

Vermont Country Sampler

September 2016 Calendar

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See the end of the daily event calendar for ongoing activities; museums, exhibits, and galleries; community meals; community dances and music; horseback riding and wagon rides; recreation and nature centers; and farmers markets.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

BRATTLEBORO. Talk—Off-Target: What Hollywood, Journalists, and Shooters Get Wrong About Guns. Dr. Mark Timney presents an apolitical examination of the mythology surrounding firearms. Free. 7 pm. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

BURLINGTON. Summervale. A food festival that celebrates farms, local food, family and friends. Proceeds benefit community food systems. Mal Maiz band, indigenous foods tastings, make-corn-tortillas, food vendors, farm visits, workshops. 5:30-8 pm. The Intervale Center, 108 Intervale Rd. (802) 660-0440 x 113. www.intervale.org.

CAMBRIDGE. Celebrate Your Farmer Social. Dinner baked in NOFA-VT's wood-fired pizza oven, followed by a tour of a certified organic farm growing vegetables, flowers, and offering a Community Supported Agriculture share. RSVP & suggested \$10 donation requested. 5:30-7:30 pm. Valley Dream Farm, 5901 Pleasant Valley Rd. rachel@nofavt.org. www.valleydreamfarm.com. nofavt.org.

ESSEX JUNCTION. Champlain Valley Fair. 105 Pearl St. (802) 878-5545. info@cvexpo.org. www.champlainvalleyfair.org. *Through September 4.*

SHELburne. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savories made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30-4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13.*

SOUTH HERO. Snow Farm Vineyard Summer Concert. Music by Jenni Johnson. Picnicking begins at 5 pm, music from 6:30-8:30 pm. Bring your own chairs and blankets. Food for purchase at the Sausage Shack, flatbread pizza, Rookies Root Beer, Homemade Island Ice Cream, and wine and beer and more available. Free admission. Snow Farm Vineyard, 190 West Shore Rd. (802) 372-9463. www.snowfarm.com. *Continues every Thursday through September 1.*

STARKSBORO. Hopyard Workshop. Kelly and Kathleen Norris, owners of Homestead Hops will share their experiences with starting a hopyard at a University of Vermont (UVM) Extension-sponsored field day. Growers will have an opportunity to view their irrigation pond along with a recently purchased harvester, air blast sprayer and other equipment. Heather Darby, an agronomist with the UVM Extension Northwest Crops and Soils Program, will update farmers on UVM hops research. Light refreshments. Free. 3-6 pm. 2951 Rt. 17. Registration requested. (802) 524-6501 x 432, or (800) 639-2130. homesteadhops.eventbrite.com.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

BENNINGTON. Talk on Artist Milton Avery. Join Karin Wilkin, independent critic and scholar of American modernism, and Jamie Franklin. Both will talk about Milton Avery and the art work he created in Vermont 1935-1943. Both have written about the artist in the catalogue which accompanies Milton Avery's Vermont exhibit. 6:30 pm. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. www.benningtonmuseum.org.

BENNINGTON. Famous Artist Celebrated. Join us to celebrate the birthday of Anna Mary Robertson 'Grandma' Moses with guided tour of Moses gallery. Talk by Deana Mallory, director of public programs. 5:30 pm. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. www.benningtonmuseum.org.

BRANDON. Local Artists' Exhibition Opening Reception. The Brandon Artists Guild opens their exhibit 'Colors of Fall', an all-member show celebrating the highest season in Vermont with a collection of work in many different media. (Exhibit at Compass Music and Arts Center, 333 Jones Dr.). Reception 5-7 pm at Brandon Artists Guild, 7 Center St. (802) 247-4295, www.cmacvt.org. *Through October 31.*

BRANDON. Unique Art Exhibit—The Creative World of Stephanie Stouffer. See many of the Belmont, VT artist's internationally known images that appear on greeting cards, mugs, tapestries, pillows and rugs. More than 1,500 of her original paintings have never been exhibited or offered for sale. Stouffer is known for her vivid imagination, precision, and exceptional use of color which creates work sometimes described as 'folk art with a contemporary flair'. Viewers can see her masterful use of whimsy and the patience and love she puts into each piece. Opening reception 4-7 pm. Compass Music and Arts Center, 333 Jones Dr. (802) 247-4295. www.cmacvt.org. *Through October 29.*

BRATTLEBORO. Circus at the Museum. Students and faculty from the New England Center for Circus Arts will perform in the galleries and outside the museum. Also opening of new exhibit House/Home, A Work in Progress: John Willis. Free. 5:30 pm; performances begin at 6 pm and 6:45 pm. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

SHARON. Horse Farm Tours. Visit the farm and get information on volunteering and learn about their programs as well as meeting and greeting the horses. Refreshments offered each day of the open house. Free. 5-8 pm. High Horses, 138 Horse Farm Rd. (830) 356-3386. highhorses.org. *Also September 3 & 4.*

ESSEX JUNCTION. Champlain Valley Fair. Performance by comedian Jim Gaffigan. Champlain Valley Exposition, 105 Pearl St. (802) 878-5545. info@cvexpo.org. www.champlainvalleyfair.org. *Through September 4.*

WOODSTOCK. Foodways Fridays. Learn the importance of heirloom vegetables, while seeing them used in historic recipes prepared in our 1890 Farm House. Each Friday will feature a different menu, including such traditional New England favorites as Ladies Cabbage, Flemish Carrots, Cymling Pudding, and Pink Velvet Soup. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am - 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Fridays through October 28.*

WOODSTOCK. 11th Annual Traditional Craft Saturdays. Quilting with the Billings Farm & Museum staff. try hand quilting, piecing, and designing a quilt. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am - 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also September 10, 17 & 24.*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

ASCUTNEY. Romaine Tenney: A Celebration of a Farmer's Life. Ascutney honors the life of Romaine Tenney who lost his life in a tragic event brought about by the construction of Interstate 91 in 1964. Sky Blue Boys will perform their song which tells the story recounted on the musician's CD, along with other music, from 11 am - 12:30 pm. Historian Howard Coffin will participate in the event. Refreshments will be served. Free. Hosted by Wethersfield Historical Society. 11 am - 1 pm. At the Weathersfield-Proctor Library, 5181 Rt. 5. (802) 674-2626.

BENNINGTON. 21st Annual Southern Vermont Garlic and Herb Festival. Over 200 vendors; garlic-inspired booths, from garlic popcorn, to garlic wreathes, to garlic chocolate. Food vendors. Music by Aviva (10 am), Hill Hollow (11:30 am), Julie Shea Band (1 pm), and The Legato Blues Band (3 pm). Beer and wine garden. Demonstrations on planting, growing, braiding, and cooking garlic. Kids' tent. Garlicfest merchandise. One-day pass \$8 at the gate for adults, 12 and under \$2. Two-day pass \$10. 10 am - 5 pm. Camelot Village, on Rt. 9. (802) 447-3311. www.lovegarlic.com. *Also September 4.*

BRIDGEWATER. Hike Delectable Mountain. Hike on old highways to an area of mysterious stone piles, then on into Barnard District No. 2 past several old cellar holes and the site of School No. 2, then over the Delectable Mountain pass. Explore extensive remains of a farm that had disappeared by 1911, then hike back over the mountain by a different old road and past a farm that disappeared by 1869. Good views of the Coolidge Range from an unusual angle. Mostly good footing, but 8.1 miles long, with total climb of about 2,300 feet. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Bring drinking water and a lunch. Wear sturdy footwear, dress appropriately for the weather and be prepared for weather changes. Sponsored by the Killington Section of the Green Mountain Club. Leave at 9 am from Main Street Park, near the east end of the fire station off Center Street in Rutland City. Leader: Herb Ogden, (802) 293-2510. www.greenmountainclub.org.

BURLINGTON. Archeology at Echo. Get your hands muddy with archaeologist and potter Charlie Paquin as he guides you through Native American pottery construction techniques while making your very own pinch pots and coil bowls. Free with admission (includes exhibits and programs): adults ages 18-59 \$14.50, students and age 60+ \$12.50, children ages 3-17 \$11.50, 2 and younger free. 1-3 pm. ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center, One College St. (802) 864-1848. www.echovermont.org. *Also September 4.*

CASTLETON. Deep Sky Discovery Night. Members of the Green Mountain Alliance of Amateur Astronomers help unveil to you the hidden mysteries of our universe. Inside program if weather is inclement. 7:30-11 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. historicsites.vermont.gov/directory/hubbardton.

HANOVER, NH. Community Yard Sale. 130 locations filled with furniture, household goods, tools, sports equipment, games, toys, books and seasonal clothing. 10 am - 2 pm. Dewey Field parking lot, Dartmouth College. (603) 643-5648. susanedwards67@gmail.com.

ESSEX JUNCTION. Champlain Valley Fair. Concert with Rascal Flatts. Champlain Valley Exposition, 105 Pearl St. (802) 878-5545. info@cvexpo.org. www.champlainvalleyfair.org. *Also September 4.*

GUILFORD. Friends of Music at Guilford 50th Anniversary. Weekend begins with organ concert with Susan Summerfield playing works by Baroque masters J.S. Bach, Pierre Landrieu, Louis Couperin, C.E.P. and 20th century composers Darius Milhaud and Lou Harrison. A cake and champagne reception follows. 7:30 pm. Free. Donations appreciated. The Barn, 37 Bee Barn Rd. (802) 254-3600. www.formag.org. *Also September 4.*

GRAFTON. Bake Sale & Silent Auction. Delicious home-baked foods, lunch options, potted mums for sale, and a great silent auction. 8 am - 3 pm. Grafton Historical Society, 147 Main St. (802) 843 2485. grafhist@vermontel.net. www.graftonhistoricalsociety.com.

GROTON. Concert: Banjo Dan salutes the Anniversary of the "Sleeping Sentinel" of Groton. Trivia Contest with prizes, cider press demonstration by Artesano Meadowy, and delicious refreshments. Free. 5:30 pm. Veterans Memorial Park. (802) 584-3426. grotonthistory@gmail.com.

GUILFORD. 74th Annual Guilford Fair. Horse draw, cattle and horse shows and sheep shearing demonstrations. Live music, beautiful homegrown produce, flowers, handiwork and hobbies. 163 Fairgrounds Rd. www.guilfordfairvermont.com. *Through September 5.*

ISLAND POND. Market Day. Crafters, antiques, yard sales, flea market vendors and a Farmer's Market. Sponsored by the Island Pond Chamber of Commerce. 9 am - 3 pm. At Lakeside Park. (802) 723-0470. islandpondchamber.org/events.html.

JEFFERSONVILLE. Hike Whiteface Mt. from Smugglers Notch. From the top of Smugglers Notch we'll climb to Sterling Pond, then follow the Long Trail over Madonna and Morse Mountains, continue to Whiteface Mountain and return. Difficult hike. Moderate pace. 11 miles. 4000' elevation gain. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Burlington Section of the Green Mountain Club. For meeting time and place contact leader David Hathaway at (802) 899-9982 or david.hathaway.78@gmail.com. www.greenmountainclub.org.

NORTHFIELD. Labor Day Celebration. Food, crafts and game booths 10 am - 10 pm. Flying pig foot race, No String Marionette Puppet show, Field of Faeries at the fountain 3:30-4:30 pm. Rock band Mirage 7-10 pm. (802) 485-9201. www.northfieldlaboraday.org. *Also September 4 & 5.*

PAWLET. Roast Pork Dinner. Menu includes roast pork baked with topping, stuffing, mashed potatoes with gravy, hot vegetables, cabbage, salad, applesauce, fruited Jello, rolls with butter, Rosalie's famous dessert, and hot and cold beverages. \$12 adults. Takeout orders can be made the day of the dinner by calling (802) 325-3022. 5-7 pm. Pawlet Community Church, Rt. 133. *Also October 1.*

PLAINFIELD. Apple Days. Apple picking, apple pressing, pie making, bonfire. We'll provide the peck bags, and you bring anything else you need—jars, pie pans, crates for carrying apples, etc. Tickets: \$15 individual, \$35 family (includes a free peck of apples that you pick and cider). 11 am - 3 pm. Onion River Campground, 61 Onion River Rd. (802) 426-3233. *Also September 10 & 11.*

PLYMOUTH. 12th Annual Folk & Blues Festival. Lineup includes Jesse Terry, Julia Mark, Jay Ottaway, Bow Thayer, and more. Wagon rides on Saturday; children's crafts and face painting both days. Concerts are free; donation suggested. 2-5 pm. President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site, 3780 Rt. 100A. (802) 672-3773. www.plymouthfolk.com. *Also September 4.*

ROCHESTER. Bread & Puppet Whatforward Circus. A group of stone age technology puppeteers, brass players and percussionists check out the forward moving passions and politics of our capitalist culture and make real and unreal against-the-grain proposals to identify and fight the anonymous monster, the Big Fat Wrong. 3 pm. Tickets \$8. BigTown Gallery, 99 North Main St. (802) 767-9670. info@bigtowngallery.com. www.bigtowngallery.com.

SHARON. Horse Farm Tours. Visit the farm and get information on volunteering and learn about their programs as well as meeting and greeting the horses. Refreshments offered each day of the open house. Free. 11 am - 2 pm. High Horses, 138 Horse Farm Rd. (830) 356-3386. highhorses.org. *Also September 4.*

WAITSFIELD. Craft Fair. 100 juried artists, four bands, door prizes, food court, bounce house & face painting, handmade items from practical to whimsical, Man cave: cocktails & ping-pong (all adults welcome), snack stand, playground. Adults \$5, children under 12 free. 10 am-5 pm. Kenyon's Field, 3337 Main St. laura@madriver.com. www.madrivercraftfair.com.

WEST DOVER. 22nd Annual Mount Snow Brewfest. More than 50 breweries and cider makers attending! In addition to plenty of beer, enjoy live music at the base and summit, a variety of food, and the beautiful late summer views of Southern Vermont. Plus you'll get a pretty sweet souvenir glass! Bring your lawn chairs and lawn games, but no dogs. Tickets \$12-\$35, children 6 and under free. 12-6 pm, ticket windows open at 10 am. Mount Snow, 39 Mount Snow Rd. (802) 464-4191. www.mountsnow.com. *Also September 4.*

WOODSTOCK. Annual Labor and Leisure Day. Work and fun on the farm! Horse-drawn wagon rides, making maple ice cream, building a split rail fence, playing historic baseball, harvesting vegetables from the heirloom garden, milking the Jersey herd, and laundry - using a washboard and wringer. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am - 5 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

BENNINGTON. 21st Annual Southern Vermont Garlic and Herb Festival. Over 200 vendors; garlic-inspired booths, from garlic popcorn, to garlic wreaths, to garlic chocolate. Food vendors. Music by Ray Gifford (10 am), Carma (11:30 am), Roadhouse (1 pm), and FunkintheTrunk (3 pm). Beer and wine garden. Demonstrations on planting, growing, braiding, and cooking garlic. Kids' tent. Garlicfest merchandise. One-day pass \$8 at the gate for adults, 12 and under \$2. Two-day pass \$10. 10 am - 5 pm. Camelot Village, on Rt. 9. (802) 447-3311. www.lovegarlic.com.

BRATTLEBORO. Dawn Dance. Each dance features contra dancing with three bands and three callers. Clean sneakers or soft-soled shoes only, please. No alcohol or alcohol bottles allowed in the building. 8 pm Sunday evening to 7 am Monday morning, as well as English country dancing on Sunday afternoon from 2:30–5:30 pm. Gibson-Aiken Center, 207 Main Street; English Country Dances at the Stone Church, 210 Main St. (802) 451-0822. info@dawndance.org. www.dawndance.org. *Through early morning September 5.*

BURLINGTON. Archeology at Echo. Artifact Roadshow and Flint-knapping Demonstration with Charlie Paquin. Bring in your prehistoric finds and have experimental archaeologist Charlie Paquin identify and analyze them. Charlie will also demonstrate how Native Americans shaped projectile points utilizing the ancient technique of flint-knapping. Free with admission (includes exhibits and programs): adults ages 18–59 \$14.50, students and age 60+ \$12.50, children ages 3–17 \$11.50, 2 and younger free. 1–3 pm. ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center, One College St. (802) 864-1848. www.echovermont.org.

ESSEX JUNCTION. Champlain Valley Fair. Concert: I Love the 90's Tour. Champlain Valley Exposition, 105 Pearl St. (802) 878-5545. info@cvexpo.org. www.champlainvalleyfair.org.

GUILFORD. Friends of Music at Guilford 50th Anniversary. The 50-piece Guilford Festival Orchestra performs a lawn concert entitled 'Celebrations' with music of Don McLean, Mozart, Gouvy, Barber and Humez. Finale is sing-in of Randall Thompson's Alleluia. Grounds open at noon for picnicking and gourmet lunch for \$10. Concert free. Donations appreciated. The Barn, 37 Bee Barn Rd. Rd. (802) 254-3600. www.formag.org.

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LYME, NH. Summer Buffet Music Series on Post Pond. Music by Family & Friends. Buffet dinner served at 6 pm. Adults \$22, kids 5–12 \$8, 4 and under free. Reservations required. Loch Lyme Lodge, Rt. 10 just north of town. (603) 795-2141. lochlymelodge.com. *Sundays through September 4.*

NORTHFIELD. Labor Day Celebration. Food, crafts and game booths 10 am – 10 pm. Northfield auto parts show and parade, 12:30–3 pm. Wunderle's Big Top Adventure, noon–1 pm. Scavenger hunt, 1–4 pm. Scared by Dolls rock band, 2:30–3:30 pm. Killin' Time rock band, 7–10 pm. (802) 485-9201. www.northfieldlaborday.org. *Also September 5.*

PLYMOUTH. 12th Annual Folk & Blues Festival. Lineup includes Jesse Terry, Julia Mark, Jay Ottaway, Bow Thayer, and more. Wagon rides on Saturday; children's crafts and face painting both days. Concerts are free; donation suggested. 2–5 pm. President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site, 3780 Rt. 100A. (802) 672-3773. www.plymouthfolk.com.

RANDOLPH. New World Festival. Celebrate Vermont's Celtic and French Canadian heritage with traditional – and sometimes not so traditional – music and dance. More than 70 musicians from New England, Canada and the British Isles. Concerts, music and dance workshop sessions, children's activities, and open dancing unfold on five continuous stages from noon until 11 pm. Food and drink provided by the area's chefs and breweries. Events at Chandler Music Hall and Gallery, all-weather tents on both sides of Main St., and in historic Bethany Church. Main Street is closed to traffic, and the festival site becomes an intimate pedestrian village. (802) 276-3808. nwfvolunteer@chandler-arts.org. chandler-arts.org.

SHARON. Horse Farm Tours. Visit the farm and get information on volunteering and learn about their programs as well as meeting and greeting the horses. Refreshments offered each day of the open house. Free. 1–4 pm. High Horses, 138 Horse Farm Rd. (830) 356-3386. highhorses.org.

SOUTH LONDONDERRY. Stratton Mountain Summer Music Series Concert: Lettuce with Guest Kung Fu. The soulful groove and hip-hop-inspired sound of Lettuce will have you on your feet. Special guest Kung Fu will open at 3 pm. Lettuce at 5 pm. Tickets \$25. Stratton Mountain Base Area, 5 Village Lodge Rd. (802) 297-4000. www.stratton.com.

WEST DOVER. 22nd Annual Mount Snow Brewfest. More than 50 breweries and cider makers attending! In addition to plenty of beer, enjoy live music at the base and summit, a variety of food, and the beautiful late summer views of Southern Vermont. Plus you'll get a pretty sweet souvenir glass! Bring your lawn chairs and lawn games, but no dogs. Tickets \$12–\$35, children 6 and under free. 12–6 pm, ticket windows open at 10 am. Mount Snow, 39 Mount Snow Rd. (802) 464-4191. www.mountsnow.com.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

GUILFORD. 74th Annual Guilford Fair. 163 Fairgrounds Rd. www.guilfordfairvermont.com. *Through September 5.*

MIDDLEBURY. Annual Labor Day Corn Roast & Optional Bike Ride. Pot luck picnic, beginning at 4 pm at the home of Ginny Heike, preceded by a short bike ride led by Sally Molnar, weather permitting. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Bread Loaf Section of the Green Mountain Club. Contact Ginny at ginnypots@comcast.net to RSVP and for more information. Please contact Sally at almolnarsally@yahoo.com for details about the bike ride. w www.greenmountainclub.org.

NORTHFIELD. Labor Day Celebration. Parade on Main St. 10-noon. No String Marionette Puppet show. Field of Faeries at the fountain 10 am. Tractor show behind Merchant's Bank 10 am. Chicken BBQ at American Legion noon. (802) 485-9201. www.northfieldlaborday.org.

WOODSTOCK. Program: Conservation Through the Artist's Eye. View works by acclaimed landscape painters in the Mansion and explore how art influenced the conservation movement. The Billings' Collection includes paintings by Cole, Bierstadt and Durand. Admission \$8, seniors \$4, 15 and younger free. 1–2:30 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Every Monday and Thursday through October 31.*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

BERLIN. Bike Ride. Berlin Pond to the Brookfield Floating Bridge. Meet at the Berlin Pond public parking area at 10 am. Moderate difficulty, 24 miles. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier Section. Bring lunch, water, and helmet. 10 am – 2 pm. For details, contact leader George Plumb at (802) 883-2313. www.greenmountainclub.org.

BURLINGTON. Book & Author Event. Join Dr. Malcolm Severance for a discussion of his book, A Pursuit of Excellence: A History of the University of Vermont School of Business Administration, which chronicles the 120-year story that culminates with UVM's Grossman School of Business, one of the most innovative business schools in the nation that has earned its place among Bloomberg Business's "Best Undergraduate Business Schools 2016." Free and open to all. 7 pm. Phoenix Books, 191 Bank St. (802) 448-3350. phoenixbooks.biz.

SHELburne. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savories made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30–4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13.*

SHELburne. Free Fishing Clinic: "Basics of Fishing." The clinic will focus on general fishing techniques and equipment, for those who have little to no fishing experience. Fishing equipment will be available for use, or bring your own. Space limited, pre-registration required. Free. 4:30–7 pm. Shelburne Bay Fishing Access Area. (802) 505-5562. letsfishing@vermont.gov.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

MILTON. The Archaeology of Milton. Archaeologist Brennan Gauthier hosts a discussion on archaeological sites in Vermont with a spotlight on some in Milton. 7 pm. Milton Historical Society, 13 School St. (802) 893-1604.

NORWICH. Book & Author Event. Ann Hood presents her new novel, *The Book That Matters Most*. 7 pm. This event is free and open to the public. Reservations recommended. Norwich Bookstore, 291 Main St. (802) 649-1114. info@norwichbookstore.com. norwichbookstore.com.

RUTLAND. Vermont Summer Farmers' Market. 3-6 pm. Downtown in Depot Park (across from Walmart). (802) 342-4727. info@vtfarmersmarket.org. www.vtfarmersmarket.org. *Wednesdays through October 26.*

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm Programs for Preschoolers. Features a farm theme with a story, special visit to the farm, hands-on activity, and snack. Designed for children ages 3 and up. Pre-registration required. Admission. 9-10:30 am. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also September 7, 21 & 28.*

WOODSTOCK. Wagon Ride Wednesdays. Horse-drawn wagon rides featured each Wednesday from 11 am – 3 pm. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also September 14, 21 & 28.*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

BARNARD. Feast and Field Farmers' Market. 4:30-7:30 pm, music at 5:30 pm by Bow Thayer, Americana. Campfire jam to follow at 8 pm. 1544 Royalton Turnpike. (802) 999-3391. clovermont@gmail.com. feestandfield.com. *Every Thursday through October 20.*

BRATTLEBORO. Talk—The First Arsenal of Democracy: “High-Tech” in the Connecticut Valley, 1795-1900. Historian and museum curator Carrie Brown explores the role of the Connecticut Valley, with an emphasis on Vermont, in developing technology that changed American life. Free. 7 pm. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

BURLINGTON. Concert: Leon Bridges with Lianne La Havas. Soul music. Tickets: \$55.50/\$44/\$33.50. 8 pm. Flynn MainStage, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

BURLINGTON. Authors in Joint Talk. Join authors John Elder, Sheila Post, and Sara Dillon as they explore the spirit of place from the Green Mountains to the Emerald Isle in their most recent titles from Green Writers Press. Tickets: \$3. 7:30 pm. Phoenix Books, 191 Bank St. (802) 448-3350. www.phoenixbooks.biz.

KILLINGTON. Hike the Long Trail/Appalachian Trail north to Maine Junction, Killington. Hike north from Rt. 4 to Maine Jct. (where AT turns east) and on to the site of the burned-down Tucker-Johnson cabin. Moderate. Bring water and a lunch, wear sturdy footwear, and be prepared for Vermont weather. We return in early to mid-afternoon. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Killington Section of the Green Mountain Club. Meet at 9 am at the Godnick Center on Deer St. in Rutland to car pool. Leader: Tom Copps, (802) 282-1675. www.greenmountainclub.org.

SHELBURNE. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savories made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30-4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13.*

WASHINGTON. Workshop: Organic Dairy—Infrastructure and Pasture Management. This workshop will look at Deberville Dairy's infrastructure including an Iowa low cost/high efficiency milking parlor, bedded pack barn, calf group housing and bird feeders. Fee: \$20. 12:30-2:30 pm. Deberville Dairy, 73 Fairgrounds Rd. rachel@nofa.org. www.nofavt.org.

