

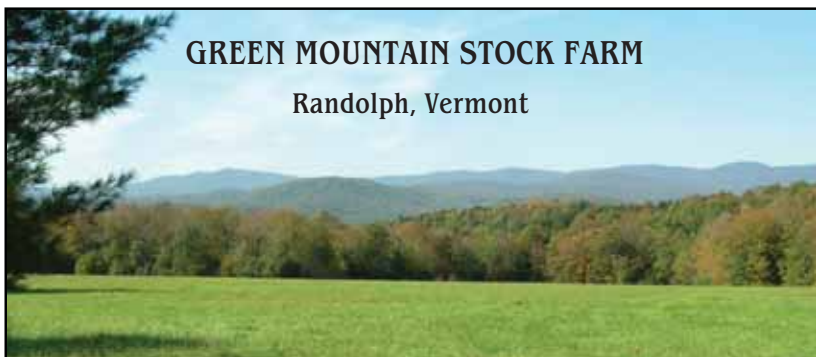
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The Guilford Festival Orchestra performs in the Annual Labor Day Weekend Festival in Guilford, VT. photo by Friends of Music at Guilford

Friends of Music at Guilford
 48th Annual Labor Day Weekend Festival

Friends of Music at Guilford's 48th Annual Labor Day Weekend Festival in Guilford, VT presents organ music by French composers in an intimate rural barn and also pays tribute to Wagner, Verdi, and Mascagni in an orchestra concert that includes works by other composers on the expansive lawn just outside.

Saturday concert

The Festival opens on Saturday evening, August 31, at 7:30 with "Vive la France!" on the c. 1897 Guilford Tracker Organ. Clark Anderson has planned a program of solo organ repertoire from the early 13th century to the late 20th century by Pérotin le Grand, François Couperin, Jean Joseph Mouret, André Raison, Louis-Claude Daquin, Alexandre Boëly, Louis Vierne, Jean Langlais, Charles Gounod, and the ever-intriguing Anonymous. Mr. Anderson's informative and entertaining commentary is sure to offer listeners a valuable music history lesson.

This will be Mr. Anderson's third appearance at the Organ Barn. In May 2011 he performed music from the German and English baroque era, and then in September 2012 a program entitled "The Magnificent Mr. Handel," both with assistance from a few Guilford Chamber Players. In addition to his role as occasional featured organist for Friends of Music, Mr. Anderson has been conducting Brattleboro's annual holiday Messiah Sing for Friends of Music since 2011.

Outdoors on Sunday

The following day, Sunday, September 1, at 2 p.m., the Guilford Festival Orchestra will be heard outdoors on the lawn. Ken Olsson will serve as conductor for this event for a second season though he has been performing with Friends of Music in other roles over the past few years. Devoted organ concert fans will remember how he heroically presided at the keyboard on Labor Day Weekend in 2011, after Tropical Storm Irene, which left his house in Jamaica cut off from the rest of the world for a week, and in February 2012 served as piano accompanist for his wife, soprano Julie Johnson Olsson, in a vocal recital at Guilford Community Church. The Olssons were also recently featured at the organization's spring recital in the Organ Barn on Memorial Day weekend.

This year's Sunday orchestra program features anniversary nods to Wagner, Verdi, and Mascagni, as well as the premiere of a piece by Nick Humez, a Friends of Music founder who has contributed many pieces to this event over the years and works by Bartok and CPE Bach. Elgar's "Romance for Bassoon and Strings" will feature Tiffany Coolidge as soloist. The Wagner segment features three "Wesendonck" songs performed by soprano Julie Johnson Olsson.

The festival's traditional finale is an a cappella sing-in of Randall Thompson's "Alleluia," for which audience members are invited up front to join orchestra members in forming the chorus.

How to find us...

The Labor Day Weekend Festival is held at the Organ Barn on Kopkind Rd., in Guilford, VT. Signs are posted along a nine-mile route from the Guilford Country Store on Rt. 5, just south of Exit 1 off I-91, and along a five-mile route from the Keets Brook Rd. turnoff along Rt. 5 in Bernardston, MA.

Admission to both events is by donation. For the Sunday concert, the grounds open at noon to picnickers. A hearty vegetarian lunch, warm chocolate chip cookies, and fresh lemonade are available for sale.

In case of rain, or serious threat thereof, the Sunday event—both lunch and concert—will be relocated to Broad Brook Grange on the Guilford Center Rd., four miles from the Guilford Country Store, which is just over a mile from Exit 1 off I-91 along Rt. 5 South.

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96th Annual Deerfield Valley Farmers' Day Fair Wilmington, VT • August 15-18

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Champlain Valley Fair Essex Jct., VT • August 24-September 2

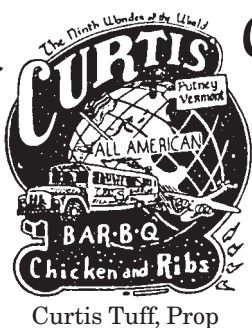
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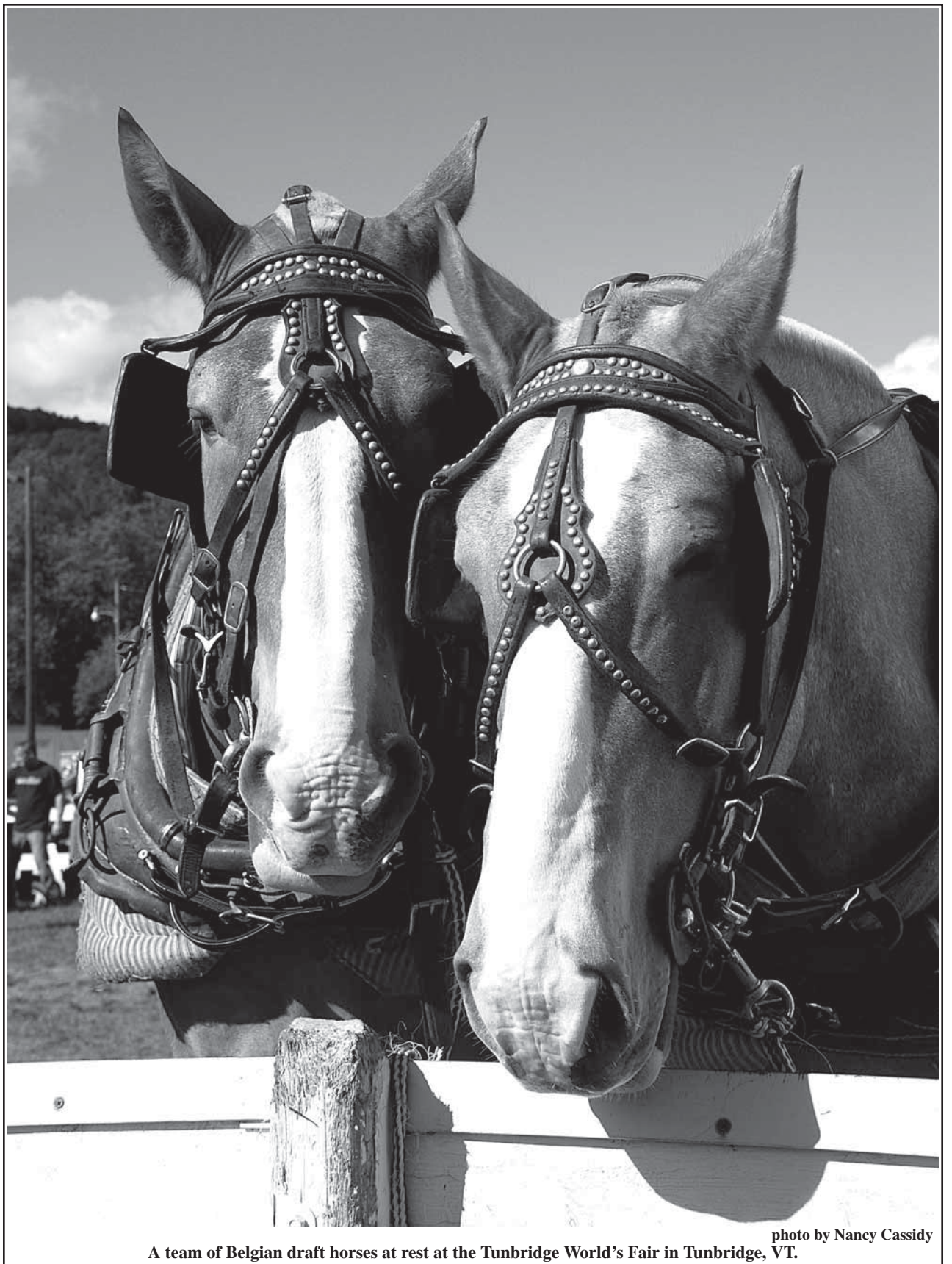
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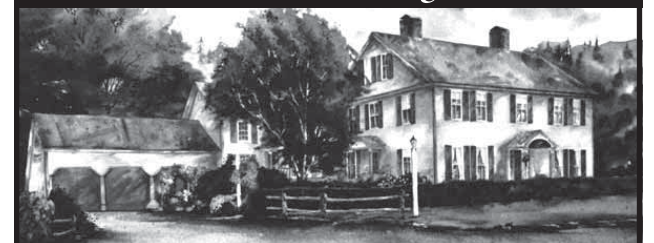
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Heritage Chicken Day

Billings Farm & Museum, is featuring Heritage Chicken Day on Saturday, August 3, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Traditional livestock breeds are an essential part of our agricultural heritage and an important resource for the future. We'll feature a variety of heritage chickens breeds to learn about their unique traits—all are protected breeds of The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy, a nonprofit membership organization working to conserve over 180 historic breeds of livestock and poultry and maintain genetic diversity.

See newly hatched chicks and learn all about eggs. Chicken-themed activities and programs for children include stenciling, stories, and make-it-and-take crafts and games.

13th Annual Antique Tractor Day

The 13th Annual Antique Tractor Day takes place on Sunday, August 11, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. featuring restored and unrestored tractors, dating from the 1930s to the 1960s. A narrated tractor parade is set for 1 p.m.—an opportunity to see the machines operating, with interesting and historical background details about each tractor. Tractor-drawn wagon rides will be offered; make-it-take-it wooden tractors for children, a toy tractor sandbox, ice cream making, and more.



Visitors take a wagon ride through the farm fields at Billings Farm & Museum in Woodstock, VT.

photo by Billings Farm & Museum

Lunch and snacks will be sold by the Teago Volunteer Fire Department—all proceeds benefit the department.

27th Annual Quilt Exhibition

Billings Farm & Museum hosts the 27th Annual Quilt Exhibition from August 1 to September 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. featuring quilts made by quilters residing in Windsor County, Vermont. The exhibition will include quilting activities and demonstrations for every age and skill level, with quilters on hand to discuss their work.

Challenge quilts made by The Heart of the Land Quilters will also be exhibited. This year's theme is "Crayon Challenge." A quilt challenge requires specific design and construction rules agreed upon by guild members, with the goal of improving their quilting skills. The challenge quilts will be on display with the juried exhibition.

During the past quarter-century, Billings Farm & Museum has played a significant role promoting and encouraging the quilting tradition in Windsor County. Still considered both a creative and utilitarian household craft, renewed interest

in the tradition dovetails with the museum's mission of celebrating Vermont's rural heritage. Since 1985, over 260 quilters have submitted more than 1000 quilts for exhibit at the Farm & Museum.

Billings Farm & Museum is open daily April 27 through October 31, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; weekends Nov. – Feb.; and Christmas & Presidents' weeks, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission: adults: \$12; 62 & over: \$11; children 5-15: \$6; 3-4: \$3; 2 & under free.

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Two Brothers from Reading, Vermont

Editor's Note—Imagine 150 years ago how hard it must have been for young people to leave Vermont when they were expected to remain forever “down on the farm.” Two brothers, Stillman Robinson, born in 1838, and Albert Robinson, born in 1844, of South Reading, VT, didn't let their humble beginnings on a farm prevent them from achieving extraordinary careers. Here, excerpted from *The History of Reading, VT (1903)*, learn how these boys grew up, and compare it with what young people experience today. We'll tell you then what happened to them!

About Stillman Robinson as a young boy...

“At eight years of age he was taken from school for part of the time, that he might more fully serve as a farm hand. At ten years, his father died, and he was placed in charge of another farmer, until 16, which year he was put partly on the farm and partly in running a saw-mill and erecting a lumber and grist-mill. This work was more to the young man's taste, which taste was strongly made known as early as two and a half years of age, when he watched with surprise and spell-bound interest, the operating of the spinning wheel, as it was put in motion to spin the annual “frocking,” from which to cut the farm garments. Not only this wheel, but the reel, scarns, loom, etc., for producing this web, riveted the attention of the child.

As days and years went past, this youngster was found making little water wheels which were establishing in the water guzzles, with string belts to run the little mill, the

“bug-grinder,” etc. The water drops thrown from the little wheel, were called mosquitoes by the father, who would come along and issue the very unwelcome order, “come, put away your mosquito wheels now, and go out to picking up stone.” These stones were always found lying plentifully on a recently seeded down field in this part of Reading, requiring to be gathered into heaps and drawn away. A few minutes to tinker at mechanical play in the “shop room” was frequently obtained by running ahead of the men at dinner horn blast. Rainy days, when “shop tinkering” could go on, were hailed with delight.

At fifteen, a violin was brought out of the “shop room,” which was prized above most others for energy and quality of tone. All this mechanical work was so delighted in, that he never tired, while the farm work had no charms whatever.

...Without stopping to work at his trade, he left Vermont in the spring of 1860, with stencil tools for cutting name plates by the way, and with eight dollars in his pocket, his total capital, to make his way westward, cutting stencils by the way, to take studies at the University of Michigan, at which he arrived with the \$50.00 in his pocket.”

What Stillman Robinson went on to achieve...

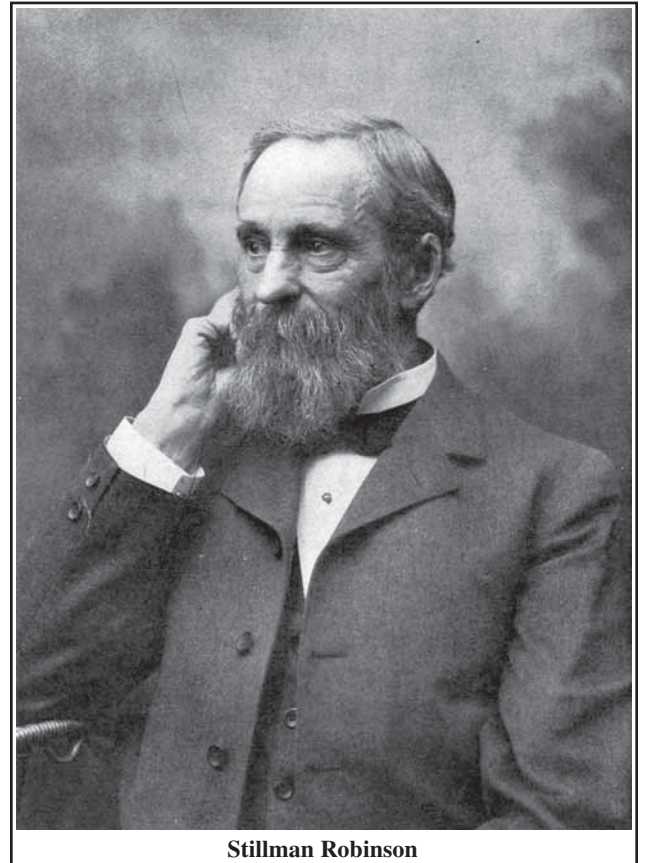
Stillman Robinson went on to become an author, inventor, (over 50 inventions) engineering expert, and college professor. He wanted a degree in Mechanical Engineering, but none were available then, so he later founded a Mechanical Engineering program at the University of Illinois where its “shop” combined hands-on mechanical training with theory. It became the prototype of shop courses at high schools and colleges across the country. He wrote college textbooks, was a professor, department chairman, college dean, railroad inspector and consulting engineer for such projects as the iron frame work and mountings for the great Lick Telescope. His inventions included shoe and boot manufacturing equipment, photographic and optical devices (double eyepiece for telescope), and even a hypodermic syringe!

