



Shoreham News

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Town Office

297 Main Street • 897-5841
M, T, Th, F: 9^{AM}-12 & 1-4^{PM}
Closed Wednesday

Meetings:

Selectboard: 2nd, 4th Wednesdays; 7^{PM}
Planning: 3rd Thursday, 7^{PM}
Schoolboard: as posted
see website Calendar

Platt Memorial Library

www.plattlib.org
279 Main Street • 897-2647
Mon: 11^{AM}-7^{PM}
Wed, Thurs: 2-7^{PM}
Sat: 9^{AM}-1^{PM}

Website: www.shorehamvt.org

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Selectboard
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Newton Academy
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Elementary School Website:

www.shorehamschool.org

State Legislators

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Newsletter

News can be submitted to the Town Clerk, attention Editors. Letter is mailed at town expense to Shoreham residents

Editor

Robin Conway

Loosely followed schedule:

- Winter/Spring
- Spring/Summer
- Summer/Fall
- Fall/Winter—maybe

SHOREHAM FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 5, 2009

Are you ready? The time is nearly upon us! The Festival is about to roll out with the usual afternoon Parade, the Classic Car show, Garden Tractor pull, games and events all day, ending with the Selectboard Dinner and Fireworks.

Here are a few "NOTES:"

- **Both School Road and School Street will be closed to traffic all day**, from roughly Newton Academy to Main Street. Also see map, page 2
- **Sign up for the Texas Hold 'em** Tournament begins at 11 AM and the tournament STARTS at Noon in the firehouse. It is going to be limited to just so many people. Elaine Brisson is the one in charge so any questions call her at 897-5638.
- The **Dinner** will be at the Congregational Church, not the Firehouse as in the past. Tickets available at the door: \$10/adults, \$5/kids; take away available.
- **Volunteer Ops**—If you've got a hankering to lend a hand—give Heidi a call to see if there's a special spot you can fill: 462-3542



FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

8:00^{am}	Pancake Breakfast @ Congo Church	8 ^{am} -10:30 ^{am}
	Shoreham Town Wide Lawn Sales Start	8 ^{am} -2 ^{pm}
	Apple Pie Sale @ Congo Church	8 ^{am} -12 ^{pm}
	School Road and School Street CLOSED	8 ^{am} -9 ^{pm}
9:00^{am}	Coffee & Doughnuts @ Fire House	9 ^{am} -12 ^{pm}
	Library Book Sale @ Library	9 ^{am} -2 ^{pm}
	Tennis Tournament	9 ^{am} -2 ^{pm}
11:00^{am}	Garden Tractor Pulls on Common	11 ^{am} -4 ^{pm}
	Newton Academy Tour	11 ^{am} -12 ^{pm}
	Cakes Delivered to Church (downstairs)	11 ^{am} -2 ^{pm}
	Texas Hold 'em Registration @ Fire House	11 ^{am} -12 ^{pm}
NOON	Texas Hold 'em Tournament Starts	12 ^{pm} -4 ^{pm}
	Classic Car Show on School Road	12 ^{pm} -3 ^{pm}
	Photo Contest (Silent Auction Begins) @ Congo Church	
	Legos @ Firehouse	2 ^{pm} -3 ^{pm}
	Midway Opens	12 ^{pm} -4 ^{pm}
	Face Painting @ Fire House	12 ^{pm} -2 ^{pm}
1:00^{pm}	Bingo @ Congo Church (downstairs)	1 ^{pm} -3 ^{pm}
	Voices On The Lake @ Library	1 ^{pm} -4 ^{pm}
2:00^{pm}	Book Sale Ends	
	Newton Academy Tour	2 ^{pm} -3 ^{pm}
	Shoreham Town Wide Lawn Sales End	
3:00^{pm}	Cake Judging Contest @ Congo Church	
	Bingo Ends	
3:30^{pm}	Parade Line-Up @ Seedway Building	
4:00^{pm}	Parade	
	Midway done and picked up	
4:30^{pm}	Concert @ Pavilion	4:30 ^{pm} -5 ^{pm}
	Citizenship Award @ Pavilion	
5:00^{pm}	Select Board Dinner @ Congo Church	5 ^{pm} -7 ^{pm}
	Last bids on Photos	
6:00^{pm}	Photo Contest Award @ Congo Church	
7:00^{pm}	Guitar Hero Competition @ Fire House	5 ^{pm} -8 ^{pm}
8:45^{pm}	FIREWORKS	