WOODSTOCK. Program: Conservation Through the Artist's Eye. View works by acclaimed landscape painters in the Mansion and explore how art influenced the conservation movement. The Billings' Collection includes paintings by Cole, Bierstadt and Durand. Admission \$8, seniors \$4, 15 and younger free. 1-2:30 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Every Monday and Thursday through October 31.*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

BURLINGTON. 24th Annual South End Art Hop. A three-day event attracting over 30,000 visitors, the majority from outside Burlington. coming to visit the South End artist's studios, and local businesses that are refit as art galleries and exhibition sites for the more than 500 participating artists. (802) 859-9222. www.seaba.com. *Through September 11.*

DERBY LINE. Play: Farce of Nature. By Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten. Presented by Qnek Productions and the Award-Winning International Resident Theatre Company of The Haskell Opera House. Tickets adults \$15, student/seniors \$13, Fridays and Saturdays 7:30 pm, Sundays 2 pm. Haskell Opera House, 93 Caswell Ave. (802) 334-2216. haskellopera.com. *Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through September 18.*

EAST FAIRFIELD. Concert: Peter Riley & Friends. Suggested donation \$10. Desserts available at intermission. 7-9 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm. At The Meeting House on the Green, 53 School St. (802) 827-6626. www.meetinghouseonthegreen.org.

GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Theater Performs Faust 3. Including the Disordering the Existing Order of Life Oratorio. Museum tour at 6 pm. 7:30 pm. Suggested donation \$10. Bread & Puppet Theater, 753 Heights Rd. (802) 525-3031. breadpup@together.net. www.breadandpuppet.org. *Fridays through September 23.*

NORWICH. Evening for Adults. The Montshire Museum is open after hours for adults of all ages. Pull up a stool at the science discovery lab or simply explore the museum's visiting and permanent exhibits on your own. Jasper Murdock Ale and wine from Norwich Inn for purchase. Free with museum admission. 6-9 pm. Montshire Museum of Science, One Montshire Rd. (802) 649-2200. www.montshire.org. *September 9, October 14, November 11.*

NORWICH. Workshop: Baking with Local Grains & Flour. Fee: \$20. 4:30-6:30 pm. King Arthur Flour Bakery, School and Store, 135 US Rt. 5. rachel@nofa.org. www.nofavt.org. www.kingarthurfLOUR.com.

RUTLAND. Friends of the Library Books and More Sale. 10 am – 4 pm. Rutland Free Library, 10 Court St. (802) 773-1860. rutlandfree.org. *Also September 10.*

STOWE. 2nd Annual Vermont Fly Fishing Show. A weekend packed full of everything flyfishing! 9 am – 5pm. The Fly Rod Shop, 2703 Waterbury Rd. (802) 253-7346. www.gostowe.com. *Through September 11.*

TINMOUTH. Fall Concert Series Opener. The Plum Bobs will perform Irish, Hispanic, roots Americana, and gentle rock music. Refreshments available for sale. 7:30 pm. The Old Firehouse, Mountain View Rd. just south of Rt.140. Suggested donation \$10. (802) 446-2498. www.tinmouthvt.org.

WOODSTOCK. Foodways Fridays. Learn the importance of heirloom vegetables, while seeing them used in historic recipes prepared in our 1890 Farm House. Each Friday will feature a different menu, including such traditional New England favorites as Ladies Cabbage, Flemish Carrots, Cymling Pudding, and Pink Velvet Soup. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Fridays through October 28.*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

ADDISON. Bike Ride in the Bread Loaf Area. A 10-30 mile ride that begins at Dead Creek Wildlife Viewing Area in Addison to finish with a crossing of the Champlain Bridge. Wear appropriate clothes, bring water, lunch, and helmet. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. For meeting time and place contact leader Harris Abbott at (802) 878-4873. www.greenmountainclub.

BARRE. Vermont Granite Festival. Ethnic music, performances and activities, exhibits, and demonstrations by area stone workers. 10 am – 5 pm. Vermont Granite Museum, 7 Jones Brothers Way. (802) 476-4605. vtgranitemuseum.org.

BARTON. Horse & Pony Pulling Round Up. 10 am. Orleans County Fairgrounds, 278 Roaring Brook Rd. (802) 917-1371. *Also September 11.*

BRANDON. Concert: Will Woodson and Eric McDonald. Traditional Scottish music. Concert tickets \$20. A pre-concert dinner \$20. Reservations recommended for the show and required for dinner. Venue is BYOB. 7:30 pm. Brandon Music, 62 Country Club Rd. Call (802) 247-4295 or e-mail info@brandon-music.net for reservations or for more information. www.brandon-music.net.

BURLINGTON. 24th Annual South End Art Hop. A three-day event attracting over 30,000 visitors, the majority from outside Burlington. coming to visit the South End artist's studios, and local businesses that are refit as art galleries and exhibition sites for the more than 500 participating artists. (802) 859-9222. seaba.com. *Also September 11.*

BURLINGTON. North Country Electronic Music Festival. Hosted by Kalvos and Damian. Free to the public—all ages welcome. 12-7 pm. At ArtsRiot, 400 Pine St. (802) 540-0406. artsriot.com.

BURLINGTON. ArtsRiot Truck Stop. A food truck rally selling everything from pork belly and barbecue to Malaysian street food and vegan noodles. Pies, tacos, fish, meats, waffles, toffee, souvlaki, ciders, and so much more. Truck Stop bar is open. Live or DJ music. Free admission. Rain or shine. 5-10 pm. At ArtsRiot, 400 Pine St. (802) 540-0406. artsriot.com. *Every Friday.*

DERBY LINE. Play: *Farce of Nature*. By Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten. Presented by Qnek Productions and the Award-Winning International Resident Theatre Company of The Haskell Opera House. Tickets adults \$15, student/seniors \$13, 7:30 pm. Haskell Opera House, 93 Caswell Ave. (802) 334-2216. haskellopera.com. *Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through September 18.*

FAIRLEE. Flea Market. Free admission. 7:30 am – 3 pm. Railroad Station on Rt. 5. (802) 333-4809. *Saturdays through October 8.*

FERRISBURGH. Branch to Spoon: Carving Workshop—Collaboration with the Shelburne Craft School. Admission \$100 plus \$60 for hand tools. 10 am – 4 pm. Rokeby Museum, 4331 Rt. 7. (802) 985-3648. www.theshelburnecraftschool.org.

HUNTINGTON. Museum Work Party. Bring yourself, a friend, a family to help with outdoor and indoor tasks from window netting, cleaning, trail work, prepping for open studio, and more. Lunch for those who pre-register. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. birdsofvermont.org.

HUNTINGTON. Exhibit Reception. Meet and celebrate the art and artists of “In Layers: the Art of the Egg.” See their varied approaches to eggs as media and myth, subject and suggestion. Light refreshments. Donations welcome. 3-6 pm. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org.

LUNENBURG. Community Potluck Meal. Everyone invited to the Top of the Common Committee's annual potluck luncheon. 12-2 pm on The Green. Paper goods, drinks, and picnic tables provided. At 10 am the Lunenburg Polar Bears will celebrate their 50th anniversary with antique antique equipment and displays. Auction follows meal to benefit restoration projects. Free. (802) 892-6654. topofthecommon.org.

LYNDON CENTER. Fall Foliage Craft Show. The biggest indoor craft show in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont. Rain or shine. 9 am – 5 pm. Fenton W. Chester Arena. (802) 626-9361. chesterarena.org. *Also September 11.*

MONTPELIER. Winooski River Clean-Up. We will use canoes to collect garbage from the river. Some of the trash will be transported to Montpelier School for Junk Art sculptures. Please come prepared to get dirty. Wear appropriate clothing; bring plenty of food and water, gloves (if you have them) and protection from sun, rain, and wind, all of which are likely in September. Hosted by Friends of the Winooski. 8:30 am – 12 noon. Meet at Montpelier City High School, 39 Main St. (802) 882-8276. info@winooskiriver.org. www.winooskiriver.org.

NORTH FERRISBURGH. Summer Supper. Hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage, and garden burgers. Hamburgers are raised here on the farm, other options locally sourced. Served on a bun made by O'Bread, homestyle baked beans, mac 'n cheese, salad of the season, desserts made by local bakers with local ingredients. Beverages: KBF milks and teas, BYO beer or wine. All food will be sold ala carte, and sourced locally. 3-8 pm. Kimball Brook Farm, 2263 Greenbush Rd. (802) 734-6346. www.kimballbrookfarm.com.

NORWICH. Second Saturday Contra Dance. Come by yourself or with friends, everyone welcome. Potluck munchies at the break. Adults \$9, students \$6, seniors donate, under 16 free. Please bring soft-soled shoes. Sponsored by Muskeg Music. Beginner session at 7:45 pm, regular dance from 8 pm to 11 pm. At Tracy Hall. www.uvdm.org.

NORWICH. Celebrate Roald Dahl! There will be trivia, games, and activities to honor the author of *The BFG*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, and many others. 1-2 pm. Norwich Library, 368 Main St. (802) 649-1114. www.norwichbookstore.com.

NORWICH. 12th Annual Antique Show. Regional dealers and the Historical Society's own booth of antiques and collectibles. Bill Smith of William A. Smith auctioneers and appraisers of Plainfield, NH, will offer informal appraisals of your antique items from 2-4 pm. (\$5 per item, limit of 3 items). Food by Bakewell. Raffle items. Show 10 am – 4 pm. Admission \$5, children under 12 free. Norwich Historical Society, 227 Main St. (802) 649-0124. norwichhistory@gmail.com.

ORWELL. Annual Soldiers Atop the Mount. Step back to 1776 as reenactors take over the Mount, honoring the 240th anniversary of the construction of this major defense and the military road. Revolutionary War camp life, military tactics, colonial crafts and skills, and firing artillery will be demonstrated. 5K walk, interactive “walkabout” on trails and grounds, and cooking demonstration and tasting. Activities for children. Admission: \$6 for adults, free for children under 15. 9:30 am-2 pm. Mount Independence State Historic Site, 497 Mount Independence Rd. (802) 272-2509. historicsites.vermont.gov/vthistory/archaeology. *Also September 11.*

PLAINFIELD. 2nd Annual Lobster Feast. As much fresh Maine lobster as you can eat, coleslaw & corn on the cob. Live music, BYOB, camping. Onion River Campground, 61 Onion River Rd. (802) 426-3233. www.onionrivercampground.com.

PLYMOUTH. “The Great Outdoors”—A Dining Field Trip to Coolidge State Park. With new music by Arc Iris. Tickets: \$68 which includes five courses and musical performance. Wine pairing for an additional \$40. Camping is free of charge. Full cash bar serving traditional and event-specific signature cocktails. Reservations required, seating limited. (802) 460-7676. popolomeanspeople.com.

PROCTORSVILLE. Vermont Golden Honey Festival. Unique craft fair with over 20 vendors, all offering products that in some way celebrate the honey bee. Vodka, bandanas, wood fired pizza, art and so much more! 10 am – 4 pm. Golden Stage Inn, 399 Depot St. (802) 226-7744.

RANDOLPH. Concert: Iris Dement, Singer/songwriter. With Mark Legrand opening. Tickets \$26/\$11. 7:30 pm. Chandler Center for the Arts, 71-73 Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org.

RUTLAND. Vermont Summer Farmers' Market. 9 am – 2 pm. Downtown at Depot Park (across from Walmart). (802) 342-4727. info@vtfarmersmarket.org. www.vtfarmersmarket.org. *Saturdays through October 29.*

RUTLAND. Friends of the Library Books and More Sale. 10 am – 2 pm. Rutland Free Library, 10 Court St. (802) 773-1860. rutlandfree.org.

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Flea Market. Indoors, year-round, clean & friendly! Cozy cafe offers refreshments and light lunch. 10 am – 4 pm. 200 West St. corner of Forest St. (802) 770-9104. On Facebook. *Every Saturday and Sunday.*

SHELburne. Raptors in Residence. Come face to face with a live owl or hawk. Experience the wonder and learn the mysteries of live birds of prey. Admission: adults \$8, seniors \$6, children 3-17 \$5, ages 2 and under free. 1-1:30 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday through September 17.*

SHELBURNE. Free Fishing Clinic: "Intro to Trout Fishing." Introductory level course, emphasizing basic live bait techniques as well as strategies for using artificial lures. Fishing equipment will be available for use, or bring your own. Space limited, pre-registration required. Free. 9:30 am – 1 pm. Waterbury Public Library as well as on the Winooski River. (802) 505-5562. letsgetfishing@vermont.gov.

SHELBURNE. Walk and Paddle. Easy hike through the paths in the University of Vermont's Achilles Natural Area at Shelburne Pond, then go for a paddle. Freshwater wetlands, forested uplands, and agricultural lands. Easy pace. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Burlington section. For meeting time and place contact leader Ted Albers at ted@ted-albers.net. www.greenmountainclub.org.

SHELBURNE. Sugarbush Polo Game. Watch a fast-paced and exciting polo game to support the Sugarbush Polo Club. All ages are welcome. After the game, you'll have a chance to meet the players and the horses. BYOB and food, tailgating encouraged. Fee \$5, children under 5 free. 1-5 pm. Polo Field, 929 Shelburne-Hinesburg Rd. sugarbushpoloclub@gmail.com. www.sugarbushpoloclub.com.

SO. BURLINGTON. Adventures with Monochromatic Mediums: The "Values" of Limited Color. Draw a simple botanical subject, using Walnut Ink. After lunch create a limited-palette botanical drawing with colored pencil on toned paper. All levels welcome. List of materials supplied. Fee: \$85. 9 am – 2:30 pm. UVM Horticulture Farm, 65 Green Mountain Dr. (802) 864-3073. info@friendsofthehortfarm.org. friendsofthehortfarm.org.

SO. HERO. Fourth Annual C.I.D.E.R. Pig Roast. Wine will be available by the glass to enjoy with your tasty meal. If you can't stay takeout meals are available. Listen to music from the band Yankee Pot Roast! Tickets \$10. 5-7 pm. Snow Farm Winery, 190 West Shore Rd. (802) 372-9463. snowfarm.com.

SPRINGFIELD. 17th Annual RiverSweep. Join the Black River Action Team to help clean up the Black River. Volunteers can sign up at the Citizens Bank drive-up in the Shopping Plaza and at the town green gazebo on Main St. near the library. Work-gloves and trash bags available from the Connecticut River Watershed Council, along with snacks and drinking water. Event lasts from 8 am – 12 noon. Return to Headquarters with your treasures by 11 am to be photographed, clean up and enjoy a free lunch courtesy Young's Furniture and Appliance and Goodman's American Pie in Ludlow. Pick up a commemorative tee shirt. (802) 738-0456. www.blackriveractionteam.org.

SPRINGFIELD. Dump Daze Flea Market. Free admission, parking, food and restrooms. 8 am. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 33 Fairground Rd. (802) 885-2723. *Saturdays through October 29.*

STOWE. 2nd Annual Vermont Fly Fishing Show. A weekend packed full of everything flyfishing! 9 am – 5pm. The Fly Rod Shop, 2703 Waterbury Rd. (802) 253-7346. www.gostowe.com. *Also September 11.*

THETFORD. Concert: North Country Chordsmen. Free, donations accepted. 2 pm. United Church of Thetford, 5470 US Rt. 5. (802) 333-4429.

WARREN. Late Summer Hike. Begins on Austin Brook Road, crosses Austin Brook then ascends to a downed airplane. The bushwack continues to the summit of Mt. Cleveland. Descent by Cooley Glen Trail. Requires car spot. Moderate, 8-10+/- miles. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier section. For meeting time and place contact leader Rudy Townsend at (802) 433-1004. www.greenmountainclub.org.

WEST RUTLAND. SculptFest Opens. A gifted group of artists will present sculptural installations and performances for SculptFest 2016. Opening reception features live music by "Swing Noir" and refreshments. 5-8 pm. (802) 438-2097. info@carvingstudio.org. www.carvingstudio.org. *Through October 23.*

WESTMINSTER WEST. Westminster West Community Fair. Chicken BBQ, bake sale, 5k road race, kids' fun run, silent auction, community parade, kids' activities, entertainment, talent show, local art exhibit, veggie contest, and more! 8:30 am – 3 pm. Congregational Church of Westminster West, 44 Church St. (802) 387-2334. westwestfair.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. 24th Annual Glory Days Festival. A family oriented, fun-filled, two day festival of railroading and transportation of the past, present & future. Evening photo shoot, dinner train, excursion train rides, LEGO train show, model train show, children entertainment, main stage, music, food, engine displays, vintage cars and tractors, and carnival rides. Saturday excursions are 45 minute rides beginning at 10 am along the scenic Connecticut River, tickets \$10. Sponsored by Hartford Parks & Recreation. WRJ RR station. (802) 295-5036. www.vtglorydaysfestival.com. *Also September 11.*

WOODSTOCK. Boots and Breath: Yoga Hikes. Enjoy a walking meditation through hills and forest, integrating yoga poses with the surrounding landscape. On the Appalachian Trail. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Also October 15.*

WOODSTOCK. 11th Annual Traditional Craft Saturdays. Stenciling with Polly Forcier. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also September 17 & 24.*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

BARTON. Horse & Pony Pulling Round Up. 10 am. Orleans County Fairgrounds, 278 Roaring Brook Rd. (802) 917-1371.

BENNINGTON. Patriot Day. Free admission. The Monument and gift shop are open seven days a week from 9 am – 5 pm. Bennington Battle Monument, 15 Monument Circle, (802) 447-0550. marylou.chicote@vermont.gov. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

BRANDON. Concert: International Violinist Peter Sheppard Skærved, the only living violinist to have performed on the violins of Niccolò Paganini, Joseph Joachim and G B Viotti, will perform a concert that celebrates the connections, flows, counterpoints, consonances and dissonances which vibrate, when an ancient violin is played, between the illusions of 'now' and 'then'. Tickets \$30. 3 pm. Compass Music and Arts Center, Park Village, 333 Jones Dr. (802) 247-4295. info@cmactv.org. www.cmactv.org.

BURLINGTON. 24th Annual South End Art Hop. A three-day event attracting over 30,000 visitors, the majority from outside Burlington. coming to visit the South End artist's studios, and local businesses that are refit as art galleries and exhibition sites for the more than 500 participating artists. (802) 859-9222. www.seaba.com.

BURLINGTON. Bulgarian Folk Dance Party. With Bulgarika, a four-piece band from Bulgaria currently on a nationwide U.S. tour. Wood dance floor, indoor shoes only. Admission \$15-\$20. Potluck refreshments. 6-10 pm. Heineberg Senior Center, 14 Heineberg Rd. For more information contact Louise at dance@together.net or (802) 540-1020.

DERBY LINE. Play: *Farce of Nature*. By Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten. Presented by Qnek Productions and the Award-Winning International Resident Theatre Company of The Haskell Opera House. Tickets adults \$15, student/seniors \$13. 2 pm. Haskell Opera House, 93 Caswell Ave. (802) 334-2216. haskellopera.com. *Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through September 18.*

FERRISBURG. Presentation: Quakers & Their Meetinghouses. Catherine Lavoie of the National Park Service examines Quakers' paradoxical attitudes toward their houses of worship. Lavoie conducted a survey of meetinghouses associated with the Pennsylvania Yearly Meeting and uses the 154 structures as a case study. Fee \$2. 3 pm. Rokeby Museum, 4339 Rt. 7. (802) 877-3406. rokeby@comcast.net.

HUBBARDTON. Day of Remembrance. The site is open without charge on Patriot Day for those who wish to contemplate or to honor past heroes. 9:30 am – 5:30 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. historicsites.vermont.gov/Hubbardton.

HUNTINGTON. Sundays for Fledglings. Kids discover birds from feathers to flying, from art to zoology and develop skills in observation, research, and just goofing around. Earn a Junior Birder Badge! Sundays 2-3 pm. Free, donations welcome. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org. *Sundays through October 23.*

JAY. Hike. Family Hike to Jay Camp. Easy hike, appropriate for kids. We'll hike in from Jay Pass on Rt. 242, make a small fire and roast marshmallows. 10 am – 1 pm. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Northern Frontier section. For meeting time and place contact leader Jane Williams at (802) 827-3879 or janiewilliams@surfglobal.net. www.greenmountainclub.org.

LYME, NH. Late Summer Hike in Hartman Park. Moderate difficulty. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. 9 am – 12 pm. For meeting place contact leader Sarah O'Hare at seohare7@yahoo.com. www.greenmountainclub.org.

LYNDON CENTER. Fall Foliage Craft Show. The biggest indoor craft show in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont. Rain or shine. 9 am – 5 pm. Fenton W. Chester Arena. (802) 626-9361. chesterarena.org.

MANCHESTER. Workshop: Preserving the Harvest. A pressure canning workshop on how to make a simple tomato sauce by Jane and Ken Moriarty who have been canning for years. Starting with how to prepare vegetables through to the finished Mason jar, participants will learn about supplies and techniques that make canning fun and easy. Beyond the two-hour basics class there will be a jar-cooling waiting period for any who wishes to stay for a "do-it-yourself" guided round two. All participants will go home with a jar of tomato sauce. Fee \$20. 1-3 pm. Hildene, The Lincoln Family Home, Rt. 7A. (802) 367-7960. stephanie@hildene.org. www.hildene.org.

ORWELL. Annual Soldiers Atop the Mount. Step back to 1776 as reenactors take over the Mount, honoring the 240th anniversary of the construction of this major defense and the military road. Revolutionary War camp life, military tactics, colonial crafts and skills, and firing artillery will be demonstrated. Annual reading of the Declaration of Independence and unveiling of a new military road sign. Admission: \$6 for adults, free for children under 15. 9:30 am – 2 pm. Mount Independence State Historic Site, 497 Mount Independence Rd. (802) 272-2509. historicites.vermont.gov/vthistory/archaeology.

RANDOLPH. Workshop: Spiritual Farming and Gardening—An Introduction to Dowsing and It's Use in Agriculture. Fee: \$45, \$80 for two. 1-4:30 pm. Earthwise Farm and Forest, 341 Macintosh Hill Rd. (802) 234-5524. www.earthwisefarmandforest.com.

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Flea Market. Indoors, year-round, clean & friendly! Cozy cafe offers refreshments and light lunch. 10 am – 4 pm. 200 West St. corner of Forest St. (802) 770-9104. On Facebook. *Every Saturday and Sunday.*

SHELBURNE. "Bee Here Now." Speakers, activities for kids, an observation hive. A poetry reading from Shelburne's very own poet laureate, Rick Bessette. "Be a Bee" parade with prizes, and a raffle to benefit the Vermont Beekeepers Association. 10 am – 4 pm. Shelburne Orchards, 216 Orchard Rd. (802) 985-2753. www.shelburneorchards.com. *Also October 16.*

STOWE. 2nd Annual Vermont Fly Fishing Show. A weekend packed full of everything flyfishing! 9 am – 5pm. The Fly Rod Shop, 2703 Waterbury Rd. (802) 253-7346. www.gostowe.com.

STRAFFORD. Plant Walk with Michael Caduto: Fiddleheads, Lamb's Quarters, Nettles and Nuts—Wild Edible, Medicinal, and Poisonous Plants. We'll share Colonial and Native American folklore and information about the uses of wild plants for food, medicine and materials, and identify poisonous plants to avoid. Taste some of these delectables and sample a mystery wild treat. Fee: adults \$10, under 14 \$5. 1–2:30 pm. Morrill Education Center, Gardens and Grounds, 214 Justin Morrill Memorial Hwy. (802) 765-4288. director@morrillhomestead.org. www.morrillhomestead.org.

WATERBURY CENTER. Children's Annual Barn Dance. Refreshments, live music, hayrides, tug-of-war and other old fashion games, crafts, face painting, a silent auction, pie contest, dancing and raffle. Tickets: \$15 for single or \$20 for family. 2-5 pm. Beard's Barn, 1601 Barnes Hill Rd. Look for signs along Rt. 100 directing you to the barn. (802) 244-5605. childrensroom@wvsu.org. www.childrensroomonline.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. 24th Annual Glory Days Festival. A family oriented, fun-filled, two day festival of railroading and transportation of the past, present & future. Evening photo shoot, dinner train, excursion train rides, LEGO train show, model train show, children entertainment, main stage, music, food, engine displays, vintage cars and tractors, and carnival rides. Train excursions at 10 am and 2 pm, tickets \$10. Sponsored by Hartford Parks & Recreation. WRJ RR station. (802) 295-5036. www.vtglorydaysfestival.com.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. From the Horse's Mouth: A Robert Altman Master Class on Directing. Veteran filmmaker and Altman collaborator Allan Nicholls will present Altman's seldom-seen gem, Buffalo Bill and the Indians, and discuss Altman's unique directorial style, his use of collaboration, his work with actors. Suggested donation \$2-\$20. 6 pm. Doors open at 5 pm for drinks on the patio. BYOB and BYO friends and family BBQ. Main Street Museum, 58 Bridge St. www.mainstreetmuseum.org.

WINDSOR. Mac and Cheese Challenge. Sample gourmet mac and cheese entries from 20 local chefs and restaurants as they compete for top prizes. Live music, calf petting zoo, Harpoon beer and the King Arthur flour cookie truck. Admission \$15-20, kids under 6 free. 11 am – 3 pm. Vermont Farmstead Cheese Co., 71 Artisans Way. (802) 457-9992. sharon@vermontfarmstead.com. www.vtmacandcheese.com.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

MONTPELIER. The Opening of Fall Music Classes. An introduction to old-time banjo and fiddle is the first of 11 consecutive evening classes offered this fall. Cost \$150-\$200. The Summit School of Traditional Music and Culture, 43 Barre St. (802) 917-1186. director@summit-school.org. www.summit-school.org.

