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*January 2 and 16: Ferrisburgh Town Selectboard meeting 6:30 PM*

*January 5 and February 2: Friday Night Movies Bixby 6:30 PM*

*January 6 and 20: Ferrisburgh Grange King Pede card party 6:30 PM*

*January 10: Commodore Parent Teacher Group VUHS 6:30 PM*

The Ferrisburgh Grange “King Pede” card parties are scheduled for the Saturdays of January 6 and 20. These get-togethers are held at the Ferrisburgh Town Hall and Community Center and begin at 6:30 PM with a sandwich supper and then on to an evening of fun and card games. King Pede is an unusual game that involves “trick-taking” techniques such as in Hearts and Spades or Pitch. This is a game of fun and skill so come prepared to use your strategic thinking!

It is wintertime and that means the Ferrisburgh Skating Rink has ice and is ready for Skating! All residents are welcome to enjoy this local opportunity to get out, visit with friends, and enjoy the beautiful Vermont winter. There is always work to do to maintain the surface, so there are several shovels in the warming hut to clear any snow. Also, provided are a few stacked crates for beginning skaters. There is a schedule posted to provide times for Open Skate (i.e. no Stick ‘n Puck.) The skating rink is located next to the Ferrisburgh Central School. For more information contact Martha Davis, [marthand@gmavt.net](mailto:marthand@gmavt.net) or visit the Ferrisburgh Skating Rink Facebook page for updates on availability and ice conditions: [Facebook/ferrisburghskatingrink](https://www.facebook.com/ferrisburghskatingrink).

The Bixby Library has many offerings for January and throughout the winter months. The Library is open for students to use after school until 7:00 PM on Mondays and Thursdays and 5:00 PM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Students are welcome to come after school to relax, do homework, or chat with friends. The students can access the library’s laptop computers and there is Wi-Fi throughout the building. A library card is not required for the students. There are other fun events at the library, such as the children’s story hours, writing workshops, and the Famous Friday Night movies on the first Friday of every month. Please visit the Bixby website for more information and also to sign up for the Bixby Buzz Newsletter at [www.bixbylibrary.org](http://www.bixbylibrary.org).

There are several positions for Ferrisburgh town governance that will be on the March 6, 2018 ballot. These positions are listed on the town website and petitions are available at the Town Clerk’s office. Completed petitions must be in the Town Clerk’s office by 5:00 PM on Monday, January 29, 2018. Please consider serving our community and gain satisfaction by this type of public service work by contributing your time in these important positions. For more information, contact the Town Clerk at 877-3429 or [ferrisburghclerk@comcast.net](mailto:ferrisburghclerk@comcast.net).

The Commodore Parent Teacher Group is starting out the year with a call for new members. This organization works toward their mission of promoting family involvement in the school, improving communication between parents, teachers and administrators

and providing enrichment programs for students. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 10 at 6:30 PM in the Resource Response Center (Room C15 across from the principal's office). If parents can't commit to meetings but still want to be involved, contact, Lynne Rapoport at [lrapoort@anwsd.org](mailto:lrapoort@anwsd.org) to be included on the distribution list. The list will inform members of the agendas of the monthly meetings and also periodic requests for help with different school initiatives.

The Vergennes Basketball season is underway and the Commodore Booster Club is asking for help with the concession stand during high school games. This year, specific sports teams will be assigned to each basketball game, so the players and families will know ahead of time which game they are responsible for. There will be a link posted soon for sign up. Thank you to everyone who helps with the concessions and also thanks to all for supporting our school sports programs. For more information, contact the Booster Club President, Kirsten De La Cruz 802-349-7152.

Want to learn more about Ferrisburgh Central School or Vergennes Union Middle/High School? Don't forget that you can check out the schools' website for lots of great resources and contact information for families and students: [www.vuhs.org](http://www.vuhs.org) and <https://sites.google.com/a/anwsd.org/fcs/>. Parents and community members are also encouraged to sign up for the Vergennes Union Middle/High School blog. Subscribing to the blog can be done with an email account to get regular updates and/or follow [@VergennesUHS](https://twitter.com/VergennesUHS) on Twitter (blog posts feed the Twitter account automatically.)

NOTE: We are always interested in including a variety of Ferrisburgh-related news in this column, so if you have news that would be of interest, contact Sally Kerschner at [smwkersch@comcast.net](mailto:smwkersch@comcast.net). You are able to access these columns and other information about Ferrisburgh news and events by viewing the Ferrisburgh Town Website at [www.ferrisburghvt.org](http://www.ferrisburghvt.org).