these Regulations have been properly submitted.

No Certificate of Occupancy may be issued by the Administrative Officer unless the premises comply with requirements of these Regulations.

The fee for such Zoning Permit and Certificate of Occupancy shall be established by the Selectmen.

Section 230 PENALTIES

Violations of these Regulations shall be regulated as prescribed in Sections 4444 and 4445 of the Act. A fine shall be charged, not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each day a violation exists.

Section 240 BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

There is hereby established a Board of Adjustment whose members may consist of the members of the planning commission. Rules of procedure, nature of appeals, public notice, conditions for variance relief, and all other matters shall be as provided in Subchapter 8 of the Act.

Section 245 CONDITIONAL USES

No Zoning Permit shall be issued by the Administrative Officer for any use or structure which requires a Conditional Use Permit in this Regulation until the Board of Adjustment grants such approval. In considering its action, the Board of Adjustment shall make findings on general and specific standards, hold hearings and attach conditions as provided for in Section 4407 (2) of the Act.

Section 250 SITE PLAN APPROVAL

No Zoning Permit shall be issued by the Administrative Officer for any use or structure except for one-family and two-family dwellings and including accessory buildings until the Planning Commission grants Site Plan Approval. The Commission shall conform to requirements of Section 4407 (5) of the Act before acting upon any application, and may impose appropriate conditions and safeguards.

The owner shall submit two sets of maps and supporting data to the Commission which shall include the following: Site plan drawn to scale showing existing features, contours, structures, easements; a proposed structures locations and land use areas; streets, driveways circulation, parking and loading spaces, pedestrian walks; landscaping, including site grading and screening.

Section 255 PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

With the approval of a subdivision plot the Planning Commission is hereby empowered to vary certain Zoning Regulations under the criteria and procedures established in Section 4407 (3) of the Act.

Section 260 DESIGN CONTROL DISTRICT

As provided for in Section 4407 (6) of the Act and in the approved Town Plan, provision is hereby made for the Town of North Hero to establish Design Control in specific districts within the limits of the Town of North Hero. Under the procedure detailed in aforesaid Section 4407 (6), the Planning Commission designates the Village District (SEE Section 450 herein) as a Design Control District. Such Design Control is to maintain the compatibility of design and development of the overall district in respect to existing architecture, landscapes, and historic harmony.

The Planning Commission may, within the proper procedural requirements, further designate additional Districts subject to Design Control requirements.

Within any Design Control District no structure may be erected, reconstructed, substantially altered, restored, moved, demolished or changed in use or type of occupancy without design approval of plans by the Planning Commission.

Section 265 DESIGN APPROVAL PROCEDURE

To advise the Planning Commission the Selectmen may (not "must") appoint a Design Review Board which shall be composed of three to five persons having a knowledge of design, architecture, landscape, and historic development of the community.

Procedure for obtaining design approval of plans shall be as follows:

- Any application for a Zoning Permit for construction, reconstruction or alteration of any structure located in a Design Control district shall be made to the Administrative Officer with two copies of proposed plans and elevations, and a description of materials to be used on the exterior of any structure, and any proposed landscaping.
- The Planning Commission shall, within 45 days of receiving such plans, render a decision as to the acceptability of plans based on the following considerations:
 - Harmony of exterior design with other properties.
 - Compatibility of exterior materials to be used with other properties.
 - Compatibility of the proposed landscaping.
 - Prevention of the use of incompatible designs of buildings or exterior materials.
- The Planning Commission shall review and either accept or reject the proposed plans. If the plans are rejected, the Commission shall state in a report to the Administrative Officer reasons for such rejection.

Section 270 REFERRAL TO STATE AGENCIES

In accordance with Section 4409 (c) of the Act, no Zoning Permit for the development of land in certain locations shall be issued by the Administrative Officer without first submitting a report to the appropriate state agency.

Section 280 Non-conforming Uses

Any non-conforming use may be continued indefinitely, but:

- Shall not be extended in such a way to increase the non-conforming use.
- Shall not be changed to another non-conforming use without approval by the Board of Adjustment.
- Shall not be re-established or restored without approval by the Board of Adjustment if such use has been discontinued.

Section 285 Non-complying Structures

Nothing in Section 280 shall be deemed to prevent normal maintenance, replacement, and repair of a non-complying structure provided that such action does not increase the degree of non-compliance. Particular attention will be paid to Section 340 on off-street parking and loading space requirements.