About Albert Robinson as a child...

“It was when Albert Robinson was less than four years old, that his father died, leaving him to the care of his widowed mother, who, after some two years, and until she was remarried in 1856, placed him out to earn his living. Most of this time he was with his uncle, Lewis Robinson, a manufacturer, publisher, stove dealer, farmer, etc., by whom, and among which occupations, the child was given employment.

When some six years old he was sent to Windsor, Vt., a distance of twelve miles, with a horse, and a load of washboards for delivery. Notwithstanding his youth, the load was delivered correctly, but his judgment for the old horse was less correct, for next morning it was found dead in the pasture, from colic, induced probably by the long drive, extending into the night. However the commercial part of the transaction appears to have been executed as satisfactorily, as some of his railroad dealings of later years.

In one instance, at about the same age he was sent with a horse and buggy, a distance of sixteen miles, to bring him home a son of his uncle. On arriving at the school to find the



Stillman Robinson

object of his coming, and while seated in his buggy, he asked of some students passing “where is Calvin?” These went up into the schoolroom and reported to Calvin L. Robinson that “there is one of the nicest little boys you ever saw out here in a buggy inquiring for Calvin.” Thus the sixteen mile trip was correctly accomplished. The youth was often sent on trips with success remarkable, for one so young, producing a most favorable impression upon all he met, for manlike and gentlemanly behavior.

At the age of seventeen he commenced his four years' college course, taking, as was not common, two degrees in the time for one.”

What Albert Robinson made of his life...

Albert Robinson went on to study at the University of Michigan where he earned two engineering degrees at the same time. While in college he worked part-time for the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe RR, driving “slope stakes.” Then he worked his way up from such jobs as “axeman, chainman, levelman and transitman” to engineering and management positions, finally culminating a 30-year career as president of the Mexico Central RR. Some 4,500 miles of rail lines in the West and Midwest were built under his planning and supervision. His expertise was figuring out what to do with “steep grades, sharp curves and heavy traffic.”



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SOUR CREAM RASPBERRY PIE

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| 1 (9 inch) single crust pie shell | ½ tsp vanilla extract |
| 3 cups raspberries | 2 tablespoons flour |
| ¾ cup white sugar | 2 tsp brown sugar |
| ½ cup all-purpose flour | 2 tsp butter, melted |
| 2 cups sour cream | |

In a bowl, combine ¾ cup sugar and flour. Whisk in sour cream and vanilla. Arrange the raspberries evenly in the pie shell. Spread sour cream mixture over the berries. Combine flour, 2 teaspoons sugar, and melted butter or margarine, until mixture forms crumbs. Sprinkle over pie. Bake at 400°F (205°C) for 30 to 40 minutes, or until pastry and filling are golden. Cool on rack. Serve same day at room temperature.

CURRIED CHICKEN SALAD WITH RASPBERRIES

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| 1 lb. boneless skinless chicken breasts | 1 tablespoon lemon or lime juice |
| 1 tablespoon of olive oil | 1 teaspoon ground ginger |
| Salt and pepper to taste | 1 green onion chopped |
| ½ cup mayonnaise | 1 celery stalk chopped |
| 1 tablespoon dry white wine | Raisins to taste |
| 2 tablespoons mango chutney or apricot jam | 2 cups raspberries |
| 1 tablespoon curry powder | Roasted salted cashews |

Heat olive oil in a cooking pan, add chicken breasts and sauté for 5 minutes turn over and sauté for 5 more minutes or until done. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Remove from pan and cool in refrigerator for 20–30 minutes. Cut meat into one inch cubes. Combine mayonnaise, wine, chutney, curry powder, lemon juice and ginger in a large bowl. Add chicken, onions, celery and raisins and raspberries, toss to coat. Season with salt and pepper. Immediately before serving add cashews. Serve on a bed of lettuce or in pocket bread. Serves 4.

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RASPBERRY CORNBREAD

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| 1 cup corn meal | 1 cup buttermilk |
| 1 egg | 1 cup flour |
| ¼ each soda and salt | 1 cup or less of maple syrup |
| 1½ cups raspberries | 1 cup buttermilk |
| (or any other berry) | |

Into mixing bowl, add corn meal, soda, salt, buttermilk, egg; stir well. Add maple and stir well. Add raspberries, fold into mixture without mashing them. Pour into a well greased iron skillet and bake slow at 350° until pone begins to brown. Reduce heat to 200° until cooked.

RASPBERRY COBBLER

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| 2½ cups raspberries | ¼ teaspoon salt |
| ¾ cup sugar | 1 stick plus 2 tablespoons butter |
| 1½ cups flour | |
| 1 tablespoon baking powder | ½ cup heavy cream |

Preheat oven to 350°. Butter an 8x8 inch shallow baking dish. Place raspberries in the dish and sprinkle with ½ cup of sugar. Combine flour, baking powder and salt. Add the stick of butter in pieces and create a lumpy mixture. Add cream and combine until dough forms. Dough will be soft and sticky like a biscuit; if need be, add a splash more of cream. Spoon dough over the raspberries. Melt remaining 2 tablespoons butter and drizzle over the mounds of dough. Sprinkle with remaining ¾ cup sugar. Bake about 30 to 40 minutes or until dough and fruit are cooked through and dough is lightly browned. Serve with whipped cream. Serves 6–8.

BERRIES AND GREENS SUMMER SALAD

- 8 cups torn mixed greens
- 3 cups raspberries, halved strawberries, blueberries, sliced peaches, nectarines and/or plums
- ¾ cup raspberries
- 1 tablespoon honey
- ½ cup plain yogurt
- 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar
- Toasted sliced almonds, optional

Gently toss greens with 3 cups desired berries or fruit in salad bowl. For dressing place the ¾ cup berries in a blender container or food processor bowl with the honey; blend or process until smooth. Combine blended berries, yogurt, and vinegar. Drizzle over greens and fruit; toss. Sprinkle each serving with nuts, if desired. Serves 6.

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Study in Circles

by Burr Morse

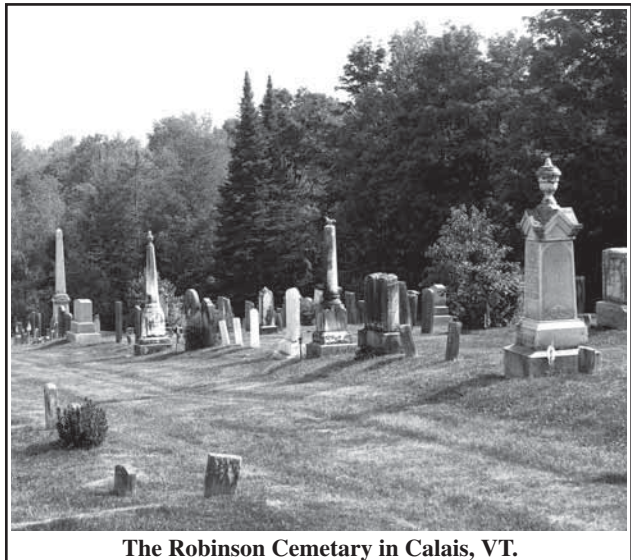
My brother Elliott and I stand looking at the prostrate stone of Joel Robinson up at the Robinson Cemetery in Calais, Vermont. Elliott has recently glued its two halves back together after nature took its toll years ago and our mission today is to get the stone back upright. We stand there for a longer time than is necessary, not so much to admire Elliott's handy work but to observe a moment of silence for our great, great, great grandfather.

The rest of my yarn could be described as a "study in circles." The first "circle" is one from Rehoboth, Massachusetts to Calais, Vermont and back to Rehoboth. Joel Robinson hailed from Rehoboth, a town fifty miles southwest of Boston and, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, "hilly and swampy with most of its brooks and swamps feeding into the Palmer River..." Back in 1792, something stirred Joel to trek 241 miles through the wilderness to Calais. The question of what stirred him is answered at best by speculation but I'm

"Ancient Lane Mill...after more than two hundred years of retirement, sliced through a spruce log by water power."

betting it had something to do with geography. You see, Joel was a sawyer of lumber which, in those days, required the special geographic offerings of "hills, swamps, and brooks."

It so happened that there was some land available in Calais where there is a brook fed by swampy headwaters of what is now Curtis Pond. Somehow, Joel Robinson found out about this land and came up to investigate. My guess is that he found the Vermont "power" possibilities a sawyer's Garden of Eden compared to the smaller hills and slower brooks of southern Massachusetts (think of a Cummins diesel compared to a lawnmower motor). He wasted no time in sewing up the deal and returning to Rehoboth to fetch his family (and in those days, t'weren't no four hours down I-89!)



The Robinson Cemetery in Calais, VT.



Joel Robinson's water-powered sawmill, built in 1803 in Calais, VT.

photo by Claude Stone

Joel first built a mill pond at a location where the ledges could be used as buttresses to support a flag stone dam. He soon had a pond both sizable and deep enough to supply sufficient head for powering his "up and down" saw rig. The last step in his plan was to build a mill, the Robinson Sawmill, which still stands to this day.

Over ten years ago our Uncle Bernard Morse and Elliott plied their mechanical talents to make the Robinson Mill run again. It was no easy achievement but after two years and a lot of hours, they finally opened the gate and let Joel's mill pond perform its magic. In June of 2001, the ancient Lane Mill (an update to Joel's original rig), after more than two hundred years of retirement, sliced through a spruce log by water power! Elliott said there was a big crowd watching including six folks in wheelchairs. "Some had tears in their eyes," he said.

The second "circle" of this yarn has to do with people and their never ending quest to harness renewable energy from the earth. These days solar panels multiply like rabbits and wind turbines dot Vermont ridge lines bringing us "full circle" from the days when water power was king. The water power necessary to power Grandpa Joel's sawmill, alas, has been trumped by what some would call political correctness; others, environmental prudence. The mill pond up at Robinson Saw Mill has silted in over the years and needs to be

dredged. Repeated efforts by Elliott Morse to gain permission to dredge have come up dry every time.

"Thou shall not tamper with public water!" say the people. Elliott recently told me that the Robinson Mill will never run again.

Back at Robinson Cemetery, Elliott and I end our moment of silence, muckle on over to Grandpa Joel's stone and heft it upright with a grunt. "There," says Elliott, "back where it was in 1832 when Joel Robinson died."

It was how he punctuated his last comment, however, that struck me: "That's all we can do for him anymore." May Joel Robinson and his working sawmill rest in peace.

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The programming is exciting, including works by Mozart, Debussy, Ravel, Stravinsky, and Schubert. In addition, Joe Hallman is going to have a piece performed at each of the concerts, with a triple concerto world-premiere at the closing concert. There will also be

some musical surprises for Jamaica, VT along the way.

The opening concert is on Sunday, August 4 at 6 p.m. Program includes Hallman Fairy Tales, Mozart Oboe Quartet, Stravinsky Epitaphium, Roussel Serenade

There will be an evening Concert on Wednesday, August 7 at 7 p.m. and music/art collaboration for kids and young adults on Thursday, August 8 from 1-3 p.m.

An afternoon family concert takes place on Thursday, August 8 at 3 p.m. followed by open rehearsal from 4-6 p.m. and a Community Potluck with an Open Mic and Play-In from 6-8 p.m. The open mic is led by Jesse Loewy.

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A Vermont Almanack for Late Summer

by Bill Felker

And the days began to walk.
And they, the days, made us,
And thus we were born,
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The discoverers,
Life's searchers.

—Genesis, according to the Mayas

The Phases of the Sweet Corn Moon and the Blackberry Moon

Dark blackberries usher in the season of late summer. When they are ripe enough to pick, then all the crickets and katydids are singing through the nights, and the first bird migrations are underway. *August 6:* The Sweet Corn Moon becomes the new Blackberry Moon at 4:51 p.m. *August 14:* The moon enters its second quarter at 5:56 a.m. *August 20:* The moon is full at 8:45 p.m. *August 28:* The moon enters its last phase at 4:35 a.m.

The Sun's Progress

August 22 is Cross-Quarter Day and marks the halfway point between summer solstice and autumn equinox. The sun enters Virgo on the same day.

The Planets

Jupiter and Mars in Gemini shine in the east before dawn. Venus and Saturn, both in Virgo, lie in the far west after sundown.

The Stars

August is the month of the Milky Way in the eastern early night sky. Cygnus the Swan can be found there, its formation a giant cross or like a goose in flight. Below it is Aquila, spreading from its keystone, Altair, like a great eagle. Almost directly overhead, Vega of the constellation Lyra is the brightest star in the heavens. Hercules stands beside it. June's Corona Borealis and the huge Arcturus have moved to the west. An hour or two before sunrise, Orion is rising, in the same position it has on Christmas Eve. The Pleiades and Taurus are almost overhead. Cygnus is setting in the northwest.

The Shooting Stars

August 11–12: Late summer's meteors are the Perseids. Find them, up to 60 per hour, near Perseus in the northeastern sky. This will be the best meteor shower of the summer, and the moon will be dark.

Ragweed Time

The first week of ragweed time is the first week of late summer. It is the time that wood nettle goes to seed in the bottomlands, the time that wild cherries ripen. Blackberries are ready to eat when ragweed blossoms. Golden and purple coneflowers, and red, pink and violet phlox still dominate the gardens. And the season's second-last wave of wildflowers come into bloom throughout the woods and open fields.



Hayrake in a late summer field, in Randolph, VT.

photo by Nancy Cassidy

Four Songs Against Late Summer

by Bill Felker

Altered Time

Through much of my life, my most unsettling dreams have been those in which the world that should have been familiar has changed, and the old streets are no longer what they were. The houses and trees that used to serve as markers no longer look the way they used to look. No one knows who I am.

Seasonal transformations remind me of the truth those visions hold. It seemed to me just a little while ago that summer would last forever. But the leaves darken and start to fall. The times of peonies and iris, yellow sweet clover and meadow rue have been covered over, and the old way is gone.

At the cusp of summer, against the looming, repeating dream of autumn, I hold tightly to images of presence: late black raspberries, bright zinnias, fields of black-eyed Susans, the chant of the cicada.

There is no recourse to the uncertainty of past or future dreams, nothing but this lily or that butterfly.

The experience of altered time and place is not a trick or a gimmick or an illusion or a nightmare fright. The warm tomato and sweet corn and the blood-red dahlia from the garden today are the only allies we have, and the awareness of their presence is the gift of great price.

The Meaning of Summer

Once in a while, I wonder about the meaning of summer, and that, of course, is a thought too far.

So, I tell myself, just stay with what is here in front of me. If I go back to spring or early summer, in my memory, I throw the wheel of time way out of kilter, and I wobble in its remnants and its chaff and clutter, the fallen mulberries and the sweet rocket seeds, the hay and the straw, the fledglings grown and the turquoise eggs that were flung and lost in the storms of May: regret and nostalgia and reminiscence.