SCHOOL STREET & THE ZONE FESTIVAL DAY • SEPTEMBER 5

School Rd & School St will be closed 8 AM to 9PM—no traffic, no parking

The map below shows the **NO-PEDESTRIAN Fireworks Zone**—CLOSED to all, 8 PM to 9PM during the fireworks



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NEWS

- ♦ **Worship Minister**—Rev. Debbie Ingram has agreed to serve as our Worship Minister. We enjoy her ability to relate Scripture to everyday life in her sermons and prayers. She also is available to perform weddings and conduct funerals. We invite you to come to a Sunday service at 10^{AM} to meet her and hear her message. (And learn about her recent visit to China!)

Rev. Ingram has studied at Stanford University, Fuller Theological Seminary, and Cambridge University, England. She served as a pastor in southern California before moving to Bangladesh in 1995, where she wrote and produced videos for organizations working in poverty alleviation. She has lived in Vermont since 2002. During the week, Debbie serves as the Executive Director of Vermont Interfaith Action, a faith-based community-organizing project that works with 11 congregations in Burlington, Barre, and Montpelier to advocate for social justice and systemic change on issues such as affordable housing and access to health care.

- ♦ **Parsonage for Sale**—The Church Parsonage and two adjoining lots on School Street are for sale. For more information, contact Nancy Foster at Re/Max Realty.

See Congo Church; page 3

DOGS, DOGS, DOGS!

The Selectboard, Second Constable Bob Warren, Dog Officer Lissy Hemenway, and Town Clerk Amy Douglas have been working to finish getting the dogs in Shoreham licensed. We currently have 333 dogs licensed. Several more remain unlicensed. A warrant was issued by the Selectboard on July 22nd. Bob and Lissy have begun executing the warrant.

The Town has experienced several problems with dogs over the past year, including destruction of animals on neighboring or near-by properties by uncontrolled dogs.

The Town enacted a Dog Ordinance in 2006. Copies are available at the Town Office. Dogs must *remain on their owner's property or be on a leash and under the owner's control*. Violation of the Ordinance will result in a fine of up to \$100.00. If an animal is taken away from an owner, shelter fees must be paid before the owner can reclaim the animal.

State law requires that dogs be licensed by April 1st each year. A current rabies certificate must be on file before a license can be issued.

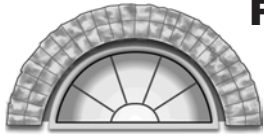
Your cooperation with licensing requirements can help keep our Town expenses down.!

SHOREHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- ♦ The Shoreham Elementary School is looking forward to the start of another school year in September. We welcome Irene Cadoret as the new Administrative Assistant. Please stop in the office to introduce yourself next time you are in the building.
- ♦ We are very excited that **our meals program will take place entirely in Shoreham** this year. Work began this summer to expand the current kitchen and will be wrapping up in early fall. It's exciting to see the progress that's been made over the years toward providing meals to children at the school.
- ♦ We are also excited to offer an **Extended Day Program** to our students in grades three through six. The program runs from the end of the school day until 5:20pm, nearly every Monday through Thursday.
- ♦ Many thanks and appreciation to the volunteers who came out to help paint some classrooms this summer. There will be another opportunity to volunteer at the school this fall.
- ♦ On **September 11th** all are invited to help make improvements inside the building. Volunteers are needed to do such things as touch up painting, help create displays in the school, organize materials and storage spaces, and help with classroom projects. Volunteers are invited to come anytime from 4:00pm to 8:00pm.
- ♦ Our **Welcome Back Potluck Dinner** will begin at 6:00pm on that day. We hope to see you Friday, September 11th!