PUTNEY. *Rams*—a Film by Grimur Hakonarson. In a remote Icelandic farming valley, two brothers who haven't spoken in 40 years have to come together in order to save what's dearest to them – their sheep. Tickets \$5-\$10. 7 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

SHELBURNE. Historic Barn Tour. Explore two magnificent barns (Breeding Barn & Old Dairy Barn) — their past, present, and future. 1½ hours. Admission plus \$3 fee: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 children 3-17, free to children ages 2 and under. 2:30-4:15 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Monday through October 10.*

WOODSTOCK. Program: Conservation Through the Artist's Eye. View works by acclaimed landscape painters in the Mansion and explore how art influenced the conservation movement. The Billings' Collection includes paintings by Cole, Bierstadt and Durand. Admission \$8, seniors \$4, 15 and younger free. 1-2:30 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Every Monday and Thursday through October 31.*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

FAIRLEE. Workshop: Post-Harvest Process—Wash Station Design. Fee: \$20. 4-6 pm. Root 5 Farm, 2340 US Rt. 5 North. rachel@nofa.org. www.nofavt.org. www.root5farm.com.

HANOVER, NH. Learn Dancing Flex. Learn flex from the inventors of this improvisational street dance style, combining Jamaican bruk-up, pausing, popping and locking, gliding and hat tricks from dance halls and reggae clubs in Brooklyn. Ages 14+. All experience levels welcome. \$10. 5 pm. Hop Garage, Room 131, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. www.hop.dartmouth.edu.

HUNTINGTON. Pre-Schooler's Program—Bird Seasons. Discover birds through stories and investigative play with books, crafts, music and nature walks designed for pre-schoolers but all ages welcome. 10:30-11:30 am. Free. Donations welcome. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org.

RUTLAND. Concert: Robert Cray Band. Cray has created a sound that rises from American roots and arrives today both fresh and familiar. Tickets \$35/\$45. 8 pm. Paramount Theater, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0570. paramountvt.org.

SHELBURNE. Raptors in Residence. Come face to face with a live owl or hawk. Experience the wonder and learn the mysteries of live birds of prey. Admission: adults \$8, seniors \$6, children 3-17 \$5, ages 2 and under free. 1-1:30 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. Also *September 15 & 17*.

SHELBURNE. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savorys made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30-4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13*.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

HANOVER, NH. Dancing Flex Performance. Gifted dancers to perform the electrifying street dance form flex and celebrating the African American communities that created it. Directed by flex pioneer Reggie (Regg Roc) Gray and visionary American theater artist Peter Sellars, the dancers quake, pretzel and glide as if unconstrained by gravity, using their strange and beautiful movement to transcend the limits of today's turbulent social justice issues. Tickets: adults \$25-\$50, 18 and under \$17-\$19, students \$10. 7 pm. The Moore Theater, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu. Also *September 15*.

MIDDLEBURY. Museum Talk. "Victorian Furniture: Design Run Amok or Inspired Creativity?" By Nancy Carlisle, historic New England senior curator of collections at the Henry Sheldon Museum. Fee \$8. 7 pm. Town Offices, 77 Main St. across from the museum. (802) 388-2117. www.henrysheldonmuseum.org.

MONTPELIER. Workshop: Post-Harvest Processing of Medicinal Herbs for Market. Join the Vermont Center for Integrative Herbalism and NOFA-VT to discuss methods used for processing freshly harvested medicinal and culinary herbs into marketable products. Fee: \$30. 4-6 pm. The Vermont Center for Integrative Herbalism, 252 Main St. rachel@nofa.org. www.nofavt.org.

READING. Plein Air Painting Workshop. Taking inspiration from the current exhibition 'Landscapes After Ruskin; Redefining the Sublime', artist Daniel Gottsegen will offer beginner and experience painters traditional and non-traditional approaches to interpreting the landscape. Free of charge but pre-registration required. Students must bring their own materials. 1-6 pm. Hall Art Foundation, 551 Rt. 106. (802) 952-1056. vermont@hallartfoundation.org. www.hallartfoundation.org.

RUTLAND. Vermont Summer Farmers' Market. 3-6 pm. Downtown in Depot Park (across from Walmart). (802) 342-4727. info@vtfarmersmarket.org. www.vtfarmersmarket.org. *Wednesdays through October 26*.

SO. BURLINGTON. Workshop: Design Your Garden with Native Plants. Sarah Salatino will teach how to design and maintain a native plant garden to support our pollinators. Beginning gardeners encouraged to attend. Fee: \$15. 6-8 pm. UVM Horticulture Farm, 65 Green Mountain Dr. (802) 864-3073. info@friendsofthehortfarm.org. friendsofthehortfarm.org.

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm Programs for Preschoolers. Features a farm theme with a story, special visit to the farm, hands-on activity, and snack. Designed for children ages 3 and up. Pre-registration required. Admission. 9-10:30 am. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. Also *September 21 & 28*.

WOODSTOCK. Wagon Ride Wednesdays. Horse-drawn wagon rides featured each Wednesday from 11 am - 3 pm. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am - 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. Also *September 21 & 28*.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

BARNARD. Feast and Field Farmers' Market. 4:30-7:30 pm, music at 5:30 pm by Francesca Blanchard, acoustic indie folk. Campfire jam to follow at 8 pm. 1544 Royalton Turnpike. (802) 999-3391. clovermont@gmail.com. feastandfield.com. *Every Thursday through October 20*.

BELLOWS FALLS. Book Discussion: *The Hobbit*. Icebreaking games and riddles. Dressing up as a favorite character is encouraged. Make and bring along a troll home or an elf hut - just for fun. All ages are invited. Free. 6 pm. Rockingham Library, 65 Westminster St. (802) 463-4270. programming@rockinghamlibrary.org. rockinghamlibrary.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Artist Talk: John Willis. In connection with the exhibit House/Home, A Work in Progress, photographer John Willis discusses his work. Free. 7 pm. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

BURLINGTON. Book & Author Event. Water scarcity is on everyone's mind. Join Judith Schwartz to learn how by allying with the water cycle, one can revive lush, productive landscapes. Animated by stories from around the globe, Schwartz's book, *Water In Plain Sight* is an inspiring reminder that fixing the future of our drying planet involves understanding what makes natural systems thrive. Judith Schwartz, who lives in Vermont, also is the author of *Cows Save the Planet*. Tickets \$3. 7 pm. Phoenix Books Burlington, 191 Bank St. (802) 448-3350. www.phoenixbooks.biz.

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PUTNEY. Celebrate Your Farmer Social. Join the Farmer Veteran Coalition and NOFA-VT for farm-fresh pizza and a celebration of Meadowdale Farm and the veteran farmers. RSVP & donation requested: \$10. 5:30-7:30 pm. Meadowdale Farm, 16 Spring Hill Rd. rachel@nofa.org. www.nofavt.org.

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WOODSTOCK. Program: Conservation Through the Artist's Eye. View works by acclaimed landscape painters in the Mansion and explore how art influenced the conservation movement. The Billings' Collection includes paintings by Cole, Bierstadt and Durand. Admission \$8, seniors \$4, 15 and younger free. 1-2:30 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Every Monday and Thursday through October 31*.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

BURLINGTON. River of Light. Join Friends of the Winooski River for a moonlight paddle. Gather at 6 pm at the Heineberg Bridge, Rt. 127 with a goal of launching by sunset. We envision a flotilla of brightly lit boats and paddlers celebrating the near autumnal equinox on an easy two-mile paddle/float from the Heineberg Bridge to Lake Champlain. Shine your lights, howl at the moon, hang out at the lake. Those who don't paddle can bike to the Winooski River bridge on the Island Line bike path and watch the flotilla come through at twilight. (802) 882-8276. winooskiriver.org.

CANAAN. Fall Doe Camp—A Three-Day Women's Adventure Retreat. Three days of classes in the woods, lodge, on the lake and the sandy beach at Lake Wallace in the Northeast Kingdom. Classes taught by all volunteer, experienced and professional instructors include: archery, mountain & road biking, firearms (muzzleloader, handgun, rifle and clay shooting), marksmanship & safety, outdoor cooking, healing capacity of trees, log rolling, fly and boat fishing, cheese making at home, kayaking, deer hunting, ax skills, fire making, wildlife photography, and panning for gold as well many new classes. Moose BBQ Saturday evening. Sponsored by Vermont Outdoors Women. Fee for weekend program \$390 with discounts available. Jackson's Lodge & Log Cabins. (802) 425-6211. www.outdoorswoman.org. www.voga.org.

DERBY LINE. Play: Farce of Nature. By Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten. Presented by Qnek Productions and the Award-Winning International Resident Theatre Company of The Haskell Opera House. Tickets adults \$15, student/seniors \$13. 7:30 pm. Haskell Opera House, 93 Caswell Ave. (802) 334-2216. haskellopera.com. *Also September 17 & 18.*

GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Theater Performs Faust 3. Including the Disordering the Existing Order of Life Oratorio. Museum tour at 6 pm. 7:30 pm. Suggested donation \$10. Bread & Puppet Theater, 753 Heights Rd. (802) 525-3031. breadpup@together.net. www.breadandpuppet.org. *Fridays through September 23.*

HANOVER, NH. Performance: Bandaloop. Using the façade of the Black Family Visual Arts Center as a "stage," vertical dancers float and turn dreamy cartwheels in midair. Free. 4:30, 5:30 & 6:30 pm. Mafei Arts Plaza, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu.

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PUTNEY. Next Stage Speaks: Bianca Stone with Host Chard DeNiord. Bianca Stone is a poet and visual artist. She is the author of several chapbooks. Suggested donation at the door: \$10. 7 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

STOWE. British Invasion. Experience British cultural activities, shops, crafts, Auto Jumble and the Car Corral. The participants are primarily from the US and Canada with over 600 cars on field, and approximately 1000 total. Admission: \$15/\$10, under 12 free. Block Party 6:30-9:30 pm. On the Stowe Events Field, Weeks Hill Rd. just off Rt. 108 north of the village. (802) 253-7321. www.gostowe.com. britishinvasion.com. *Through September 18.*

TINMOUTH. Contra Dance. The first fall dance features local band Pete's Posse with Adina Gordon calling. 8-11 pm. Admission \$10, \$8 for teens and free for children 12 and under. Refreshments available. Tinmouth Community Center, Rt. 140. (802) 446-2928. tinmouthcontradance.org. *Third Fridays through May.*

TUNBRIDGE. 149th Annual Tunbridge World's Fair. Old-fashioned agricultural fair in a rural setting. 4-H exhibits, midway rides, food booths, free shows in the grandstand. Livestock cavalcade, agricultural exhibits, antique tractor pulls, kiddie rides, crafts, live entertainment, ox and pony pulling, gymkhana, harness racing. Sheep dog trials, Civil War reenactors, Log Cabin Museum, Ed Larkin Contra Dancing, Antique Hill. Rt. 110, Tunbridge, VT. (802) 889-5555. www.tunbridgeworldsfair.com. *Through September 18.*

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WOODSTOCK. Foodways Fridays. Learn the importance of heirloom vegetables, while seeing them used in historic recipes prepared in our 1890 Farm House. Each Friday will feature a different menu, including such traditional New England favorites as Ladies Cabbage, Flemish Carrots, Cymling Pudding, and Pink Velvet Soup. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am - 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. billingsfarm.org. *Fridays through October 28.*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

ADDISON. Five Museums Tour. Visit Chimney Point State Historic Site, John Strong DAR Museum, Crown Point State Historic Site, Penfield Museum, and Port Henry Iron Center. 10 am - 3 pm. Pre-registration recommended. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 Rt. 17W. (802) 759-2412. historicites.vermont.gov/vt_history/archaeology.

BARRE. Vermont Mac & Cheese Festival. Award for best presentation as well as first, second and third places. 10 am - 3 pm. Price: \$5 donation to VT Foodbank. Wilkins Harley Davidson, 663 S. Barre Rd. (802) 476-6104.

BENNINGTON. 23rd Annual Quiltfest. Quilts, demonstrations, queen size quilt raffle, challenge quilts, special exhibits, many vendors and food from the Quiltfest Cafe. The featured quilter and lecturer Pat Delaney is an award winning quilter specializing in color, home machine quilting, appliqué, and embroidery. Admission \$7, children 12 and under free. 9 am - 5 pm. Mount Anthony Union Middle School, 747 East Rd. www.benningtonquiltfest.com. *Also September 18.*

BRADFORD. Army Band Concert. Vermont's own 40th Army Band will perform a concert of patriotic American tunes and contemporary favorites, sponsored by the Vermont National Guard and the Office of the Adjutant General. Free. 7 pm. Bradford Academy Auditorium, 172 N. Main St. (802) 338-3480. www.40tharmyband.com.

BRANDON. Baroque Concert. Recorderist and flutist Anna Laufenberg and pianist Stefan Rimrock playing works from the late Renaissance and Baroque eras, featuring a range of voices from the recorder family. Rimrock also will perform solo piano works by Alessandro Scarlatti and Beethoven. Tickets \$20. A pre-concert dinner is available for \$25. Reservations recommended for the show and required for dinner. Venue is BYOB. 7:30 pm. Brandon Music, 62 Country Club Rd. (802) 247-4295. info@brandon-music.net. www.brandon-music.net.

BRATTLEBORO. Vermont Jazz Series Concert. With The Kurt Rosenwinkel Trio, who has been consistently voted one of the top guitarists of the under-50 generation. Tickets \$20-\$40. 8 pm. Vermont Jazz Center, 72 Cotton Mill Hill Rd. For tickets call (802) 254-9088. www.vtjazz.org.

BURLINGTON. Bike Ride. From King Street Dock we'll take the bike path north to Local Motion's bike ferry to South Hero. Then the West Shore Road (gravel), to New York on the Grand Isle/Cumberland Head Ferry, then south on Rte. 9 to the ferry dock at Port Kent for our final crossing. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Burlington Section. Moderate difficulty. 42 miles. For meeting time and place contact leader Mary Lou Recor at (802) 660-2834 or mlrecor@myfairpoint.net. greenmountainclub.org.

CHESTER. 42nd Annual Fall Festival Craft Show. New England artists demonstrating handmade crafts including spinning, quilting, glass, pottery, fiber art, woodcarvings, turned wooden bowls, watercolor and landscape paintings, paper art, handcrafted soaps, jewelry, photography and more. Midday music provided by Vermont entertainers. Beer garden behind Fullerton Inn. 10 am - 4 pm. Sponsored by Chester Rotary Club. www.chesterfallfestival.org. *Also September 18.*

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EDEN. Late Summer Hike. Hike the Long Trail and Babcock Trail near Eden, just south of Belvidere. Mt. Devil's Gulch requires climbing over a few boulders. Moderate difficulty. Six miles. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier Section. For meeting time and place contact leaders Steve and Heather Bailey at (609) 424-9238 or stevecbailey@gmail.com. www.greenmountainclub.org.

FAIRLEE. Flea Market. Free admission. 7:30 am – 3 pm. Railroad Station on Rt. 5. (802) 333-4809. *Saturdays through October 8.*

HUNTINGTON. Carving a Bittern—Class with David Tuttle. Wood blank, eyes, snacks, and coffee provided. Please bring your lunch. All levels welcome. Bring your tools and gloves if you have them; if you don't, let us know. Dave often brings some knives, gloves, etc. to sell. Please bring your lunch. Great for adults and teens. Younger kids need parental permission. Fee: \$40. Call to pre-register. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org.

MIDDLEBURY. Middlebury Natural Foods Coop Harvest Fest. Live music, local food, beverages. Meet local producers, bring your kids, and have fun! Middlebury Natural Foods Coop, 9 Washington St. (802) 388-7276. www.middleburycoop.com.

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MOSCOW. Canoe or Kayak Excursion. Launch at Cotton Brook access point, Waterbury Reservoir. PFD and canoe or kayak required. Bring lunch. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier Section. For meeting time and place contact leaders Steve and Heather Bailey at stevecbailey@gmail.com or (609) 424-9238. www.greenmountainclub.org.

NEW HAVEN. Wildcrafting with the Seasons: Workshop Series with Emily French of Sweetgrass Herbs. Gather and prepare safe and locally abundant plant medicines from roots, flowers, leaves, fruits, and more. Come with harvesting bag, knife, an offering for the plants, glass jars, notebook, perhaps a camera, and water. Wear hiking boots. Fee \$50. Pre-registration required at www.sweetgrassherbs.com. 9 am – 12 noon. Golden Well Farm & Apiaries, 1089 River Rd. (802) 870-0361. goldenwellapiaries.com.

NORTH SPRINGFIELD. Fundraiser Yard Sale. The Springfield Art and Historical Society will host a yard sale to raise funds for its activities. Free. Springfield Art and Historical Society, 65 Rt. 106. (802) 886-8430. sahs@vermontel.net.

QUECHEE. 2nd Annual en Plein Air Painting Festival. Come paint with us to celebrate the remarkable beauty and diversity of the Ottauquechee River and the Connecticut River watershed, its surrounding forests and waterways, vibrant communities, important message of conservation, and diverse bird life. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@pleinairvinsvt.org. www.vinsweb.org. *Through September 23.*

RUTLAND. Vermont Summer Farmers' Market. 9 am – 2 pm. Downtown at Depot Park (across from Walmart). (802) 342-4727. info@vtfarmersmarket.org. www.vtfarmersmarket.org. *Saturdays through October 29.*

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Flea Market. Indoors, year-round, clean & friendly! Cozy cafe offers refreshments and light lunch. 10 am – 4 pm. 200 West St. corner of Forest St. (802) 770-9104. On Facebook. *Every Saturday and Sunday.*

SHELBURNE. 38th Annual Shelburne Farms Harvest Festival. A celebration of Vermont farm and food traditions. Explore a tent full of children's activities, entertainers performing on multiple stages, artisans sharing their skills and crafts, and of course, delicious farm-fresh food. Farm animals and horse-drawn hayrides, too! Admission: \$10 adult, \$5 seniors), \$5 child, free for children under 3. 10 am – 4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org.

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SO. BURLINGTON. Talk: Exploring the Gardens at Hildene. Andrea Luchini, Garden Horticulturist at the Lincoln Family Home, will talk about the gardens and their famous peonies, the grounds, walking trails, their work to attract pollinators, and their new greenhouses. Fee: \$15. 10 am – 12 noon. UVM Horticulture Farm, 65 Green Mountain Dr. (802) 864-3073. friendsofthehortfarm.org.

SPRINGFIELD. Dump Daze Flea Market. Free admission, parking, food and restrooms. 8 am. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 33 Fairground Rd. (802) 885-2723. *Saturdays through October 29.*

ST. JOHNSBURY. Colors of the Kingdom Autumn Festival. Events all day including train rides! Pancake breakfast, farmers market, parade and live entertainment. Most events are free. 8 am. St. Johnsbury Welcome Center (Pomerleau Building), Downtown St. Johnsbury (Railroad Street, Eastern Avenue and Main St.). (802) 748-3678. nekinfo@nekchamber.com. www.nekchamber.com.

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WELLS. Twilight in the Meadow. A benefit gala for Rutland Area Farm and Food Link. Tickets \$85. Catering by Roots The Restaurant. Larson Farm and Creamery, just off Rt. 30. Call for reservations. (802) 417-1528. www.raffl.org. www.larsonfarmvt.com.

WEST PAWLET. Concert. Bringing Nashville to West Pawlet—Courtney Shayne as Patsy Kline. Light refreshments and 50/50 raffle. Sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the West Pawlet Fire Department. (802) 353-1089.

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WINDSOR. Wild Game Supper. The Windsor Coon Hunter's Association fundraiser supper includes bear roast, moose/venison spicy barbecue, Swedish meatballs, lasagna, moose burritos, game stew, smoked trout, turkey pot pies, mashed potatoes, corn chowder and pie for dessert. Iced tea and water provided, or bring your own beverage. Tickets \$7-\$15. Supper at 5 pm. Sporting equipment raffle at 7 pm. Windsor Coon Hunter's Association, 2126 Hunt Hill Rd. (802) 484-9286. barbour.sherry@yahoo.com.

WOODSTOCK. 11th Annual Traditional Craft Saturdays. Quilling with Marianne Fasset. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also September 24.*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

BENNINGTON. 23rd Annual Quiltfest. Quilts, demonstrations, queen size quilt raffle, challenge quilts, special exhibits, many vendors and food from the Quiltfest Cafe. The featured quilter and lecturer Pat Delaney is an award winning quilter specializing in color, home machine quilting, appliqué, and embroidery. Admission \$7, children 12 and under free. 9 am – 4 pm. Mount Anthony Union Middle School, 747 East Rd. www.benningtonquiltfest.com.

BRISTOL. 9th Annual Tour de Farms. one of Vermont's oldest cycling farm tours and follows the pastoral landscape of the Champlain Valley. 30-mile route and a brand new, family-friendly 14-mile route. Over 25 local farms, food businesses and restaurants will be participating. Sample everything from organic fruit smoothies to grass-fed beef to Vermont's famous cheddar cheese! Farm Bus available for those who choose not to ride a bike and a concierge Farm Van will deliver purchased farm products to the Bristol Rec Field so riders don't need to carry extra weight with them. Live music from The Doughboys, a food truck, free Farmhouse ice cream for all riders, and drinks for sale. 8:30 am – 5 pm. Bristol Rec Field. (802) 382-0401. www.diginvt.com.

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COLCHESTER. The 9th Annual Vermont Sings For Peace. With Counterpoint and the Winooski Community Chorus, Solaris Vocal Ensemble, Caledonia Children's Chorus, and Robert De Cormier and Friends. The choruses will combine in "Lift Every Voice and Sing" and "Blowin' in the Wind," with an audience sing along. This year's donations will benefit the Vermont Refugee Resettlement Program (www.refugees.org/vermont). Admission free, donations appreciated. Concert at 2:30 pm. Chapel of Saint Michael the Archangel, Saint Michael's College, One Winooski Park. (802) 540-1784. contact@counterpointchorus.org. www.counterpointchorus.org.

DERBY LINE. Play: Farce of Nature. By Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten. Presented by Qnek Productions and the Award-Winning International Resident Theatre Company of The Haskell Opera House. Tickets adults \$15, student/seniors \$13. 2 pm. Haskell Opera House, 93 Caswell Ave. (802) 334-2216. haskellopera.com.

DUMMERSTON. Orchard Stroll. Join orchardist Zeke Goodband to learn the history of heirloom fruits, orchard ecology, how grafting was used to create the orchard, scout for pests and discuss how they are managed. Orchard-related items available in the farm market. No charge for tour. 10 am. Scott Farm Orchard, 707 Kipling Rd. (802) 254-6868. www.scottfarmvermont.com. *Also September 25 and October 2.*

HUBBARDTON. Battlefield Third Sunday—Military Road Hike. Meet at the battlefield visitor center. Site interpreter Carl Fuller leads a vigorous guided hike on the Hubbardton section of the 1776-77 military road to Mount Independence. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. Vermont Archaeology Month program. 2–5 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. historicites.vermont.gov/Hubbardton.

HUNTINGTON. Sundays for Fledglings. Kids discover birds from feathers to flying, from art to zoology and develop skills in observation, research, and just goofing around. Earn a Junior Birder Badge! Sundays 2-3 pm. Free, donations welcome. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org. *Sundays through October 23.*

MONTPELIER. Performance: *The Syringa Tree*. Enjoy a full production with Courtney Wood in a tour-de-force with one actor playing all 24 characters. A true-life story of an abiding love between two families, one black, one white, and the two children born into their shared household in early 1960's South Africa, told through the eyes of six-year-old Elizabeth. Tickets: \$25/\$30. 2 pm. Lost National Theater, City Hall Arts Center, 39 Main St. (802) 229-0492. www.lostnationtheater.org. *Also September 23, 24, 25.*

SHOREHAM. Shoreham Applefest. Everything apples! Cider pressing, pie contest, hard cider, live music, all in our hometown. Come join us and pick apples afterwards! 12-4 pm. Shoreham Town Green.

QUECHEE. 2nd Annual en Plein Air Painting Festival. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@pleinairvinsvt.org. www.vinsweb.org. *Through September 23.*

RUTLAND. An Evening with James Carville and Mary Matalin. Tickets \$45/\$55. 7:30 pm. Paramount Theater, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0570. paramountvt.org.

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Flea Market. Indoors, year-round, clean & friendly! Cozy cafe offers refreshments and light lunch. 10 am – 4 pm. 200 West St. corner of Forest St. (802) 770-9104. On Facebook. *Every Saturday and Sunday.*

ST. JOHNSBURY. Annual Forest & Stream Club Field Day. 10 am – 3 pm. All are welcome! Trap Shoot: 25 targets per round, \$3 per round, trophies award to best, man, woman and youth. Milk Jug Shoot: 6 milk jugs at 100 yards, \$5 per attempt. Best shooter of the day gets half the take. Running Deer: try your luck at our running deer. \$1 per attempt. Two free events for kids: .22 Ballon Shoot: on the 50 yard range; Shotgun ballon shoot: near the Trap Range. The rifles and ammunition will be provided. The kitchen will be open selling hamburgers, hot dogs and more! Directors and firearms instructors will be on hand to answer any questions. Every ticket is in the drawing of 2017 Family Membership. Tickets will be sold at the gate. Field & Stream Club, Just off Rt. 5 near Lydall and EHV, just watch for the signs. (802) 695-2235.

STOWE. British Invasion. Experience British cultural activities, shops, crafts, Auto Jumble and the Car Corral. The participants are primarily from the US and Canada with over 600 cars on field, and approximately 1000 total. Admission: \$15/\$10, under 12 free. 9 am – 3 pm. On the Stowe Events Field, Weeks Hill Rd. just off Rt. 108 north of the village. (802) 253-7321. www.gostowe.com. www.britishinvasion.com.

TUNBRIDGE. 149th Annual Tunbridge World's Fair. Old-fashioned agricultural fair in a rural setting. 4-H exhibits, midway rides, food booths, free shows in the grandstand. Livestock cavalcade, agricultural exhibits, antique tractor pulls, kiddie rides, crafts, live entertainment, ox and pony pulling, gymkhana, harness racing. Sheep dog trials, Civil War reenactors, Log Cabin Museum, Ed Larkin Contra Dancing, Antique Hill. Rt. 110, Tunbridge, VT. (802) 889-5555. tunbridgeworldsfair.com.