And if I go ahead to the future, I burst headlong into the clutches of autumn, its thrilling, dishevelled embrace that leads, of course, to bare and chilling winter.

In the face of all that, there is nothing like the firm, bright world that seems to lie before me today: Tall coneflowers still so strong. Bumblebees in the sweet milkweed. Along the roadsides, Canadian thistle down coming undone in wads, spreading puffed and unruly across the fields. Sticky burdock in bloom in the alley, buckeyes maybe three-fourths full size in the park. The first elderberries turning purple by the pond.

So long as I am able, I will collect and hold the immediate pieces of the world. There is no God outside these things, nor should there be, I mean the God made flesh, of course: All things flutter and sing within that presence.

Talking the Walk

It seems to me now that the spin of the world is speeding up, that time is moving more quickly than it did just a month ago. It seems that late summer is sinking around me, and

that the entire year is collapsing, and that there is too much left to feel and do.

I struggle to find footholds with which to keep my balance in time. I want to understand everything that is happening to nature and to me, but I get distracted by thinking and trying to know, and then I lose my place and fall away from the path.

Of course, there is nothing except the summer itself if I simply talk the walk: Only words make the world. Nothing exists outside the reach of a voice. I look at the ground and turn it into truth: two ants, a clump of grass, a dandelion gone to seed, a housefly, a mosquito near my foot, a broken twig.

If I pause or stop or wonder or wish or want, the real summer becomes longings and nostalgias and regrets and reminiscence.

So I pull myself back and talk the walk again: the black walnut fallen to the sidewalk, the fat Osage fruit thumping to the back garden.

I exercise the discipline of litany and of listing events, trusting that events in words accumulate, that more and more and more will be enough.

This is wishful thinking, I am well aware. It is nervous chatter that distracts me from what might really lie behind the shortening of the days.

Still, memory and hope are the vultures of the word and the present. They rip and tear the flesh of my litany, my summer chant.

So if I can stay here, without stopping, without looking back or forward, I will keep my balance. I will talk and talk the walk.

Watching Clouds

Once when my wife was in the hospital and we were waiting for her to be discharged, we ran out of words and thoughts, and we ended up just watching the lanky altostratus clouds that slowly moved across the sky outside her window.

It was a muggy and windless day in August, and the clouds barely moved or changed their shapes. Sometimes they seemed like animals, sometimes they didn't. Sometimes they gradually faded back into the haze or disappeared into the dark green trees of the horizon below them.

Eventually, we divided them up, chose which clouds were mine and which were hers. Sometimes mine seemed to move faster than hers. Sometimes hers seemed to move faster than mine.

There was no point to any of our judgments except that they focused us outside the room, outside the waiting, and we accepted that nothing was actually happening. And it was all right that nothing was happening.

Now these late summer days, I watch sleepy, languid clouds with more intent than I ever did before. When the weather is sultry and still, they remind me of the arbitrary shapes of that August afternoon, and I think about a new awareness in me that has prompted resolutions - like to always play with my dog when she wants to play and to always give my cat the most expensive cat food just because he likes it.

The clouds this year have the same lessons to teach me about patience and waiting and expectations and caring, about what is happening and what is not happening. And their most important lesson is very simply that there may be nothing better than watching them with the person next to me.

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Shady Spaces

by Judith Irven

It's a common lament: 'My garden is shady and boring. All I can grow are hostas!'

I beg to differ. I delight in shady garden spaces—cool, tranquil places for people, and home for plenty of interesting plants.

Dick and I love to retreat, cup of tea in hand, to a favorite garden bench under the trees, a private outdoor room complete with leafy ceiling, richly patterned carpet and view to the sunny border beyond.

While a shady corner may not have the color and sizzle of a sun-drenched perennial bed, it is surely the contrast between these complementary spaces that creates a balanced whole. Think of it as the 'yin and yang' of the garden. And, to be complete, a garden needs some of each.

Since most of us are familiar with the yang of an exuberant sunny border, let's take a look at creating counterbalancing yin in a cool shady space.

Trees provide structure

Firstly, to have shade you need trees. Trees also create structure in our gardens, and it behooves us to make the most of them.

With a little thoughtful pruning, you can transform any tree into a living sculpture. Begin by 'pruning it up': remove the lowest branches so that you can walk around unimpeded. This will also let more light reach the plants below. Now prune off any branches that clutter the tree's interior, so that those remaining have space to develop fully. Make your cuts right back to the main trunk or, in the case of multi-stemmed trees and shrubs, at ground level, being careful not to leave short stubs that encourage disease.

As an example of creating structure with trees, about twelve years ago I planted a trio of Shadblow Serviceberries, (*Amelanchier canadensis*), to frame the corner behind our woodshed. Shadblow Serviceberries are small multi-stemmed trees that mature at about 12' diameter, so together my three plants created a nice shady bed, approximately 24' x 24', on the ground.

Shadblow Serviceberries also have a lot of branches that left unchecked will grow into a tangled mess. So I selected the half-dozen strongest stems and removed the rest. I have been rewarded with three delightful vase-shaped trees that add structure and personality to this shady corner.

Shrubs for shady areas

You can also grow shade tolerant shrubs in the vicinity of, but not right under, larger trees, to create eye-level interest in your shady corner.

I am extremely partial to the 'Northern Lights' azaleas—Bright Lights, White Lights, Lilac Lights, etc—bred from the 'Roseshell azalea' that I find growing wild on our local Mount Moosalamoo. My personal favorite is White Lights, which has beautiful creamy-white flowers tinged with pale pink, and blooms in my garden around Memorial Day.

This is followed by a succession of fragrant 'Summer-flowering' azaleas, (all bred from our native Swamp Azalea) starting with Weston's Innocence in early June, followed by Pink & Sweet, Parade, and finally Lemon Drop in early August.

The native Ninebark (*Physocarpus opulifolius*) is a robust but rather boring plant that grows in sun or shade. However plant breeders have produced a number of attractive cultivars with either bronze or yellow leaves that add color to a shady garden all season long.

But, before you buy a particular cultivar, be sure to check its final height and choose one that is appropriate for your space. The popular *Physocarpus* 'Diablo' actually grows quite large (8'-10'), a bit big for many gardens. However the final height and width of 'Summer Wine' is about 6', and 'Little Devil' just 4'—better sizes for smaller spaces.

Viburnums also tolerate shade, but many gardeners are shying away from them because of the recent influx of the dreaded Viburnum Leaf Beetle.

However there are many species of Viburnum and not all of them are vulnerable to the Leaf Beetle. As a case in point,



Azaleas (White Lights and Bright Lights), together with a carpet of Hostas, Japanese Painted Fern and Ligularia, flourish in Judith's shady front garden. photo by Dick Conrad

for the past decade I have grown 'Wild Raisin Viburnum, (*Viburnum cassinoides*) which has been untouched by this pest. Nearby there is an American Cranberry Bush (*V. opulus* var. *americana*) that has been completely defoliated in recent years. Note that these are both native species, but it is the leafbeetle which is the import!

You can find an excellent list of Viburnum species and their susceptibility to leafbeetle attack on the Cornell Extension website. Species are ranked from 'highly susceptible' (alas, my American Cranberry Bush is among these), 'susceptible', 'moderately susceptible' (my Wild Raisin is listed here), to 'most resistant' (including the wonderfully fragrant Korean Spice Viburnum).

So please don't shun viburnums, but be sure to check the species before you buy!

A compelling spatial plan

Recently I passed a group of in-town houses, each with a long narrow straight bed of hostas hugging the north walls. Not too exciting!

But, with a little imagination, any one of these beds could be reshaped to create an interesting ground plan. A little widening along the length and a gently curving arc around the corner of the house would make all the difference. This corner spot in turn would make the perfect home for a small shade-tolerant tree like our native pagoda dogwood (*Cornus alternifolia*).

So, as you contemplate those shady areas around your house, sketch up different ground plans until you find something that will truly contribute to the overall picture, rather than just taking up space! Perhaps you can incorporate a bench as an invitation to stay awhile. You will be surprised what a difference a few shape changes can make!

Seasonal dynamics

There are three seasons in a shade garden: spring flowers, summer tapestries and winter skeletons.

In spring, the sun reaches down to the ground through the leafless trees, and the shady corners of my garden are a riot of early flowers. These early beauties—Bloodroot, Squills, Daffodils, Twinleaf, Virginia Bluebells, Lungwort, Forget-me-nots, Woodland Phlox, Bleeding heart, Globeflower, Blue Poppies, Lady's Slippers and many more—epitomize the excitement of spring. This is a fleeting time, so enjoy it while it lasts!

But in summer the shade garden has an entirely different personality. Now it is the leaves that are the star attraction, a display that lasts and lasts, right until frost.

Many shade-loving plants have large leaves—all the better to collect the light—offering a huge variety of shapes and textures for the artistic gardener to play mix-and-match. There are even wonderful color variations to stir your imagination; not all greens are the same and not all leaves are green!!

Here are some suggestions for creating beautiful tapestries of leaves:

- Beyond green: *Heuchera*, *Ligularia dentata*,
- Lacy textures: Ferns, *Astilbe*, *Aconitum*, *Aruncus*
- Arrowheads: *Epimedium*, *Polygonatum*,
- Broad, crinkled surfaces: *Alchemilla mollis*, *Rodgersia*, *Darmera* and ,yes, many beautiful varieties of *Hosta* too.

The final season is, of course, winter, when your trees and shrubs really stand out, especially in the snow. So, as you prune, give thought to how they will look in winter when your efforts will show off to best advantage!

Decorations


Last but not least, use a favorite decoration to create an evocative highlight.

As we have seen, for much of the year, the predominate color in the shade garden is green, making it the perfect backdrop for an eye-catcher such as an elegant pot.

The result will be serene, tranquil, and very yin.

— Judith Irven is a landscape designer who lives with her photographer husband, Dick Conrad, in Goshen, VT. Her northcountryreflections.com website is devoted to her garden writings.

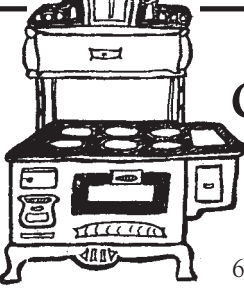




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The Modern Woodmen of America in Wells, VT will be celebrating their 75th Annual Carnival taking place Wednesday, August 14th through Saturday, August 17th.

There will be entertainment nightly, rides for the kids provided by Family Fun Amusements. Wednesday night we will roll back ride prices to \$7.50 Wrist Bands for unlimited rides and Thursday we will offer 75¢ ride tickets. We'll have carnival food of course—hot dogs, hamburgers, sausage & peppers, fried clams, homemade french fries, and fried dough! New this year are jalapeño poppers and mozzarella sticks.

Celebration of community!

Our goal for this annual event is a celebration of the community. Our game prices have stayed the same for many, many years. We have a cake booth, pie booth, blanket booth, dart booth, plush booth, birthday booth, ring toss, bingo of course, our annual money raffle with drawings every night, and our famous dime toss. The Wells Volunteer Fire Department has a booth selling their raffle tickets with four large prizes to lucky winners and free balloons for the kids.

Saturday the day starts with antique tractor pulling at 10 a.m. There will be fun for the kids throughout the day. This year the Parade will step off at 4 p.m. The theme for this year's parade is "Diamond Jubilee." If anyone is interested in joining in the parade, they can call Todd Fenton at (802) 645-9522 or e-mail him at wellsfire@hotmail.com. Saturday will be topped off with the celebration of our 75th year with a Fireworks display at 9:30 p.m.

Popular chicken barbeque

On Saturday at 12 noon there will be a Chicken Barbeque presented by the Ladies Aid of the Wells Methodist Church on the MWA grounds. This 60-year tradition offers a menu of half a barbequed chicken, corn on the cob, cole slaw, potato & macaroni salads, rolls, coffee, tea, and lemonade, with brownies for dessert. For information call (802) 645-0422.

This event is about having a good time with your family and friends. It's the belief of what the Woodmen stand for, helping our friends and family, and our community.

The Modern Woodmen of America is a life insurance company located in Rock Island, Illinois, with fraternal chapters across the U.S.A. The MWA Chapter 10244 in Wells, VT is very active, with bingo as the main fundraiser for area charities. We help build access ramps for those in need, house the area food shelf, donate \$500 to fifteen-plus area churches annually, and just gave out a total of over \$15,000 in scholarships to area students.

The carnival is held on the Modern Woodmen of America grounds at 10 Main St., Wells, VT. For information call (802) 645-0323.



Rena's Garden Market

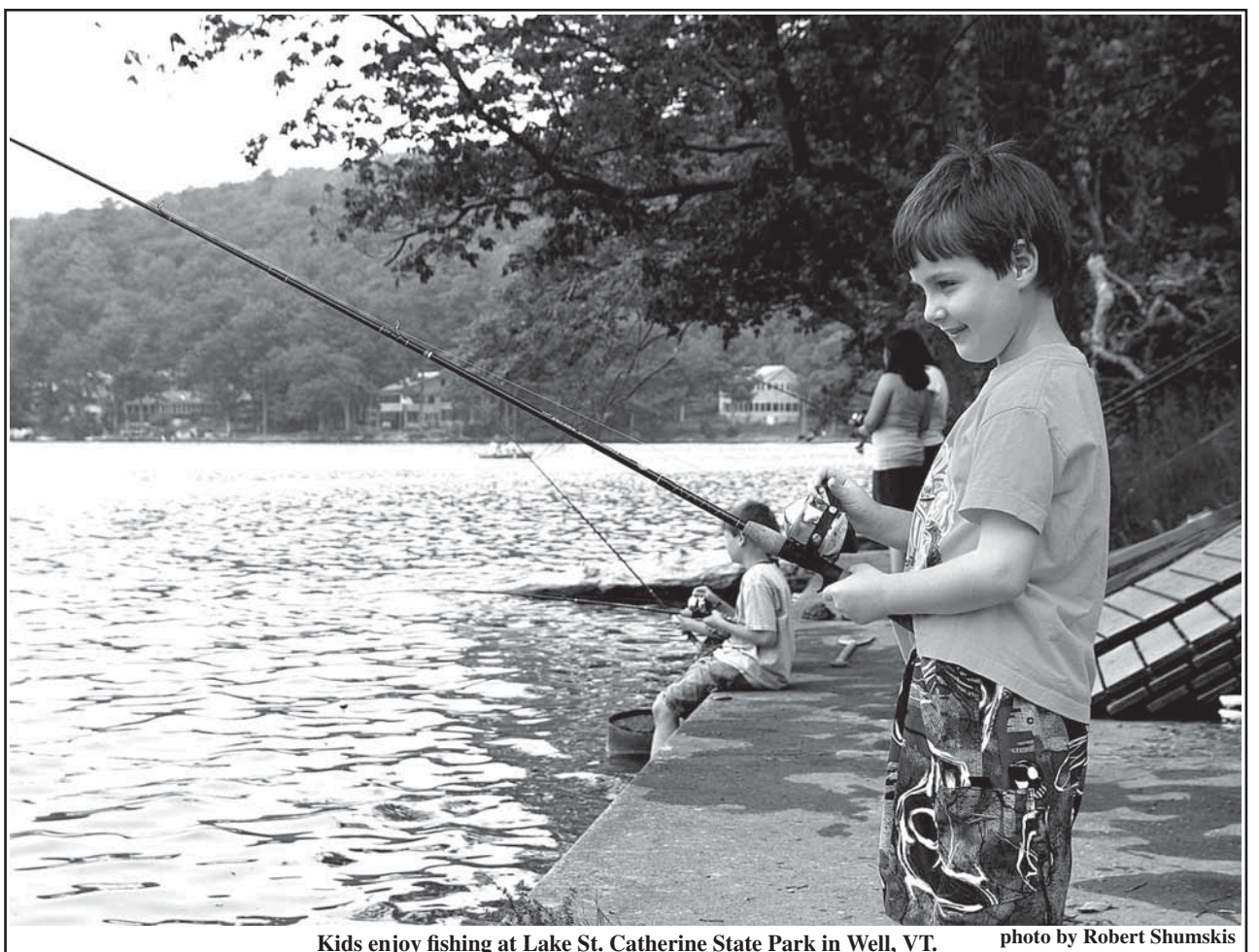
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Kids enjoy fishing at Lake St. Catherine State Park in Well, VT. photo by Robert Shumskis

Summer Fun at Lake St. Catherine State Park

Whether you live in Vermont or are visiting this summer, Lake St. Catherine State Park in Poultney, VT is a great place to relax, refresh and recreate. The 117-acre park has been in operation since it opened as a picnic and swimming area in 1953 on the shore of picturesque Lake St. Catherine.