**The Shoreham Town Republican Committee
will meet on September 22nd at 7:00^{PM}
at Jim and Susan Peden's (2431 Rte 74E)**

This will be the organizing meeting for the next two years: election of officers, discussion of events and other business of Republican Town Committees. For more information, please call Meg @ 897-2744



FRIENDS OF THE PLATT

www.friendsoftheplatt.org/

SHOREHAM APPLE FEST

On Sunday, September 20, the Friends of Platt Memorial Library will present the Shoreham Apple Fest in conjunction with the 2009 Tour de Farms bike tour and coordinated with local farms and orchards.

On Sunday morning, bicyclists will hit the roads of Addison County for the Second Annual Tour de Farms. Bicyclists from beginners to experts start the Tour on the Shoreham Green and follow one of three routes to many local farms to sample a wide range of locally produced food items while enjoying the scenic landscapes of the Champlain Valley. The routes, which vary in length and difficulty, all end back at the



Shoreham Green in time to enjoy the Shoreham Apple Fest. Last year more than 200 bicyclists participated, with more anticipated this year. The Tour de Farms is organized by the Addison County Relocalization Network (ACORN), Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition, and Rural Vermont. For more information about Tour de Farms, and to download registration forms and a list of participating producers, visit www.ruralvermont.org or contact Jonathan Corcoran, 802/453-5575, jcorcoran@acornvt.org

The Shoreham Apple Fest will run from 12:30—5:30 pm on the green, and will feature food, live music and children's activities, plus a farmers' market with more sampling and things to buy. The Friends of the Platt will serve lunch and sell baked goods, drinks, and other items to benefit the Platt Memorial Library Building Fund.

There are several ways you can participate. We still have some farmers' market space available for area food producers or crafts people. We are looking for bakers to contribute to our bake sale, and volunteers to help on the day of the festival.

We invite all to come help us celebrate Shoreham's agricultural heritage and have a good time. For more information, contact: The Platt Memorial Library at 897-2647, Joyce Morgan at 897-2330/jsmorgan@shoreham.net, or Carol Causton at 897-2747 /ccaust@aol.com.

NEWTON ACADEMY

Presents

Maiden Vermont Concert in Shoreham

Saturday • October 17th • 7:30 PM

Shoreham Elementary School

Adults: \$10 • Seniors & Youth: \$7 • Age 6 & Under FREE

Congo Church; Continued from page 2

- **Vacation Bible School**—The Church held a very successful Vacation Bible School during the last week of July. The children learned about our church, the Lord's Prayer, and five cultures in our study of Children of the World: Kenya, Mexico, Native Americans, the Netherlands, and Malaysia. In this photo, Loraine Hescock talks to the children about Malaysia. We plan to hold another VBS next summer, so please keep it in mind for your children and grandchildren during the last week of July 2010.
- **Rummage and Bake Sale**—The Women's Fellowship will sponsor its *Fall Rummage and Bake Sale* on Saturday, September 19 from 9–2. Donations will be accepted at the Church on Thursday and Friday afternoon prior to the sale. This is a great place to get bargains!
- **Jamaican Hymn Sing**—For more than 35 years, the Church has hosted the annual Jamaican Hymn Sing, a celebration in song by the Jamaican apple pickers in our midst. This year it will be held on Sunday, September 27 at 7 PM. A free-will offering will be taken, with proceeds going to their home churches in Jamaica. Refreshments will follow.
- **Lobster Dinner**—The annual Lazy Man's Lobster Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 14. The cost of the lobster dinner is \$20 by pre-sold ticket only. Non-lobster-lovers can order a ham dinner for \$10. Both meals come with salad, baked potato, rolls, and dessert. Members of the Church Business Committee will have tickets starting in mid-October. Need more information? Call Judy Blake at 897-2780.