WESTMINSTER WEST. Ride or Hike—Accessibility Day. Once-a-year opportunity for a ride or hike to remote Paul's Ledges for lunch. Free. Open to the public. The program's popularity and the need for four-wheel-drive vehicles make advance registrations a must for riders. Hikers do not need to pre-register. Bring water, lunch, and a sweater for chilly weather. Meet at Westminster West Church at 10:45 AM or at the Athens Dome trailhead on Route 35, opposite Sleepy Valley Road at 11:00 a.m. For more more information contact leader Bev Major at (802) 387-5737. www.windmillhillpinnacle.org.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

BURLINGTON. Concert: Gordon Lightfoot. Perhaps the most prolific and greatest Canadian singer-songwriter of all time. Tickets: \$70.75/\$54.50/\$39.25. 8 pm. Flynn MainStage, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

HUNTINGTON. Wood Carving Workshop. Carve and paint a bittern with David Tuttle of the Green Mountain Woodcarvers. Wood blank, snacks, and coffee provided. Bring your lunch and tools and gloves if you have them. 9 am – 3 pm. Fee \$40. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. www.birdsofvermont.org.

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SHELBURNE. Historic Barn Tour. Explore two magnificent barns (Breeding Barn & Old Dairy Barn) — their past, present, and future. 1^{3/4} hours. Admission plus \$3 fee: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 children 3-17, free to children ages 2 and under. 2:30-4:15 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Monday through October 10.*

WOODSTOCK. Program: Conservation Through the Artist's Eye. View works by acclaimed landscape painters in the Mansion and explore how art influenced the conservation movement. The Billings' Collection includes paintings by Cole, Bierstadt and Durand. Admission \$8, seniors \$4, 15 and younger free. 1-2:30 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Every Monday and Thursday through October 31.*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

BARNARD. Celebrate Your Farmer Social: Fable Farm Collective. RSVP & donation requested: \$10. 5:30-7:30 pm. Fable Farm Collective, 1544 Royalton Turnpike Rd., 16 Spring Hill Rd. rachel@nofa.org. www.nofavt.org. feastandfield.com.

BURLINGTON. Russian Grand Ballet Presents The Sleeping Beauty. Tickets: \$25-\$60. 7:30 pm. Flynn MainStage, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

MIDDLEBURY. Lecture: Bicycling in Early Vermont. "Of Wheelmen, The New Woman, and Good Roads: Bicycling in Vermont, 1880-1920" a talk by Luis Vivanco, professor of anthropology and co-director of the Humanities Center at the University of Vermont. The talk is offered in conjunction with the Sheldon Museum's current exhibit, Pedaling Through History: 150 Years of the Bicycle, the Collection of Glenn Eames, on view through October 16. Fee: \$8. 11:45 am. Museum hours: Tues.-Sat. 10 am – 5 pm and Sun (through Oct 16) 1-5 pm. The Henry Sheldon Museum, One Park St. (802) 388-2117. www.henrysheldonmuseum.org.

MIDDLESEX. Bike Ride. Cycle to Waitsfield and return. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier Section. Bring water, lunch, and helmet. Moderate difficulty. 25+/- miles. For meeting time and place contact leader Mary Garcia at (802) 622-0585 or Mary Smith at (802) 505-0603. www.greenmountainclub.org.

SHELBURNE. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savories made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30-4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13.*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

BRATTLEBORO. Panel Discussion: Artists Taking Stock of Guns. Linda Bond, whose work is featured in *Up in Arms*; members of the ensemble *So Percussion*, whose *A Gun Show* will be performed at Brattleboro's New England Youth Theatre; and Joe Quint, a photographer whose project *It Takes Us* explores the impact of gun violence on survivors and friends/family of victims, discuss how guns influence their art. Admission: adults \$5, students, youth 18 and under free. 7 pm. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

HANOVER, NH. Play: *Motherstruck!* Performance poet Staceyann Chin mines her own fascinating life for this tour-de-force solo show chronicling her quest to have a child despite being a single, lesbian, poorly insured, immigrant artist-activist in a rapidly gentrifying city. Mature language. Tickets: \$25. 7 pm. The Moore Theater, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu.

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RUTLAND. Vermont Summer Farmers' Market. 3-6 pm. Downtown in Depot Park (across from Walmart). (802) 342-4727. info@vtfarmersmarket.org. www.vtfarmersmarket.org. *Wednesdays through October 26.*

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm Programs for Preschoolers. Features a farm theme with a story, special visit to the farm, hands-on activity, and snack. Designed for children ages 3 and up. Pre-registration required. Admission. 9-10:30 am. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also September 28.*

WOODSTOCK. Wagon Ride Wednesdays. Horse-drawn wagon rides featured each Wednesday from 11 am – 3 pm. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also September 28.*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

BARNARD. Feast and Field Farmers' Market. 4:30-7:30 pm, music at 5:30 pm by Toast, funk. Campfire jam to follow at 8 pm. 1544 Royalton Turnpike. (802) 999-3391. clovermont@gmail.com. feastandfield.com. *Every Thursday through October 20.*

BURLINGTON. Girls on the Run Vermont Benefit Performance. Heart, Sole & Laughter: an evening with the Vermont Comedy Divas, raffles, cash bar. Tickets \$30. 7:30 pm. FlynnSpace, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

ADDISON. Atlatl Workshop. Experts Bob and Cheryll Berg of Thunderbird Atlatl teach traditional and modern techniques of atlatl and dart construction, flint knapping, hafting stone points, and cordage making. Enjoy atlatl lore and coaching on the use of your new atlatl. Fee \$70 includes instruction and materials. Noon-5 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 Rt. 17W. (802) 759-2412. historicssites.vermont.gov.

BELLOWS FALLS. Concert: Enduring Honor—The Legacy of the Native American Flute. With Gary Stroutsos, world flute. Tickets \$20/\$15. 7:30 pm. Immanuel Episcopal Church, 12 Church St. (802) 460-0110. www.stonechurcharts.org. *Also September 24.*

GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Theater Performs *Faust 3*. Including the *Disordering the Existing Order of Life* Oratorio. Museum tour at 6 pm. 7:30 pm. Suggested donation \$10. Bread & Puppet Theater, 753 Heights Rd. (802) 525-3031. breadpup@together.net. www.breadandpuppet.org. *Fridays through September 23.*

HANOVER, NH. Concert: Cecile McLorin Salvant. Acclaimed jazz singer wraps her supple, velvety voice around undiscovered gems and her own soul-baring originals. Tickets: \$22.50/\$25. 8 pm. The Moore Theater, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu.

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PUTNEY. Concert: The Everly Set—Sean Altman & Jack Skuller Approximate The Everly Brothers. Tickets: \$20. 7:30 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

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SPRINGFIELD. Steampunk Festival. New musical performers, workshops, vendors, radio-controlled teapot racing, Victorian Parlor games, telescope observatory tours, photo booth, afternoon tea, absinthe tasting, trader’s bazaar, and much more. Hartness House Inn, 30 Orchard St. (802) 952-9170. www.springfieldvtsteampunkfest.com. *Also September 24 & 25*.

TINMOUTH. Celtic Band in Concert. Gypsy Reel to play original, tradition and some occasional modern surprises. 7:30 pm. The Old Firehouse, Mountain View Road just south of Rt.140. Refreshment for sale. Suggested donation \$10. (802) 446-2498. www.tinmouthvt.org.

WOODSTOCK. Foodways Fridays. Learn the importance of heirloom vegetables, while seeing them used in historic recipes prepared in our 1890 Farm House. Each Friday will feature a different menu, including such traditional New England favorites as Ladies Cabbage, Flemish Carrots, Cymling Pudding, and Pink Velvet Soup. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. billingsfarm.org. *Fridays through October 28*.

WOODSTOCK. Pentangle Light Garden. The village green has turned into an illuminated light garden with a series of sculptural garden plots designed by local artists and features creative uses of light. Plots lit 6:30-10:30 pm. Free. 21 The Green. (802) 457-3981. info@pentanglearts.org. www.pentanglearts.org. *Also September 24*.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

ADDISON. Atlati Championship. For this Vermont archaeology month event participate in or watch this annual event testing skills in accuracy and distance. The sport of using the atlatl to throw darts is based on an ancient hunting technique. Newcomers to experts welcome. Children’s activities. Workshops and demonstrations on flintknapping, woodland pottery, and other crafts and skills. 10:30 am – 4:30 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 Rt. 17W. (802) 759-2412. historicsites.vermont.gov.

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BENNINGTON. Artist’s Reception—Duane Michals: Photographs from the Floating World. One of the great photographic innovators of the last century, widely known for his work with series, multiple exposures, and text. “Photography and Reality,” a discussion with this engaging artist and speaker. Talk with him about his work beginning in the 1950s and up through today. One of his most recent short films will be screened, followed by a Q&A. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. benningtonmuseum.org.

BRANDON. Concert: Dwight and Nicole, Jazz, Blues and R&B. Tickets \$20. A pre-concert dinner is available for \$25. Reservations recommended for the show and required for dinner. Venue is BYOB. 7:30 pm. Brandon Music, 62 Country Club Rd. (802) 247-4295. info@brandon-music.net. www.brandon-music.net.

BURLINGTON. Concert: Ben Folds and a Piano. Tickets \$36-\$60. 8 pm. Flynn MainStage, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

EAST FAIRFIELD. Concert: Patti Casey and Tom MacKenzie. Suggested donation \$10. Desserts available at intermission. 7-9 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm. At The Meeting House on the Green, 53 School St. (802) 827-6626. www.meetinghouseonthegreen.org.

EAST BURKE. Annual Fall Foliage Festival. Parade starts at 10 am. BBQ with burgers, hot dogs, sausages and more! Rubber duck race. Kids area with a jump house, face painting and more. Horse-drawn wagon rides. Farm animal petting zoo. Cow plop bingo. Craft show opens at 9 am – 3 pm featuring 75 vendors! Silent auction inside the library featuring work from local artists & crafters, unique historical items and antiques. Bird of Prey interactive show from Vermont Institute of Natural Science. Chickweed performs from 12:30 - 2:30 pm at the Gazebo. Beer & wine tent open from 11 am – 6 pm at Mike’s Tiki Bar. Live music from Tritium Well, 3 - 6 pm at Mike’s Tiki. On the green at the Burke Mountain Clubhouse/East Burke Library. burkechamber@burkevermont.com. www.burkevermont.com.

EDEN. Early Autumn Hike on Mt. Belvidere. Long Trail from Rt. 118 trailhead parking lot. Long-range views of two countries and three states from historic fire tower on the summit. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier Section. Difficult, 5.6 miles. Bring lunch and water. For meeting time, details, and place contact leader Cynthia Martin or George Longenecker at marlong@myfairpoint.net or (802) 229-9787. www.greenmountainclub.org.

FAIRLEE. Flea Market. Free admission. 7:30 am – 3 pm. Railroad Station on Rt. 5. (802) 333-4809. *Saturdays through October 8*.

GRAFTON. 8th Annual Fairy House Festival—A Magical Fairy World. Follow a nature path sprinkled with charming fairy houses. Then return to The Nature Museum to create your own fairy dwelling out of natural materials. More than 40 handcrafted fairy houses will line the trail. Knotholes become front doors, seashells transform into bathtubs, acorn caps become dinnerware and twigs are woven into ladders. Hands-on crafts, face painting and other fun activities. 10 am – 4 pm. Benefits the museum’s environmental education programs and natural history displays. Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$5 children, and free for children 2 and under. The Nature Museum, 186 Townshend Rd. (802) 843-2111. www.nature-museum.org. *Also September 25*.

HUNTINGTON. Bird Monitoring Walk. Join fellow birders and would-be birders on the monthly monitoring walk the last Saturday of every month. Please bring binoculars. Free. 8-9 am. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org.

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LUDLOW. Night at the Museum 2016. BRAM’s annual fundraiser. Wine, beer, hearty hors d’oeuvres, live music and a wide selection of items in the silent auction. Tickets \$30. 6-8:30 pm. Black River Academy Museum, 14 High St. (802) 228-5050. bramvt.org.

Saturday, September 24, continued:

MONTGOMERY CENTER. Early Autumn Hike. Forester Trail to the fire tower on Mt. Belvidere, then to Tillotson Camp on the Long Trail and descend by the Frank Post Trail to parking area. 8 am – 2 pm. 5-6 hours of moderate/intermediate hiking. Meet at Sylvester's Store in Montgomery Center at 8 am. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Northern Frontier Section. For more details contact leader Ferdinand Lauffer at (802) 933-4252 or fluffier@gmail.com. www.greenmountainclub.org.

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NEW HAVEN. Forest Ecology Workshop. Woodlot rewilding and cropping will be presented by forest conservation experts to benefit private landowners with 25 or fewer acres. The workshop continues at Little Hogback Community Forest in Monkton with demonstrations and hands-on training. Learn about tools and techniques to enhance and conserve wildlife habitat, forest health, flood resilience and water quality. Basic forest ecology; crop tree release; sustainable maple sap production; forest crops; safe, eco-friendly tree felling and bucking; and optimal conservation practices for harvesting and removing timber. Preregistration requested. 8:30 am. New Haven Town Hall, 78 North St. (802) 899-9926. www.familyforests.org/public-education/events.

NEWBURY. 36th Annual Fall Festival. Music by Brian and the Rangers Band, bake sale, cookie walk, fudge and candy table, plant table, white elephant sale, raffle (an afghan), cracker barrel cookbooks, Rada knives, hay rides, craft vendors, food stand, demonstrations, exhibits, library books, a la carte BBQ, silent auction, and much more! 9 am – 3 pm. First Congregational Church of Newbury, 4915 Main St. South (802) 757-2261.

NEWPORT. 11th Annual Chamber Chilifest. Family-friendly event that boasts great chili, live entertainment and fun for all tastes with chili teams from area restaurants, businesses and individuals who compete for the best chili. Spoon tasting starting at 11 am, fee \$5. On Lake Memphremagog, downtown. (802) 334-7782.

ORFORD, NH. Annual Rivendell Ramble. Choose either a 10k trail run, 5k mile trail run or the 3.6 mile hike. Same day registration and shuttle to trails from Rivendell Academy. \$15-\$30. 9 am – 12 noon. Rivendell Academy, 2972 Rt. 25A. (617) 500-8017. www.rivendellschool.org.

PERU. Annual Peru Fair. Pig roast, music and cloggers, Vermont artisans and crafts, clowns and magicians, wagon and pony rides, a delectable array of foods and scarecrow contest. 9 am – 4 pm. Parade at 9:45. Admission \$6, children under 6 free. Parking at Bromley Mountain with free shuttle service to fair. Proceeds benefit Peru scholarship fund. www.perufair.org.

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RANDOLPH. Concert & Jam Session. The first concert in the 'Live and Upstairs' Series 2016-2017, will present Haywire, a high-energy five-piece string band known for their lyrical improvisations, catchy hooks, tight vocal harmonies, and an infectious groove. After their set, Haywire will be offering an opportunity to jam with band members, so interested audience members are encouraged to bring an instrument. 7 pm. Tickets \$12. (802) 728-6464. outreach@chandler-arts.org. chandler-arts.org.

RUPERT. Fall Festival. Come on up to the farm and celebrate nature's own version of *Carnivale*: fall color, games for the children, picnics on the lawn. We'll have farm tours, the staff's chili-pots and demonstrations of cross-cut sawing, rug braiding and other farm skills. Free, donations appreciated. 9 am – 3 pm. Merck Forest and Farmland Center, 3270 Rt. 315. (802) 394-7836. www.merckforest.org.

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SHELBURNE. Champlain Mini Maker Faire. Brings together families and individuals to celebrate the Do-It-Yourself (DIY) mindset and showcase all kinds of incredible projects. Arts and crafts, science and engineering, food and music, fire and water. Admission: \$6-\$12, ages 10 and under free. 10 am – 5 pm. Shelburne Farms Coach Barn, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. www.champlainmakerfaire.com. Also September 25.

SO. BURLINGTON. Workshop: Fall Garden Care. Learn about bulb planting and top recommended bulbs, late season maintenance in the mixed border, and what to cut and when. Held partly outdoors for hands-on instruction, weather permitting. Fee: \$15. 10-11:30 am. UVM Horticulture Farm, 65 Green Mountain Dr. (802) 864-3073. info@friendsofthehortfarm.org. friendsofthehortfarm.org.

SPRINGFIELD. Dump Daze Flea Market. Free admission, parking, food and restrooms. 8 am. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 33 Fairground Rd. (802) 885-2723. Saturdays through October 29.

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STOWE. Fall Foliage Art. This expansive autumn market celebrates what makes Vermont foliage season so special with featured local artists and artisans on Park Street alongside specialty foods and fall beverages. Enjoy live music and local eats on the Village Green. Free admission. 11 am – 2 pm. Stowe Village Green. www.gostowe.com.

STOWE. Early Autumn Hike to Mount Mansfield. We'll head up the Butler Lodge Trail for a snack at Butler Lodge, then on to the Wampahoofus Trail to the Forehead and Chin with great views! Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Burlington Section. Difficult hike, moderate pace, 10 miles. 3000' elevation gain. For meeting time and place contact leader Phil Hazen at (802) 355-7181 or philhazen@comcast.net. www.greenmountainclub.org.

VERGENNES. Vermont Symphony Orchestra "Made in Vermont" Annual Statewide Tour. Program includes a Mozart piece he wrote for his sister, American composer Aaron Copland's brooding Quiet City, and works by Norwich-born composer Zach Sheets, and guest conductor Anthony Princiotti's own arrangement of Alexander Borodin's String Quartet No. 2, which provided much of the music for the Broadway musical *Kismet*. Tickets \$25, children 6-17 \$10, under 5 free. 7:30 p.m. Vergennes Opera House, 120 Main St. (800) 876-9293. www.vsc.org.

WEATHERSFIELD. Fall Festival. Includes town wide yard sales, farmers' market with silent auction to benefit 1879 Perkinsville schoolhouse, West Weathersfield Volunteer Fire Department's craft fair plus cooking hamburgers and hot dogs, and a book sale at Proctor Library. Bow Baptist Church will give tours of their historic building and the Dan Foster House will be open 9 am – 2 pm. Antique children's toys, farm tools, a hearse, antique sugaring tools and equipment, antique clothing and historic documents will be on display. Chicken BBQ at 10 am at Martin Memorial Hall. Live music compliments of EXIT 9 band and dinner at Weathersfield School off Route 5. Festival runs from 9 am – 8:30 pm at various town locations. Free admission, some things are charged for. (802) 674-2626. townmanager@weathersfield.org.

WINDSOR. Vintage Car Rally. Vermont automobile enthusiasts will be stopping at the museum as part of their 2016 'run.' Visitors will be able to see a fabulous collection of vintage automobiles with their owners. 11 am – 3 pm. American Precision Museum, 196 Main St. (802) 674-5781. americanprecision.org.

WINDSOR. Autumn Moon Festival. Nighttime street festival includes children's activities, Christa McAuliffe Shepard Discovery Center, Montshire Museum, VINS, fire dancers, American Precision Museum, touch-a-truck, magic and face painting. Vendors and live music from the Sayon Camara Drummers, Walter Gomez, About Gladys and the Road Trash Band. Fireworks at dusk. 4-9 pm downtown. (802) 674-5910. jenn1e2dan3@aol.com.

WOODSTOCK. Pentangle Light Garden. The village green has turned into an illuminated light garden with a series of sculptural garden plots designed by local artists and features creative uses of light. Plots lit 6:30-10:30 pm. Free. 21 The Green. (802) 457-3981. info@pentanglearts.org. www.pentanglearts.org.

WOODSTOCK. Vermont Woodworking Forest Festival Weekend at Billings Farm & Museum. Vermont woodworking crafters will show their carvings, home accessories, jewelry, bedroom or dining furniture and toys and games. Their work is sponsored by Vermont Wood Manufacturers Association. In the barns, see farm work first-hand, including care of the Jersey herd, draft horses, sheep, oxen, and chickens. Explore the horse barn, calf nursery, milk room, and dairy barn. Admission: adults \$14; over 62 \$13; children 5-15 \$8; 3-4 \$4; under 3 free. 10 am – 5 pm. Billings Farm and Museum, 5302 Old River Rd. (802) 747-7900. erin@gwriters.com. vermontwoodfestival.org. *Also September 25.*

WOODSTOCK. Vermont Woodworking Forest Festival Weekend. At Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park. Wagon rides, horse logging, hands-on wood crafting, sawmill demos, forest walks, and many educational programs. Free admission. 10 am – 5 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. erin@gwriters.com. www.vermontwoodfestival.org. *Also September 25.*

WOODSTOCK. Old Time Fair. Old-fashioned games, hands-on crafts, live music, old-time photo booth (with vintage-style clothes) and a silent auction, all at old-time prices. Refreshments. Prices 25 cents to \$1. 1-4 pm at the Woodstock History Center, 26 Elm St. (802) 457-1822. education@woodstockhistorical.org. www.woodstockhistorical.org.

WOODSTOCK. 12th Annual National Museum Day Live. Billings Farm and Museum will participate in Smithsonian Magazine's program where over 1,400 museums across the United States open their doors free-of-charge to Smithsonian magazine readers and visitors to Smithsonian. The day reflects the spirit of the magazine and its free-admission policy at Smithsonian's Washington, DC-based properties. Admission to Billings Farm & Museum is free to all who download a Museum Day Live ticket available at Smithsonian.com/museumday. It will provide free admission for two. One ticket per household, per email address. For information and a list of participating cultural institutions, visit Smithsonian.com/museumday. Billings Farm and Museum is located one-half mile north of the village green on Rt 12. (802) 457-2355. www.billingsfarm.org.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

ADDISON. Lake Champlain Bridge Guided Walk. This Vermont Archaeology monthly event is about the history surrounding you as you walk across the Lake Champlain Bridge. Chimney Point site administrator Elsa Gilbertson and Crown Point site manager Michael Roets lead this guided roundtrip walk. Rain or shine, dress for the weather. Fee \$6. 1-3 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 Rt. 17W. (802) 272-2509. historicssites.vermont.gov.

ADDISON. Splint Basswood Basket Workshop. Barry Keegan teaches you to weave with splints of basswood with the outer bark still attached. Learn how baskets were made with stone tools. Pre-registration required. Bring lunch and snacks. Cost: \$60 (includes instruction and materials). 9:30 am – 5:30 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 Rt. 17W. (802) 759-2412. historicssites.vermont.gov/vt_history/archaeology.

BROWNINGTON. Old Stone House Cheese & Apple Tasting. Taste and purchase locally produced apples, cheese, dairy products, maple products, honey, spirits, beer, wine, meat, baked goods. Apple cider pressing, apple pie contest, heirloom vegetable exhibit, apple chomp for the kids, free self guided tour of museum first floor and barns. \$8 admission. People over 90 or under 12, or those bringing a pie for the contest or vegetable for the exhibit are free. 11 am – 3 pm. Samuel Read Hall House at Old Stone House Museum, 109 Old Stone House Rd. (802) 754-2022. www.oldstonehousemuseum.org.

DERBY LINE. Vermont Symphony Orchestra "Made in Vermont" Annual Statewide Tour. Program includes a Mozart piece he wrote for his sister, American composer Aaron Copland's brooding Quiet City, and works by Norwich-born composer Zach Sheets, and guest conductor Anthony Princiotti's own arrangement of Alexander Borodin's String Quartet No. 2, which provided much of the music for the Broadway musical *Kismet*. Tickets \$25, children 6-17 \$10, under 5 free. Haskell Opera House, 93 Caswell Ave. (800) 876-9293. www.vsc.org.

DUMMERSTON. Orchard Stroll. Join orchardist Zeke Goodband to learn the history of heirloom fruits, orchard ecology, how grafting was used to create the orchard, scout for pests and discuss how they are managed. Orchard-related items available in the farm market. No charge for tour. 10 am. Scott Farm Orchard, 707 Kipling Rd. (802) 254-6868. www.scottfarmvermont.com. *Also October 2.*

EAST THETFORD. Christmas Revels Community Kickoff. See a demonstration of French Canadian language and culture for all ages, featuring tradition bearers and Christmas Revels guest artists: Louis Gloutnez (step dance) and Yann Falquet (guitar, button accordion). Potluck supper 5:15 pm. Quebecois community dance 6-8 pm. Free. East Thetford Pavillion, 140 Pavillion Rd. off Rt. 5. (866) 556-3083. www.revelsnorth.org.

GRAFTON. 8th Annual Fairy House Festival—A Magical Fairy World. Follow a nature path sprinkled with charming fairy houses. Then return to The Nature Museum to create your own fairy dwelling out of natural materials. More than 40 handcrafted fairy houses will line the trail. Knotholes become front doors, seashells transform into bathtubs, acorn caps become dinnerware and twigs are woven into ladders. Hands-on crafts, face painting and other fun activities. 10 am – 4 pm. Benefits the museum's environmental education programs and natural history displays. Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$5 children, and free for children 2 and under. The Nature Museum, 186 Townshend Rd. (802) 843-2111. www.nature-museum.org.

HANOVER, NH. Musical: Pete the Cat. The beloved children's book feline comes to life in a groovy, finger-snapping musical. Tickets: \$13-\$23. 3 pm. Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu.

HUNTINGTON. Sundays for Fledglings. Kids discover birds from feathers to flying, from art to zoology and develop skills in observation, research, and just goofing around. Earn a Junior Birder Badge! Sundays 2-3 pm. Free, donations welcome. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org. *Sundays through October 23.*

LUDLOW. Gigantic Fall 2016 Rummage Sale to benefit Black River Good Neighbor Services. 10 am – 2 pm. Fletcher Farm School for the Arts & Crafts, 611 Rt. 103 S. (802) 228-3663. brgn.org.