Section 286 PUBLIC NOTICE

Any public notice required for public hearing under this section shall be given by the publication of the date, place and purpose of such hearing in a newspaper of general publication in the municipality affected and the posting of such notice in one or more public places within the municipality not less than fifteen days prior to the date of the public hearing. Where such hearing is called in reference to a plan or amendment thereto, or to any bylaw or amendment thereof, or any other matter relating to written material, such public notice shall also include either the full text of such material or a brief summary setting forth the principal provisions and a reference to a place within the municipality where copies of the proposed material may be examined.

Section 287 APPEALS

An interested person may appeal any decision or act taken, by the administrative officer, within a municipality by filing a notice of appeal with the secretary of the board of adjustment. If the appeal is taken with respect to a decision or act of an administrative officer, such notice of appeal must be filed within fifteen days of the date of such decision or act, and a copy of the notice of appeal shall be filed with such officer. If the administrative officer fails to act with regard to an application for a permit within thirty days a permit shall be deemed issued on the 31st day.

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- For the purpose of this section, an interested person means any one of the following:
 - A person owning title to property affected by a bylaw who alleges that such regulation imposes on such property unreasonable or inappropriate restrictions of present or potential use under the plan or circumstances of the case.
 - The municipality in which the plan or a bylaw of which is at issue in an appeal brought under this chapter or any municipality which adjoins such municipality.
 - A person owning or occupying property in the immediate neighborhood of a property which is the subject of any decision or act taken under this chapter, who alleges that the plan of that municipality, if adopted, will not be in accord with the policies, purposes or terms of that municipality.
 - Any ten persons owning real property within a municipality listed in subdivision b of this subsection who, by signed petition to the board of adjustment of a municipality, the plan or a bylaw of which is at issue in any appeal brought under this title, allege that any relief requested by a person under this title, if granted, will not be in accord with the policies, purposes, or terms of the plan of that municipality.
 - Any department and administrative subdivision of this state owning property or any interest therein within a municipality listed in subdivision b of this subsection, and the agency of development and community affairs of this state.
 - Notice of appeal shall be in writing and shall include the name and address of the appellant, a brief description of the property with respect to which the appeal is taken, a reference to the regulatory provisions applicable to that appeal, the relief requested by the appellant and the alleged grounds why such requested relief is believed proper under the circumstances. (SEE also the Act, 4461-4475.)

ARTICLE III: GENERAL REGULATIONS

Section 300 MISCELLANEOUS REQUIREMENTS

The provisions of these Regulations shall be subject to any additions, modifications or exceptions as herein provided by the following general regulations.

In accordance with Sections 4406 and 4409 of the Act, the following shall apply:

Section 301 REQUIRED REGULATIONS

No municipality may adopt zoning regulations which do not provide for the following:

- Existing small lots. Any lot in individual and separate and nonaffiliated ownership from surrounding properties in existence on the effective date of any zoning regulation, including an interim zoning regulation, may be developed for the purposes permitted in the district in which it is located, even though not conforming to minimum lot size requirements, if such lot is not less than one-eighth acre in area with a minimum width or depth dimension of forty feet.
- Required frontage on, or access to, public roads or public waters. No land development may be permitted on lots which do not either have frontage on a public road or public waters or, with the approval of the planning commission, access to such a road or waters by a permanent easement or right-of-way at least twenty (20) feet in width.
- Protection of home occupations. No regulation may infringe upon the right of any resident to use a minor portion of a dwelling for an occupation which is customary in residential areas and which does not change the character thereof.

Section 304 SPECIAL PUBLIC USE EXCEPTIONS

The following uses may only be regulated with respect to size, height, bulk, yards, courts, setbacks, density of buildings, off-street parking, loading facilities, and landscaping or screening requirements:

- Public utility power generating plants and transmission.
- State-owned and operated institutions and facilities.
- Public and private schools and other educational institutions certified by the Vermont Department of Education.
- Churches, convents and parish houses.

Section 306 PARKING LOTS

Such lots shall be so designed that no parking or maneuvering shall be on public street or road. Access and exits shall be clearly marked and comply with public road requirements. A plot plan must be submitted prior to the granting of a use permit. (SEE also Section 340 Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements)

Section 310 CALCULATION OF REQUIRED LOT AREA

In calculating the required lot area or lot width or depth or yard dimensions, existing rights-of-way shown on the official map shall not be considered.

Section 311 TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS

A two-family dwelling shall require a lot size 50% greater than a single-family dwelling lot size.

Section 312 MULTI-FAMILY DWELLING

An additional half-lot is required for each unit of a multi-family dwelling.