The park offers recreation opportunities for campers and day-use visitors alike. These include a 61-site campground, a nature center, two sandy beaches, a large grassy field including a children's playground and a snack-bar concession with rentals of rowboats, canoes, kayaks and pedal boats.

A boat launch is available for those seeking a day of fishing or water skiing on the lake. The campground includes 50 tent/ trailer sites and 11 lean-to sites. There are two restrooms in the campground and one in the day-use area.

A short hiking trail offers a tour of the Big Trees of Lake St. Catherine and a

breathtaking view of Birdseye Mountain. Sorry, but pets are not permitted in day use area, but are allowed in other parts of the park.

Lake St. Catherine provides excellent fishing opportunities for anglers of all skill levels. Panfish, largemouth and smallmouth bass, rainbow and brown trout, yellow perch and northern pike can all be found in the lake's cool waters. Lucky visitors may catch a glimpse of a white-tailed deer or even an occasional moose. Regularly-scheduled interpretive programs are held at the nature center.

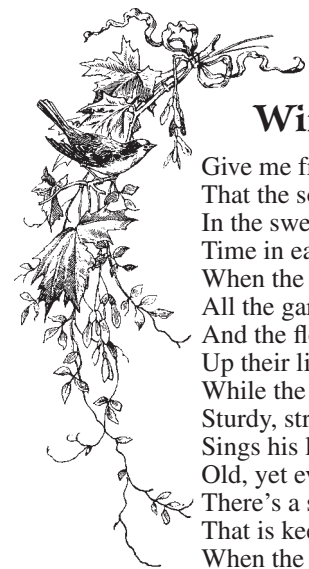
There are many sights to see in the area. If you are camping at Lake St. Catherine you can also go to nearby Bomoseen State Park for hiking, swimming, fishing and boating. Visit Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site in Hubbardton, VT. Hildene, the summer home of Robert Todd Lincoln is in Manchester, VT, as well as Equinox Mountain Drive just south of Manchester.

The Slate Valley Museum in Granville, NY and Pember Museum of Natural History and Nature Preserve also in Granville, NY are only a few miles away.

Prior to state ownership, the area comprising Lake St. Catherine State Park was a summer camp for boys and farmland. Remnants of these past activities can still be found within the park. The area is known for its past slate quarrying operations, with remains of slate mills,

quarries, and rubble piles still visible.

Lake St. Catherine State Park is open for day use 10 a.m. to official sunset. The season runs from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend. The park is located at 3034 VT Rt. 30 South, three miles south of Poultney, VT. For information call (802) 287-9158 during the season or VT State Parks Reservation Center at (888) 409-7579. vtstateparks.com.



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Visitors can view outstanding architecture throughout the village. Tours often start at the Federated Church on Main Street, described as builder Thomas Royal Dake's architectural masterpiece. The pulpit, with its intricate moldings and panels is one of the most extraordinary in the state.

Dake is also famous for his beautifully scaled spiral staircases. Several of the homes on this year's tour will feature staircases by Dake. One is the home he built for his bride Sally Deming in 1809. Another can be seen in the home he built for Noahdiah Granger on South Street. This is considered one of Dake's most elaborate staircases and will be on the tour for the first time in many years.

The Higley House, home of the Castleton Historical Society, will be open and visitors can tour the exhibits, antique tools, carriage collection and period costume and hat displays. On display at the Higley House will be the famous Blue Cat Quilt depicting historic landmarks in town and highlights from the award-winning children's book, *The Blue Cat* of Castleton by Catherine

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The tour includes over a dozen sites throughout the village including outstanding period homes, public buildings, galleries and historic sites. Additional activities planned for Colonial Day include a reenactment of "a day in camp" by members of the 53rd Regiment of Foot in America. Soldiers will be practicing drills and women will be cooking, baking and making butter. The Castleton Library will hold an ice cream social from 2-4 p.m. and the Federated Church will host a baked ham dinner starting at 5 p.m. with assorted salads, beverage and dessert (\$9 adults \$5 children).

The Castleton Colonial Day House Tour will be held rain or shine. Tour tickets can be purchased on Colonial Day at two locations on Main Street: the Castleton Federated Church, and the Langdon-Hitchcock House. Tickets are \$20, \$18 for seniors 62+.

For more information about the Castleton Colonial Day House Tour call (802) 468-5309. rileytvt@comcast.net.

The Castleton Historical Society's Higley Homestead Museum is open to the public from July to September on Wednesday afternoons. (Same day as the local Farmers Market). Visit their website at www.bsi-vt.com/castleton/chs.



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Docents welcome you to the house built for Noahdiah Granger circa 1810 at the Colonial Day House Tour in Castleton, VT.

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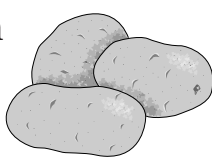
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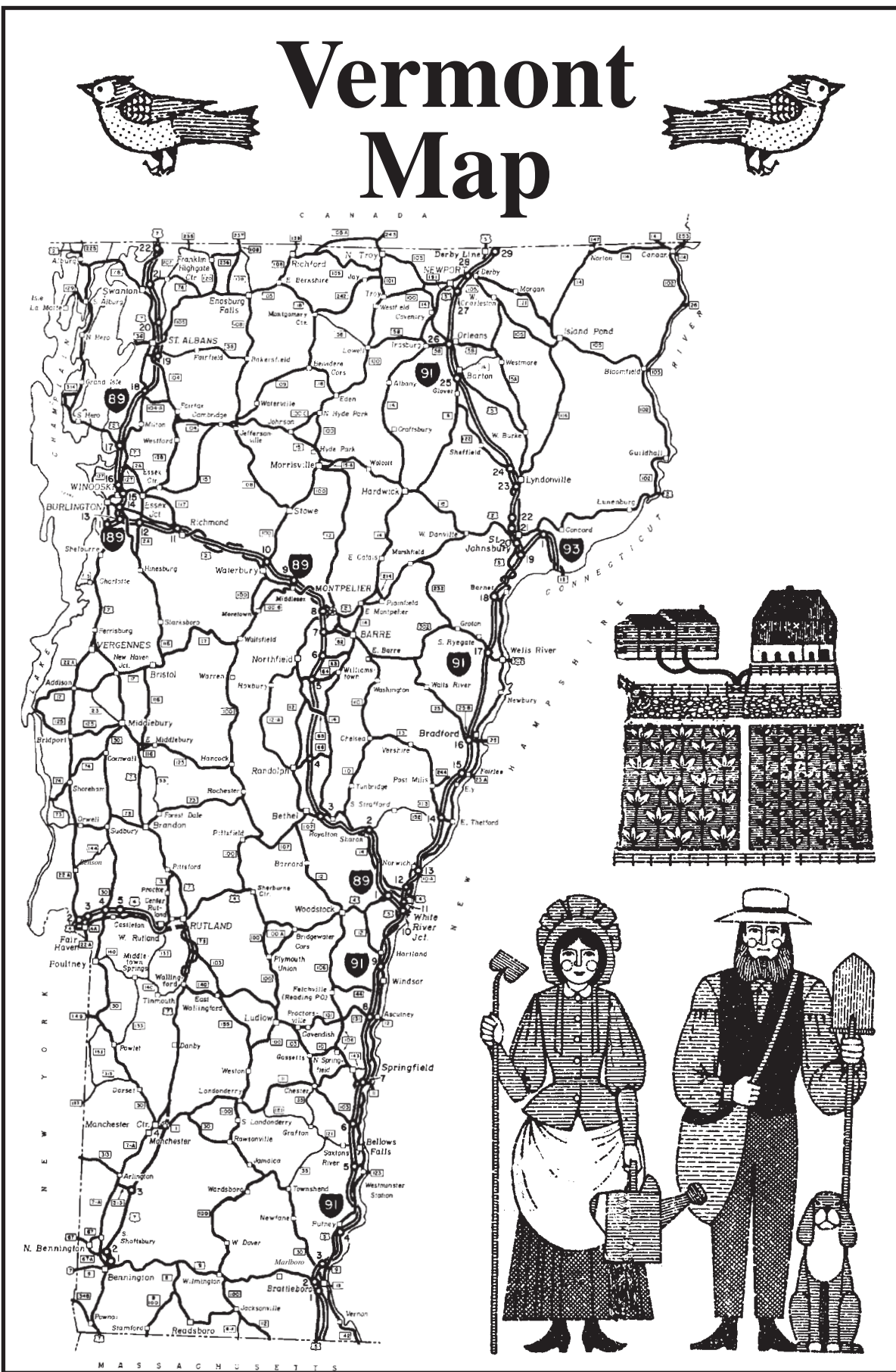
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BELMONT. Mount Holly Farmer's Market. On Belmont Village Green, Saturdays, 10 am - 1 pm, rain or shine. (802) 259-2322. *Through October*

BENNINGTON. Catamount Prowl 2013. The 34 fiberglass catamount sculptures embellished by area artists are on display in and around Bennington through October. Gala & auction October 26, 2013. (802) 447-3311. www.bennington.com.

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. dollhouseandtoymuseumofvermont.com.

BENNINGTON. Art exhibits, permanent collections, theater productions, workshops. Society of Animal Artists 53rd Annual Exhibition and Tour August 31 through November 3. Admission: adults \$9, seniors/students \$8, families \$20, under 12 are free. Bennington Center for the Arts, 44 Gypsy Lane. (802) 442-7158. www.benningtoncenterforthearts.org.

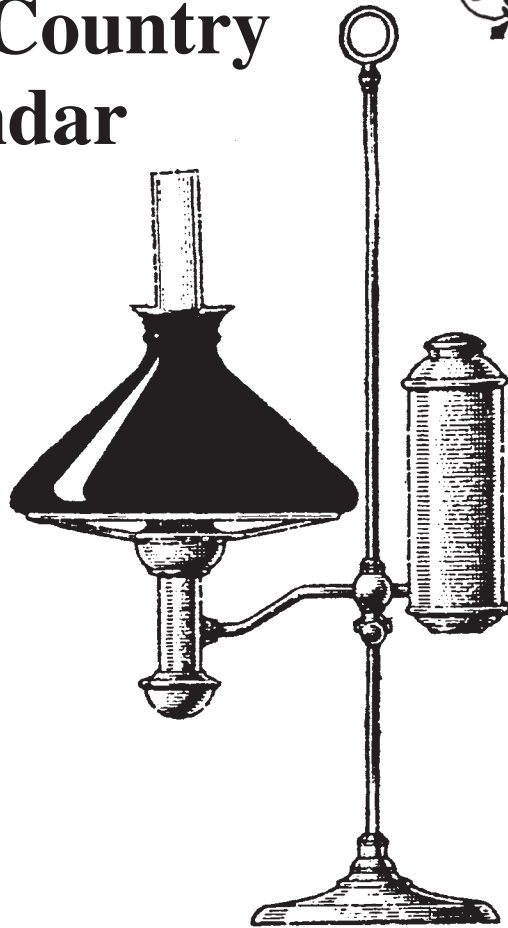
BENNINGTON. Bennington Museum—Exhibits and Public Programs, Founding Documents, Fine Art, Grandma Moses, and more. See Bennington Pottery, the 1924 Wasp Touring Car, Fine Art, Vermont Furniture, and the Bennington Flag - one of America's oldest flags. Lectures, workshops, concerts, films, and the George Aiken Wildflower Trail. Admission \$10, children under 18 free. Also free admission to visit the Gift Shop. Open 10 am - 5 pm every day except Wednesdays. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. www.benningtonmuseum.org.

BENNINGTON. Bennington Battle Monument. Vermont's tallest structure, is open to the public for educational exploration from 9 am to 5 pm daily through Oct. 31. Admission \$3 adults, \$1 children ages six through 14 years. Children under six years and scheduled school groups are free. (802) 447-0550. historicsites.vermont.gov.

BENNINGTON. Walloomsac Farmers Market. Stroll along the river walk, take in the colors and aromas of just-picked vegetables and enjoy the great sounds of local musicians. 10 am - 2 pm. At the River Walk on Depot St. Contact: Katherine Keys, (802) 688-7210. www.walloomsac.org. *Saturdays through October.*

BRANDON. Sustainable Living Book Exchange. Self-service—take a book, leave a book. Come to farm stand or the house. Donations accepted. Neshobe Farm, 142 Steinberg Rd. off Rt. 7 just north of the village. (802) 310-8534.

BRANDON. Brandon Visitor Center. Information and public restrooms, open daily 8 am - 6 pm, 365 days a year. 4 Grove St., next to the Baptist Church at the corner of Rts 7 & 73 West. Also houses the Brandon Museum at the Stephen A. Douglas Birthplace open through mid-October. (802) 247-6401. brandon.org.



BRANDON. First Fridays—Come on Downtown! Brandon's downtown will be keeping the lights on and the doors open until 9 pm (or later) the First Friday of each month this summer. Shop. Eat. Drink. Browse. Stroll. Bump into friends. Chat. Just enjoy the evening! Sponsored by the Brandon Area Chamber of Commerce. (802) 247-6401. brandon.org. *Through September.*

BRANDON. Farmer's Market. 9 am - 2 pm. In Central Park, 20 Park St. (802) 273-2655. cijka4@gmail.com. *Every Friday through October 11.*

BRATTLEBORO. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center. Exhibits and programs. Open 11-5. Closed Tues & Wed. Admission \$6/\$4/\$3. 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Fair Winds Farm Wagon Rides. Half-hour reserved horse-drawn rides through fields and woods, and along a babbling brook. Adults \$10, kids 3-12 \$6, minimum \$50, after 5 pm \$80. 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. www.fairwindsfarm.org.

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. Info: cuvvlever@gmail.com. *First and third Thursdays.*

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

BRATTLEBORO. 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. First Fridays from 5:30-8:30 pm. (802) 257-2616. www.gallerywalk.org.

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

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. www.echovermont.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.

CASTLETON. Pond Hill Professional Rodeo. Great family fun set on top of one the most panoramic views in Central Vermont. See cowboys and cowgirls compete in classic rodeo events! Admission. 8 pm. Pond Hill Ranch, 1683 Pond Hill Ranch Rd. (802) 468-2449. www.pondhillranch.com. *July 6 through August 31.*

CASTLETON. Castleton Farmers' Market, Main St., parking lot next to Citizen's Bank, across from Castleton Library. Thursdays, 3:30-6 pm, Lori Barker. (802) 273-2241. *Through October 3.*

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. rra@rutlandrailway.org. www.rutlandrailway.org.