MIDDLEBURY. Late Autumn Hike—"Challenging the Long Trail." Hike the Long Trail from Middlebury Gap to the Clark Brook Trail going through the Breadloaf Wilderness and over Mount Wilson, before descending to Granville. This is a new hike in the leader's quest to complete the Long Trail. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier Section. Difficult, 11.6 miles and 2,000 feet elevation gain. For meeting time and place contact leader Jill Aspinall at happy.jill.aspinall@gmail.com. www.greenmountainclub.org.

MONTPELIER. Performance: *The Syringa Tree*. Enjoy a full production with Courtney Wood in a tour-de-force with one actor playing all 24 characters. A true-life story of an abiding love between two families, one black, one white, and the two children born into their shared household in early 1960's South Africa, told through the eyes of six-year-old Elizabeth. Tickets: \$25/\$30. 2 pm. Lost National Theater, City Hall Arts Center, 39 Main St. (802) 229-0492. www.lostnationtheater.org.

MONTPELIER. Live Caterpillar Day. View hundreds of native New England caterpillars. Educators from The Caterpillar Lab, including founder Sam Jaffe, will tell you all about dozens of species you never knew might be in your own backyards. 11 am – 3 pm. North Branch Nature Center, 713 Elm St. (802) 229-6206. info@northbranchnaturecenter.org. northbranchnaturecenter.org.

QUECHEE. 2nd Annual en Plein Air Painting Festival Exhibit and Sale. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@pleinairvinsvt.org. vinsweb.org. *Through September 28.*

SO. HERO. Island Vines 10K. Enjoy a taste of the Lake Champlain Islands. Run the scenic 10k then enjoy wines from Snow Farm Vineyard and other local fare. 9 am – 2 pm. Snow Farm Winery, 190 West Shore Rd. (802) 863-8412. snowfarm.com.

RANDOLPH. Workshop: The Family Cow. The ins and outs of caring for your milk cow & calf; housing, feeding, livestock health, plus hand milking tips! Fee: \$70, \$130 for two. 10 am – 3 pm. Earthwise Farm and Forest, 341 Macintosh Hill Rd. (802) 234-5524. earthwise@myfairpoint.net. earthwisefarmandforest.com.

ROCKINGHAM. Acoustic Concert: The Ghost of Paul Revere. Bluegrass, folk, and gospel for the Millennial Generation. General admission tickets: \$20. 6 pm. Rockingham Meeting House. (802) 463-4270. programming@rockinghamlibrary.org. rockinghamlibrary.org. www.ghostofpaulrevere.com.

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Flea Market. Indoors, year-round, clean & friendly! Cozy cafe offers refreshments and light lunch. 10 am – 4 pm. 200 West St. corner of Forest St. (802) 770-9104. On Facebook. *Every Saturday and Sunday.*

SHELBURNE. Annual Pie Fest. A day dedicated to apple pie! Start the day with a run through the orchard. Then you can enter, enjoy, or eat homemade apple pies! The Pie Fest consists of three local judges taste-testing 30 double crusted apple pies. The Hokum Bros. will be performing! 11 am – 2:30 pm. Shelburne Orchards, 216 Orchard Rd. (802) 985-2753. www.shelburneorchards.com.

SHELBURNE. Champlain Mini Maker Faire. Brings together families and individuals to celebrate the Do-It-Yourself (DIY) mindset and showcase all kinds of incredible projects. Arts and crafts, science and engineering, food and music, fire and water. Admission: \$6-\$12, ages 10 and under free. 11 am – 4 pm. Shelburne Farms Coach Barn, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. www.champlainmakerfaire.com.

SHELBURNE. Annual Choral Celebration of the Earth. Enjoy the blended voices of All Souls Choir and the South County Chorus, as they fill the cathedral-like space under the direction of Rufus Patrick. Remarks by Phelan Fretz, executive director of ECHO at Leahy Center for Lake Champlain, offering reflections on water and our collective responsibility to care for lakes, oceans, rivers and all waterways. Admission free and open to the public. Freewill offering at the door. 4 pm. Shelburne Farms Breeding Barn, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. (802) 985-3819. www.shelburnefarms.org.

SPRINGFIELD. Steampunk Festival. New musical performers, workshops, vendors, radio-controlled teapot racing, Victorian Parlor games, telescope observatory tours, photo booth, afternoon tea, absinthe tasting, trader's bazaar, and much more. Hartness House Inn, 30 Orchard St. (802) 952-9170. www.springfieldvtsteampunkfest.com.

STOWE. 8th Annual Vermont Pumpkin Chuckin' Festival. Chili cook-off contest starts serving: 12:15 pm. Competition: 1st round, 12:30 pm; 2nd round, 1:30 pm; 3rd round, 2:30 pm. 12:15-4 pm. Stoweflake Mountain Resort, 1746 Mountain Rd. (802) 253-7355. gostowe.com.

STRAFFORD. 19th Century Apple and Cheese Harvest Festival. Come celebrate Johnny Appleseed's birthday and bring the whole family. Meet live farm animals and make cider in an antique press. Taste heirloom apples, fine artisan Vermont Cheeses, ice cream and homemade apple pie. Play period games, hike the lookout trail and play Valley Quest. Face-painting, live music by Out on a Limb, and an apple pie contest with prizes. Admission \$5-\$10 includes gardens, exhibits, an icehouse, ice pond and tour of a historic home decorated with gingerbread designs. 11 am – 3 pm. Rain or shine. Justin Morrill State Historic Site, 214 Morrill Memorial Highway. (802) 765-4288. www.morrillhomestead.org.

WOODSTOCK. Vermont Woodworking Forest Festival Weekend at Billings Farm & Museum. Vermont woodworking crafters will show their carvings, home accessories, jewelry, bedroom or dining furniture and toys and games. Their work is sponsored by Vermont Wood Manufacturers Association. In the barns, see farm work first-hand, including care of the Jersey herd, draft horses, sheep, oxen, and chickens. Explore the horse barn, calf nursery, milk room, and dairy barn. Admission: adults \$14; over 62 \$13; children 5-15 \$8; 3-4 \$4; under 3 free. 10 am – 5 pm. Billings Farm and Museum, 5302 Old River Rd. (802) 747-7900. erin@gwriters.com. www.vermontwoodfestival.org.

WOODSTOCK. Vermont Woodworking Forest Festival Weekend at Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park. Wagon rides, horse logging, hands-on wood crafting, sawmill demos, forest walks, and many educational programs. Free admission. 10 am – 5 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. erin@gwriters.com. www.vermontwoodfestival.org.

WOODSTOCK. Vermont Bach Ensemble Debut Concert. Lisa Willems directs the Vermont Bach Ensemble featuring soloists Lubbert Gnodde, organ, and Hai-Ting Chinn, alto with a period instrument music ensemble. Featuring works of Bach, Telemann and Vivaldi. Donation at the door accepted. 4-6 pm. Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, 7 South St. Free admission. (802) 299-5148. lisamwillems@gmail.com.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

CASTLETON. Vermont Symphony Orchestra "Made in Vermont" Annual Statewide Tour. Program includes a Mozart piece he wrote for his sister, American composer Aaron Copland's brooding Quiet City, and works by Norwich-born composer Zach Sheets, and guest conductor Anthony Princiotti's own arrangement of Alexander Borodin's String Quartet No. 2, which provided much of the music for the Broadway musical *Kismet*. Tickets \$25, children 6-17 \$10, under 5 free. Castleton State College Fine Arts Center, 62 Alumni Drive. (800) 876-9293. www.vsc.org.

QUECHEE. 2nd Annual en Plein Air Painting Festival Exhibit and Sale. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@pleinairvinsvt.org. vinsweb.org. *Through September 28.*

SHELBURNE. Historic Barn Tour. Explore two magnificent barns (Breeding Barn & Old Dairy Barn) — their past, present, and future. 1½ hours. Admission plus \$3 fee: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 children 3-17, free to children ages 2 and under. 2:30-4:15 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Monday through October 10.*

WALDEN. Vermont's Northeast Kingdom Annual Fall Foliage Festival. Begin at Walden Church in Noyesville Village (signs, just off Route 15) with registration, coffee & donuts at 9 am. Visit with Walden crafters and take driving caravan tours with local guides to meet artisans at their small home businesses. Homemade soup and sandwich lunch (\$5). Afternoon tours through the hills and along roadways not usually seen on travels from here to there. Musical entertainment. Family-style Barbecued Beef Supper, served with mashed potatoes, veggies, rolls and home-baked pies, beginning at 5:30 pm, \$12. For supper reservations and information, call Judy Clifford evenings at (802) 563-2777 or daily at (802) 793-5011, PO Box 54, West Danville, VT 05873. Day of the event, call (802) 563-2265. www.nekchamber.com.

WOODSTOCK. Program: Conservation Through the Artist's Eye. View works by acclaimed landscape painters in the Mansion and explore how art influenced the conservation movement. The Billings' Collection includes paintings by Cole, Bierstadt and Durand. Admission \$8, seniors \$4, 15 and younger free. 1-2:30 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Every Monday and Thursday through October 31.*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

BURLINGTON. Japanese Dance Theater: About Kazuo Ohno. Tickets \$30. 8 pm. Flynn MainStage, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org. *Also September 28.*

CABOT. Vermont's Northeast Kingdom Annual Fall Foliage Festival. Coffee, donuts, crafts and entertainment will be served at the Willey Memorial Building from 9 am until 3 pm, where you can also sign up for tours and make lunch and supper reservations. Spend your day touring historical locations, the Cabot Creamery and hydroelectric plant, visit local craft shops, enjoy a hay ride to a sugarhouse. Hike to Nichols Ledge and take the scenic shutterbug tour and see the beauty of Cabot. Corn chowder and chili lunch (\$6 adults, \$2.50 children) at the Cabot Church at 11:30 am, 12:30 and 1:15 pm. Turkey supper (\$12 adults, \$5 children) at the Cabot Church at 5 pm and 6:15 pm. Ticket reservations: Rose Bothfeld (802) 563-2715. Information: Tara Rogerson at (802) 917-2992. www.nekchamber.com.

QUECHEE. 2nd Annual en Plein Air Painting Festival Exhibit and Sale. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@pleinairvinsvt.org. www.vinsweb.org. *Through September 28.*

SHELBURNE. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savories made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30-4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13.*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

BURLINGTON. Japanese Dance Theater: About Kazuo Ohno. Tickets \$30. 8 pm. Flynn MainStage, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

GROTON. Bike Ride. Explore an old railroad bed from Ricker Pond to Bailey Pond. Check out as many as four other ponds along the way. Meet at Ricker Pond outlet at 1 pm. Free, newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Montpelier Section. Helmet required. Moderate difficulty, 16 miles. For meeting time and place, contact leader Steve Lightholder at (802) 479-2304 or steve.lightholder@yahoo.com. www.greenmountainclub.org.

PLAINFIELD. Vermont's Northeast Kingdom Annual Fall Foliage Festivals. Coffee hour and registration at 9 am at Grace United Methodist Church. Foliage tours at 10 am and 1 pm telling the history of Barre granite at the Barre Granite Museum, Building of Winterwood Timber Frames, Marshfield School of Weaving (old-time weaving), Blackthorne Forge, a Blacksmith, Hope Cemetery and Bragg's Sugar House (Tour of syrup production process and gifts). Self-guided tours of the quarries, Owl's Head and Plainfield Village. Cafeteria-style luncheon from 11:30 am to 1 pm for \$5. Barbecued Chicken, Mostaccioli and Baked Bean Supper at 5 pm and 6 pm for \$12. For reservations, contact Joanne Martin at (802) 454-7301. www.nekchamber.com.

QUECHEE. 2nd Annual en Plein Air Painting Festival Exhibit and Sale. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@pleinairvinsvt.org. vinsweb.org. *Through September 28.*

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm Programs for Preschoolers. Features a farm theme with a story, special visit to the farm, hands-on activity, and snack. Designed for children ages 3 and up. Pre-registration required. Admission. 9-10:30 am. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org.

WOODSTOCK. Wagon Ride Wednesdays. Horse-drawn wagon rides featured each Wednesday from 11 am – 3 pm. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

BARNARD. Feast and Field Farmers' Market. 4:30-7:30 pm, music at 5:30 pm by Leyeux, Jack Snyder. Campfire jam to follow at 8 pm. 1544 Royalton Turnpike. (802) 999-3391. clovermont@gmail.com. feastandfield.com. *Every Thursday through October 20.*

BURLINGTON. Workshop: Post-Harvest Processing of Medicinal Herbs for Market. Join the Railyard Apothecary and NOFA-VT to discuss methods used for processing freshly harvested medicinal and culinary herbs into marketable products. Fee: \$30. 4-6 pm. Railyard Apothecary, 270 Battery St. rachel@nofa.org. railyardapothecary.com.

LYNDONVILLE. Vermont Symphony Orchestra "Made in Vermont" Annual Statewide Tour. Program includes a Mozart piece he wrote for his sister, American composer Aaron Copland's brooding Quiet City, and works by Norwich-born composer Zach Sheets, and guest conductor Anthony Princiotti's own arrangement of Alexander Borodin's String Quartet No. 2, which provided much of the music for the Broadway musical *Kismet*. Tickets \$25, children 6-17 \$10, under 5 free. Alexander Twilight Theater, Lyndon State College, 1001 College Rd. (800) 876-9293. www.vsc.org.

PEACHAM. Vermont's Northeast Kingdom Annual Fall Foliage Festival. Arts and crafts sale, 9 am to 3 pm at the Town Hall. Tickets for bus ride, lunch, ghost walk and dinner available there. Exhibits at the Blacksmith Shop, the Roller Barn and the Historical House (homemade treats served). Library book sale from 9 am to 4 pm. Scenic bus tour at 10:15 pm, \$5. Lunch at the Elementary School from 11 am to 1:30 pm, \$7. Northern Skies Observatory (near the school) open from 11 am to 2 pm. Ghost walk at the church at 2 pm. Harp music concert (by donation) at the church from 4-6 pm. Spaghetti Supper in the church social hall with seatings at 5 pm and 6:30 pm. Meat or vegetarian sauce, salad, garlic bread, homemade apple crisp with ice cream. Adults \$10, children \$5, under 6 free. Tickets available at the door. For information call Marilyn Magnus at (802) 592-3320. www.nekchamber.com.

PUTNEY. Dinner and a Movie: *Primary Colors*. This month, the chefs at the Gleanery will serve a special Louisiana-themed menu at 5:30 p.m., in time for diners to make it to the hosted 7:00 p.m. film screening around the corner at the newly-renovated and air-conditioned Next Stage. Tickets \$23; movie only, \$5-\$10. 7:30 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

SHELBURNE. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savories made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30-4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13.*

WOODSTOCK. Program: Conservation Through the Artist's Eye. View works by acclaimed landscape painters in the Mansion and explore how art influenced the conservation movement. The Billings' Collection includes paintings by Cole, Bierstadt and Durand. Admission \$8, seniors \$4, 15 and younger free. 1-2:30 pm. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 222. www.nps.gov. *Every Monday and Thursday through October 31.*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

BARNET. Vermont's Northeast Kingdom Annual Fall Foliage Festival. Come to the Barnet Center Church vestry for a Pancake Breakfast, including Vermont maple syrup and sausage 8-11 am. Arts and Crafts in the vestry area and at various spots around the town. Relax on the free Bus Tour that leaves from the vestry at 10 am, or travel the town on your own, to see local churches, the Goodwillie House, Ben Thresher's Mill, the Walter Harvey Meeting House, Dunc's Mill Distillery, local Sugar House, and scenic Barnet foliage. A soup and sandwich lunch is served starting at 11:30 am at the Barnet Village Church. A European Coffee Hour open from 1-4 pm at the West Barnet Church. Ham Dinner. \$10, take-out available at the Barnet Center vestry starting at 4 pm and continuing until all are served. For reservations/information contact Bob at (802) 633-2242. On the day of the event, call (802) 633-4397. www.nekchamber.com.

BRATTLEBORO. Vermont Symphony Orchestra "Made in Vermont" Annual Statewide Tour. Program includes a Mozart piece he wrote for his sister, American composer Aaron Copland's brooding Quiet City, and works by Norwich-born composer Zach Sheets, and guest conductor Anthony Princiotti's own arrangement of Alexander Borodin's String Quartet No. 2, which provided much of the music for the Broadway musical *Kismet*. Tickets \$25, children 6-17 \$10, under 5 free. Latches Theater, 50 Main St. (800) 876-9293. www.vsc.org.

BURLINGTON. Burlington Geographic 2016 Field Workshop: Get to Know Your Street Trees. Free, must register. 4:30-6:30 pm. Meet at ECHO Center from entrance on the Burlington waterfront. sbeckett@uvm.edu. www.shelburnefarms.org.

BURLINGTON. Concert: Ifrikyia Spirit. Tickets \$15. 8 pm. FlynnSpace, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

DANVILLE. Dead North. This years haunt will include a short ride, a mile walk of terror through a haunted cornfield and buildings including animatronics, the mostly live residents of Dead North and special effects. Not recommended for young children or persons with health concerns. Tickets are \$25 per person. 7 pm. Great Vermont Corn Maze, 1404 Wheelock Rd. (802) 748-1399. deadnorth@screampass.com. www.vermontcornmaze.com. *Through October 1.*

HANOVER, NH. Concert: Martha Redbone. Singer-songwriter digs deep into her Native American, African American and Appalachian roots with stirring acoustic song cycle. Tickets: \$17-\$25. 8 pm. Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu.

MANCHESTER. 28th Annual Manchester Fall Art and Craft Festival. 200 fine art and craft exhibitors, dining and beverages, specialty foods, live music, and more. 10 am – 5 pm. Admission \$10, weekend pass \$12, kids free. The Practice Tee at Riley Rink, Rt 7 N. craftproducers.com. *Also October 1 & 2.*

PUTNEY. Performance: The Mushroom Experience. With Adam Strauss. The Hilarious, harrowing & heartrending true tale of one man's attempt to cure OCD with psychedelics. Tickets: \$20. 7:30 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

WOODSTOCK. Foodways Fridays. Learn the importance of heirloom vegetables, while seeing them used in historic recipes prepared in our 1890 Farm House. Each Friday will feature a different menu, including such traditional New England favorites as Ladies Cabbage, Flemish Carrots, Cymling Pudding, and Pink Velvet Soup. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Fridays through October 28.*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

ADDISON. Dead Creek Wildlife Festival. Activities for everyone from beginning birders to carving (soap and wood!) to hunting dog trials to nature journaling. Waterfowl calling contest, bird watching, archery range, nature walks, working dog demonstrations, fishing how-to, wildlife photography tips, building bluebird boxes, nature arts & crafts. Volunteers welcome. Free admission and parking. Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Rt. 17 one mile west of the junction of Rt. 22A and Rt. 17. (802) 828-1000. www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

BELLOWS FALLS. A Celtic Harvest Celebration. With Aine Minogue, harp and vocals. Tickets \$17/\$13. 7:30 pm. Immanuel Episcopal Church, 12 Church St. (802) 460-0110. www.stonechurcharts.org.

BENNINGTON. Chicken Pie Supper. Menu: chicken pie with lots of chicken with gravy topped with homemade biscuits, mashed potatoes, butternut squash mashed with butter and a touch of maple syrup, apple cabbage salad, homemade orange cranberry relish, hot biscuits, coffee, tea and milk. Apple crisp and real whipped cream for dessert. Adults \$12, under 12 is \$5, under 3 no charge. Two seating, call for reservations. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 200 Pleasant St. (802) 442-2911.

BONDVILLE. Antiques at Stratton Mountain. 30+ select dealers. Breakfast preview 8-10 am, \$15. Admission \$10. 10 am – 5 pm. Stratton Mountain Lodge, Stratton Mountain Rd. (802) 989-1158. stratton.com. *Also October 2.*

BRANDON. Concert: Durham County Poets. Five guys from Canada's Chateauguay Valley who play in blues bands, gospel groups, Cajun, folk, rock and country bands. Tickets \$20. A pre-concert dinner is available for \$25. Reservations recommended for the show and required for dinner. Venue is BYOB. 7:30 pm. Brandon Music, 62 Country Club Rd. (802) 247-4295. info@brandon-music.net. www.brandon-music.net.

BRATTLEBORO. Vermont Jazz Series Concert. With the Caili O'Doherty Quartet. Tickets \$20-\$40. 8 pm. Vermont Jazz Center, 72 Cotton Mill Hill Rd. For tickets call (802) 254-9088. www.vtjazz.org.

BURLINGTON. Concert: S.I.N.sIZZLE, A2VT, and Benny Nduwayo. Tickets \$15. 8 pm. FlynnSpace, 153 Main St. (802) 863-7992. flynncenter.org.

CLAREMONT, NH. Revels North: HopStop Family Show. Live music and dance from the rousing Québécois tradition fill this sampler of scenes from Revels North's annual holiday performance. In the folk tale of *The Flying Canoe*, lumberjacks in the northern forest go on an exciting journey home for one night, making magic and mischief along the way. Free admission. 3 pm. Claremont Savings Bank Community Center. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu.

DANVILLE. Dead North. This years haunt will include a short ride, a mile walk of terror through a haunted cornfield and buildings including animatronics, the mostly live residents of Dead North and special effects. Not recommended for young children or persons with health concerns. Tickets are \$25 per person. 7 pm. Great Vermont Corn Maze, 1404 Wheelock Rd. (802) 748-1399. deadnorth@screampass.com. www.vermontcornmaze.com. *Through October 1.*

DERBY LINE. Performance: The King Returns. Acclaimed vocalist and World-Class Elvis Presley impersonator, Mark Shelton brings Elvis back to life with a full live band, background singers, lights, internationally celebrated sound engineer, and a spectacle worthy of Vegas! Tickets \$15. 2 & 7 pm. Haskell Opera House, 93 Caswell Ave. (802) 274-8050. haskellopera.com.

EAST MONTPELIER CENTER. Chicken Pie Dinner. Menu: chicken and biscuits, squash, peas, cranberry sauce, coleslaw, and apple crisp for dessert. \$12 adults, \$6 children under 12. 12 noon, 5 pm, 7 pm. At the Old Meeting House, 1620 Center Rd. For reservations call (802) 223-6934. www.oldmeetinghouse.org.

FAIRLEE. Flea Market. Free admission. 7:30 am – 3 pm. Railroad Station on Rt. 5. (802) 333-4809. *Saturdays through October 8.*

HANOVER, NH. Revels North: HopStop Family Show. Live music and dance from the rousing Québécois tradition fill this sampler of scenes from Revels North's annual holiday performance. In the folk tale of *The Flying Canoe*, lumberjacks in the northern forest go on an exciting journey home for one night, making magic and mischief along the way. Free admission. 11 pm. Alumni Hall, Hopkins Center for the Arts. (603) 646-2422. hop.dartmouth.edu.

MANCHESTER. 28th Annual Manchester Fall Art and Craft Festival. 200 fine art and craft exhibitors, dining and beverages, specialty foods, live music, and more. 10 am – 5 pm. Admission \$10, weekend pass \$12, kids free. The Practice Tee at Riley Rink, Rt 7 N. www.craftproducers.com. *Also October 2.*

PUTNEY. Concert: Jazz Vocalist Kendra Shank with Draa Hobbs Quartet featuring Special Guest Rich Greenblatt. Tickets: \$15. 7:30 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

RANDOLPH. Concert: Hard Days Night—A Beatles Tribute Band. Tickets \$35/\$25/\$10. 7:30 pm. Chandler Center for the Arts, 71-73 Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org.

RIPTON. Ripton Community Coffee House. Joe Crookston performing—songwriter, singer, guitarist, painter, fiddler, banjo player, eco-village member and believer in all things possible. Refreshments available. Admission \$15/\$10/\$3. Doors open at 7 pm, open mic at 7:30 followed by featured performers. Ripton Community Coffee House, Rt. 125. (802) 388-9782. rch.org.

RUTLAND. Vermont Summer Farmers' Market. 9 am – 2 pm. Downtown at Depot Park (across from Walmart). (802) 342-4727. info@vtfarmersmarket.org. www.vtfarmersmarket.org. *Saturdays through October 29.*

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Flea Market. Indoors, year-round, clean & friendly! Cozy cafe offers refreshments and light lunch. 10 am – 4 pm. 200 West St. corner of Forest St. (802) 770-9104. On Facebook. *Every Saturday and Sunday.*

SHELBURNE. Hawk Walk. Enjoy a leisurely walk looking for late migrating raptors and all the other hearty birds that winter on the Farm. You'll also meet some of the Outreach for Earth Stewardship's wild raptor ambassadors. Amateurs to experts, all welcome! Fee: \$5. For ages 10 and up. Registration required. Walk at 7:30 am, live presentation at 10 am. Outreach for Earth Stewardship, Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org.

SPRINGFIELD. Dump Daze Flea Market. Free admission, parking, food and restrooms. 8 am. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 33 Fairground Rd. (802) 885-2723. *Saturdays through October 29.*

STATEWIDE. Fall Open Studio Weekend. In conjunction with American Craft Week. A statewide celebration of the visual arts and creative process, offering a unique opportunity for visitors to meet a wide variety of local artists and craftspeople in their studios, and purchase high quality, hand made artwork. The Vermont Crafts Council publishes a free map booklet with directions to participating sites. The Vermont Open Studio Guide is available throughout the state at Tourist Information Centers, galleries and studios and on the VCC website starting at www.vermontcrafts.com or by calling (802) 223-3380. *Also October 2, 8 & 9.*

STOWE. Oktoberfest. The Town of Stowe's event field will be transformed into a Bavarian village, under a traditional tent this year for this annual celebration of the harvest and fall foliage. From Oompah bands to authentic Bavarian foods and freshly brewed Vermont beers to traditional sing-a-longs and dancing, even a silent auction. Tickets \$5-\$10. 11 am – 3 pm. At Stowe Events Field, Week Hill Rd. (802) 253-7321. www.gostowe.com. *Also October 2.*

STRAFFORD. Putting the Garden to Bed. Assist the head gardener with the annual autumn "putting the garden to bed" day. Wear sturdy footwear, gloves and sun/rain hat. Bring pruning shears, weeding tool and a kneeling mat. Basic garden tools on hand. Snacks and beverages available. Rain or shine. All welcome; please preregister. 9 am – noon. Morrill Education Center, Gardens and Grounds, 214 Justin Morrill Memorial Hwy. (802) 765-9630. metcarpenter@mac.com. www.morrillhomestead.org.

