

### Contacts

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#### Community Library Deborah Lundbeck: 453-4015

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### Selectboard News:

December has been a busy month for everyone I'm sure. Hope all had a Merry Christmas and wishing you a Happy New Year. The Board met several times last month to work on the budget; things have progressed nicely. We should have it pretty much finalized by the time you read this.

The Board is looking at fixing some problem spots on some of our dirt roads; particularly on the hills and recurring wash out areas. This is a place where we may get the biggest bang for your buck in the road department.

The EV charging station is up and running; any one who has EV cars should utilize this charger. There is a small fee for using them of course, however we encourage the driving public to make use of these chargers.

I'm sad to notify you all that the Events Coordinators position has been eliminated by the Selectboard beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>. There was a consensus that the office staff has the time and ability to handle this. I'd like to thank Suzy Roorda for her many years of service to the Town.

Steve Dupoise

### Clerk News: Happy New Year to you all !

There are several elected official positions that will be available in March. If you are interested in running for office, come by the Town Office and pick up a nominating petition to get your name on the ballot. You will need 13 registered voters' signatures, and your petition needs to be returned to the Town Clerks office on Monday, January 27, 2020 by 5:00 pm. If you have questions, please feel free to call the Town Office.

Auditor - 1 yr. term

Auditor - 3 yr. term

Delinquent Tax Collector - 1 yr. term

Grand Juror's (2) - 1 yr. term

Library Trustee's (2) - 3 yr. terms

Lister - 2 yr. Term

Lister - 3 yr. term

Moderator - 1 yr. term

Selectboard - 2 yr. term

Selectboard - 3 yr. term

Town Agent - 1 yr. term

Town Treasurer - 2 yr. term

Trustee of Public Funds - 1 yr. term

When filing a petition to have an article appear on the ballot, you will need 5% of the registered voters' signatures. The petition needs to be filed with the Town Clerk by 4:00 pm on January 16, 2020.

The Town Offices will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2020 in Honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Respectfully, Pam Kingman

### Town Administrator News:

#### *New Haven Energy Plan – We Want Your Input!*

The energy subcommittee of the planning commission has been working with the Addison County Regional Planning Commission to update the town plan energy chapter. This important document outlines current energy use, supplies, constraints, and opportunities, as well as forecasts for the future. The plan addresses electricity, thermal energy, and transportation. It is very much a working draft that will benefit from public input. The Town wants and welcomes your feedback on the plan. You can see a copy at <https://is.gd/UbJLLF> and submit comments to Maggie Eaton at [maggiieaton@me.com](mailto:maggiieaton@me.com) or 78 North Street, New Haven, VT 05472.

Aaron Brown

Any non-profit group event that is open to all members of the community can be listed in the Community calendar.

#### Contact:

Town Office: 453 - 3516

**Friends of the Library:** Think it's cold out now? Probably not as cold as it was in the winter of 1816!

1816 has long been known as the year without a summer. It was a year in which there were frosts every month, skies that were mostly dark, failed crops and scarce food. Following closely on the end of the War of 1812, it hit Vermont harder than other states, although the unusual cold was a world wide phenomenon. Many Vermonters coped with help from their neighbors. But greed was also in evidence.

Friends of the Library invite you to hear Howard Coffin tell us about "1800 and Froze to Death: The Cold Year of 1816" at the New Haven Town Offices, 78 North Street, on Wednesday, January 22, at 7:00 PM. This talk is sponsored by the Vermont Humanities Council and hosted by the Friends of the New Haven Library. It is open to all.

Because New Year's Day falls on the first Wednesday of the month, the Friends' next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, January 8.

Norma Norland

**New Haven Community Library News:** Happy 2020, everyone! We are pleased to announce that the Vermont Department of Libraries has contracted for free, statewide access to Learning Express Library. LEL offers many license prep tests, including many of the necessary components of the CDL, nursing, medical testing, SAT, LSAT, and GRE prep. It also offers a wide range of academic and career-related solutions in one platform, including skill-building in reading, writing, math and science, college admissions exams, occupational licensing test, career exploration, and much more. It includes information to help job seekers explore occupations, find career matches based on interest and skills, search for scholarships, and create effective resumes. Additionally, Learning Express Library has a computer skills center where one can learn the fundamentals of using a computer and more with self-paced, easy-to-use tutorials - beginner to advance levels.

For more information, contact Deborah at the library!

**Bristol Recreation is offering the following classes in January: Scholarships are available to all 5 town residents!**

**Pottery classes:**

Wednesday Morning Adult Hand Building, 1/8-2/12 10:30-12:00

Wednesday Evening Adult Hand Building and Wheel Throwing, 1/8-2/12 6:00pm-8:00pm

Pee-wee Pottery 1/11-2/15 ages 3-6 9:30am-10:30am

**Gymnastics:**

From Family-Advanced Gymnastics, 1/4 -2/1, Saturdays

**Dance:**

Creative Movement/Ballet ages 4.5-7 1/24-4/3 Fridays

Contemporary/Ballet ages 8-12 1/24-4/3 Fridays.