Rutland Recreation Community Garden Workshop, August 18

A Community Garden Monthly Gathering and Tour in Rutland, VT on Sunday, August 18 at 4 p.m. at the Northeast Community gardens off of Woodstock Avenue. Please park at Rutland High School and walk up garden road.

This workshop will be led by Scott & Lindsay from Alchemy Gardens and is free of charge. Scott and Lindsey will meet you, to tour the gardens, discuss planting techniques, strengthening the soil, harvesting methods, pest and disease questions, saving

seeds, and more. This will be a participatory workshop where gardeners can bring their personal questions to the group and tell us about their plot. Scott and Lindsey can give advice from their experience as vegetable farmers in West Rutland, using organic methods on just over one acre, as well as their start in a community garden plot years ago.

For more information contact the Rutland Recreation & Parks Department at (802) 773-1853.

Rutland Thursday Hikes

The Rutland Recreation and Parks Department sponsors a series of hikes for those who wish to enjoy their outings at a less strenuous pace. Bring water and a lunch, wear sturdy footwear, and be prepared for Vermont weather. Meet on Thursdays at 9 a.m. at the Godnick Center on Deer St. in Rutland to carpool. We return in early to mid-afternoon. Call leaders if you have questions.

Outing Schedule

August 8. Glen Lake Overlook, Castleton, VT.

Walk along the shore of Glen Lake, then climb to great view of Lake below. Moderate difficulty. *Leader: Jean Hinson, (802) 775-0873.*

August 22. Saratoga National Historic Park, Saratoga, NY. A day trip—trails, historic sites and buildings, nature, picnic. Fees, Golden Age/Senior Pass. *Leader: Tom Capps, (802) 282-1675.*

September 5. Falls of Lana Trail, Salisbury, VT. Climb this zig-zag trail to the Falls and on to Silver Lake. Moderate difficulty. *Leader: Lyn Drigert, (802) 775-7038.*




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Vermont Country Calendar

(Ongoing events continued)

CHESTER. Vermont Institute of Contemporary Arts. Art Exhibits, Programs and Music. Free admission. Wednesday through Sunday 11 am – 6 pm. VTica, 15 Depot St. (802) 875-1018. info@vtica.org. www.vtica.org.

CHESTER. Chester-Andover Family Center Food Shelf and Thrift Shop. Thrift shop hours: Tues. 10-4, Wed. 1-7, Fri. 10-4, and Sat. 9-2. 908 Rt. 103 South. (802) 875-3236.

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. High Tea at Inn Victoria. Afternoon savories, sweets, fruit, and a variety of teas. \$19.99 per person. Open by reservation. Inn Victoria, 321 Main St. (802) 875-4288. innkeeper@innvictoria.com. www.innvictoria.com.

CHESTER. Gallery 103—an Artisan Marketplace. Hand crafted gifts, decorative accessories, small batch Chocolates and VT Maple products. Owned by artists Elise & Payne Junker, exclusive showroom of Junker Studio metalwork. Open every day 10 am – 5 pm, closed Tuesday. Located on Rt. 103, south of town—look for the life-size moose! (802) 875-7400. Gallery103.com.

CRAFTSBURY COMMON. Community Dinner. On the third Wednesday of every month, we gather for a free community supper. 6 pm. United Church of Craftsbury, 7 Church Lane. (802) 586-8028.

DORSET. Dorset Farmers Market. Rain or shine. Sundays from 10 am - 2 pm. Outdoors on the lawn at the H.N. Williams General Store, Rt. 30. Contact Nicole Henry, (802) 353-3539. Through October 13.

DORSET. Play: Barefoot In The Park by Neil Simon. Wed/Thu: \$41/\$38 adult, \$20 student. Fri/Sat/Sun: \$47/\$43 adult, \$20 student. Wed-Sat 8 pm. Wed, Sun and some Sat 3 pm. The Dorset Playhouse, 104 Cheney Rd. (802) 867-2223. www.dorsettheatrefestival.org. Through August 10.

DORSET. Play: *Clybourne Park* by Bruce Norris. A wickedly funny and fiercely provocative new play about the volatile combination of race and real estate. Wed/Thu: \$41/\$38 adult, \$20 student. Fri/Sat/Sun: \$47/\$43 adult, \$20 student. Wed-Sat 8 pm. Wed, Sun and some Sat 3 pm. The Dorset Playhouse, 104 Cheney Rd. (802) 867-2223. August 15 through August 31.

EAST DORSET. Horse Jumping Competitions. Spectators welcomed, many events, food, shopping boutiques. Adults \$5, children \$3. Manchester & The Mountains July 30-Aug 4. Harold Beebe Farm, 2971 Rt. 7. (802) 362-7548.

EAST HARDWICK. Annual Phlox Fest. Over 130 phlox blooming, garden tours, guest speakers, door prizes. Perennial Pleasures Nursery and Tea Garden, 63 Brick House Rd. (802) 472-5104. annex@perennialpleasures.net, www.perennialpleasures.net. July 28 - August 11.

EAST THETFORD. Cedar Circle Farm and Education Center. A certified organic, fifty-acre vegetable and berry farm. Flowers, hanging baskets, tender greens. Pick-your-own blueberries in season. Coffee Shop (with wireless internet) open 8-5, farm stand open 10-6. Cedar Circle Farm & Education Center, 225 Pavillion Rd. off Rt. 5. (802) 785-4737. growing@cedarcirclefarm.org. www.cedarcirclefarm.org. Open through October.

EAST CHARLESTON. North Woods Stewardship Center. Programs, workshops and special events in all seasons. Public is welcome. 154 Leadership Dr. (802) 723-6551. www.northwoodscenter.org.

FAIRFIELD. President Chester Arthur Historic Site. Open Sat. and Sun. and Mon. holidays 11 am - 5 pm. Donation appreciated. 455 Chester Arthur Rd. (802) 933-9362. historicites.vermont.gov. July 4 thru October 14.

FAIR HAVEN. Concerts in the Park. Free admission. 7 pm at the town park. (802) 265-3010. www.fairhavenvt.org. Every Thursday through August 22.

FAIRLEE. Outdoor Flea Market. Every Saturday & Sunday, weather permitting. 20 vendors selling antiques, collectibles, crafts and treasures. 7:30 am - 3 pm. Also Thursday, July 4th. Free. Railroad Station, Main St., Rt. 5. (802) 333-4809. Thru October 13.

FERRISBURGH. New Exhibit: "Free and Safe—The Underground Railroad in Vermont." This exhibit will introduce you to Simon and Jesse, two fugitives from slavery who were sheltered at Rokeby in the 1830s. Admission \$10 adults, \$9 seniors, \$8 students, children under 5 free. Rokeby Museum, 4334 Rt. 7. (802) 877-3406. rokeby@comcast.net. www.rokeby.org. Open through October 27.

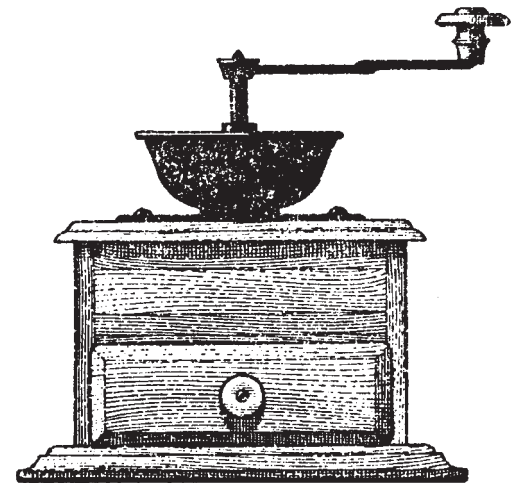
GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Museum, One of the largest collections of some of the biggest puppets in the world housed in a 100-foot-long converted dairy barn built in 1863. Open 10 am – 6 pm and after shows, daily. Bread and Puppet Farm, Rt. 122. (802) 525-3031. www.breadandpuppet.org. Open through November 1.

GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Theater Presents *The Total This&That Circus and Pageant in Two Parts—Part 1 This, Part 2 That.* Followed by guest performers Erik Ruin and Maryann Collela performing their toy theater show, *One Touch Of Nature Makes the Whole World Kin.* Free admission, donations welcome. 2:30 at The Bread and Puppet Farm, Rt. 122. (Also see *Shatterer of Worlds* August 16 & 23 in the Paper Mache Cathedral at 7:30 pm.) (802) 525-3031. www.breadandpuppet.org. Continues each Sunday August 4 through August 25.

GLOVER. Sacred Harp/Shape Note Sing. Early American songs in the fa-sol-la tradition. Free. All welcome to sing and/or listen. 7:30 pm in the Paper-Mache Cathedral on the Bread and Puppet Farm, Rt. 122. For more information call Elka at (802) 525-6972. www.breadandpuppet.org. Every Tuesday in August.

GLOVER. The Museum of Everyday Life. Exhibition, "Healing Engine of Emergency—the incredible story of the Safety Pin." 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. museumofeverydaylife.org.

GRAFTON. The Vermont Museum of Mining and Minerals features displays and specimens from all over the Green Mountain State and around the world. Open Saturdays, Sundays and major holidays, Memorial Day through mid-October, 10 am – 12 pm & 1-4 pm, or by appointment. 55 Pleasant St. (802) 875-3562. www.vtmmm.org.



Birding Hot Spots in Rutland County

Rutland County Audubon is developing a list of places to bird in our area—places that are special to us.

The Pleasant Street Powerline in West Rutland is one of them, not far from West Rutland Marsh. The powerline attracts some habitat-specific

species, many of which nest in the open, shrubby area. Both Golden-winged and Blue-winged warblers can be found with the occasional Brewster's hybrid.

Prairie Warbler is another specialty of the powerline. Other warblers that frequent

the area include Black-and-white, Chestnut-sided, American Redstart and Common Yellowthroat. American Kestrel can be seen perched on the power lines and Wood and Hermit thrush can be heard in the woods that line the powerline.

The bouncing ball song of the Field Sparrow can be heard as well as the song of the Eastern Towhee. Brown Thrasher is also recorded at this spot.

The best times to visit the powerline are early May through late June. As with any place that birders visit often, however, rarities can turn up anytime.



To get there, continue past the marsh boardwalk. At the next intersection, turn right onto Pleasant St. The power station will be up on the left. At the second curve in the road, you can park (taking care not to block the gate). Walk south on the power line, away from power station. You will not need to walk far.

For more information visit Rutland County Audubon Society's website at www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.



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Vermont Country Calendar

GRAFTON. The Nature Museum at Grafton. Programs for all ages. Hands-on exhibits, dioramas, mounted specimen, wildlife garden. Hiking trails in the Village Park behind the Museum. Admission \$5 adults, \$4 seniors and students, \$3 children ages 3 to 12, 2 and under free, \$15 for families. Open Thurs, Sat & Sun 10 am – 4 pm. 186 Townshend Rd. (802) 843-2111. www.nature-museum.org.

GRAFTON. Grafton Ponds Outdoor Center. A year-round recreation center. Mountain biking, bike terrain park, hiking, canoeing. 783 Townshend Rd. (802) 843-2400. graftonponds.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.

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 \$2, children 14 years and under free. Open 9:30 am – 5 pm. Thurs. – Sun., and Monday holidays. 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. historicsites.vermont.gov/Hubbardton. *Open through October 14.*

HUNTINGTON. Birds of Vermont Museum. Features over 500 carved wooden birds, representing 259 species. Museum, special events and bird walks, children's programs, gift shop, video, restrooms and trails with maps available. Admission: adult \$6, senior \$5, child 3-17 \$3. May 1 through October 31, 10 am – 4 pm. November 1 through April 30, open by appointment. The Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. www.birdsofvermont.org.

LEBANON, NH. Listen Community Dinner. Nutritious free meals served from 5–5:30 pm every Tuesday and Thursday. At Sacred Heart Church on Hough St. (603) 448-4553. www.listencs.org.

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, Mon-Fri. 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 first Tuesday of each month and is open to all levels. 11:30 am – 1:30 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.

LUDLOW. Ludlow Farmers Market. Do some alternative grocery shopping for fresh local products, get ready-made dinner items, buy a charming little gift, or just have a snack. It's fresh food time! 4-7 pm. Okemo Mountain School, 53 Main St. (802) 734-3829. www.ludlowfarmersmarket.org. *Every Friday thru October 11.*

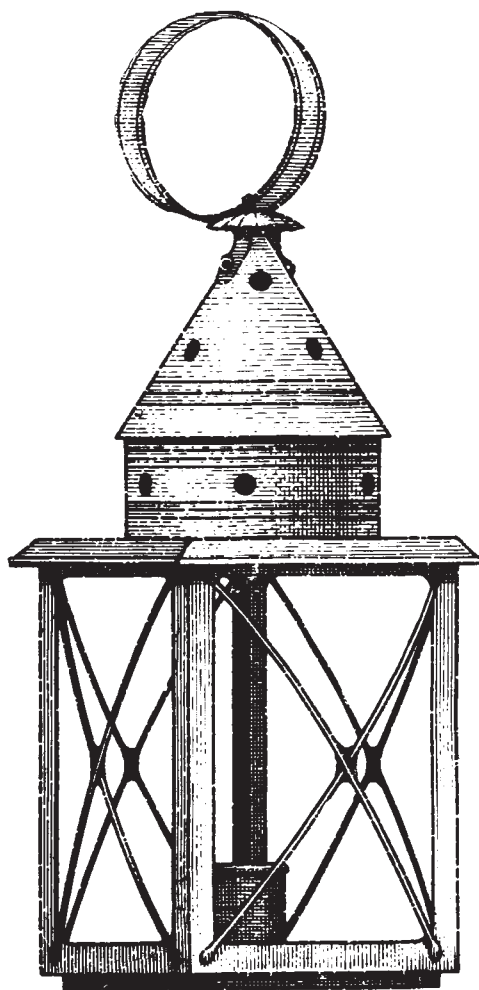
LUDLOW. Black River Academy Museum. Exhibits and programs. Admission \$2, seniors and students \$1. Summer hours: Tues-Sat 12-4 pm. 14 High St. (802) 228-5050. info@bramvt.org. www.bramvt.org.

LUDLOW. 8th Annual Summer Music Series at Jackson Gore. Bring your lawn chairs and a Frisbee, enjoy warm summer sunsets with great music, a cold beverage, and friends and family. Sponsored by the Springfield Medical Care Systems. Free. 6-9 pm at Okemo Mountain Resort's Jackson Gore, Okemo Ridge Rd. (802) 228-1600. *Every Friday through August 30.*

LYME, NH. Flea Market on the Lyme, NH Common. 9 am to 4 pm. Sponsored by the Lyme Boy Scout Troop 273. Find Bargains or set up your booth. Questions please call (603) 795-2897 or (802) 333-4625. *Last Saturdays through September.*

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.svac.org.