Section 313 DWELLING ON LOTS

There shall be only one residential building on a lot unless otherwise approved under Planned Residential Development provision. (SEE Section 255)

Section 314 BUILDING COVERAGE, OPEN PORCHES, CARPORTS AND GARAGES

In determining the percentage of building coverage of a lot or the size of yards, porches or carports open at the sides but roofed, and all principal and accessory buildings shall be included.

Section 315 REQUIRED AREA OR YARDS

Space required under these Regulations to satisfy area, yard or other open space requirements in relation to one building shall not be counted as part of a required open space for any other building.

Section 321 LOCATION OF DRIVEWAYS

All driveways are to be located at least one hundred feet from a street line intersection for all uses except one and two-family residential uses.

Section 322 FENCES

No wall, fence or shrubbery shall be erected, maintained or planted on any lot which obstructs or interferes with traffic visibility on a tangent section or on a curve or any corner lot within the triangular area formed by the lot lines along the streets and a line connecting them at points 30 feet from the intersection. No fence or wall shall violate Title 24 V.S.A. Section 3817.

Section 323 TEMPORARY USES AND STRUCTURES

The following temporary permits may be issued by the Administrative Officer for a period not exceeding six months, conditioned upon agreement by the owner to remove the structure or use upon expiration of the permit:

- For nonconforming uses incidental to a construction project.
- For temporary roadside stands for the sale of agricultural products raised on the property.

Section 324 ABANDONMENT OF STRUCTURES

Within one year after work on an excavation for a building has begun or within one year after a permanent or temporary building or structure has been destroyed, demolished or become structurally unsafe, all structural materials shall be removed from the site and the excavation thus remaining shall be covered over or filled to the normal grade by the owner.

Section 328 HEIGHT EXCEPTIONS BY SPECIAL PERMIT

No radio or television tower, water or cooling tower, oil or gas holder, elevator bulkhead, chimney, or similar structures in excess of forty feet may be erected unless approved by the Board of Adjustment after a public hearing.

Section 330 ACCESSORY BUILDINGS IN DISTRICTS RL-3, SL AND V

Outbuildings, except garages, such as storage sheds, greenhouses, and all similar accessory buildings must be attached to the main building on the lot, except that each residential use may have one additional accessory building on a lot unattached. Such accessory structure or use shall not exceed 25% of the ground floor area of the principal structure.

A pump house may be considered a second additional permitted accessory building. A building permit is required.

Section 331 OPEN STORAGE IN DISTRICTS RL-3, SL AND V

Unlicensed motor vehicles must be stored in an enclosed garage and shall not be parked in the front, side or rear yards.

Section 332 SWIMMING POOL

Swimming pools, public or private, shall be installed and maintained in a manner sufficient to meet the standards established by the provisions of the State Health Code. A swimming pool is considered an accessory structure and as such shall be subject to a permit application, setback, and all conditions for the district in which it is located.

Section 333 PUBLIC UTILITY SUBSTATIONS

Public utility substations and similar utility structures, where permitted, shall comply with the following:

- The facility shall be surrounded by a fence set back from the property lines in conformance with the district regulations for front, side and rear yards.
- A landscaped area at least twenty-five feet wide shall be maintained in front, side and rear yards.

Section 335 AUTO SERVICE STATION (GASOLINE STATION)

In a district, when permitted, Auto Service Station, Gasoline Station or Motor-Vehicle Station shall comply with the following:

- A gasoline station lot shall not be located within five hundred (500) feet of any lot occupied by a school, public building, library, hospital, or religious institution.
- Lot size shall be at least one and one-half (1 1/2) acres. Lot frontage shall be at least 200 feet. Lot depth shall be at least 200 feet.
- Pumps, lubricating and other service devices shall be located at least 50 feet from the front line and side and rear lot lines.
- All fuel and oil shall be stored at least 50 feet from any property lines and flammable stock shall be stored underground.
- All automobile parts, dismantled vehicles, junk, trash, shall be stored within a building and no repair work shall be performed outside a building.
- All signs shall comply with Section 350 herein.
- Access driveways shall be limited to two and shall comply as to width, curbing, etc., as regulated by applicable limits of state and federal regulations.
- A suitably curbed landscaped area shall be provided and maintained at least six (6) feet in depth along all road, street, highway frontage not used as access driveways.

Any auto service station shall not adversely affect the character of the area.

Section 336 HOTEL/MOTEL

The land requirement for hotel-motels must comply with A250 regulations.