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QUADRICENTENNIAL

Update

Early in 2009 Maizie Hescock and Rustan Swenson attended a Quadricentennial planning meeting of the Vermont State Historical Society in Barre. At that time towns along Lake Champlain were asked and encouraged to participate in the official Quadricentennial Parade in Burlington on July, 11. Ms. Hescock felt very strongly that Shoreham should, indeed, be represented there. To that end, under the work and direction of Ms. Hescock, the Hescock/Haigh families from Shoreham (and Cornwall/Middlebury) were able to successfully put a float in the Burlington Quadricentennial Parade.

A sign carried in front of the float acknowledged Shoreham's contribution.

The float consisted of a "birch bark" canoe nestled in the simulated blue waters of Lake Champlain. It was manned by two "Algonquin warriors" complete with leather head bands and loin cloths and "Samuel de Champlain" in full attire including lace collar and maroon feathers on his hat. The float was a huge success! Jimmy Swift, state organizer of the parade, called the float, "the one that took Burlington by storm."



Help fill the shelf!
Donate to the
Building Fund!



LIBRARY NOTES

Hours: Monday, 11–7; Wednesday, 2–7; Thursday, 2–7; Saturday, 9–1 • 897-2647

Great summer!

It's been a busy, happy summer at the Platt Library. Many children participated in the Reading Club, weekly programs, and storytimes. Adults enjoyed our guest authors and book discussions, and our teens took a trip to Rokeby Museum following a reading about the Underground Railroad.

Award

The Library has been chosen as one of the Secretary of State's Centennial Nonprofit Award winners. This award goes to a select number of Vermont nonprofit organizations who, after more than a hundred years in existence, are still making a difference in the communities they serve. We are honored to be chosen for this recognition.



www.plattlib.org

Gates Foundation Grant

The Library has received a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. This grant will provide matching funds for public computing hardware in 2010 and 2011. This is a great opportunity to stretch our dollars as we improve our public access computers.

Voices of the Lake

Shoreham residents came out in force to share their stories with ECHO's Bridget Butler. She said Shoreham's turnout was better than at any other library in the state. A sincere thank you to all who waited patiently to tell Bridget about their personal connection to the lake, to share an ancestor's experience on the lake, or share a bit of Shoreham's lake-related history. People came not only from Shoreham but also Crown Point and Whitehall. It was an amazing day. The video she shot will be available at the ECHO in a forthcoming exhibit, archived at the Vermont Folklife Center, and on ECHO's YouTube channel.



Bridget will return to Shoreham for the Shoreham Festival on Saturday, September 5th. From 1 to 4 pm she will show the edited video and will record people who haven't yet had a chance to tell their story. What can you share with her for the benefit of future generations?

FALL PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

Preschool Storytimes

Preschool Storytimes will be offered **each week from September 14th to December 14th on Mondays** at ___ am. Storytimes are great fun for both the little ones and the grownups who bring them. Programs include stories, rhymes, finger plays and action activities, and flannel boards.

School-age Programs

School-age Programs will be offered **1st and 3rd Thursdays** at 2:30 pm through the school year beginning September 17th. The programs open with a small snack, a story, and center on an activity. Dates through 2009 are **September 17, October 1, October 15, November 5, November 19, December 3, and December 17**. Details will be available soon on the library website, www.plattlib.org.

Teen Readers Advisory Board

The Board meets at 7pm on the **third Thursday** of each month through the school year to discuss books and have input into what books the library buys for young adults.

September 17th will be our initial meeting for the season. Pizza will be provided, we'll talk about what we read over the summer, and set what books we'll be reading for the year. On **October 15th** we'll meet to look at reviews of new books and discuss which to add to the Library. **November 19th** will be our book discussion. Come prepared to talk about the books we chose in September. **December 17th** will be a selection night like October's meeting.

A trip to the Bell Museum is planned for **January 21st** and will be a book discussion and tour. Again, details will be on the website, www.plattlib.org.