TUNBRIDGE. 28th Annual Vermont Sheep and Wool Festival. Sheep, goats, alpacas, llamas, rabbits. Vendors offering all your favorite fibers and yarn along with equipment and supplies. Shepherd workshops, fiber arts classes, contests, fleece show & sale, cashmere goat exhibit and show, sheep herding demonstrations. Delicious local food. Admission: adults \$6, seniors \$5, children under 12 \$1. 10 am – 5 pm. Tunbridge Fair Grounds, off Rt. 100. (802) 592-3062. vtsheepandwoolfest.com. *Also October 2.*

WOODSTOCK. Annual Pumpkin and Apple Celebration. Horse-drawn wagon rides. Cider pressing, hands-on activities and program plus pumpkin and apple displays highlighting these two important fall crops. Admission: adults \$14, 62 & up \$13, ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 5 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12N. & Old River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Also October 2.*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

BONDVILLE. Antiques at Stratton Mountain. 30+ select dealers. Admission \$5. Admission \$10. 11 am – 4 pm. Stratton Mountain Lodge, Stratton Mountain Rd. (802) 989-1158. Stratton.com.

BROOKFIELD. Harvest Market and Apple Picking. Harvest focused afternoon of eating, and shopping inside Brookfield's Old Town Hall. You can also enjoy apple picking at Liberty Orchards. Local, seasonal fresh farm produce, pasture-raised meats and poultry, cider, caramel, honey, maple syrup, herbal teas, flowers, pickles, canned items, beeswax candles, soap and much more will be on offer at this festive, seasonal market. Library Book Sale. Lunch and snacks available. 12-3 pm. Brookfield Old Town Hall, Stone Rd. (802) 276-3939. www.floatingbridgefoodandfarms.com.

CASTLETON. 19th Annual Mount Zion Hike. Hike up Mount Zion with site interpreter Carl Fuller to enjoy the fall colors and sweeping view of the Hubbardton battlefield and surrounding mountains. Wear sturdy shoes, dress for the weather, and bring water. Meet at the visitor center. 2-5 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. historicsites.vermont.gov/directory/hubbardton.

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RUPERT. Be Brave—Hike-a-thon Fundraiser. Join as a team or join as an individual. Set a hiking goal – between 1-4 hours – and get sponsors to support your efforts. Scavenger Hunt, Silent Auction, Basket Bonanza, Food & Beverage Sales, and a performance by Pop recording artist, singer and songwriter Brielle. Free, donations appreciated. 10 am – 2 pm. Merck Forest and Farmland Center, 3270 Rt. 315. (802) 394-7836. www.merckforest.org.

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SHELburne. Family Program: Terrific Tractors & Other Cool Machines. From John Deere tractors to some of the trucks we drive – climb aboard and pretend you are the farmer for a day! Admission: adults \$8, seniors \$6, children 3-17 \$5, ages 2 and under free. 10 am – 4 pm. Farm Barn Courtyard, Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org.

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ONGOING ACTIVITIES 2016

ADDISON. Chimney Point State Historic Site. The newly updated and expanded permanent exhibit on the Native American, French Colonial, and early American history of the Chimney Point area incorporates archaeological findings from the Lake Champlain Bridge project. Learn how to use the atlatl (ancient spear thrower). Children's French Colonial dress-up basket. Admission \$5, children 14 and under free. Wednesday through Sun and Monday holidays 9:30 am – 5pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 VT Rt. 17W. (802) 759-2412. historicsites.vermont.gov. *Through October 10.*

BARNET. Karme Choling Shambhala Meditation Center. Meditation practice and contemplative study in beautiful rural Vermont. Karme Choling, 369 Patneade Lane. (802) 633-2384. reception@karmecholing.org. www.karmecholing.org.

BARTONSVILLE. Friday Night Bingo. 6:30 pm. Bartonville Grange (located across from Rockingham State Police Barracks on Rt. 103), 116 Upper Bartonville Rd. (802) 875-4438. *Every Friday.*

BELLOWS FALLS. Genealogy Group at Rockingham Library. Join genealogy enthusiast Wayne Blanchard on a quest to discover your family roots. With the many free databases available at the library. Beginners and seasoned genealogists are welcome. Call to register, spots fill up fast. Free. 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. Rockingham Library, 65 Westminster St. (802) 463-4270. www.rockinghamlibrary.org. programming@rockinghamlibrary.org. *Every Thursday.*

Ongoing Activities 2016, continued:

BELLOWS FALLS. Celtic Evening Prayer. All are welcome. Song and chant, verbal and silent prayer, readings from the Old or New Testament or stories or lives of Celtic saints, a brief homily or meditation, and some evenings we will have communion. A social time follows the service. 7 pm at Currier Hall, Immanuel Retreat Center, 12 Church St. (802) 460-0110. www.stonechurcharts.org. *Nearly every Thursday!*

BENNINGTON. World Premier Play: *The Consul, the Tramp & America's Sweetheart* by John Morogielo. Wednesday-Sunday 7:30 pm. and matinees on Thursday and Sundays at 2 pm. Oldcastle Theatre Company, 331 Main St. (802) 447-0564. www.oldcastletheatre.org. *September 2-18.*

BENNINGTON. Arthur Miller Play: *The Ride Down Mt. Morgan*. Admission \$37. Students \$12. Dinner & theatre for 2, \$90.52 w/service fee. Dinner at Pangea or Mt. Anthony Country Club. Play performed at Oldcastle Theatre Company, 331 Main St. (802) 447-0564. www.oldcastletheatre.org. *October 7-23.*

BENNINGTON. The Bennington Battle Monument is open for the season. A brand new elevator takes visitors to the observation floor for a spectacular view of three states. \$5 adult admission, \$1 for youth, five and under free. The Monument and gift shop are open seven days a week from 9 am – 5 pm. Bennington Battle Monument, 15 Monument Circle, (802) 447-0550. marylou.chicote@vermont.gov. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

BRATTLEBORO. Post Oil Solutions meets frequently and sponsors events with a mission to advance cooperative, sustainable communities. For info contact Tim Stevenson at info@postoilnsolutions.org or www.postoilnsolutions.org.

BRIDGEWATER. Bingo at the Bridgewater Grange. Doors open 5:30 pm, games 6:30 pm. Refreshments available—hot dogs, donuts, coffee, soda. Bridgewater Grange, Rt. 100A. (802) 672-6223. *Continuing on Saturdays.*

BURLINGTON. ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center. Exhibits, workshops, programs, café, gift shop, story hour. Admission: \$9.50 adults, \$7 ages 3-17, \$8 seniors and students, under 3 free. Monday-Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm. At Leahy Center for Lake Champlain, One College St. (877) 324-6385. info@echovermont.org. echovermont.org.

BURLINGTON. Composting Course. Learn the basics of backyard composting in just four short weeks through an online Master Composter course offered by the University of Vermont (UVM) Extension Master Gardener program through GoToWebinar. Classes held from 6:15 to 9 pm on September 22, 29 and Oct. 6 and 13. Register by September 9. Fee: \$50 includes the online training manual. (802) 656-9562. www.go.uvm.edu/mastercompostercourse.

BURLINGTON. Saturday Story Time. Enjoy timeless tales and new adventures with your little ones. Each week, we'll choose a new picture book, a classic, or a staff favorite. We might even take audience requests! Free. 11 am. Phoenix Books, 191 Bank St. (802) 448-3350. kristen@phoenixbooks.biz. www.phoenixbooks.biz. *On Saturdays.*

CHESTER. High Tea at Inn Victoria. Afternoon savories, sweets, fruit, and a variety of teas. \$19.99 per person. Open by reservation 3-4:30 pm, Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Inn Victoria, 321 Main St. (802) 875-4288. innkeeper@innvictoria.com. www.innvictoria.com.

CHESTER. Bingo at the Gassetts Grange Hall. Raffle and 50/50 drawings. Refreshments on sale in the kitchen. 6:30 pm. Junction of Rt. 10 & 103N. (802) 875-2637. *Thursday nights.*

CHESTER. Vermont Inn to Inn Walking. One of the most independent and relaxing ways to observe and explore historic sites, swimming holes, antique shops, book stores, covered bridges, farms, lakes and mountain streams. Each day offers a new and unique walking route from one inn to another with each inn offering its own style of food, accommodations and Vermont hospitality! 321 Main St. (802) 875-4288. *Through October 28.*

CHESTER. Monthly Public Astronomy Meetings for the Southern Vermont Astronomy Group. Second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm—free to the public at Whiting Library. Star parties and other events. For membership and information contact the Southern Vermont Astronomy Group, PO Box 424, Chester, VT 05143. www.sovera.org.

CHESTER. Monthly Square Dance and Rounds. Refreshments on sale in the kitchen. 50/50 tickets on sale; drawing held for free admittance for the next month's dance. \$5 donation at the door. 7-11 pm. Breakfast 8-9:30 am for \$7. Gassetts Grange Hall, junction of Rt. 10 & 103N. (802) 875-2637. *Monthly on first Saturdays.*

CORNISH, NH. Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site. Open daily 9 am – 4:30 pm. Admission \$7, children 16 free. Federal Golden Age Passports are honored. Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site, 139 Saint-Gaudens Rd. www.nps.gov/saga. *Through October 31.*

GRANITEVILLE. Rock of Ages Visitors Center. Order custom granite house plates, desk plates and street number plates. Rock of Ages Visitor's Center, 558 Graniteville Rd. (802) 476-3119. rockofages.com. rockofagesgiftshop.com.

HARDWICK. Perennial Pleasures Free Guided Tour. Over 900 varieties of flowers, herbs and shrubs, specializing in heirloom and medicinal plants, and a special fondness for phlox. An eclectic gift shop, specializing in summer hats, is located in the old wooden extension, and a seasonal tea-room serves English Cream Teas and light lunches in the display garden or conservatory. 10 am – 5 pm, Tuesday through Sunday. Perennial Pleasures Nursery, 63 Brickhouse Rd. (802) 472-5104. www.perennialpleasures.net.

HARTLAND. Upper Valley Seed Savers meet on the second Thursday of the month at 5 pm at member's gardens. Our mission is to further knowledge about seed saving and to work on projects that will help develop a body of locally-adapted open-pollinated vegetable seeds. For information, or if you can't come to meetings but would like to receive a monthly email with our minutes which contain information on our projects, please contact Sylvia Davatz at sdav@valley.net or call (802) 436-3262.

HUBBARDTON. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site. Children's colonial dress-up basket. Bring your flag to be raised over the Hubbardton Battlefield and receive a certificate. Admission: adults \$3, children 14 and under are free. Open 9:30 am – 5 pm Thurs through Sun, and Monday holidays. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. historicsites.vermont.gov/hubbardton. *Through October 10.*

HUNTINGTON. Sundays for Fledglings. Kids discover birds from feathers to flying, from art to zoology and develop skills in observation, research, and just goofing around. Earn a Junior Birder Badge! Sundays 2-3 pm. Free, donations welcome. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org. *Sundays through October 23.*

KILLINGTON. Ars Poetica. Fourth Wednesday of the month. Free. 6-8 pm. Sherburne Memorial Library, 2998 River Rd. (802) 422-9765. sherlib.wordpress.com.

LEBANON, NH. ValleyNet Community Technology Center. 10-seat computer lab in the new Grafton County Senior Citizens Council building, Campbell St., downtown. Center is open for walk-ins 9 am - 4:30 pm, Monday-Friday. Free. (802) 649-2126.

LEICESTER. Addison County Farm Animal Homeopathy Study Group. Learn how other farmers are applying homeopathy to their herds or flocks. Discussion includes an in-depth look of at least one remedy, some theory and a case analysis. Meets the second Tuesday of each month and is open to all levels. 12 noon to 2 pm at Taconic End Farm. For more info call Annie Claghorn, (802) 247-3979. foxclag@gmavt.net.

LUDLOW. Fletcher Farms School for the Arts and Crafts. Vermont's oldest residential arts and crafts school. Register for our arts and crafts classes. Fletcher Farm School for the Arts & Crafts, 611 Rt. 103 South. (802) 228-8770. info@fletcherfarm.org. www.fletcherfarm.org.

Ongoing Activities 2016, continued:

MANCHESTER CENTER. Fall Foliage Tour. Join Backroad Discovery Tours in a comfortable 10-passenger vehicle for an overview of the area and suggestions of places to visit, things to do & dining options. Tours include sweeping mountain/valley vistas; the oldest marble quarry in the U.S.; quintessential Vermont villages; a 3100-acre farm/forest preserve with outstanding views, a maple syrup operation, a private alpaca farm & the "birthplace of Vermont." 1-4 pm. Fee \$35 per person. Reservations necessary. (802) 362-4997. bckrddisc@aol.com. www.backroaddiscovery.com. *September 18 through October 31.*

MILTON. Children Read to Cleo the Therapy Dog. 10-11 am. Milton Public Library, 39 Bombadier Rd. (802) 893-4644. library@town.milton.vt.us. miltonlibraryvt.org. *First and third Saturdays.*

MONTPELIER. The Summit School of Traditional Music and Culture. A non-profit folk music school is offering 11 consecutive evening classes starting September 12. Courses include old-time banjo and fiddle, dance music from France and Brittany, Quebecois, West African drumming, American harmony singing, Appalachian clogging and percussive dance, Swedish fiddle, blues workshop, and repertoire of old-time fiddle, mandolin and guitar. Cost \$150-\$200. The Summit School of Traditional Music and Culture, 43 Barre St. (802) 917-1186. director@summit-school.org. www.summit-school.org.

MONTPELIER. Performance: The Syringa Tree. Enjoy a full production with Courtney Wood in a tour-de-force with one actor playing all 24 characters. A true-life story of an abiding love between two families, one black, one white, and the two children born into their shared household in early 1960's South Africa, told through the eyes of six-year-old Elizabeth. Tickets: September 15 preview \$15; Friday and Saturday evenings \$30; Thursdays and Sundays \$25. 7:30 pm. Lost National Theater, City Hall Arts Center, 39 Main St. (802) 229-0492. www.lostnationtheater.org. *Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays, September 15-25.*

NORWICH. Suds & Science. Each month join Vermont Center for Ecostudies scientists and colleagues at the Norwich Inn for a cold brew and interesting conversation on a selected natural history topic. 7-8 pm at the Norwich Inn. (802) 649-1431. www.vtecostudies.org. *First Tuesday of every month.*

NORWICH. Evening for Adults. The Montshire Museum is open after hours for adults of all ages. Pull up a stool at the science discovery lab or simply explore the museum's visiting and permanent exhibits on your own. Jasper Murdock Ale and wine from Norwich Inn for purchase. Free with museum admission. 6-9 pm. Montshire Museum of Science, One Montshire Rd. (802) 649-2200. www.montshire.org. *September 9, October 14, November 11.*

ORLEANS. Vermont Reindeer Farm. Come see the only live reindeer in the whole state of Vermont! Many other farm animals to pet & feed. Nature trail, Reindeer games & gift shop. Vermont Reindeer Farm, 3108 Chilafoux Rd. (802) 754-9583. On Facebook.

ORWELL. Mount Independence State Historic Site. Celebrating "Strong Ground," the 240th anniversary of the start of American construction of the Revolutionary War's Mount Independence and the military road to Hubbardton and Rutland, the 50th anniversary of the trail system, and the 25th anniversary of the Mount Independence Coalition. Special Exhibit: "Independence Must Be Won: The Art of Ellen Viereck." Admission \$5 for adults, free for children under 15. Open daily, 9:30 – 5:30. Mount Independence State Historic Site, 497 Mount Independence Rd. (802) 948-2000. historicssites.vermont.gov. *Through October 10.*

PLAINFIELD, NH. The Attic Shop. New and used items include antiques, books, gift items, collectables, jewelry, furniture, glassware, artwork, and gently used clothes. Free coffee. Free admission. 10 am – 3 pm. Blow-Me-Down Grange, 1107 Rt. 12A. (603) 448-0773. *Every Saturday.*

POULTNEY. Free Historical Audio Walking & Driving Tours. View and learn about Main Street Poultney, East Poultney Village, and the Quarries, Farms & Forests. (802) 287-5252, (802) 287-2010. www.poultneyhistoricalsociety.org. www.poultneyvt.com.

POULTNEY. The Horace Greeley Writer's Guild. No charge to join or participate and always looking for new writers to join them! Please come and bring your latest writing, and bring a friend too. As always, writers in all genres, regardless of age or experience, are welcome. Happy writing! Poultney Public Library, 205 Main St. (802) 287-5556. poultneypubliclibrary.com. *Second Tuesdays.*

PUTNEY. Green Mountain Orchards Farm Store. Apples and cider year round. Pick-your-own in season. Horse-drawn wagon rides by reservation. Farm store with our own bakery. 130 West Hill Rd. (exit 4, I-91), look for signs in Putney Village. (802) 387-5851. www.greenmtorchards.com.

PLYMOUTH NOTCH. President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site. Adults \$9, children 6 to 14 \$2, under 6 free. Family pass \$25. 9:30 am – 5 pm daily. 3780 Rt. 100A. (802) 672-3773. historicssites.vermont.gov. *Through October 16.*

QUECHEE. Vermont Institute of Natural Science. Wildlife exhibits, workshops, and special events. Wildlife rehabilitation. Admission: adults: \$14.50, seniors (62 plus) \$13.50, youth (4-17): \$12.50, children 3 and under free. Open April 9-October 31: 10 am – 5 pm. November 1-April 8: 10 am – 4 pm. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org. www.vinsweb.org.

RUPERT. Merck Forest and Farmland. Camping, cabins, trails, farm, workshops and seasonal events. Visitor's Center and store with certified organic maple syrup, our own 100% wool blankets, and more. Open year round, dawn to dusk. 3270 Rt. 315, west of Manchester. (802) 394-7836. merckforest.org.

RUTLAND. Himalayan Salt Cave. Come relax in the only public Himalayan Salt Cave in North America. Mon-Fri 10 am – 7 pm, Sat & Sun 10 am – 6 pm. \$12. Pyramid Holistic Wellness Center, 120 Merchants Row. For reservations call (802) 775-8080. pyramidvt.com.

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Flea Market. Indoors, year-round, clean & friendly! Cozy cafe offers refreshments and light lunch. 10 am – 4 pm. 200 West St. corner of Forest St. (802) 770-9104. On Facebook. *Every Saturday and Sunday.*

RUTLAND. Vermont Backroad Tours. Fee. Book in advance. (802) 446-3131. kelly@vtbackroadtours.com. www.vtbackroadtours.com.

SOUTH ROYALTON. Joseph Smith Birthplace Memorial. Memorial includes historic artifacts, films, sculptures and hiking paths. Free. Monday-Saturday 9 am – 5 pm, Sunday 1:30-5 pm. 357 LDS Lane. (802) 763-7742. www.lds.org/locations/joseph-smith-birthplace-memorial.

SHELBURNE. Shelburne Farms. Welcome Center, Farm and Farm Store. Family programs, workshops, events. Open year round 10 am – 5 pm. Enjoy eight miles of walking trails in woodlands and meadows. Walkers, check in with the Welcome Center. Admission: adults \$8, seniors \$6, children 3-17 \$5, ages 2 and under free. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Through October 16.*

SHELBURNE. Historic Barn Tour. Explore two magnificent barns (Breeding Barn & Old Dairy Barn) — their past, present, and future. 1¼ hours. Admission plus \$3 fee: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 children 3-17, free to children ages 2 and under. 2:30-4:15 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Monday through October 10.*

SHELBURNE. House & Formal Gardens Tour at the Inn at Shelburne Farms. Join our knowledgeable guide for an in-depth tour of the Inn and its formal gardens followed by self-service afternoon tea featuring sweets and savories made by the inn's pastry chef. Fee \$18, pre-registration required. 2:30-4 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8442. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Every Tuesday and Thursday through October 13.*

Ongoing Activities 2016, continued:

SPRINGFIELD. Stellafane. A place and an organization devoted to amateur astronomy, founded by Russell W. Porter in 1923, and considered by many to be the "Birthplace of Amateur Telescope Making." Home to The Springfield Telescope Makers, Inc., an active amateur astronomy and telescope-making club that sponsors many events, classes, and a convention late summer. Springfield Telescope Makers, Inc., PO Box 601, Springfield, VT 05156. webmaster@stellafane.com. www.stellafane.com.

SPRINGFIELD. Eureka Schoolhouse. Open weekends 10 am – 4 pm. Free admission, donations appreciated. Eureka Schoolhouse State Historic Site, 470 Charlestown Rd. (802) 828-3051. www.historicsites.vermont.gov. *Through October 10.*

STATEWIDE. Salvation Farms. Volunteer opportunities to glean and process Vermont raised, surplus fruits and vegetables for use by vulnerable populations. For more information contact (802) 522-3148. info@ourfarmsourfood.org. salvationfarms.wordpress.com.

STRAFFORD. Senator Justin Morrill Homestead and Education Center. Adults \$6, children 14 and under free. Open Wednesday-Sunday and Monday holidays 11 am – 5 pm. Justin Morrill Homestead, 214 Morrill Memorial Hwy. (802) 765-4484. director@morrillhomestead.org. www.morrillhomestead.org. *Through October 10.*

ST. ALBANS. Book Cellar—Library Used Book Sale. \$3 per bag of books! Sponsored by Friends of the St. Albans Free Library. Tuesdays from 10 am - 8 pm. Held in the library basement. St. Albans Free Library, 11 Maiden Lane. (802) 524-1507. www.stalbansfreelibrary.org.

ST. JOHNSBURY. Storytime in the Children's Library. These events are part of the Athenaeum's Acorn Club. 10:30 am. St. Johnsbury Athenaeum, 1171 Main St. (802) 748-8291. www.stjathenaeum.org. *Every Friday and every 1st and 3rd Saturday.*

TOWNSHEND. Friesians of Majesty. See beautiful Friesian horses bred and trained right here in Vermont. Carriage and sleigh rides, wedding carriage, horse camp, tours, performances, and of course getaways in our cottage or loft apartments. Friesians of Majesty, 185 Maggie Ladd Rd. (802) 365-7526. www.friesiansofmajesty.com.

VERGENNES. Underwater Historic Preserves. Five shipwrecks in Lake Champlain are marked and open for scuba divers. Coast Guard-approved yellow buoys identify the Preserves. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, 4472 Basin Harbor Rd. off Rt. 22A. (802) 475-2022. info@lcmmm.org. www.lcmmm.org. *Through late October.*

VERGENNES. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. Step aboard replica 1776 gunboat Philadelphia II. Explore some of the lake's 300+ historic shipwrecks in our Nautical Archaeology Center. Key to Liberty exhibit. See the replica 1862 schooner Lois McClure and our collection of canoes, kayaks, and wooden boats on display in the new Hazlett Watercraft Center. Take a boat cruise on Lake Champlain. Admission: adult \$12, seniors \$11, youth 6-17 \$8, children 5 & under free. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, 4472 Basin Harbor Rd. off Rt. 22A. (802) 475-2022. info@lcmmm.org. www.lcmmm.org. *Through late October.*

WEYBRIDGE. UVM Morgan Horse Farm. The UVM "government" line of Morgan Horse is considered one of the best in the world. Visit the grounds, see the horses. The farm's gift shop offers many UVM Morgan and horse related gift items. Small admission fee. 9 am – 4 pm. UVM Morgan Horse Farm, 74 Battell Dr., two miles from Middlebury. (802) 388-2011. uvm.morgans@uvm.edu. www.uvm.edu/morgan. *Through October 31.*

WEST RUTLAND. Vermont Herbal General Store. Owned and operated by a registered pharmacist. Tai' Chi Gung classes, Tuesdays at 5 pm at the store. Free intro classes. Usul & Karuna Reiki Healings & Classes. Handmade Herbal Medicines, Oils, Essences, Crystals, Gemstones & Books. Teas, Lotions, and Capsules. All are welcome. Open Tuesday & Wednesday 1-6, Thursday-Saturday 12-6, Sunday 1-4, closed Friday. Vermont Herbal General Store, 578 Main St. (802) 438-2766. info@vermontherbal.com. On Facebook and Twitter. www.vermontherbal.com.

WEST RUTLAND. Home Buyer Education Classes. Call for schedule. NeighborWorks office at 110 Marble St. (802) 438-2303 x 216. www.nwwvt.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Thrift Shop. Saturdays 10 am – 1 pm, Wednesdays 1-4 pm. Second Hand Rose, United Methodist Church, 106 Gates St. (802) 295-2502. www.unitedmethodistchurchwrj.com.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Public Sitting Meditation. Free meditation instruction is available at most of these times: Tues 5:30-6:30 pm, Thurs 12-1 pm, Sun 9 am – 12 pm. Shambhala Meditation Center of White River, 158 S. Main St. (802) 785-4304. whiteriver.shambhala.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Introduction to Zen Practice. An informal introduction to the form and theory of Zen Buddhist practice. Donation. 6-7 pm. Upper Valley Zen Center, 58 Bridge St. (603) 448-4877. *Every Wednesday.*

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Upper Valley Seed Savers meet on the second Thursday of the month at 5 pm at Upper Valley Food Coop through the winter. Our mission is to further knowledge about seed saving and to work on projects that will help develop a body of locally-adapted open-pollinated vegetable seeds. For information, or if you can't come to meetings but would like to receive a monthly email with our minutes which contain information on our projects, please contact Sylvia Davatz at sdav@valley.net or call (802) 436-3262.