Section 340 OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING SPACE REQUIREMENTS

Off-street parking spaces shall be provided at least as set forth below. A required driveway shall be at least twenty feet clear in width, except for one and two-family dwelling uses. A parking space shall be at least nine feet by twenty-two feet.

1. Residential:

- One-family, two-family dwelling units and mobile homes: one parking space for every unit.
 - Multiple-family dwelling units: four parking spaces for every three units.
 - Professional residence/office: one parking space plus one additional space for every 300 square feet of office space.
- Hotel-Motel, tourist home, boarding house: one space for every guest room.
 - Places of public assembly: one parking space for every five seats. Where there are no seats, one parking space for every 200 square feet of floor area.
 - Business, professional and medical offices: one space for every 200 square feet of office space.
 - Commercial, business and unspecified uses: one parking space for every motor vehicle used in the business plus one parking space for every 200 square feet of floor area.
 - Restaurant, eating and drinking establishments: one parking space for every 150 square feet of floor space.
 - Other uses: as required by the Planning Commission.
 - The Planning Commission may require additional off-street parking and loading spaces for any use if they find that minimum spaces are not sufficient.
 - Any new (excepting present nonconforming) development must provide adequate screen planting of off-street parking lot if it is located within 20 feet of any highway or road. Residential parking is excepted.

Section 344 MARINA

In addition to meeting all other requirements for the Shoreland District, a marina shall have a continuous minimum shoreline of 100 feet. In excess of dockage for ten (10) boats, a minimum of ten (10) additional feet of shoreline per boat is required (i.e., dockage for 14 boats requires 140 feet of shoreline, etc.). Said marina shall have one off-street parking space provided for each boat berth or mooring. It shall provide public toilets, minimum of two, for marina customers. It shall have an on-shore, on-premises holding tank for boat sewage. In general, to provide all the services, utilities, et al., to recognized standards for marinas and to comply with all federal, state and municipal regulations for a marina.

Section 350 SIGNS

All signs or outdoor advertising shall comply with the regulations on outdoor advertising of the State of Vermont and/or Vermont State Highway limitations (SEE 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 and 10 V.S.A. chapter 21) in districts subject to Design Control signs must also meet the specifications of the Design Control Board.

Section 360 EXTRACTION OF SOIL AND SHALE

In any district the extraction of sod, loam, sand, gravel, shale or quarried stone, except when incidental to or in connection with the construction of a building on the same lot or normal agricultural procedures, shall be permitted only on special approval of the Board of Adjustment. Before the approval is granted the applicant must:

1. Submit an acceptable plan showing existing grades in the area from which the material is to be taken and finished grades at the conclusion of the operation.
2. Upon completion of operation, cover the finished grades, except for exposed ledge rock, with at least 2 inches of topsoil and seed with a suitable crop cover.
3. Post bond with the Town Treasurer sufficient to guarantee conformity, if required by the Board of Adjustment.

Section 361 USES NOT PERMITTED

In all districts the following uses are not permitted: junk yards, machinery wrecking yards; bulk storage of fuel oil, butane, propane, gasoline; unenclosed manufacturing or processing of goods or materials, except in industrial districts with approval by the Planning Commission and after issuance of a Conditional Use Permit by the Board of Adjustment.

In all districts the following uses are not permitted: smelters, blast furnaces; slaughter houses; rendering plants; hide tanning or curing plants; manufacture or processing of fertilizer, bone, rubber, asphalt, ammonia, chlorine; manufacture or refining of petroleum, gas, explosives; bulk storage of explosives; dumps, except municipally operated sanitary landfill.

Section 362 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

In accordance with Section 4407 (7) of the Act, in all districts the following performance standards together with all applicable state standards must be met. The Planning Commission shall decide whether proposed or existing uses meet the standards.

Section 363 STANDARDS

In all districts uses are not permitted which exceed any of the following standards measured at the individual property line:

1. Emit any sustained noise, odor, dust, smoke, or noxious gases which endanger the health, comfort, safety or welfare of any person, or which have a tendency to cause injury or damage to property, business or vegetation.
2. Lighting or signs which create glare, which could impair the vision of a driver of any motor vehicle.
3. Cause a fire, explosion or safety hazard.
4. Cause harmful wastes to be discharged into the sewer system, streams, or other bodies of water. Effluent disposal shall comply with the local and state sewer health standards.

Section 364 STORAGE OF FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS

The storage of any highly flammable liquid in tanks above ground with unit capacity greater than 550 gallons shall be prohibited, unless such tanks up to and including 10,000 capacity are placed not less than 100 feet from all property lines, and unless all such tanks of more than 10,000 gallons capacity are placed not less than 200 feet from all property lines.