MANCHESTER. Hills Alive! A Festival of the Arts in Southern Vermont. World-class stage productions and concerts in southern Vermont venues. A dozen presenters from Bennington north to Weston will be on stage with drama, comedies, classical and bluegrass music performances. Admission. (802) 362-6313. info@hillsalive.org. www.hillsalive.org. *Through August 3.*



MANCHESTER. Visit Historic Hildene, the summer home of Robert Todd Lincoln. Special activities, lectures, bird walks, museum store, visitor's center, and walking trails. Tickets: \$16 adults, \$5 youth under 14, children under 6 free. Grounds pass: \$5 adults, \$3 youth, children under 6 free. Open daily 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Historic Hildene is off Rt. 7A, just south of the village. (802) 362-1788. info@hildene. www.hildene.org.

MANCHESTER CENTER. Manchester Farmers Market. Accepts EBT and debit cards. Thursdays 3-6 pm. Adams Park, Rt. 7A North, downtown. Contact Nicole Henry, (802) 353-3539. mfmvt@yahoo.com. *Through October 3, 2013.*

MANCHESTER CENTER. Tuesday Concerts on the Green. Come join us every Tuesday night from 6-8 pm. Free. (802) 362-6313. www.visitmanchestervt.com. *Through August 20.*

MARLBORO. Marlboro Music Festival. Concerts on Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons from July 13–August 11, and on Friday evenings August 2 and August 9. For more information go to www.marlbromusic.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, under 5 free. Open 10 am – 5 pm seven days a week through October 31. Open weekends in the winter. Rt. 9, Hogback Mountain. (802) 464-0048. museum@sover.net. www.vermontmuseum.org.

MIDDLEBURY. Henry Sheldon Museum of Vermont. 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. Spring hours: Tues-Sat 10 am – 5 pm. Summer/fall hours: Tues-Sat 10 am – 5 pm and Sun 1-5 pm. Henry Sheldon Museum of Vermont History, 1 Park St. (803) 388-2117. www.henrysheldonmuseum.org.

MIDDLEBURY. Middlebury Art Walk. Visit downtown Middlebury on the second Friday of every month. 5 to 7 pm. Downtown Middlebury & Marble Works, Main Street & Merchants Row. (802) 388-7951 x 2. info@middleburyartwalk.com. www.middleburyartwalk.com.

MIDDLEBURY. Vermont Folklife Center. Exhibits, gallery, archives & research center, programs, and Heritage Shop. Free admission. Open Mon-Sat, 10 am – 5 pm, Sun 11 am – 4 pm. At 88 Main St., downtown. (802) 388-4964. www.vermontfolklifecenter.org.

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

MONTPELIER. Bethany Bowl. A community meal that is free to all. 9 am – 2 pm. At the Fellowship Hall, Bethany Church, 115 Main St. (802) 223-2424. www.bethanychurchvt.org. *Every Tuesday.*

MONTPELIER. Capital City Farmers' Market. 9 am – 1 pm. Every Saturday. 60 State St. (802) 223-2958. montpelierfarmersmarket.com. *Through October.*

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But heart-held. The things he cannot bring
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We notice, with a knowing nod, the way he turned his head
So we might hear so clearly the kindness left unsaid.



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MONTPELIER. Special Exhibit: Plowing Old Ground—Vermont's Organic Farming Pioneers. Agricultural writer Susan Harlow and farmer/photographer John Nopper have documented the stories of Vermont's pioneer organic farmers. Black and white photographs with narratives collected from oral history interviews. Exhibit open Tues-Sat 10 am - 4 pm. Vermont History Museum, 109 State St. (802) 828-2291. www.vermonthistory.org.

NEWFANE. Museum of The Historical Society of Windham County. Free. Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday noon - 5 pm (also by appointment). On the Newfane Common. *Through October 13.*

NORWICH. Norwich Farmers' Market. 9 am - 1 pm. Rt. 5 South. (802) 384-7447. www.norwichfarmersmarket.org. *Saturdays starting May 4.*

NORWICH. Montshire Museum of Science. Exhibits, trails, programs, and museum store open 10 am - 5 pm daily. Admission \$12 adults, \$10 children 2-17, under 2 free. One Montshire Rd. (802) 649-2200. www.montshire.org.

ORWELL. Mount Independence State Historic Site. Open daily, 9:30 - 5:30. Admission \$5 for adults, free for children under 15. 497 Mount Independence Rd, (802) 948-2000. historicsites.vermont.gov. *Through October 14.*

PERU. Bromley's Sun Mountain Adventure Park. Aerial Adventure Park and Sun Mountain Flyer. 22 rides & attractions for every member of the family. Party on our Sun Deck with great food and drink specials from 5 pm 'til close. At Bromley Mountain Ski Resort, 3984 VT Rt. 11. (802) 824-5522.

PITTSFORD. New England Maple Museum. World's largest maple museum. Tour through Vermont's famous maple industry and visit our gift shop. Admission: adults \$5, children \$1. Open 8:30 am - 5:30 pm daily. New England Maple Museum, 4578 Rt. 7, north of the village. (802) 483-9414. info@maplemuseum.com. www.maplemuseum.com.

PITTSFORD. Pittsford Farmers Market. Accepting Farm to Family coupons. Saturdays 10 am to 2 pm. at the New England Maple Museum, 4578 US Rt. 7. (802) 483-6351 or email kfield16@yahoo.com. *Through October.*

PLAINFIELD. Monthly Sacred Harp Sing. A free event, with beginners and loaner books available. The second Sunday of every month 3-5 pm at the Community Center above the Co-op. For more information, contact Lynnette Combs at (802) 426-3850. lynnettecombs@gmail.com.

PLYMOUTH NOTCH. President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site. Adults \$7.50, children 6 to 14 \$2, under 6 free. Family pass \$20. Open 9:30 am - 5 pm daily. 3780 Rt. 100A. (802) 672-3773. historicsites.vermont.gov. *May 25 - October 20.*

POULTNEY. Lakes Region Farmers Market, Thursdays from 9 am to 2 pm. www.poultneyvt.com. *Through October 3.*

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.

PROCTOR. Wilson Castle Guided Historic Tours. Daily from 9 am - 5 pm. Adults \$10; children ages 6-12, \$6; ages 6 and under free. Wilson Castle, 2708 West St. (802) 773-3284. www.wilsoncastle.com. *Through mid-October.*

QUECHEE. Vermont Institute of Natural Science Nature Center. Exhibits, programs, nature trail, nature store. Admission: adults \$12, seniors \$11, youth (4-17) \$10. 10 am - 5 pm, 7 days a week. VINS Nature Center, 6565 Woodstock Rd., Rt. 4, 1/4 mile west of Quechee Gorge. (802) 359-5000.

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

RANDOLPH. The Randolph Farmers Market. Accepting EBT cards. 9 am - 1 pm every Saturday on Center Street. Barb Meaney (802) 728-6329 or Art Rollins (802) 728-9123. randfarmmarket@yahoo.com. *Through October 12.*

ROCHESTER. Art Exhibit. Folk Vision: Folk Art from New England and Beyond open from July 31 through October 5. Reception August 18 at 3 pm; at 4 pm An Afternoon with Vermont Filmmaker Jay Craven. Wed-Fri 10-5; Sat 12-5; Sun-Tues by appointment. BigTown Gallery, 99 N. Main St. (802) 767-9670. bigtowngallery.com. *Through October 5.*

ROCHESTER. Contra Dance. Live music. Admission at door. 7:30-10 pm. At Pierce's Hall, Main St. *Third Thursdays through September.*

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RUTLAND. Chaffee Art Center—Rutland Area Art Association. Exhibits, classes, workshops, open studio evenings, gift shop. Gallery open Tues-Sat 10 am to 5 pm. 16 South Main St. (802) 775-0356. chaffeeartcenter.org.

RUTLAND. Chaffee Downtown Art Center. Exhibits, workshops, classes. Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 11 am - 6 pm, Friday and Saturday 11:30 am - 7 pm. Chaffee Downtown Art Center, 75 Merchant's Row. (802) 775-0356. www.chaffeeartcenter.org.

RUTLAND. The Rutland City Band Sunday Concerts. Free. 7-8:30 pm in the gazebo in Main Street Park, corner of Main St. (Rt. 7) and West St. (802) 773-1853. www.rutlandrec.com. *Every Sunday through August 18.*

RUTLAND. Wednesday Concerts in the Park. Bring a picnic basket, family and friends and enjoy a summer evening of music. Free admission. 7-8:30 pm at the gazebo in Main Street Park at the corner of Main St. (Rt. 7) and West St. (802) 282-1092. www.rutlandrec.com. *Every Wednesday through August 7.*

RUTLAND. Trinity Episcopal Church invites everyone to join us for a hot lunch every fourth Saturday of the month. By donation, if able. 11:30 am - 1 pm. Nourse Hall, 85 West St. (802) 775-4368.

RUTLAND. Rutland Farmers Market. Saturdays 9 am - 2 pm, Tuesdays 3-6 pm, Downtown Rutland's Depot Park. (802) 773-4813, (802) 753-7269. www.vtfarmersmarket.org. *Through October.*

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. \$10. Pyramid Holistic Wellness Center, 120 Merchants Row. For reservations call (802) 775-8080. www.pyramidvt.com.

RUTLAND. Castleton Downtown Gallery. Free admission. Open Mon, Wed, Sat 1-6 pm, Fri 1-7 pm. Center Street Alley. For info call Bill Ramage at (802) 468-1266.

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

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SOUTH WALLINGFORD. Bingo every Wednesday at 6 pm, doors open at 4 pm. There will be a jackpot! Maple Valley Grange #318 Hall, Rt. 7. (802) 446-2872. www.wallingfordvt.com.

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, activities, and a convention August 8-11. Springfield Telescope Makers, Inc., PO Box 601, Springfield, VT 05156. Webmaster@Stellafane.com. www.stellafane.com.

SPRINGFIELD. Exhibits: "Changing Gears." Solo Digital Art Exhibition by Gloria King Merritt. Also paintings by Henry Anthony Swierczynski. Free. Mon-Fri, 9 am - 5 pm. The Great Hall, 100 River St. (802) 436-2200. marketingvermont@gmail.com. www.gloriakingmerritt.com. *Through August 23.*

SPRINGFIELD. Gallery at the VAULT. A Vermont State Craft Center. Exhibits, classes, workshops. Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 11 am - 5 pm. 68 Main St. (802) 885-7111. www.galleryvault.org.

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.

STOWE. Art on Park. Look for the white tents on Park Street and a wide variety of artist and artisans—jewelers, potters, painters, fiber artists, homeopaths and more. Live music and local food vendors. Free. 5:30-8:30 pm. (802) 793-2101. www.stoweibrancy.com. *Through August 29.*

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. The Stephen Huneck Gallery at Dog Mountain and Dog Chapel. Free. Open Mon-Sat 10 am - 4 pm and Sun 11 am - 4 pm. The Stephen Huneck Gallery at Dog Mountain, 143 Parks Rd. off Spaulding Rd. (802) 748-2700. info@dogmt.com. www.dogmt.com.

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WAITSFIELD. Vermont Festival of the Arts. Over a hundred events every day in August. Check the website for details. Throughout the Mad River Valley. (802) 496-6682. info@vermontartfest.com. www.vermontartfest.com. *August 1 through September 2.*

WALLINGFORD. Men's Breakfast. First Sundays at 9 am. First Congregational Church, S. Main St., Rt. 7. (802) 446-2872. www.wallingfordvt.com.

WARREN. Big Red Barn Art Show. Fine art by more than thirty Valley artists. Free. 12-9 pm. Closed Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Big Red Barn Gallery at Lareau Farm, 48 Lareau Rd. (802) 496-6682. info@vermontartfest.com. www.vermontartfest.com. *August 1 through September 2.*

WELLS. The Wells Village Farmers Market. 9 am to 1 pm Saturdays thru Oct. at Wells Country Store, Wells Four Corner on Route 30. For more information call Helen Wood at (802) 325-3478.

WEST NEWBURY. Eastern Square Dance. Traditional singing squares, waltzes, polkas, foxtrots, two-steps, Virginia Reel, Portland Fancy, Paul Jones, others. All dances taught. With Adam Boyce, fiddler/caller, Donna Weston on piano. Admission by donation, all ages welcome. 8 pm at the Community Hall at 219 Tyler Farm Rd. (802) 429-2316 or adamrboyce@juno.com. *Fourth Saturdays.*

WEST PAWLET. West Pawlet Community Farmers Market Every Friday from 4-7 pm, indoors and outdoors, year-round. West Pawlet Fish & Game Club (next to the Post Office), 2849 Rt.153. wpcfmkt@gmail.com. Facebook.

WEST RUTLAND. Reiki Healings. Herbal remedies and teas, crystals and stones. All are welcome. Vermont Herbal General Store, 518 Main St. (802) 438-2766. 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.

WEST TOWNSHEND. 6th Annual Townshend Farmers Market. Rain or shine. Look for us in the big white church just next to the store during stormy weather! At West Townshend Country Store at the intersection of Rt. 30 and Windham Hill Rd. (802) 869-2141. farmersmarket@postoilutions.org. postoilutions.org. *Fridays through mid-October.*



WESTON. Musical: Loving Leo by Zach Redler & Sara Cooper. Weekly on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, until August 3. Then the musical: This Blessed Plot. Tuesday thru Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm; Saturday matinees at 2 pm; Sunday matinee at 3 pm. Weekly Tuesday-Sunday, August 15 through September 1. \$28. Weston Rod and Gun Club, 982 Rt. 100. (802) 824-5288.

WESTON. Musical: 42nd Street. Tuesday thru Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm; Wednesday and Saturday matinees at 2 pm; Sunday matinee at 3 pm. Ticket Prices: \$25-\$61. Weston Playhouse, 703 Main St. (802) 824-5288. www.westonplayhouse.org. *Weekly Tues-Sun until August 24.*

WESTON. Cruise-In at The Vermont Country Store. Take a spin down memory lane in your classic car or truck and receive a maple creemee on us. It's a great way to show off your ride, meet other drivers and enjoy the best soft serve around. Free admission. 5:30-7:30 pm, the last Monday of the month thru September. Mildred's Dairy Bar, 657 Main St. (802) 362-5950. *July 29, August 26 & September 30.*

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. White River Flyer Summer Train Rides. Departs 12 pm for Cedar Circle Farm in Thetford for a half hour layover. Brief stop at Montshire Museum at 12:15. Passengers staying at the museum will reboard for White River Junction at 2:15 pm, arriving at 2:30 pm. You can also board at the museum at 12:15 pm, travel to Cedar Circle Farm, and return to the museum at 2:15 pm. Beer and wine tasting events offered on Thursday for an additional \$17.50. Tickets \$10-\$25. For reservations call (800) 707-3530. www.rails-vt.com. *Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays July 25 thru August 29.*

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.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Listen Community Dinner. Free nutritious meals served 5-6 pm every Monday and Wednesday. Take-home available. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 749 Hartford Ave. (603) 398-2780. listencs.org.

WILMINGTON. Scenic Horseback Trail Rides. \$25/40 minutes. Children over 6 can ride alone. Pont rides for younger children. Year round by reservation. Flames Stables, Rt. 100 south. (802) 464-8329.

WINDSOR. Framers Market. Accepts EBT and debit cards. Sunday 11:30 am to 2:30 pm on the State Street Common (across from the library). Cecile Corr, (802) 698-3642. cjdem39@yahoo.com. windsorfarmersmarket.blogspot.com. *Through October 27.*

WINDSOR. Cider Hill Gardens & Gallery. Group Pottery Show of Distinguished Local Potters, August 16 through September 15. Open July through September Thursday-Sunday 10 am - 6 pm. At 1747 Hunt Rd., off State St. (800) 232-4337. ciderhillgardens.com. flowers@ciderhillgardens.com. www.garymilek.com.