WINDSOR. Old Constitution House. Admission: adults \$3, children 14 and under free. Open weekends and Monday holidays 11 am – 5 pm. The Old Constitution House is located on Main Street at the northern end of the village on Rt. 5, between exits 8 and 9 on I-91. Old Constitution House State Historic Site, 16 N. Main St. (802) 672-3773. William.jenney@vermont.gov. www.historicsites.vermont.gov. *Through October 10.*

WINDSOR. Cider Hill Gardens & Gallery. Come and explore our gardens. 10 am – 5 pm, Thursday through Sunday through September; Friday-Sun in October and November. 1747 Hunt Rd. (802) 674-6825. www.garymilek.com. www.ciderhillgardens.com.

WINDSOR. Stuffed Animal Repair. Sue Spear, stuffed animal repair specialist, will fix up stuffed friends. Free. 6-8 pm. Windsor Public Library, 43 State St. (802) 674-2556. *Each Wednesday.*

WOODBURY. Meditation Retreat. Shao Shan Temple, nestled in the woods at the eastern foot of the Woodbury Range, offers a schedule of regular zazen (meditation), study, retreats and liturgy. Shao Shan Temple is a registered temple within the Japanese school of Soto Zen Buddhism. (802) 456-7091. shaoshantemple@gmail.com. shaoshantemple.org.

WOODSTOCK. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historic Park. 20 miles of trails and carriage roads are open year-round. Gardens and mansion. Vermont's only national park. Guided tours \$4/\$8, under 15 free. Walk the grounds free. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historic Park, 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368 x 22. nps.gov/mabi.

MUSEUMS, EXHIBITS & GALLERIES

BARRE. Studio Place Arts. Exhibits, classes, workshops, and artists' studios. Free. Tues, Wed & Fri 10 am – 5 pm, Thurs 11 am – 7 pm, Sat 9 am - 5 pm. 201 N. Main St. (802) 479-7069. info@studioplacearts.com. www.studioplacearts.com.

BARRE. Vermont History Center and Leahy Library. Thousands of books, manuscripts, photographs, maps, audio, video and film recordings, and many other items which shed light on the lives and times of past Vermonters. One admission fee for both the Vermont Heritage Galleries in Barre and the Vermont History Museum in Montpelier. Adults: \$5; families: \$12; students, children, seniors: \$3; members and children under 6: free. Monday through Friday, 9 am – 4 pm. Vermont Historical Society, 60 Washington St. (802) 479-8500. vermonthistory.org.

BELLOWS FALLS. Art Exhibit: Abstract and Landscape Photography of Jimmy Jenner, Jr. The shots represent the Old Railroad and Old Mills, including some shots taken just across the river in New Hampshire at the Historic Round House. Opening Reception: August 19th, 4-7 pm, in conjunction with BF3F Flat Iron Exchange, 51 the Square. (802) 460-0357. *Through October.*

Museums, Exhibits, and Galleries, continued:

BELMONT. Stephanie Stouffer Studio and Gallery Gift Shop. Hooked pillows and rugs, tapestries, holiday cards, and stoneware. Free admission. Call for appointment. Stephanie Stouffer Studio and Gallery Gift Shop, 250 Maple Hill Rd. (802) 259-2686. stouffer@vermontel.net. www.stephaniestouffer.com.

BELMONT. Mount Holly Community Historical Museum. Tarbellville Rd. (turn right immediately after the Belmont Store, museum is on your right). (802) 259-2460. www.mounthollyvtmuseum.org. *Open year-round on second weekend of the month.*

BENNINGTON. Exhibit: Something About Summer—Paintings by Mark Barry. Featuring images based on his everyday life spent with family and friends in Maryland and Vermont. Open daily, 10 am – 5 pm. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. benningtonmuseum.org. *Through October 2.*

BENNINGTON. The Dollhouse and Toy Museum of Vermont. Dolls and dollhouses, puppets, trucks and trains, toys, and educational displays. Museum shop. Admission is \$2 for children three and older, \$4 for adults and \$10 for families. Open Saturdays and Sundays from 1-4 pm. 212 Union St. at the corner of Valentine St. (802) 681-3767. www.dollhouseandtoymuseumofvermont.com.

BENNINGTON. Bennington Center for the Arts. Permanent collections, theater productions, workshops. Admission: adults \$9, seniors & students \$8, families \$20, under 12 are free. Open Wed-Mon, 10 am – 5 pm. Bennington Center for the Arts, 44 Gypsy Lane. (802) 442-7158. shirley@thebennington.org. www.thebennington.org.

BENNINGTON. Exhibit—Duane Michals: Photographs from the Floating World. One of the great photographic innovators of the last century, widely known for his work with series, multiple exposures, and text. Admission: \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors and students over 18. Open daily, 10 am – 5 pm. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. www.benningtonmuseum.org. *Through October 30.*

BENNINGTON. Exhibition: “Milton Avery’s Vermont.” A focused look at the work of this great American modernist who summered in southern Vermont 1935 through 1943. Admission \$10 adults, \$9 seniors and students over 18. No charge for younger students. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St., Rt. 9. (802) 447-1571. www.benningtonmuseum.org. *Through November 6.*

BENNINGTON. Bennington Museum. Founding documents, fine art, Bennington Pottery, the 1924 Wasp Touring Car, Vermont furniture, and the Bennington Flag—one of America’s oldest flags. Lectures, workshops, concerts, films, and the George Aiken Wildflower Trail. Admission: adults \$10, seniors and students over 18 \$9. Admission is never charged for younger students, museum members, or to visit the museum shop. Open 10 am – 5 pm every day except Wednesdays. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. www.benningtonmuseum.org.

BRADFORD. Historical Society Museum. Includes display of photographs and artifacts for the town’s 250th celebration. Free. 2-4 pm second Saturdays. Academy Building, 172 Main St. (802) 222-4423.

BRANDON. Exhibit: Catherine M. Palmer Drawings. Amazing colored pencil drawings. Compass Music and Arts Center, 333 Jones Dr. (802) 247-4295. www.cmacvt.org. *Through September 17.*

BRANDON. Compass Music and Arts Center. Arts businesses and studios, workshops & classes, exhibits, concerts, and community events. A gift shop features art and music related books, collectibles, and the music of the classical recording company, Divine Art Records. Onsite café. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. Compass Music and Arts Center, 333 Jones Drive, Park Village, 1.5 miles north of downtown. (802) 247-4295. www.cmacvt.org.

BRANDON. Unique Art Exhibit—The Creative World of Stephanie Stouffer. See many of the Belmont, VT artist’s internationally known images that appear on greeting cards, mugs, tapestries, pillows and rugs. More than 1,500 of her original paintings have never been exhibited or offered for sale. Stouffer is known for her vivid imagination, precision, and exceptional use of color which creates work sometimes described as ‘folk art with a contemporary flair’. Viewers can see her masterful use of whimsy and the patience and love she puts into each piece. Compass Music and Arts Center, 333 Jones Dr. (802) 247-4295. www.cmacvt.org. *Through October 29.*

BRATTLEBORO. Hooker-Dunham Theater & Gallery. Your community arts venue since 1999: art exhibits, live music, photography, film, comedy, live theatre, film and literary festivals, and community events. 139 Main St. (802) 254-9276. www.hookerdunham.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center. Open daily 11-5, closed Tues. Admission \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$4 students, free for youth 18 and under. 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. brattleboromuseum.org.

BRATTLEBORO. First Fridays Gallery Walk. Monthly celebration of the arts in downtown and nearby locations. 40-50 or more exhibit openings, many with meet-the-artist receptions and live music, plus occasional readings, dance, circus arts, theater, and more. Free. 5:30-8:30 pm. (802) 257-2616. www.gallerywalk.org. *Monthly on first Fridays.*

BRIDGEWATER. Bridgewater Historical Society Museum. Includes town history exhibits and Bridgewater Mill artifacts. Free. 10 am – 2 pm on Saturdays and by appointment, 12 N. Bridgewater Rd. (802) 672-3745.

BURLINGTON. ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center. Exhibits, workshops, programs, café, gift shop, story hour. Admission: \$9.50 adults, \$7 ages 3-17, \$8 seniors and students, under 3 free. Monday–Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm. ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center at Leahy Center for Lake Champlain, One College St. (877) 324-6385. info@echovermont.org. www.echovermont.org.

BURLINGTON. Fleming Museum of Art. More than 20,000 objects that span the history of civilization, from early Mesopotamia through contemporary America. Admission: adults \$5, family \$10, students and seniors \$3, children 6 and under free. Tue, Thu, Fri 10 am – 4 pm, Wed 10 am – 7 pm, Sat–Sun noon – 4 pm. Fleming Museum of Art, 61 Colchester Ave. (802) 656-0750. fleming@uvm.edu. www.flemingmuseum.org.

BURLINGTON. First Friday Art Walk. Visit over 30 galleries, studios, and interesting venues all around town. Free. 5-8 pm. Map available. (802) 264-4839. www.artmapburlington.com. *Monthly on the first Friday.*

CENTER RUTLAND. The Rutland Railroad Museum. Housed in the Rutland Depot, built in 1917. See railroad artifacts and historical exhibits including HO & N scale model railroad layouts and a children’s layout. The museum is also available to educational groups and schools for tours by appointment. Open Saturdays from 11 am – 1 pm. Rutland Railway Association, 79 Depot Lane. For information call John Schaub at (802) 768-8427. info@rutlandrailroadmuseum.org. www.rutlandrailroadmuseum.org.

CHESTER. 103 Artisans Marketplace. Hand crafted gifts, decorative accessories, small batch Chocolates and Vermont Maple products. Greenleaf Café now open. Owned by artists Elise & Payne Junker, exclusive showroom of Junker Studio metalwork. Open every day 10 am – 5 pm, closed Tuesday. Located at 7 Pineview Dr. and Rt. 103, south of town—look for the life-size moose! (802) 875-7400. www.103artisansmarketplace.com.

CORNISH, NH. Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site. Open daily 9 am – 4:30 pm. Admission \$7, children 16 free. Federal Golden Age Passports are honored. Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site, 139 Saint-Gardens Rd. www.nps.gov/saga. *Through October 31.*

ENFIELD. Enfield Shaker Museum. Self-guided tours Tuesday–Thursday. Guided tours Sunday, Monday, Friday and Saturday. Admission \$8 or \$12, under 10 free. Monday–Saturday 10 am – 5 pm, Sunday 12-4 pm. 447 Rt. 4A. (603) 632-4346.

Museums, Exhibits, and Galleries, continued:

FERRISBURGH. Rokeby. From 1793 to 1961, Rokeby was home to four generations of Robinsons — a remarkable family of Quakers, farmers, abolitionists, artists, and authors. Today, the Robinson family's home is a National Historic Landmark, designated for its exceptional Underground Railroad history. Enjoy house tours, outbuildings and hiking trails. Open daily however the house may be seen by guided tour only, with tours at 11 am and 2 pm on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Admission \$10 adults, \$9 seniors, \$8 students, children younger than 5 are free. Admission is free on Tuesday afternoons from 1 to 5 pm. Rokeby Museum, 4334 Rt. 7. rokeby@comcast.net. rokeby.org. *Through late October.*

FERRISBURGH. Exhibit—Quaker Made: Vermont Furniture, 1820–1835. Several pieces by Quaker cabinetmaker Stephen Foster Stevens, along with account books, diaries, documents, photographs, and other personal items. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. Admission: adults \$10, seniors \$9, students \$8; children younger than 5, free. Admission to the exhibit, “Free & Safe”, is free on Tuesdays from 1-5 pm. Rokeby Museum, 4334 Rt. 7. rokeby@comcast.net. rokeby.org. *Through October 30.*

GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Theater & Museum. One of the oldest, nonprofit, self-supporting theatrical companies in the country. The Bread and Puppet Museum is a massive accumulation of the puppets, masks, paintings and graphics of the Bread and Puppet Theater, housed in a 150-year-old barn in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom, 25 miles south of the Canadian border. It is one of the largest collections of some of the biggest puppets and masks in the world. Performances and tours available. Bread & Puppet Theater & Museum, 753 Heights Rd. (802) 525-3031. breadpup@together.net. www.breadandpuppet.org.

GLOVER. The Museum of Everyday Life. Current exhibit: “Dust”. We celebrate our fifth year of existence by delving deep into this most ubiquitous substance. A self-service museum, open every day from 8 am - 8 pm. At 3482 Dry Pond Rd. (Rt. 16) a short distance south of the Shadow Lake Rd. For more information call (802) 626-4409. www.museumofeverydaylife.org.

GRAFTON. Grafton Valley Arts Guild invites you to visit the Cricketers Gallery in historic Grafton Village at 45 Townshend Road. Open Thursday thru Sunday from 10 am – 4 pm. (802) 843-4824. www.graftonvalleyartsguild.com.

GRAFTON. Art Exhibits. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. Gallery North Star, 151 Townshend Rd. (802) 843-2465. gallery@gnsgraffton.com. www.gnsgraffton.com.

GRANVILLE, NY. The Slate Valley Museum. Exhibits, events, demonstrations, programs, First Fridays, and gift shop. Tues-Fri 1-5 pm, Sat 10 am – 4 pm. Admission \$5, under 12 free. Downtown at 17 Water St. (518) 642-1417. www.slatevalleymuseum.org.

HANOVER, NH. Webster Cottage Museum. Explore the furnishings of early New England and the life of Daniel Webster. Free. 2:30-4:30 pm Wednesdays and Saturdays. 32 N. Main St. (603) 643-6529.

HARTFORD. Hartford Historical Society Museum. Tours and exhibits cover the history of Hartford, including the Abenaki tribes. Free. Monday-Friday 9 am – 1 pm. Garipay House, 1461 Maple St. (802) 296-3132.

HUNTINGTON. Art Exhibit. “In Layers: The Art of the Egg” is a show rich with layers, media, expression, and craft focusing on the beauty, biology, and essence of eggs. Daily. Admission fee. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. *Through October 31.*

HUNTINGTON. Birds of Vermont Museum. Features over 500 carved wooden birds, representing 259 species. Museum, special events and bird walks, exhibits, children's programs, gift shop, video, restrooms and trails with maps available. Admission: adult \$7, senior \$6, child 3-17 \$3.50. Open daily 10 am – 4 pm. The Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. birdsofvermont.org. *Through October 31.*

LEBANON, NH. AVA Gallery and Art Center. 11 am – 5 pm. 11 Bank St. (603) 448-3117. avagallery.org.

LYME CENTER, NH. Lyme Center Academy Museum. Historic school displays artifacts of Lyme history. Sponsored by Lyme Historians. Free admission. Tuesdays, 9 am – 12 noon and by appointment. 183 Dorchester Rd. (603) 795-2508.

MANCHESTER. Southern Vermont Art Center. Galleries, exhibits, classes, performances, gift shop, café, botany trail. Free admission to some exhibits. Open Tues-Sat 10 am – 5 pm. Yester House Galleries, Southern Vermont Arts Center, West Rd. (802) 362-1405. www.svacc.org.

MANCHESTER. Visit Hildene, The Lincoln Family Home. Summer home of presidential son, Robert Lincoln. House, gardens, Pullman car, working farm and cheese-making facility, floating boardwalk, walking trails, museum store and welcome center. Admission: \$18 adults, \$5 children 6-14, under 6 free. Open daily 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Hildene, off Rt. 7A, just south of the village. (802) 362-1788. www.hildene.org.

MARLBORO. Southern Vermont Natural History Museum. Perched on an overlook—on a clear day the horizon is 100 miles away! See mounted specimens of over 600 native New England birds and mammals, a Raptor Center with live hawks and owls, amphibian and reptile exhibit and fall wildflower exhibit. Hogback Mountain Gift Shop next door. Admission: adults \$5, seniors \$3, children 5-12 \$2, kids 4 and under are free. Open 10 am – 4 pm weekdays, 10 am – 5 pm weekends. Rt. 9, Hogback Mountain. (802) 464-0048. museum@sover.net. www.vermontmuseum.org.

MIDDLEBURY. Middlebury College Museum of Art. Free. Tuesday through Friday 10 am–5 pm, Saturday and Sunday 12–5 pm, closed Mondays. 72 Porter Field Rd. (802) 443-3168. cfa@middlebury.edu. museum.middlebury.edu.

MIDDLEBURY. Henry Sheldon Museum of Vermont. New Exhibit. Pedaling Through History: 150 Years of the Bicycle – The Glenn Eames Collection marks the 150th anniversary of the first pedal bicycle patent in the United States, *through October 16.* The oldest chartered community history museum in the United States, welcoming visitors since 1882. Exhibits, research center, and museum shop. Admission: adults \$5, youth 6-18 \$3, senior \$4.50, family \$ 12, under 6 free. Open Tues-Sat 10 am – 5 pm. Henry Sheldon Museum of Vermont History, One Park St. (803) 388-2117. henrysheldonmuseum.org.

MIDDLEBURY. Vermont Folklife Center. Gallery, archives & research center, programs, and Heritage Shop. Free admission. Open Tues-Sat 10 am – 5 pm. Vermont Folklife Center, 88 Main St. (802) 388-4964. info@vermontfolklifecenter.org. www.vermontfolklifecenter.org.

MIDDLEBURY. The National Museum of the Morgan Horse. New Exhibit featuring Jeanne Mellin Herrick's original paintings, drawings, works of art and artifacts relating to the history of the Morgan horse breed, *through December.* Exhibit: Stacey Stanhope Dundon's oil paintings, functional pottery, and full size horse heads, and local artist Gayl Braisted's paintings of barns. Gift shop full of Morgan horse t-shirts, books, and posters. Free admission, donations accepted. Open Thursday & Friday 1-5 pm, Saturday 10 am – 5 pm. The National Museum of the Morgan Horse, 34 Main St. (802) 388-1639. www.morganhorse.com/museum.

MONTPELIER. Vermont History Museum & Bookstore. One admission fee gives access to both the Vermont History Museum and the Vermont Heritage Galleries. Adults: \$5; families: \$12; students, children, seniors: \$3; members and children under 6: free. Open 9 am – 4 pm, Tuesday through Saturday. Pavilion Building, 109 State St. (802) 828-2291. vhs-info@state.vt.us. www.vermonthistory.org.

NORWICH. Montshire Museum of Science. Trails, programs, and museum store. Open 10 am – 5 pm daily. Admission \$14 adults, \$11 children 2-17, under 2 free. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. One Montshire Rd. (802) 649-2200. www.montshire.org.

PROCTOR. Vermont Marble Museum and Marble Gift Shop. Admission. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. Vermont Marble Museum, 52 Main St. (800) 427-1396. www.vermontmarblemuseum.org. *May 21 – October 31, 2016.*

Museums, Exhibits, and Galleries, continued:

QUECHEE. Vermont Institute of Natural Science. Wildlife exhibits, workshops, and special events. Wildlife rehabilitation. Admission: adults: \$14.50, seniors (62 plus) \$13.50, youth (4-17): \$12.50, children 3 and under free. Open April 9-October 31: 10 am – 5 pm. November 1-April 8: 10 am – 4 pm. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 6565 Woodstock Rd. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org. www.vinsweb.org.

QUECHEE. Vermont Toy Museum. Collection of more than 100,000 toys. Toy and gift shop. Free admission to the museum. 10 am - 5 pm daily except holidays. On the 2nd floor inside Quechee Gorge Village, Rt. 4. (802) 295-1550 x 102. vermonttoymuseum.com. www.quecheegorge.com.

READING. Art Exhibit. "Landscapes after Ruskin: Redefining the Sublime" which includes paintings, photographs and sculptures selected by Joel Sternfeld from the Hall Collection. Admission is free. Open weekends and Wednesdays by appointment. Also open August 26 and September 30 from 5-8 pm for a tour at your own pace and without a guide. Hall Art Foundation, 551 VT Rt. 106. (802) 952-1056. www.hallartfoundation.org. *Through November 27.*

ROCHESTER. BigTown Gallery. Exhibits, readings, events. Gallery hours: Wed-Fri 10-5, Sat 12-5, Sun-Tues by appointment. 99 N. Main St. (802) 767-9670. info@bigtowngallery.com. www.bigtowngallery.com.

RUTLAND. Chaffee Downtown Art Center. Exhibits, workshops, classes. Open Tuesday-Friday 12-6 pm, and Saturday 10 am - 5 pm. Chaffee Downtown Gallery, 75 Merchants Row. (802) 775-0062. info@chaffeeartcenter.org. www.chaffeeartcenter.org.

RUTLAND. Castleton Downtown Gallery. Free admission. Open Wed through Sat 1-6 pm. Center Street Alley. For info call Bill Ramage at (802) 468-1266. castletoncollegegalleries@gmail.com.

SAXTONS RIVER. River Artisans Cooperative. Over 50 craftspeople keep the shelves stocked with a wide variety of handcrafted items. Year round, weekdays from 12-5 pm and weekends from 10 am – 3 pm. The River Artisans Cooperative, in the center of Saxtons River on Main St., 26B Main St. (802) 869-2099. www.riverartisans.com.

SAXTONS RIVER. Main Street Arts. Exhibits, concerts, workshops, lectures, and classes for adults, teens, and children. Something for every interest. 35 Main St. (802) 869-2960. www.mainstreetarts.org.

SHELBURNE. Shelburne Museum. Renowned for its collection of American folk art and quilts. Home to holdings of decorative arts, design, decoys, and carriages. The paintings collection includes French Impressionists as well as over 400 18th-20th century American works. Over 20 gardens with hundreds of lilacs and peonies. Historic houses and community buildings. Admission: adult \$24. Ages 5-17 \$5, under 5 free. 10 am – 5 pm daily. Shelburne Museum, 6000 Shelburne Rd. (802) 985-3346. shelburnemuseum.org.

SHOREHAM. Shoreham Bell Museum. See 5-6,000 bells collected from all over the world. Open most afternoons by appointment or chance year round. Free admission, donations accepted. Shoreham Bell Museum, 127 Smith St. off Rt. 74 west. For information call Judy Blake at (802) 897-2780. vtcat@shorehambellmuseum.com. www.shorehambellmuseum.com.

SOUTH ROYALTON. "Fully Involved." Art exhibit by Tunbridge artist Bunny Harvey. 10 am – 4 pm weekdays. White River Gallery at BALE, 35 S. Windsor St., (802) 498-8438. www.balevt.org. *Through September 11.*

SPRINGFIELD. Gallery at the VAULT. A Vermont State Craft Center featuring fine art and hand-crafted gifts from over 125 local and regional artists and craftsmen. Exhibits, classes, workshops. Tuesday - Saturday 11 am – 5 pm. Gallery at the VAULT, 68 Main St. (802) 885-7111. galleryvault.org.

SPRINGFIELD. Art Exhibit. "Fall Things Bright and Beautiful" sings the praises of the season on silk with symphonic sunflowers, jazzy geraniums and a whole rhapsody of roses. By textile artist Teresa Hillary of Charlestown, NH and the UK. Tuesday through Saturday from 11 am – 5 pm. Gallery At The Vault, 68 Main St. (802) 885-7111. www.galleryvault.org. *September 15 through November 3.*

SPRINGFIELD. Open Wall Show: Kaleidoscope of Color. Beautiful photographs, paintings, sculpture, pen and ink, linen bowls, jewelry, mixed media and wood art. Steampunk table and hair "fascinators". A non-juried show for artists living in a 30 mile radius of Springfield. The works are on display along with wooden toys for the younger set. Open 11 am – 5 pm, Tuesday-Saturday. Gallery at the VAULT, 68 Main St. (802) 885-7111. galleryvault@vermontel.net. wwww.galleryvault.org. *Through October 27.*

STOWE. Art Exhibit. Paintings and drawings by NYC artist Pat Steir will be on display, accompanied by a video of Steir by local artist Molly Davies. Admission by donation. Wednesdays-Saturdays 12-5 pm. Helen Day Art Center, 90 Pond St. (802) 253-8358. gallery@helenday.com. www.helenday.com. *Through November 13.*

STOWE. 25th Annual "Exposed"—2015 Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition. 21 monumental sculptures and installations from a mix of emerging local to internationally recognized artists. Self-guided cellphone audio tours; an extensive website; walkabout tours; a full color catalogue with images and descriptions; and a comprehensive map. Helen Day Art Center, 90 Pond St. (802) 253-8358. hdacexhibits@helenday.com. www.helenday.com. *Through October 15.*

ST. JOHNSBURY. Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium. Exhibits, programs, special events, wildflower table, collections. Admission: adults \$8, seniors and children under 17 \$6, under 5 free. Open every day 9 am – 5 pm. Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium, 1302 Main St. (802) 748-2372. www.fairbanksmuseum.org.

ST. JOHNSBURY. The Stephen Huneck Gallery at Dog Mountain and Dog Chapel. Free. Summer hours: Gallery open seven days a week. Dog Chapel open seven days a week from dawn to dusk. Dog Mountain, 143 Parks Rd. off Spaulding Rd. (800) 449-2580. contact@dogmt.com. www.dogmt.com.

VERGENNES. Creative Space Gallery & Sean Dye Studio. Featuring the works of over 45 artists. Exhibits, classes, and demonstrations. Open Wednesday through Saturday, 12 – 5 pm and Sunday 12 – 4 pm. 214 Main St. (802) 877-3850. creativespacegallery.org.