All tanks having a capacity greater than 550 gallons shall be properly retained with dikes having a capacity of not less than one and one-half times the capacity of the tanks surrounded.

Section 366 ANIMALS

The raising or harboring of livestock including, but not limited to, horses, cattle, hogs, fowl or fur-bearing animals, for personal or private use and not for commercial purposes, and more specifically in any area, parcel, lot or district permitting residential or home occupation use, will generally be permitted within reasonable limits.

However, the Planning Commission shall have the authority to impose specific restrictions upon aforesaid permitted use in consideration of the rights of adjacent property owners pertaining to obnoxious odors, noise, health and sanitation and such.

Normal permitted agricultural use is exempt in reference to animals common to existing farming practices.

Section 371 LANDSCAPING

The following are the minimum landscaping requirements:

1. Where any land use in nonresidential districts abuts land in any residential district, a strip of land at least 25 feet in width shall be maintained as a landscape and utility area in the front, side and rear yards which adjoins these other districts.
2. Where any nonresidential land use in a residential district abuts any land use in a residential district, a strip of land at least 15 feet in width shall be maintained as a landscape and utility area in the front, side and rear yards which adjoin these uses.
3. In any commercial or industrial district a strip of land at least 25 feet in width shall be maintained as a landscape and utility area in the front, side and rear yards.
4. In any Planned Residential District as required by the Planning Commission.

Section 372 SCREENED SERVICE AREA REQUIREMENTS

In any district all areas designated, used or intended to be used as service areas for any building or land use, other than one-family and two-family dwelling units shall be screened from view with either a wall, a solid fence or a fence and evergreens to a height of at least five feet above grade level, on all sides where the adjacent land is in a residential district or residential use.

Section 375 GRADING

No grading, cut or fill shall be carried out in any district which leaves the slope of the finished grade in excess of one to two.

Section 380 MOBILE HOMES

A mobile home will be permitted in Rural Lands Two and Rural Lands Three districts with the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit, and then subject to lot size, setbacks and all other regulations for the specific district in which it is to be located. It will also be subject to the standards and regulations listed below.

A mobile home is a prefabricated dwelling unit which is designed to be transported after fabrication. Because of its particular design, a mobile home shall not be included in the single-family dwelling definition and Permitted Uses as specified for conventional housing under the regulation herein for the various districts (Sections 410, 415, 420, 445, 450).

A mobile home is designed for permanent, long-term occupancy, containing sleeping quarters, flush toilet, tub or shower bath, kitchen facilities with plumbing and electrical connections provided for approved outside systems. A mobile home is more particularly distinguished from other conventional housing in that it arrives at the location site complete with major appliances and furniture and requires only minor unpacking and assembly.

Nothing within this Section shall include or permit a Travel Trailer (SEE Section 384 herein), such Travel Trailers being designed for short-term occupancy and for frequent and extensive travel. Nothing within this section shall be construed to include or permit Mobile Home display, sales or repair facilities.

Mobile Home standards and regulations:

1. If no basement or cellar is provided, a mobile home shall be placed on a permanent foundation, either poured or concrete walls, on all sides and completely including the overall dimensions of the mobile home.
2. If no basement or cellar is provided under the entire mobile home, a utility building of not less than 50 square feet and not more than 100 square feet of floor area shall be provided.
3. A mobile home shall be a primary residence of a permanent year-round occupancy, and not a "second home," i.e., "seasonal," etc.
4. Except for a canopy, no additions may be made to a mobile home without a building permit.
5. In accordance with Section 4407 (11) of the Act, an existing nonconforming mobile home shall not be replaced by another mobile home without obtaining a permit from the Board of Adjustment.
6. The Conditional Use Permit will be issued subject to Section 4407 of the Act. In addition, the Board of Adjustment, before issuing approval, shall find that the location of the mobile home is in keeping with the general character of the neighborhood and that the proposed use shall not cause any hazard to health, property, or property values. Such use shall meet all applicable design control standards for the Town of North Hero.
7. If the owner of a mobile home with an approved Conditional Use Permit issued under these regulations shall then rent said mobile home to others, the burden of all standards and regulations herein (Section 380) continues on the part of the owner. If in the opinion of the Board of Adjustment such "rental" shall adversely affect the capacity of existing or planned community facilities and character of the area affected, the Conditional Use Permit shall be terminated.
8. A mobile home shall be permitted upon the approval of the Planning Commission on the construction site of a new residence by the owner for a period not to exceed 3 months if, in the opinion of the commission, not to do so would create a hardship.
9. On a recognized operating farm, a mobile home is permitted for each full time employee working on said farm. It must not be located closer than 75 feet to an existing dwelling, public road, highway, or abutting property. Said mobile homes must be removed if the property ceases to be an operating farm.
10. A numerical count of mobile homes in the Town of North Hero shall not exceed a 20% portion of the total residential permanent and continuous dwellings in the town. Such determining percent(20%) shall be inclusive of mobile homes existing prior to enactment of these Zoning Regulations.
11. A mobile home may not be parked, stored, left, abandoned, unused, anytime on a lot, parcel, lands without approval of the Planning Commission and then only if, in the opinion of the Commission, not to do so would create a hardship. Such approval to be granted for a period of 3 months only.
12. More than one mobile home located on any lot, parcel, lands shall be considered a mobile home park and as such shall not be permitted.
13. Each mobile home shall have connecting water supply and sewage disposal approved by applicable state agency and state regulations.