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 Sunday of each month.*

WINDSOR. Old Constitution House State Historic Site. Where on July 8, 1777 the first Constitution of the Free and Independent State of Vermont was adopted at the Elijah West Tavern. Now a museum in commemoration of the event. \$2.50, children 14 and under free. Sat, Sun & Mon Holidays, 11 am - 5 pm. Old Constitution House, 16 Main St. (802) 672-3773. historicsites.vermont.gov. *Thru Oct 14.*

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WOODSTOCK. Art workshops, classes, special events. ArtisTree Community Art Center, 1206 Rt. 12. (802) 457-3500. info@artistreevt.org. www.artistreevt.org.

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm & Museum. Premiere Jersey dairy farm, restored 1890 farmhouse, family programs, festivities and museum. Time Travel Tuesdays every Tuesday through August 20—A hands-on experience of daily life in 1890. Wagon Ride Wednesdays—Horse-drawn wagon rides every Wednesday through September 25. Foodways Fridays—late 19th and early 20th-century recipes, every Friday through October 18. Admission \$12 adults, \$11 seniors, \$6 children 5-15, \$3 children 3 & 4. Open April 27–October 31, 10 am – 5 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org.

WOODSTOCK. 27th Annual Quilt Exhibition. Juried exhibition of quilts made exclusively in Windsor County. Quilting demonstrations, programs, and activities for children and adults. 10 am - 5 pm. Admission: adults \$12, age 62 & up \$11, children ages 5-15 \$6, 3-4 \$3, under 3 free. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. August 1 through September 22.

WOODSTOCK. Woodstock Market on the Green. In the village, Rt. 4. Wednesdays 3-6 pm. Accepts EBT and debit cards. Lalita Karoli and Cathy Emmon. lalitakaroli@yahoo.com. www.woodstockvt.com. Through October 9.

WOODSTOCK. Hand-in-Hand Community Meal. All are welcome. Free, donations accepted. Every Thursday, 5-7 pm in the Social Hall of the Unitarian Church, 7 Church St. (802) 457-2557. [wordpress.com](http://www.wordpress.com). Also August 1.

FRIDAY, JULY 26

BARRE. Barre Heritage Festival and Homecoming Days. 10 am - 4 pm. (802) 839-5451. barreheritagefestival.org. Through July 28.

JOHNSON. 52nd Annual Lamoille County Field Days. Lamoille County Field Days Fair Grounds, 203 Wilson Rd. (802) 635-7113. www.lamoillefelddays.com. Through July 28.

POULTNEY. Shakespeare On Main Street: "A Comedy of Errors." 7 pm at Green Mountain College's Ackley Theatre on July 26, 27, 28 and August 1, 2, & 3. Sunday matinee August 4 at 2 pm. (802) 287-2581. www.poultneyvt.com.

SHELBURNE. Vermont Balloon and Craft Festival. Admission. 10-5 Friday, 10-10 Saturday, 10-7 Sunday. Shelburne Museum, Rt. 7. (802) 425-3399. info@craftproducers.com. www.vtfest.com. Through July 28.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Murder Mystery Train. Doors open 8:30 am, depart at 9:30 am. Tickets: \$42.50, train ride only \$25, child \$20, box lunch \$15. For reservations call (800) 707-3530. www.rails-vt.com.

WOODSTOCK. 5th Annual Bookstock—The Green Mountain Literary Festival. Five local authors speak. Reception at 5:30 pm at ArtisTree. Huge book sale opens at 9 a.m. Free. (802) 457-2996. shiretownbooks@gmail.com. www.bookstockvt.org. Also July 27 & 28.

SATURDAY, JULY 27

BARRE. Barre Heritage Festival and Homecoming Days. Parade at 2 pm. Fireworks 9 pm. (802) 839-5451. barreheritagefestival.org. Through July 28.

BELMONT. A Sense of Place: Vermont's Farm Legacy. This lecture, by Gregory Sharrow, explores the fabric of farm culture in the past and probes its relationship to the world of Vermont today. Free. 2 pm. Mount Holly Town Library, 26 Maple Hill Rd. (802) 259-2318. vermonthumanities.org.

EAST THETFORD. Community Cannery Day. Work alongside kitchen staff to can the day's crop and go home with your share of the product. Four hours commitment required; light snack served at end of day. No canning experience required. Free, pre-registration required. 11 am - 3 pm. Cedar Circle Farm, Pavillion Rd. off Rt. 5. (802) 785-4737. www.CedarCircleFarm.org.

GLOVER. Annual Glover Day. Treats, games, sales, and live entertainment. Cotton candy for the young and the young at heart. Runaway Pond Road Race for runners and walkers, and the Tour de Glover Mountain Bike Race. Bread and Puppet parade at 11 am. Glover Historical Society's 200th Anniversary celebration of the Runaway Pond event. Glover Library Annual Book Sale. On the green in Glover village. (802) 525-4760. grecreation.org.

KILLINGTON. Killington Music Festival's Music in the Mountains Concert: Cello World. Works of Brahms, Fitzenhagen, Fauré and Beethoven will be performed. \$20. 7 pm. Rams Head Lodge, Killington Resort. (802) 422-1330. killingtonmusicfestival.org. Saturdays through August 3.

SHELBURNE. Green Mountain Draft Horse Field Day. Watch draft horses plowing, haying and logging, chat with teamsters, meet some mini horses, and hop on a wagon ride. Free with admission to the property. 11 am - 2 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org.

WEST DOVER. Vermont Blueberry Festival. Blueberry Parade 10:30 am. Blueberry Ball 7pm. Saturday, August 3, 6pm: Blueberry Block Party. Adm. Mount Snow. 39 Mount Snow Road. (802) 464-8092. Through August 4.

WOODSTOCK. 5th Annual Bookstock—The Green Mountain Literary Festival. Keynote speakers at Town Hall Theatre. Over 20 authors and acclaimed poets. Music, food, festivities. Huge book sale. Free. (802) 457-2996. shiretownbooks@gmail.com. www.bookstockvt.org. Also July 28.

WOODSTOCK. Hay Day. Traditional haying techniques including cutting, raking, and tedding with Billings Farm's draft horses. Narrated horse-drawn wagon rides, plus switchel, the haymaker's drink. 10 am - 5 pm. Adults \$12, age 62 & up \$11, children ages 5-15 \$6, 3-4 \$3, under 3 free. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org.

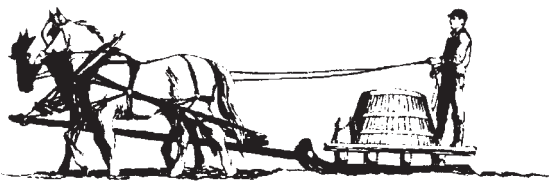
SUNDAY, JULY 28

BELLOWS FALLS. Festival of Mandolin Chamber Music Concert. Featuring participants and faculty after a three-day mandolin-guitar workshop. Free. 3 pm at Immanuel Retreat Center & Stone Church, 14 Church St. www.immanuelretreat.org.

CHESTER. Book & Author Event. Sue Halpern discusses her book, *A Dog Walks into a Nursing Home—Lessons in the Good Life from an Unlikely Teacher*. Pransky, her Labradoodle will be there. Free. 4 pm at Misty Valley Books, on the Green. (802) 875-3400. www.mvbooks.com.

FAIR HAVEN. 7th Annual History Day sponsored by the Historical Society. Music, food, crafters, farmer's market, free activities for young and old and old art forms demonstrated. 11 am - 3 pm in the Fair Haven Park. (802) 265-4115.

ORWELL. An Inquiry into the Revolutionary Mind. Modern day historian Paul Andrisic turns the time machine back to the Revolutionary War to interview Dr. Jonathan Potts of the Continental Army. 2 pm. Mount Independence, 497 Mount Independence Rd. (802) 948-2000. elsa.gilbertson@state.vt.us. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.



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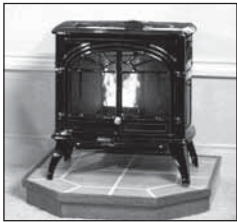
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What's new in Clarendon Vermont? Well, Judy Webster who has owned and managed the Clarendon General Store on Route 103 near the Rutland Airport for some 40 years has finally decided to slow down a little. In May she sold the store to Dennis and Loretta Clark, of Benson Vermont. They love bringing the place back to life.

The Clark's have remodeled the store in a big way. The addition of a delicatessen serving up terrific sandwiches on fresh baked rolls and breads is a huge hit. New shelving, floors, and the deli area come as a big shock to many of the customers who

have been coming to this store for many years. Loretta says "some people just walk in and stand in the doorway for a full minute before they say, simply, wow."

"The public response has been gratifying for us." Dennis says. "We spent far more than we expected with the remodel, going down to the studs and into the floors in many areas, adding support throughout, and meeting the health and zoning codes. In the end we had to go back to the bank but we're thrilled that the response has been so overwhelming."

The Clarks also own the Benson Village Store in Ben-

son, VT. The addition of a second store helps them meet the most economical buying level that their supplier offers.

The new name is Loretta's Good Food Deli and Grocery. Dennis said, "The owner will be in the store everyday, the store will always be clean, the food will be fresh, and we will strive to meet each customer's need—pleasantly, politely, and in a timely manner. This simple theory has worked for us in the Benson Store, and we expect it will in Clarendon."

The store will carry quite an extensive line of groceries for it's size, and also a small

selection of fresh meats and a full Mckenzie Deli.

They offer great breakfast sandwiches, quality cold cuts, subs and sandwiches, fresh baked muffins and donuts, New England Coffee, and wine and beer. Fresh rolls and breads will be baked throughout the day, both for sandwiches and retail.

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POULTNEY. Band Concert on The East Poultny Green. Everyone welcome! 6:30-7:30 pm. (802) 287-5185. www.poultneyvt.com.

PUTNEY. 11th Annual Twilight on the Tavern Lawn Concert with Simba. Free. 5:30 pm on the Putney Tavern lawn (bring a lawn chair or blanket) or at Next Stage at 15 Kimball Hill in case of rain. (802) 387-5772. www.twilightmusic.org. Also August 11 & 25.

WOODSTOCK. 5th Annual Bookstock—The Green Mountain Literary Festival. Tribute to Marcel Marceau by Circus Smirkus's Rob Merwin. Screening of Northern Borders. Literary Brunch at Bentley's at 11:30 am (pay for food and drink). Free. (802) 457-2996. shiretownbooks@gmail.com. www.bookstockvt.org.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

ROCHESTER. Art Exhibit. Folk Vision: Folk Art from New England and Beyond open from July 31 through October 5. Reception August 18 at 3 pm. BigTown Gallery, 99 N. Main St. (802) 767-9670. www.bigtowngallery.com.

WOODSTOCK. Wagon Ride Wednesdays: Horse-drawn wagon rides. 11 am - 2 pm. Adults \$12, age 62 & up \$11, children ages 5-15 \$6, 3-4 \$3, under 3 free. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org. Every Wednesday through September 25.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

ADDISON. An Evening to Remember. Enjoy the museum, music by the Seth Warner Mt. Independence Fife & Drum Corps and the Toss the Feathers fellas, children's activities, visit with costumed personages from Chimney Point's past, and play period games. 6-8 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 VT Route 17W. (802) 759-2412. www.historicsites.vermont.gov/chimneypoint.

CHESTER. Summer Concert Series: Gerry Grimo and the East Bay Jazz Ensemble play big band sounds. Bring blankets and lawn chairs. Free. 6:30-8 pm. Academy Building lawn in downtown Chester. In case of inclement weather, concert will move to The Stone Hearth Inn on Route 11 West. Free. (802) 875-3400. mvbooks@vermontel.net. www.mvbooks.com.

HIGHGATE. 38th Annual Franklin County Field Days. A country fair that features the finest of Franklin County. Bands, demolition derby, ox pulling, parade, truck pull, gymkhana, draft horse show. Midway. Admission \$10. Airport Rd. (802) 527-1026. franklincountyfielddays.org. Through August 4.

LUDLOW. Book Launch Event: Stephen Seitz's introduces *Secrets Can't Be Kept Forever*. Free. 4-6 pm. The Book Nook, 136 Main St. (802) 228-3236. www.thebooknookvt.com.

MANCHESTER CENTER. Book & Author Event: David Gumbert, *Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Food Rights: The Escalating Battle Over Who Decides What We Eat*. Free. 7 pm. Northshire Bookstore, 4869 Main St. (802) 362-2200. www.northshire.com.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

BELLOWS FALLS. Creative Cello Concert. Eugene Friesen will perform his personal techniques including "Afro-Pizz," a double-handed pizzicato technique. Admission. 7:30 pm. Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St. (802) 463-3100. Also August 3.

BENNINGTON. Southern Vermont Annual Art and Craft Festival. Admission. 10-5 Friday and Saturday, 10-4 Sunday. Camelot Village, Rt. 9 West. (802) 362-0150. www.craftproducers.com. Through August 4.

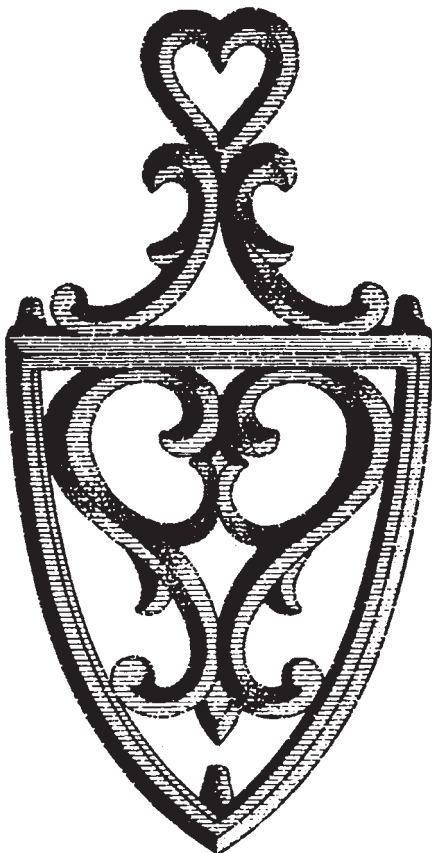
CANAAN. 65th Annual Sugar-on-Snow Festival. Good food, music and snow with maple from our own mountains. Free. Friday afternoon into evening. Fletcher Park, Canaan Town Common. (802) 266-3933. kennstransky@gmail.com. www.gracecanaan.com.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

BRANDON. Yard Sale Day. Day-long event featuring sidewalk sales and town wide yard sales. 9 am, rain or shine. Map available Saturday morning at the Brandon Museum and Visitor Center Center (next to the church at the corner of Routes 7 and 73 West) and on-line at www.brandon.org. (802) 247-6401.

CROWN POINT, NY. Festival of Welsh Culture. Hosted by Crown Point State Historic Site. Music, dance, storytelling, and a theatrical performance based on a medieval Welsh tale. Moch Pryderi, the Welsh-American band from Fredericksburg, VA will perform, as will Siân Frick of Delaware, who instructs and leads participatory Welsh folk dancing, and Cindy Roser, the accomplished teller of tales. Picnic supper. Mettawee River Theatre Company will present an outdoor performance Taliesin at 8 pm. Bring your lawn chair and a picnic. Info: Thomas. Hughes@parks.ny.gov. rootsweb.ancestry.com/~vtpads.