Book Club

Book Club will meet on the third Wednesday of each month **except December** at 7pm. This season's books: **September 16**—Read any book by Vermont author Archer Mayor. These exciting mysteries set in familiar territory are fun reading; **October 21**—*The Second Objective* by Mark Frost. This suspenseful and meaty WW2 espionage thriller is a real page turner; **November 18**—*The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer. Well-drawn characters populate this historical fiction which tells the story of

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life under German occupation on the Isle of Guernsey during WW2; **January 20**—Field Trip to Shoreham's own Bell Museum. Read any book which includes bells for this special outing. Books for all these discussions are available about a month ahead of time to borrow at no charge from the Library.

Authors Wanted

Do you have a friend or relative who has published a general interest book? We'd love to discuss hosting a reading of their work for the public at the library. We offer a charming setting, an appreciative audience, and an opportunity to market their book. Call Dianne for more information.

Do you write? Would you be interested in a writer's circle where you could read sections of your work to other writers and both give and receive feedback? We're exploring the idea of forming such a writer's circle but don't know if there are people interested. Call Dianne to discuss.

Church News cont.

- **Dinner and Movie Series**—Did you miss the two dinner and movie events we sponsored?? Then you missed a great time! In May the Church sponsored an Italian Night, with lasagna and the movie "Roman Holiday", and in August we had a barbecued chicken dinner with the movie "Cool Runnings" to help us cool off one evening. Be on the lookout for future dinner-and-movie nights, and give us your suggestions!
- **Game Nights**—Beat cabin fever in the winter with some game nights at the Church. Help us organize them, or just come and play. Fun for the whole family.
- **A Junior Choir, a Bell Choir, and the Senior Choir** will all start up in December. They will meet on Thursday evenings at 5:00, 6:00, and 7:00 PM respectively, December 3, 10, and 17. Contact Gail Wood for details.

Collaboration with Other Groups—Is the Church important to you in this community? Do you belong to another organization that could collaborate with the Church in an activity for the benefit of both? Contact Gail Wood (897-8201), Julie Ortuno (897-5712), or Ginny VanHazinga (897-5420) with your ideas.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

H1N1 VIRUS—According to the CDC, we may see more severe effects from the H1N1 virus recurrence once the schools re-open, so it's a good time to think ahead about how you'll handle school/work closings. Find out what the school and workplace plans are.

VT 2-1-1... is a toll-free referral service, and though generally thought of as a resource for social services, is trained and has resources for handling emergency situations. Shoreham is going to begin using the following system.

If there is something that happens in Shoreham that causes, or poses, a hazard, we will call 2-1-1 and provide the following information:

- What is happening
- Expected duration
- Actions to take, if any
- Resources available
- Local contact

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Eat your way through the day

Start with **breakfast at the Church**. They start serving at 8:00^{AM}; pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, coffee, homefries! Adults: \$6, kids: \$3. Or grab a breakfast burrito for just \$4.

The Firemen's **Burger Buggy** will be selling hamburgers, sweet Italian sausage, hot dogs, and world famous French Fries during the day.

The **Selectboard Dinner** starts at 5:00^{PM} at the Church. The food will all be cooked on-site —straight from oven to plate! Slow-cooked beef, Bar-B-Q chicken, cole slaw, baked beans, corn bread, sauteed summer squash & zucchini, sliced cukes and tomatoes. The contest cakes will be served up for desert! Adults: \$10, Kids: \$5. Take-Away will be available, too.

Here's a bit about some of the Platt's festival events:

Photo Contest

Entries for the Friends of the Library's photo contest will be on exhibit and open for bids in the annual silent auction **upstairs in the Congregational Church** from noon to 5 p.m.

Decorated Cake Contest

The Library is again sponsoring a decorated cake contest. In honor of the Quadricentennial, the contest theme is "Lake Champlain; the Last 400 Years". *Entries will be accepted between 11^{AM} and 2^{PM} downstairs at the Congregational Church Saturday, September 5th.* Judging will be at 3 pm. Cakes will be judged on appearance, originality/creativity, theme, taste, flavor, and texture.