Section 381 MOBILE HOME PARKS - NOT PERMITTED

SEE Appendix B

Section 384 TRAVEL TRAILERS

The owner of a travel trailer may park it on his own property, in the rear or side yards, and behind the front face line of the principal building and no closer than ten feet to any lot line. A travel trailer shall be considered an auxiliary temporary sleeping quarters. Because of inherent limitations, occupancy shall be confined to periods of less than fifteen days so parked without a permit from the Board of Adjustment. The permit, if approved, shall be for a specific limited duration.

Any travel trailer usage, privately owned on private property, for gain or commercial purposes, shall be considered under the Travel Trailer Camp/Park definition herein and applicable regulations.

Section 385 TRAVEL TRAILER CAMPS/PARKS - NOT PERMITTED

SEE Appendix C

Section 389 OFF-ISLANDS AREA

The Town of North Hero includes several smaller islands situated in the waters of Lake Champlain: namely, Butler Island, Knight Island, Gull Island, Hen Island, and Diadema Island. These islands are included under the zoning regulations herein.

It is conceivable that development of these named islands could generate permanent, year-round usages. The remoteness and limited access by water of the islands dictates a Conditional Use Permit for usages other than temporary and summer use.

The Conditional Use Permit will specifically allow a permanent, year-round usage subject to all applicable regulations herein, but additionally, the Town of North Hero, because of the extreme and unusual economic burden thus sustained, will not provide any municipal fire-department services, transportation service or any other municipal service that creates such economic stress in the Town of North Hero.

Section 390 FLOOD HAZARD AREAS

1. During the effective period of this zoning regulation, no land development may be commenced in those portions of the Town designated as flood hazard areas and described on the map entitled, "Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Insurance Administration, Town of North Hero, Vermont," unless a permit has been issued by the administrative officer.
2. No permit shall be issued by the administrative officer unless authorized by the Zoning Board of Adjustment, following a properly warned hearing, in accordance with the procedures of subsection 8 of this section and Section 4407 (2) of the Act.

3. In reviewing all applications the Board of Adjustment shall determine that land development is reasonable, safe from flooding and meets the following minimum standards. The proposed site and structures shall be:
 - a. Designed and anchored to prevent flotation, collapse or lateral movement of any structure;
 - b. Constructed of materials and utility equipment that are resistant to flood damage;
 - c. Constructed using methods and practices that will minimize flood damage;
 - d. Designed so that all public utilities and facilities such as sewer, water, gas and electrical systems are located, elevated and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage;
 - e. Designed to provide adequate drainage and reduce exposure to flood hazards; and
 - f. Designed so that new or replacement water supply systems and/or sanitary sewage systems are designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the system into flood waters and to avoid impairment of them or contamination from them during flooding.