WEST RUTLAND. Carving Studio and Sculpture Center Gallery. Hours are Monday-Friday, 10 am-1 pm, or by appointment. 636 Marble St. (802) 438-2097. info@carvingstudio.org. carvingstudio.org.

WEST RUTLAND. SculptFest 2016. A gifted group of artists will present sculptural installations and performances for SculptFest 2016. Opening reception on September 10 features live music by "Swing Noir" and refreshments, 5-8 pm. (802) 438-2097. info@carvingstudio.org. www.carvingstudio.org. *Through October 23.*

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Private and Semi-Private Printmaking Lessons: Collagraph with Susan Berry, Etching with Rachel Gross, Monoprint with Lois Beatty, and Solarplates with Sheri Hancock-Tomek. Fees: \$125 for a 3-hour one-on-one session, including materials. Two Rivers Printmaking Studio, 85 North Main St, Suite 160. (802) 295-5901. TRPS@sover.net. www.tworiversprintmaking.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Russian Exhibit. We take on a comet called "67P" and the Soviet space dogs, Belka and Strelka. Open Thurs-Sun 1-6 pm. Parking adjacent to the rear of the building. Located at 58 Bridge St., Studio 6, near the underpass. (802) 356-2776. info@mainstreetmuseum.org. www.mainstreetmuseum.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Main Street Museum. A small, public collection of curiosities and artifacts, each one significant and telling a story about human beings and the universe we are part of—an alternative experiment in material culture studies. Open Thurs-Sun 1-6 pm. Parking adjacent to the rear of the building. Located at 58 Bridge St., Studio 6, near the underpass. (802) 356-2776. www.mainstreetmuseum.org.

WINDSOR. American Precision Museum. The Museum preserves the heritage of the mechanical arts, celebrates the ingenuity of our mechanical forebears, and explores the effects of their work on our everyday lives. The American Precision Museum, housed in the original Robbins & Lawrence Armory, now holds the largest collection of historically significant machine tools in the nation. Admission: adults \$8.50, students \$5, children under 6 free, families \$20. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. American Precision Museum, 196 Main St. (802) 674-5781. www.americamprecision.org.

Museums, Exhibits, and Galleries, continued:

WOODSTOCK. ArtisTree Community Art Center. Exhibits, classes, music, special events. Tues 11 am – 8 pm, Wed-Sat 11 am – 4 pm. Mount Tom Building, 1206 Rt. 12. (802) 457-3500. info@artistreevt.org. www.artistreevt.org.

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm & Museum 30th Annual Quilt Exhibition. This juried exhibition of colorful quilts made exclusively in Windsor County will celebrate 30 years of quilting excellence at the Billings Farm. Quilting demonstrations, programs and activities for children and adults. Admission: adults \$14, age 62 & up \$13, children ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. 10 am – 5 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. *Through September 18.*

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm & Museum. Visit the Jersey herd, draft horses, oxen, and sheep and tour the restored and furnished 1890 Farm House. Admission: adults \$14, age 62 & up \$13, children ages 5-15 \$8, 3-4 \$4, under 3 free. Open May 1 through October 31, 10 am – 5 pm. Open weekends November through February and Christmas and vacation weeks, 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. billingsfarm.org.

COMMUNITY MEALS

BERLIN. Grange Potluck Dinner. Please join us for a community potluck dinner, on the first Saturday of every month (except July & August) at 6:30 pm. We eat upstairs at the Grange Hall. Bring something to share, simple or fancy, and we'll all enjoy a meal together. 6:30-7 pm. Capital City Grange, 6612 VT Rt. 12. (802) 229-9425. capitalcitygrange.org. *First Saturdays.*

CHESTER. Monthly Community All-you-can-eat Buffet Breakfast. Eggs, home fries, sausage, bacon, pancakes, real Vermont maple syrup, toast, and beverages. \$7 donation at the door. 8-10 am. Gassetts Grange, junction of Rt. 10 & 103N. (802) 875-2637. *Monthly on first Saturdays.*

CRAFTSBURY COMMON. Community Dinner. We gather for a free community supper. Really; it's free! We have a great time with old and new friends. The food is great; the fellowship is wonderful—and you don't have to wear fancy clothes! 6 pm. United Church of Craftsbury, 7 Church Lane. (802) 586-8028. *Continues on third Wednesdays.*

FAIR HAVEN. Breakfast Buffet. \$7 adult, \$3.50 children. 8-11 am. Sponsored by the American Legion Post #49, 72 S. Main St. (802) 265-7983. *Monthly on second Sundays.*

HANOVER, NH. Community Dinner. Served by Dartmouth Students Fighting Hunger. Free. 5-6 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (603) 643-3703. *Every Friday.*

MONTPELIER. Bethany Bowl. A community meal that is free to all. 11:30 am – 1 pm. At the Fellowship Hall, Bethany Church, 115 Main St. (802) 223-2424. www.bethanychurchvt.org. UCCBethany@comcast.net. *Every Tuesday.*

NEWPORT. Souper Lunch. Free. All are welcome. Noon at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 44 2nd St. (802) 334-7365. www.stmarksnewport.org. *Last Tuesday of each month.*

POULTNEY. The Slate Valley Community Monthly Breakfast. 8-10 am at the Poultney United Methodist Church, 108 Main St. Scrambled eggs, sausage, homemade biscuits, jams, juice, tea and hot chocolate. Adults \$1 and children 14 and are free. Handicapped accessible. (802) 287-9087. *Last Saturdays of the month.*

RUTLAND. Monthly Dinner. Menu: steak, baked potato, veg, roll, dessert and beverage. \$12. 5-7 pm. Everyone welcome. VFW Post #648, 15 Wales St. (802) 775-6892. *2nd Saturdays.*

SO. HERO. Free Community Supper. The food is delicious and prepared by wonderful volunteer cooks. 5:30-7 pm. Congregational Church of South Hero, UCC, 24 South St. (802) 372-4962. *Second Fridays.*

SO. ROYALTON. Community Supper. Free and open to all. Handicap accessible. 6 pm. United Church of South Royalton (church w/red doors adjacent to the green), 67 S. Windsor St. For info call Raelene Lemery at (802) 763-7690. ucsr@myfairpoint.net. *Every Friday.*

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Listen Hearty Three-Course Community Dinner. Free. Doors open at 4 pm. Dinner at 5 pm. Listen Community Dinner Hall, River Point Plaza, 42 Maple St. (603) 448-4553. listencommunityservices.org. *Monday through Friday.*

WINDSOR. Community Meal. Bring a friend for a meal sponsored by Windsor churches and community groups. Free. 5-6 pm. American Legion Hall on Court St. (802) 674-2157. *Each Wednesday.*

WINDSOR. All-You-Can-Eat Brunch Buffet. Menu includes pancakes and eggs, sausage, fruit salad, homemade bread, desserts and more. Adults \$7.50, 8 and under \$3. 11 am to 1 pm. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 27 State St. (802) 674-6461. *First Sundays.*

WOODSTOCK. Hand-in-Hand Community Meal. All are welcome. Free, donations accepted. 5-7 pm in the Social Hall of the North Universalist Chapel Society, 7 Church St. (802) 457-2557. *Every Thursday.*

COMMUNITY DANCES AND MUSIC

BERLIN. Afro-Caribbean Dance. With live percussion every Thursday from 10:30 am – 12 pm. All levels welcome. Drumming and dance from Mali Tuesdays at 6:30 pm. Capital City Grange, 6612 Rt. 12, Northfield Rd. (802) 985-3665. capitalcitygrange.org.

MONTPELIER. Contra Dance. Rotating callers and musicians. All dances taught, no partner necessary, beginners welcome! Please bring clean soft-soled shoes. Admission \$9. 8-11 pm. Capital City Grange, 6612 Rt. 12. (802) 744-2851. www.capitalcitygrange.org. *Continues 1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays.*

BRATTLEBORO. Contra Dance. Caller Steve Zakon-Anderson. Music by Becky Tracy and Keith Murphy. Dancers of all ages welcome, no experience necessary, all dances taught and called, no partner necessary. Bring clean, soft-soled, non-street shoes for dancing. Beginners workshop at 6:45; dancing 7-10 pm. Admission \$10 (\$7 students/seniors/low income). The Stone Church, corner of Main/Grove St. (413) 320-2729. www.petersiegel.com. www.brattcontra.org. *Second and fourth Sundays.*

BRATTLEBORO. Social Singing from The Sacred Harp. Free and open to the public, no experience necessary, loaner books provided. 7-9 pm. Kidsplayce, 20 Elliott St. For information e-mail cuvvlever@gmail.com. *First and third Thursdays.*

BRATTLEBORO. Brattleboro Music Center. Now registering for fall. Individual lessons, as well as classes for kids, teens, and adults; instrumentalists, singers, and non-musicians; absolute beginners and accomplished musicians. Daytime adult program, programs for kids, conducting class. Brattleboro Music Center, 38 Walnut St. (802) 257-4523. www.bmct.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Social Singing from The Sacred Harp. Early American hymns in the shape note tradition. Free and open to the public, no experience necessary, loaner books provided. Not a performance or church function, just fellowship in song. 3-5:30 pm. Centre Congregational Church, 193 Main St. Information: laurat@crocker.com. *Third Sundays.*

BURLINGTON. North East Fiddlers Association (NEFA) Monthly Meet. Fiddling and dancing, food available; 12 noon - 4 pm. At various locations in central and northern Vermont; refer to website for location and other details. wdovt.com/nefiddlers/more.htm. *Generally the first Sunday of each month.*

BURLINGTON. Slow Jam: fiddle tunes of North America and Europe, for all acoustic instruments. Meet other musicians; learn to play by ear. Beginner and intermediate level. 7-9 pm. North End Studio B, 294 North Winooski Ave. woodburysstrings.com. *Second Fridays of odd months starting January.*

BURLINGTON. Shapenote Singing. Meet to sing from the Sacred Harp, an early American hymn-singing tradition. Bring water and a copy of the Sacred Harp book, if you have it. 6:30-8:30 pm. Check in advance for specific location at UVM: sometimes Ira Allen Chapel, sometimes 427-A Waterman Building. uvm.shape.note@gmail.com. youngtraditionvermont.org. *Every Tuesday.*

Community Dances and Music, continued:

CHESTER. Green Mountain Express hosts Monthly Open Mike Country Jamboree. All musicians and singers, bands and singles welcome. Refreshments, raffles and 50/50 tickets on sale. Admission \$5 donation. 1-4 pm. Gassetts Grange, junction of Rts. 10 & 103N. (802) 875-2637. *Second Sundays monthly.*

DANVILLE. Family Contra & Square Dance. By donation. Chip Hedler caller and David Carpenter band leader. 8 pm at Danville Town Hall. (802) 563-3225 orsamlyman@sover.net. *First Friday of each month, July through May.*

FAIRLEE. Scottish Country Dance. Beginners are welcome, no experience necessary. Bring soft soled shoes if you have them. Admission: \$3.00 per session, and the first time is free. 7 pm. Fairlee Town Hall, 75 Common Rd. For info call Gary Apfel at (802) 439-3459 or e-mail fairlee@classicsboston.org. *Every Wednesday, September through June.*

HANOVER, NH. Social Singing from The Sacred Harp. Early American hymns in the shape note tradition. Free and open to the public, no experience necessary, loaner books provided. Not a performance or church function, just fellowship in song. 7-9:30 pm. Hanover Friends Meeting House, 43 Lebanon St. Information: danhertzler@gmail.com. *Second Thursdays.*

MONTPELIER. North East Fiddlers Association Swedish Jam. Any level is welcome to check it out, most participants are Advanced-Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced players. 5-7 pm. 107 College St. armarcus@gmail.com. Every Monday.

NORWICH. Social Singing from The Sacred Harp. Early American hymns in the shape note tradition. Free and open to the public, no experience necessary, loaner books provided. Not a performance or church function, just fellowship in song. 1:30-4:30 pm. Parish Hall of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 262 Main St. For information contact Daniel Hertzler at danhertzler@gmail.com. *Fourth Sundays.*

PLAINFIELD. Monthly Sacred Harp Sing. A free event, with beginners and loaner books available. 3-5 pm at the Community Center above the Plainfield Co-op. For more information, call (802) 595-9951. nscottieharrison@gmail.com. *Second Sunday of every month.*

TINMOUTH. Contra Dance. Admission \$10, 12 and under free. Refreshments available. 8-11 pm at Tinmouth Community Center, Rt. 140, 5 miles west of Wallingford. For info or directions call (802) 446-2928. Tinmouthvt.org. *Every third Friday.*

HORSEBACK RIDING & WAGON RIDES

BRATTLEBORO. Fair Winds Farm Wagon Rides. Half-hour reserved horse-drawn rides through fields and woods. Adults \$12, kids 3-12 \$8, minimum \$75, additional after 5 pm. Visit our farm store. Fair Winds Farm is a "Diversified, Horse Powered, Vermont Family Farm" at 511 Upper Dummerston Rd., off Rt. 30. (802) 254-9067. fairwinds@fairwindsfarm.org. www.fairwindsfarm.org.

LONDONDERRY. Wagon Rides at Taylor Farm. On the hour on the weekends. Rides last 45 minutes. Come early and pack up a picnic basket of goodies from our farm store. Our wagons each hold up to 10 adults. Prices: \$20 for everyone over age 7, \$10 for ages 7-3, under 2 free; private rides \$150 for 1-5 people, \$200 for 6-10 people. Mid-week private rides available on request with advance notice. Taylor Farm, 825 Rt. 11. By reservation only, call (802) 824-5690. www.taylorfarmvermont.com.

PUTNEY. Green Mountain Orchards. Horse-drawn wagon rides year-round by reservation. 130 West Hill Rd. (exit 4, I-91), look for signs in Putney Village. (802) 387-5851. www.greenmtorchards.com.

WILMINGTON. Scenic Horseback Trail Rides. \$25/40 minutes. Children over 6 can ride alone. Year round seven days a week by reservation. Flames Stables, Rt. 100 south. (802) 464-8329.

RECREATION & NATURE CENTERS

BENSON. Obstacle Race Training Center and Indoor Gym. Natural terrain with 60 man-made obstacles over five miles. Polar Bear Obstacle Challenge February 6. Events and races. Monthly memberships. Icebug footwear for sale. Open year round regardless of the weather. Shale Hill Adventure Farm, 517 Lake Rd. (802) 537-3561. shalehilladventure@aol.com. www.shalehilladventure.com.

EAST CHARLESTON. Northwoods Stewardship Center. Outdoor programs, outings, workshops, classes, and more. 154 Leadership Dr. (802) 723-6551 x 115. www.northwoodscenter.org.

GRAFTON. Grafton Ponds Outdoor Center. A year-round recreation center. 783 Townshend Rd. (802) 843-2400. graftonponds.com.

HUNTINGTON. Monthly Bird Monitoring Walk. Help monitor bird populations in the different habitats at the Green Mountain Audubon Center. Our monthly walks gather long-term data on the presence of bird species, their abundance, and changes in populations. Donation appreciated. 8-10 am. Green Mountain Audubon Center, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-3068. Vermont@audubon.org. vt.audubon.org.

MONTPELIER. North Branch Nature Center. Programs and workshops, hikes, bird counts. 713 Elm Street. (802) 229-6206. chip@northbranchnaturecenter.org. northbranchnaturecenter.org.

NEWPORT. Tour de Kingdom. Cycling and biking the back roads of the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont, the Eastern Townships of Quebec, and the North Country of New Hampshire. Call or visit website for schedule. (802) 249-9100. tourdekingdom.org.

QUECHEE. Vermont Institute of Natural Science Nature Center. Exhibits, programs, nature trail, live bird programs and animal feeding time, nature store. Admission: adults \$13, seniors \$12, youth (4-17) \$11. 10 am – 5 pm. VINS Nature Center, 6565 Woodstock Rd., Rt. 4, 1/4 mile west of Quechee Gorge. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org. www.vinsweb.org.

RUPERT. Merck Forest and Farmland. Camping, cabins, trails, farm, workshops and seasonal events. Visitor's Center and store with certified organic maple syrup, our own 100% wool blankets, and more. Open year round, dawn to dusk. 3270 Rt. 315, west of Manchester. (802) 394-7836. merckforest.org.

RUTLAND. Flipside Skate Park. One of the largest indoor skate parks in the state of Vermont, designed with transition and flow in mind and constructed with quality materials for skateboards, inline skaters and BMX bikers in mind. Season passes, punch passes, and daily passes available. Many camps. For ages 6-15. Register for camps. At Giorgetti Arena, 2 Oak St. Extension. (802) 775-7976. rutlandrec.com.

SHELBURNE. Morning Bird Walk. Celebrate the return of the dawn chorus. Join naturalist Matt Kolan to explore shrubland, grassland, wetland, and forest habitats in search of the sights and sounds of our feathered friends. Fee: \$6, pre-registration required. 7-9 am. At the Welcome Center at Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org.

SHELBURNE. Shelburne Farms. Welcome Center, Farm and Farm Store. Family programs, workshops, events. Open year round 10 am – 5 pm. Enjoy eight miles of walking trails in woodlands and meadows. Walkers, check in with the Welcome Center. Admission. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org. *Open through October 16.*

WOODSTOCK. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historic Park. Tours, trails, carriage roads, gardens and a mansion at Vermont's only national park. Admission: \$4 or \$8, under 15 free. Walk the grounds for free. Guided tours, reservations available. 10 am – 5 pm daily. 54 Elm St. (802) 457-3368. www.nps.gov/mabi/index.htm. *Through October 31.*

VERMONT FARMERS MARKETS FALL 2016

Bennington-Walloomsac Holiday and Winter Farmers Markets at First Baptist Church, 601 Main St. January through April, first and third Saturdays, 10 am – 1 pm. info@walloomsac.org. On Facebook.

Vermont Farmers Markets Fall 2016, continued:

Barnard – Feast and Field Market, 1544 Royalton Turnpike. Thursdays 4:30-7:30 pm through October 20. (802) 999-3391. feastandfield@gmail.com.

Bellows Falls Farmers Market at Hetty Green Park. Fridays 4-7 pm through September 16. (603) 999-2374. daniel.hartigan@gmail.com.

Bennington Farmers Market at Merchant Park, North St. Tuesdays 3-6 pm through October 4. (802) 681-3501. kaykeez@gmail.com.

Bennington Farmers Market in the Park behind Bennington Station Restaurant. Saturdays 10 am – 1 pm through October 29. (802)681-3501. kaykeez@gmail.com.

Brandon Farmers Market in Brandon Central Park. Fridays 9 am – 2 pm through October 7. (802) 273-2655. cijka4@gmail.com.

Brattleboro Area Farmers Market, 570 Western Ave. Saturdays 9 am – 2 pm through October 29. (802) 254-8885. farmersmarket05301@yahoo.com.

Burlington Farmers Market in City Hall Park. Saturdays 8:30 am – 2 pm through October 29. (802) 399-0149. chriswag31@gmail.com.

Burlington – Old North End Farmers Market at Dewey Park. Tuesdays 3-6:30 pm through October 25. oldnorthendfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Burlington – UVM Medical Center Farmers Market, Davis Concourse. Thursdays 2:30-5 pm through October 16. (802) 847-5823. tanya.mcdonald@uvmhealth.org.

Castleton Farmers Market in the parking lot beside Citizen's Bank. Thursdays 3:30 – 6 pm through October 6. (802) 273-2241.

Chelsea Farmers Market on the The North Common. Fridays 3-6 pm through September 30. (802) 685-3174. manager@chelseafarmersmarket.org.

Craftsbury Common Market on Craftsbury Common. Saturdays 10 am – 1 pm through October 8. (802) 586-8022. mama.kris.covill@gmail.com.

Danville Farmers Market on the Danville Green. Wednesdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 5. (802) 592-3088. cfmamanager@gmail.com.

Dorset Farmers Market at J.K. Adams Kitchen Store, 1430 Rt. 30. 5/8. 10/9. Sundays 10 am – 2 pm through October 9. (802) 353-9656. marketmanager@dorsetfarmersmarket.com.

Essex Junction – Five Corners Farmers Market, 2 Lincoln Place. Fridays 3:30-7:30 pm through September 30. 5cornersfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Fair Haven Farmers Market on the Green. Fridays 3-6 pm through October 28. vfmrutland@gmail.com.

Fairfax Farmers Market, 961 Main St. Thursdays 4:30-7:30 pm through October 13. (802) 999-8486. jfamfarmmarket@gmail.com.

Grand Isle – Champlain Islands Farmers Market at St. Josephs Church. Saturdays 10 am – 2 pm through October 1. (802) 372-1883. benpomykala@gmail.com.

Hardwick Farmers Market. Fridays 3-6 pm through October 20. hardwickfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Hartland Farmers Market at the Hartland Library Fields. Fridays 4-7 pm through September 9. (603) 252-1288. hartlandfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Jeffersonville Farmers and Artisans Market, 276 Main St. Wednesdays 4:30-7:30 pm through October 12. (802) 999-8486. jfamfarmmarket@gmail.com.

Jericho Farmers Market at Mills Riverside Park. Thursdays 3-6:30 pm through October 6. (802) 343-9778. jerichofarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Londonderry – West River Farmers Market at the crossroads of Rts. 100 and 11. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 8. (802) 875-5004. westriverfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Ludlow Farmers Market, 53 Main St. Fridays 4-7 pm through October 7. (802) 230-7706. ludlowfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Lyndon Farmers Market at Bandstand Park. Fridays 3-6 pm through October 14. (802) 751-5178. lyndonfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Manchester Farmers Market at Adams Park. Thursdays 3-6 pm through October 6. (802) 470-4237. mfmvermont@gmail.com.

Middlebury Farmers Market at the MarbleWorks. Wednesdays 9 am – 12 pm through October 12 and 9 am – 12:30 pm Saturdays through October 29. middleburyfarmersmkt@yahoo.com.

Milton Farmers Market at Hannaford Plaza. Thursdays 4-7 pm through October 6. (802) 893-1009. btourangeau@miltonyouth.org.

Montpelier – Capital City Farmers Market, 60 State St. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 29. 9 am – 1 pm. (802) 223-2958. manager@montpelierfarmersmarket.com.

Morrisville Farmers Market at Hannaford Green. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 15. (802) 585-5267. berkshirebotanicals@gmail.com.

Newport Farmers Market at Vermont's North Country Chamber of Commerce. Wednesdays 9 am – 2 pm through October 12 and Saturdays 9 am – 2 pm through October 15. (802) 274-8206. breezyhillacresszych@yahoo.com.

Norwich Farmers Market, 300 Rt. 5 South. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 29. (802) 384-7447. manager@norwichfarmersmarket.org.

Peacham Farmers Market at Peacham Academy Green. Thursdays 3-6 pm through September 29. (802) 633-3031. peachamfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Poultney – Lakes Region Farmers Market, Main St. Thursdays 9 am – 2 pm through October 6. (802) 468-5805. poultneymarket@gmail.com.

Putney Farmers Market at Carol Brown Way across from the Putney Co-op. Sundays 11 am – 2 pm through October 9. (802) 387-4052. putneyfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Randolph Farmers Market at Gifford Park. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 8. (802) 728-2007. randfarmmarket@yahoo.com.

Richmond Farmers Market at Volunteer Green. Fridays 3-6:30 pm through October 14. (802) 434-5273. rfmmanager@gmail.com.

Rochester Farmers Market at Rochester Park. Fridays 3-6 pm through October 7. (802) 595-0342. vermont@sover.net.

Royalton Farmers Market at the South Royalton Green. Thursdays 3-6 pm through October 13. (802) 299-0592. msmoore@myfairpoint.net.

Rutland – Vermont Farmers Market and Rutland Downtown Farmers Market both at Depot Park in front of Walmart. Wednesdays 3-6 pm through October 26 and Saturdays 9 am – 2 pm through October 29. (802) 342-4727. summermarketmanager@vtfarmersmarket.org

Shelburne Farmers Market at Shelburne Parade Ground. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 15. (802) 578-3026. info@sbpavt.org.

South Burlington Farmers Market at University Mall, 155 Dorset St. Sundays 10 am – 2 pm. (802) 652-0188. sbfm@commonroots.org.

South Hero – Champlain Islands Farmers Market at St. Rose of Lima Church. Wednesdays 3-6 pm through September 28. (802) 372-1883. benpomykala@gmail.com.

St. Albans – Northwest Farmers Market at Taylor Park. Saturdays 9 am – 2 pm through October 29. (802) 827-3157. alavista@myfairpoint.net.

Vermont Farmers Markets Fall 2016, continued:

St. Johnsbury Farmers Market, Pearl St. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 29. (802) 592-3088. cfmamanager@gmail.com.

Stowe Farmers Market, Behind Red Barb Shops, Rt. 108. Sundays 10:30 am – 3 pm through October 16. (802) 279-3444. stowefarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Townshend Farmers Market, West Townshend Country Store, Rt. 30. Fridays 4-7 pm, through October 14. (802) 874-4800. farmers@svcable.net.

Waitsfield Farmers Market at Mad River Green. Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm through October 15. marketmanager@waitsfieldfarmersmarket.org.

Whitingham Farmers Market at Whitingham Municipal Center. Fridays 4-7 pm through October 7. (802) 368-1946. charles@be.coop.

Windsor Farmers Market at State Street Green. Saturdays 11 am – 2 pm through October 15. (802) 359-2551. windsor.vt.farmers.market@gmail.com.

Winooski Farmers Market, Winooski Falls Way. Sundays 10 am – 2 pm through October 9. (802) 598-3867. maura@downtownwinooski.org.

Woodstock – Mt. Tom Farmers Market, Rt. 12N. Saturdays 9:30 am – 12:30 pm through October 22. (802) 763-2070. foxxfarm22@gmail.com.

Woodstock – Market on the Green at the Village Green. Wednesdays 3-6 pm through October 12. (802) 457-3555. info@woodstockvt.com.