The judges request that all entries be submitted with a clear cake cover. For further information, call Robin Severy at 897-2647.

Book Sale and More 9^{AM} to 2^{PM}.

Books, videos, audio books, puzzles, and some interesting miscellaneous items will be for sale. All proceeds benefit the operating budget of the Library.

Lego Mania noon to 3^{PM} in the Fire House.

Vote for the people's choice award winner. Also from noon to three will be the quick build competitions. Who can build the most amazing item in just 20 minutes? What the judge says goes. All Legos are supplied for the quick builds.

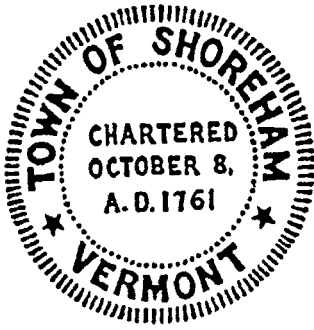
Face Painting

Face painting will be provided for the Shoreham Festival by our town's talented young people and friends. Stop by the Fire House and choose a design. Lots of fun for just one dollar! Proceeds benefit the Young Adult book budget.

Shoreham will provide 2-1-1 with information when roads are closed due to weather issues or structural failure, when the power is out and we establish shelters, and in other situations where people cannot continue as usual.

If you need information during an emergency or disaster, call 2-1-1 and ask for updates from Shoreham Emergency Management. VT 2-1-1 is answered 24hrs (*but you need a push-button/tone phone to access the "after-hours" call center), and works with Vermont Emergency Management during larger-scale incidents.

Robin Conway, EM Coordinator—897-2668
Marthe Fisher, Assist. Coord.—897-2442



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Coming Up...

- **Sept. 5**—Shoreham Festival!
- **Sept. 11**—Workday at the School; 4–8PM
- **Sept. 11**—Welcome Back PotLuck; School, 6^{PM}
- **Sept. 19**—Rummage & Bake Sale; 9–2; Congo Church; item donations welcomed on Thurs/Fri
- **Sept. 20**—Apple Fest, 12:30–5:30, the Green
- **Sept. 22**—Shoreham Republican Cmmttee; 7PM, 2431 Rte. 74E; info. call Meg, 897-2744
- **Sept. 27**—Jamaican Hymn Sing; 7^{PM}, Congo Church; free-will offering benefits Jamaican churches
- **Oct. 3**—Scrap metal collection, 9–12, Firehouse
- **Oct. tbd**—Annual Home-Grown Dinner
- **Oct. 17**—Maiden Vermont Concert, 7:30, Elementary School
- **Oct. tbd**—Halloween Trunk or Treat; Main Street
- **Nov. 14**—Lazy Man's Lobster Dinner; Congo Church;
- **Dec. 24**—Christmas Eve Service; 5^{PM} Congregational Church

*Town-wide Yard Sales,
8:00^{AM}-2:00^{PM} ♦ September 5*
*Maps will be available early that morning
at: ♦ the Firehouse,
♦ the Congregational church
♦ and the Platt Library*

**Shoreham Festival
Breakfast**
Saturday September 5
 8 am–10:30 am
 Shoreham Congregational Church

Full Breakfast \$6.00
 Child \$3.00
 Breakfast Burritos \$4.00

**SHOREHAM TENNIS
FALL SCHEDULE**

Mon: 7–9 p.m.— women, all levels
 Tues: 7–9 p.m.— beginner men
 Thurs: 7–9 p.m.—men, all levels
 Sat: 9–11 a.m.—round-robin, all levels

Need a partner? Call Wilson MacIntire at 897-2600

**The Ferry's
Last Run of
the Season
will be on
October 31!**

(after Labor Day last run is 5:45
not 6:45)

the online calendar for details, changes, additions
 (www.shorehamvt.org/town/)
 check with the Town Clerk (897-5841).