4. In addition to the permanent zoning district requirements and minimum standards the following standards may be required by the Board of Adjustment based on the best information available indicating the elevation of the 100 year flood (101.64 feet):
 - a. The lowest floor (including basement) of residential building shall be elevated to at least one foot above the 100 year flood level (101.64 feet).
 - b. The lowest floor (including basement) of nonresidential buildings and other structures shall be elevated or flood-proofed to at least one foot above the 100 year flood level (101.64 feet).
 - c. Water supply and/or disposal systems shall be designated or located to avoid impairment or contamination during flooding.
 - d. Storage of materials or equipment may be permitted in the flood hazard area if not subject to damage by flood water and firmly anchored or secured to prevent flotation.
 - e. Fill may be permitted in the flood hazard area only when it can be demonstrated that flood flows will not be obstructed or diverted.
5. Flood-proofing measures may include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a. Anchorage to resist flotation or lateral movement.
 - b. Reinforcement of walls to resist water pressures.
 - c. Use of watertight doors on bulkheads.
 - d. Use of water resistant building materials.
 - e. Installation of pumps to control seepage.
 - f. Installation of check valves in building drains.
 - g. Provision of flood shields or other temporary measures closing off entrances and other openings during flooding.
6. In reviewing the proposed land development the burden of proof shall be on the applicant.
7. Applications shall include, in addition to any other requirements of this regulation, plans in triplicate drawn to scale showing the nature location, dimensions, and elevations to the lot, plot or parcel, existing and proposed structures, fill and storage of materials, flood-proofing measures and the relationship of the above to the location of the channel, flood hazard area and based on the best information available, the 100 year flood (101.64 feet). A cross-section and stream profile may be required.
8. The application for a permit for land development in the flood hazard area shall be made to the administrative officer, who shall transmit such applications to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

ARTICLE IV: ZONING DISTRICTS AND REGULATIONS

Section 410 RURAL LANDS ONE DISTRICT (RL-1)

These are the areas of the town which need the most protection. They are largely low swamp sections, flood plains, serving as cover and habitat for many forms of wildlife, waterfowl, fur-bearers and song birds. Such areas are correctly classified for conservation purposes. These areas are almost totally devoid of road access and utilities. Any development would involve nearly insurmountable sewage disposal problems. No development shall be permitted in these areas, so designated as Rural Lands One. (SEE map.)

- Permitted Uses -
Subject to State limitations
Limited agricultural uses
Forestry - grazing.

Section 415 RURAL LANDS TWO DISTRICT (RL-2)

To protect and maintain North Hero's prime farmland, to maintain the open visual aspect of the rural community and insure that Route #2 will remain open and able to handle traffic flow, this special rural district is defined. Residential development is restricted, recognizing that the highest and best use of this land is for farming.

It is designed to include all acreage in operating farms as well as lands used for agricultural purposes. Based on limits of water supply and sewage disposal and so as not to hinder active farming operations, the residential density of these lands shall be no greater than one family per ten acres.

Any owner of lands included in Rural Lands Two desiring to develop and subdivide into lots of less than ten acres may upon written request a landowner may request and be granted a change in classification to Rural Lands 3. Parcels transferred in this manner shall be a minimum of ten acres and after such change in classification will be subject to the conditions, density and lot size specified under Rural Lands Three.

*Permitted uses:

1. Agricultural, including retail sale of farm produce;
2. Forestry.
3. Single-family dwelling.
4. Home occupation.
5. Nursery, greenhouse.
6. Commercial horse farm and riding academy.
7. Accessory use.

*In the North Hero off-island permitted uses are seasonal only.

(SEE Section 389 of these regulations.)

Permitted upon issuance of Conditional Use Permit:

1. Two-family dwelling.
2. Recreational facility.
3. Mobile home.
4. Golf course, tennis court.
5. Cemetery.
6. Water storage.
7. Club/summer camp.
8. Public and semi-public building.
9. Essential service.
10. Other uses determined suitable by the Planning Commission after a public hearing.

Lot area and dimensions

No lot shall be less than 10 acres except as provided by a change in classification. (SEE third paragraph above.) Each lot shall have a frontage and width of at least 300 feet.

Building setbacks

1. Front, measured from near edge of right-of-way: a. Town road - 75 feet b. State Highway - 100 feet
2. Sides and rear, from adjacent property line - 25 feet.
3. Building height not to exceed 30 feet above grade. (Agricultural uses exempted.)

Section 420 RURAL LANDS THREE DISTRICT (RL-3)

These are areas in which medium density rural residential development may be encouraged. Considerable acreage exists in the Town of North Hero for this classification. Depending on soil and sewage disposal limits, a maximum residential density shall be one family per three acres and with a minimum lot size of one and one-half acres per family. For instance, a 30 acre area could conceivably contain ten single-family dwellings.

*Permitted uses:

1. Agricultural.
2. Forestry.
3. Single-family dwelling.
4. Home occupation.
5. Accessory use.

*In the North Hero off-islands permitted uses are seasonal only. (SEE Section 389 of these regulations.)