**Conservation Commission Report:** We had a wonderful, if depressing, presentation from Chris Olson about the Emerald Ash Borer. It was recently found on North Street in Bristol. As the domain of this insect spreads, we are likely to lose 99% of the Ash Trees in our region. However, some trees may survive and spread the seeds of a new resurgence. David Brynn shared with us interesting attempts to identify and inoculate particularly healthy specimens. He also shared information about the Conservation Congress that was held in November.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Arm Chair Naturalist presentations:

January 15, tracking with Chris Runcie

February 19, amphibians with Jim Andrews

March 25, pollinators with Dr. Samantha Alger

April 15 edible plants and herbs , presenter TBA

All sessions take place at 7:00 pm in the Town Offices.

Cheryl Mitchell

**New Haven Congregational Church Soup Supper**

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 6:00 pm

A variety of soups, bread, crackers, beverages and desserts

\$8 adults

For more information call Carol 453-5059

In the event of a snow storm on the 15<sup>th</sup> the snow date will be January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

# January 2020 New Haven Community Calendar

**Location of Events Key:** Town Hall= TH Town Offices= TO Town Garage= TG Cafeteria= C Gym= G Beeman= S MAUHS= HS Village Green =VG Village Green Market= VGM Congregational Church= CH Library= L Fire Station= FS \* Recycling at Town Garage Saturday Mornings 8-12 \*

| Sun   | Mon   | Tue   | Wed  | Thu | Fri   | Sat                                       |
|---|---|---|--|-----|---|---|
|   |   |   | 1 Happy New Year 2020!!!<br>No School K - 12<br>Town Office Closed<br>Library Closed   | 2   | 3   | 4 Trash & Recycle<br>8AM-12PM Town Garage |
| 5<br>6<br>DRB Meeting 7PM at TO   | 7<br>Library Story Hour 10:30AM L<br>Selectboard Meeting 7PM TO   | 8<br>Library Friends Mtg 7PM L  | 9<br>Library Trustees Mtg<br>7PM L   | 10  | 11 Trash & Recycle<br>8AM-12PM Town Garage  |   |
| 12<br>13<br>Planning Commission Meeting<br>7PM at TO  | 14<br>Library Story Hour 10:30AM L  | 15 4H-Equine Mtg.6:30PM C<br>Conservation Mtg 7PM TO<br>Congregational CH Soup Sup<br>\$8/Per Person 6pm CH<br>Carol 453-5059 for info      | 16 Library Book Group<br>"Girl Woman Other"<br>7PM L<br>Petition for Article on<br>Town Mtg. Warning due to<br>Town Clerk by 4:00 pm   | 17  | 18 Trash & Recycle<br>8AM-12PM Town Garage  |   |
| 19<br>20 No School K—12<br>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Recess<br>Town Office closed<br>DRB Meeting - tentative 7PM at<br>TO | 21 No School K-12-<br>Professional Development<br>Library Story Hour 10:30AM L<br>Selectboard Meeting 7PM TO  | 22 VT Humanities Council /<br>Howard Coffin presentation<br>"1800 and Froze to Death:<br>The Cold Year of 1816"                             | 23   | 24  | 25 Trash & Recycle<br>8AM-12PM Town Garage  |   |
| 26<br>27<br>Nominating Petitions due to<br>the Town Clerk by 5:00 pm  | 28<br>Library Story Hour 10:30AM L  | 29  | 30   | 31  |   |   |
|   | Rent the Town Hall for your<br>own events or parties, or to<br>teach classes. Please sub-<br>mit your application at least<br>3 weeks prior to your event<br>to allow the Selectboard | time to review and<br>process the application.<br>Applications are available at<br>the Town Office or on the<br>Town web-site.<br>Thank you | *If your town group or club<br>would like its meetings or<br>events listed in the Town<br>Newsletter Calendar, please<br>contact the Town Office at<br>453-3516 or email<br>newhavenclerk@gmail.<br>net, by the 15 <sup>th</sup> of the<br>month prior to the<br>event for publishing. |     | To register in any town<br>group or club, please<br>call one of the phone<br>numbers listed<br>below. Thanks~ |   |

**Contacts:** \* Police 388-4919 \* Fire Dept. 453-3654 \* Town Office 453-3516 \* Town Garage / Shed 453-3397 \* Beeman 453-2331 \* MAUHS 453-2333 \* Mt Abe Unified School District 453-3657 \*  
\* Crime Watch 453-5978 \* Library 453-4015 \* Equine 4H 989-6038 \* Dairy 4H 545-2484 \* Little League 453-2724 \* Historical Soc. 989-4066 \* Ladies Union 877-3080 \*

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Recycling Saturday mornings 8-12 at Town Garage. Trash drop-off at same time for a fee.

**Town Office Hours:**

Monday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
Tuesday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
Wednesday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

*Closed Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>  
For New Years Day, and  
Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>  
In Honor of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.*

**Library Hours**

Tuesday 10:00 - 5:00  
(10:30 Story Hour)  
Wednesday 1:00 - 8:00  
Thursday 1:00 - 8:00  
Saturday 10:00 - 1:00

The newsletter is an open forum for New Haven residents with appropriate reports, articles, & letters about town matters. Letters of 500 words or less should be courteous & concern town events, news, & issues. One letter per person on a topic per year. Please include your name, address, & phone number. (Only your name will be published.) Submit in electronic form by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to [newhavenclerk@gmavt.net](mailto:newhavenclerk@gmavt.net) or [newhavenassistant@gmavt.net](mailto:newhavenassistant@gmavt.net)

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