Permitted upon issuance of Conditional Use Permit:

1. Public building.
2. Essential service.
3. Two-family dwelling.
4. Gasoline service station.
5. Private school, hospital, church.
6. Neighborhood commercial facility.
7. Planned residential development per the Act, Section 4407 (3)
8. Multi-family dwelling.
9. Mobile home.
10. Other uses determined suitable by the Planning Commission after a public hearing.

Lot area and dimensions

No lot shall be less than one and one-half acres. Each lot shall have a frontage and width of at least 100 feet.

Building setbacks

1. Front, measured from near edge of right-of-way: a. Town road - 75 feet b. State highway - 100 feet.
2. Sides and rear, from adjacent property line - 25 feet
3. Building height not to exceed 30 feet from finished grade. (Agricultural uses exempted.)

Section 445 SHORELAND DISTRICT (SL)

Shoreland is defined as any area within 500 horizontal feet from the mean water mark of Lake Champlain. Because of special sewage and pollution problems maximum residential density shall be one family per two acres with a minimum lot size of one acre.

Since some of our shorelands involve swamps and flood plains, development in such areas is subject to state regulations. (SEE Section 4407 (9) the Act.)

*Permitted uses:

1. Agricultural.
2. Single-family dwelling.
3. Accessory use.
4. Piers, docks, floats that do not impede navigation (nonpermanent).
5. Boathouse built behind or back of the shoreline.

*In the North Hero off-islands permitted uses are seasonal only. (SEE Section 389 of these Regulations.)

Permitted upon issuance of Conditional Use Permit:

1. Marinas.
2. Hotels and motels.
3. Youth or club camps.
4. Two-family dwelling.
5. Other uses determined suitable by the Planning Commission after a public hearing.

Lot area and dimensions

No lot shall be less than one acre. Each lot shall have a lakeshore frontage or width of at least 100 feet as measured in a straight line.

Building setbacks

1. From mean water mark of Lake Champlain - 75 feet.
2. From near edge of right-of-way: a. Town road - 75 feet b. Private right-of-way - 65 feet c. State highway - 100 feet

3. Remaining lot side line - 25 feet from adjacent property line.
4. Building height not to exceed 30 feet from finished grade. (Agricultural uses exempted.)
5. Maximum lot area covered by total building is 10,000 square feet per acre.
6. Minimum ground floor elevation is 110 feet (high water mark is 101.64 feet).

Section 450 VILLAGE DISTRICT (V)

This area includes the existing residential and neighborhood commercial center of North Hero, as well as an adjoining expansion area to accommodate future growth. Every effort shall be made to maintain an attractive residential community. This Village District is designated a Design Control District per the Act, 4407 (6). An orderly growth, development and associated neighborhood commercial services will be encouraged. The existing structures in the Village District, proximity to highway and lakeshore, directs the future growth, i.e., behind the present village. Depending on soil and sewage disposal limitations, development for the entire district shall average a maximum residential density of one family per two acres with a minimum lot size per family of one acre. For instance, a forty acre area could conceivably contain twenty single-family dwellings.

- Permitted uses: 1. Agricultural 2. Forestry 3. Single-family dwelling 4. Home occupation 5. Accessory use.

Permitted upon issuance of Conditional Use Permit:

1. Two-family dwelling.
2. Neighborhood commercial facility.
3. Planned residential development per the Act, 4407 (3).
4. Essential services.
5. Public building.
6. Office.
7. Private school, hospital, church.
8. Other uses determined suitable by the Planning Commission after a public hearing.

Lot area and dimensions

No lot shall be less than one acre. Each lot shall have minimum frontage and width of 100 feet.

Building setbacks

1. Front, measured from near edge of right-of-way: a. Town road - 75 feet b. State highway - 100 feet
2. Sides and rear from adjacent property line - 25 feet
3. Building height not to exceed 30 feet above grade.
4. Maximum lot area covered by total building shall be 10,000 square feet per acre.

Appendix A DEFINITIONS

Appendix B MOBILE HOME PARKS

Appendix C TRAVEL TRAILER CAMPS/PARKS

ARTICLE V: APPENDICES

Again this year the Strong Americans Physical Fitness 4-H Group of Grand Isle will be making a trip to 4-H State Day. In what is beginning to be an annual outing for the group led by Martha Horican and Bev Baker. Pictured left-right are TOP ROW: Norman Gordon, David Potter, Rusty Skellie, Mark Pidgeon, Glenn Palmo, Rindert Wesseling, Chris Prouly, Lance Macumber, Jeff Adams, Todd Chamberlin, Krager Blow, Darryle Pidgeon, Frank Cassidy, Johnny Mosher, Phil Horican and Steve Skellie.

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