GRANVILLE, NY. Concert: Gerdan. Music from the Carpatho-Rusyn mountain range in Eastern Europe, similar to the songs that were brought to the Slate Valley by Slovakian and Polish immigrants in the late 19th century. Admission. 2 pm. Slate Valley Museum, 17 Water St. (518) 642-1417. slatevalleymuseum.org.



KILLINGTON. Killington Music Festival Season Finale Concert in the Germanic Tradition. the music of Joseph Haydn, Duet in D Major; W. A. Mozart, Piano Trio in C Major; Ludwig van Beethoven, Sonata in D Major; and Franz Schubert, Piano Trio No. 1 in B-flat Major. Held at the RamsHead Lodge at 7pm. For tickets call (802) 442-1330. For info call (802) 773-4003. www.killingtonmusicfestival.org.

MORRISVILLE. Annual Children's Day and Lemonade Social. Play old Victorian games and enjoy fresh lemonade! 12-4 pm. Noyes House Museum, 122 Lower Main St. (802) 888-7617. noyeshousemuseum@gmail.com.

ORWELL. Natural History Afternoon for Children. Naturalist Sue Wetmore leads a fun afternoon exploring nature on the Mount. Dress for the weather and bring water. 1 pm. Mount Independence, 497 Mount Independence Rd. (802) 948-2000. elsa.gilbertson@state.vt.us. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

PLYMOUTH NOTCH. Plymouth Old Home Day. Join us for this long-time town tradition, which coincides this year with the 90th anniversary of Calvin Coolidge's "Homestead Inaugural." Wagon rides, chicken barbecue, barbershop quartet, sheep shearing, traditional craft demonstrations, and historic children's games. Adults \$7.50, children 6 to 14 \$2, under 6 free. Family pass \$20. 10 am - 4 pm. 3780 Rt. 100A. (802) 672-3773. historicsites.vermont.gov.

ROCHESTER. Summer Reading Series Presents Kellam Ayres & Vijay Seshadri. Free. 5:30 pm. BigTown Gallery, 99 N. Main St. (802) 767-9670. www.bigtowngallery.com.

WESTMINSTER WEST. Fourth Annual Northeast USA Rice Conference. Registration fee: \$50, \$60/couple, \$40/student. 9 am - 4 pm. Akaogi Farm, 27 Earthbridge Rd. (802) 434-4122. makaogi@gmail.com. nofavt.org. www.ricenortheasternus.org.

WOODSTOCK. Heritage Chicken Day. Learn about the unique traits of heritage chickens breeds. See newly hatched chicks and learn all about eggs. 10 am - 5 pm. Admission: adults \$12, age 62 & up \$11, children ages 5-15 \$6, 3-4 \$3, under 3 free. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

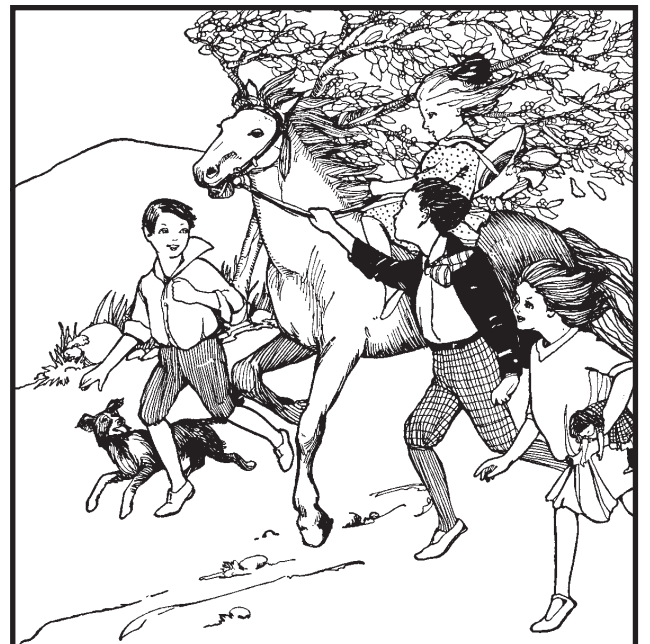
BURLINGTON. Dragon Boat Festival. Catch the spirit as 78 teams, compete in 41-ft long Dragon boats. Entertainment, food, a silent auction and cultural events. Free. 8 am - 3 pm. Burlington Waterfront Park. (802) 999-5478. www.survivorshipnowvt.org.

JAMAICA. Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival. Opening concert at 6 pm. Admission free, donations welcome. Jamaica Town Hall, Main St. Info: Susanna Loewy, (732) 586-5455. Through August 10.

LUDLOW. Earth Day Scrapbooking. Free, everyone welcome (please RSVP). 1-5 pm. The Book Nook, 136 Main St. (802) 228-3236. www.thebooknookvt.com.

ORWELL. Hike into History. Mount Independence Coalition president Stephen Zeoli leads a hike on the trails of the Mount. 2 pm. Mount Independence, 497 Mount Independence Rd. (802) 948-2000. elsa.gilbertson@state.vt.us. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

ROCHESTER. Rochester Chamber Music Society Concert. Vanessa Holroyd, flute and Peter Clemente, guitar will be performing works by Piazzola, Hoover, Bach and others. Admission by donation. 4 pm at the Rochester Federated Church, 15 N. Main St. (802) 767-9234.



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TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

NEW HAVEN. 65th Annual Addison County Fair & Field Days. Vermont's largest agricultural fair! Fairgrounds on Rt. 17. (802) 545-2557. www.addisoncountyfielddays.com. Through August 10.

RUTLAND. Get Down and Dirty with Four Winds Nature Institute. One hour of fun for ages kindergarten through 6th grade. Dress to get dirty. 3 pm. Fox Room, Rutland Free Library, 10 Court St. (802) 773-1860. www.rutlandfree.org.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

HUBBARDTON. Starry Starry Night. Members of the Green Mountain Alliance of Amateur Astronomers share their telescopes and knowledge. Bring blankets, flashlights, and your own binoculars or telescopes if you like. We provide the marshmallows. Inside program if inclement weather. Call to confirm. 8-10 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. www.Historicsites.vermont.gov.

JAMAICA. Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival. Evening concert at 7 p.m. Admission is free, donations are welcome. At the Jamaica Town Hall on Main Street. (732) 586-5455. pikesfallschambermusicfestival.com. Through August 10.

RUTLAND. Harp and Organ Duo Concert. Jennifer Hoult, harp and Bill Randolph, organ perform a program of virtuoso works for harp, organ, and harp-organ duo including Bill's fabulous solo arrangement of Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite. Freewill offering. 7 pm in the Sanctuary at Grace Church, 8 Court St. (802) 775-4301. www.gracechurchvt.org.

RUTLAND. Wednesday Concert in the Park. Enerjazz performs in the last concert of this season. Free. 7-8:30 pm at the gazebo in Main Street Park at the corner of Main St. (Rt. 7) and West St. (802) 282-1092. www.rutlandrec.com.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

CHESTER. Summer Concert Series: Chris Kleeman and his band perform old, traditional and Chicago blues. Bring blankets and lawn chairs. Free. 6:30-8 pm. Academy Building lawn in downtown Chester. In case of inclement weather, concert will move to The Stone Hearth Inn on Route 11 West. Free. (802) 875-3400. mvbooks@vermontel.net. www.mvbooks.com.

FAIR HAVEN. "Concert in the Park." The Moonlighters perform big band music. Free admission. 7 pm at the town park. (802) 265-3010. www.fairhavenvt.org. Each Thursday through August 22.

JAMAICA. Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival. Music/art collaboration for kids and young adults from 1-3 pm. Afternoon family concert 3 pm. Open rehearsal 4-6 pm. Community potluck with an open mic led by Jesse Loewy and play-in from 6-8 p.m. Admission is free of charge, but donations are welcome. At the Jamaica Town Hall on Main Street. For info contact Susanna Loewy at (732) 586-5455. pikesfallschambermusicfestival.com. Also August 10.

SPRINGFIELD. The 2013 Stellafane Convention—An Amateur Astronomy and Telescope Making Club. Keynote address: Comet Tales—Our changing view of these Cosmic Vagabonds by Guy Consolmagno at the Saturday Evening Program. Guy studies the physics of meteorites and asteroids and serves as Curator of Meteorites at the Vatican Observatory. Other workshops, lectures, swap tables and plenty to do. Stellafane is at Breezy Hill. For information and to register go to stellafane.org. For questions write Webmaster@Stellafane.org. Through August 11.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

BARRE. Ceal Moran's Fourth Annual Genealogy Day Get Together. Information and support for collecting family histories in Vermont. 12-8 pm. At the Barre Area Senior Center, 135 N. Main St. (802) 425-4929.

DANVILLE. The Danville Fair. This is truly a good ole country fair, starting with a street dance on Friday night. Carnival rides, games, fried food, home cooked food. Danville School, 148 Peacham Rd. (802) 684-3352. www.danvillevtchamber.org. Also August 10.

MANCHESTER. Famous Sidewalk Sales. Free shuttle bus around town. Free. 10 am - 6 pm. (802) 362-6313. www.visitmanchestervt.com. Through August 11.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

DANVILLE. The Danville Fair. This is truly a good ole country fair. Parade starting at 10 am through town, then followed by the Grand Horse Pulling as a major event drawing the best teams in the area. Carnival rides, games, fried food, home cooked food. Danville School, 148 Peacham Rd. (802) 684-3352. www.danvillevtchamber.org.

ENOSBURG FALLS. Franklin-Grand Isle County History Expo. Free admission, small charge for antique appraisals. 10 am - 3 pm. At The Opera House, 123 Depot St. (802) 933-2102. www.enosburghvermont.org.

JAMAICA. Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival. Closing concert at 7 pm. Admission is free of charge, but donations are welcome. At the Jamaica Town Hall on Main Street. (732) 586-5455. www.pikesfallschambermusicfestival.com.

JAY. 6th Annual Jay Summer Fest. Parade 10:30 am. Music tent, over 40 vendors, ice cream social, kids activities. Free parking. 9 am - 4 pm. Downtown. (802) 3435687. jayfocusgp@gmail.com. www.jayvt.com.

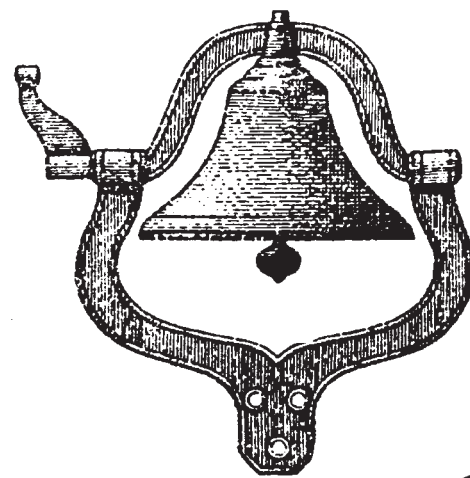
JEFFERSONVILLE. 4th Annual Festival of the Arts. Galleries, children's activities, delicious food and music. 10 am - 4 pm. Free. (802) 644-1960. cambridgeartsvt@gmail.com. www.cambridgeartsvt.org.

MANCHESTER CENTER. Writing workshop and reading with award-winning Vermont children's authors, Linda Urban and Jo Knowles. 9:30-11 am workshop, ages 10 and up (grownups welcome!). 11 am break, with refreshments. 11:30 am, open to the public: a joint reading with both authors, followed by Q&A and signing. Reservations required, admission \$5. Northshire Bookstore, 4869 Main St. (802) 362-2200. www.northshire.com.

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ROCHESTER. Summer Reading Series Presents John Elder & Woon-Ping Chin. Free. 5:30 pm. BigTown Gallery, 99 N. Main St. (802) 767-9670. www.bigtowngallery.com.

RUTLAND. The Chaffee Art Center's 52nd Annual Art in the Park Festival. Free admission. 10 am - 6 pm. Main Street Park at the junction of Rts. 4 & 7. (802) 775-0356. info@chaffeeartcenter.org. www.chaffeeartcenter.org. Also August 11.



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But now the LiLi is being manufactured for Bob-White Systems under a licensing agreement by the premier dairy processing equipment manufacturer of the north-east, Bruns Bros. of Gray,

Maine. Bruns has assured Bob-White that this version of the LiLi will be approved. The photo below is the first glimpse the world has ever seen of the LiLi. This is a sneak preview but it is a real beauty!

Bob-White Systems expects the first three to be delivered by the end of July. The mythic LiLi is now a reality. That's what it's all about.

Bob-White Systems provides farmstead dairy consulting services and affordable small-scale dairy equip-

ment for Micro-Dairies milking cows, sheep, goats and even water buffalo. Inspired by the slow food movement, Bob-White Systems supports local, farmstead dairy farmers across the country and aims to increase the availability of locally-produced, safe and delicious farm-fresh milk, cheese and yogurt.

For more info on the LiLi or other micro-dairy matters contact Bob-White Systems, Inc. at 228 Chelsea St., So. Royalton, VT. (802) 763-2777. bobwhitesystems.com.



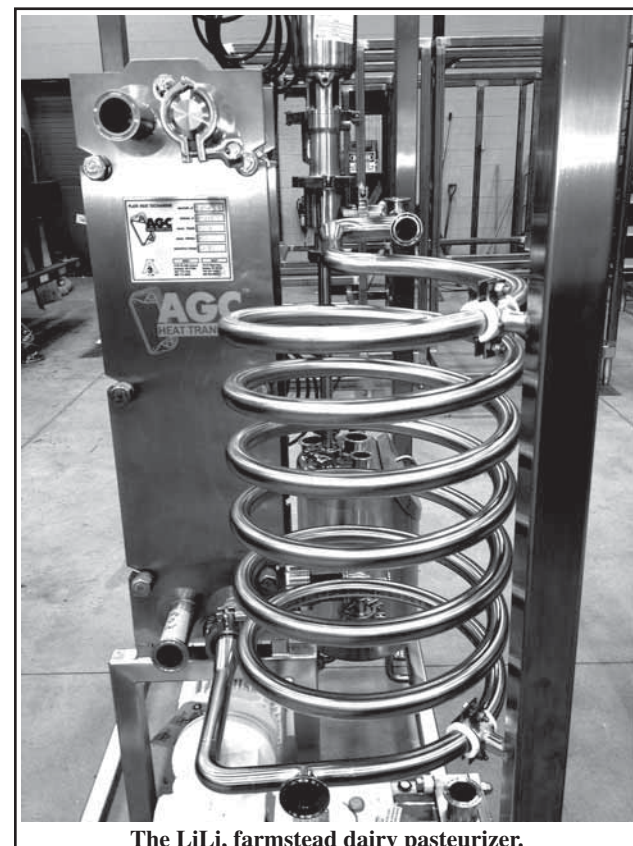
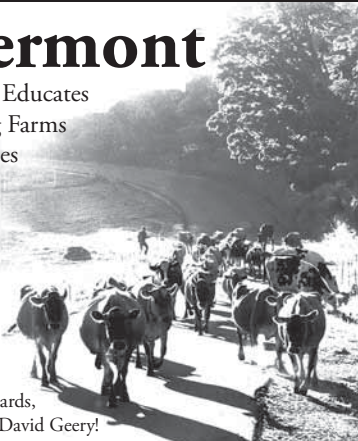
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Vermont Country Calendar

WELLS. Tour of Wellesmere Farm. Learn about food preservation, root storage, and canning. Kids are free. Adults are sliding scale fee \$5-15. Free transportation from Walmart parking lot in Rutland. 10 am - 1 pm. For questions contact Elizabeth Theriault at (802) 417-1528. elizabeth@rutlandfarmandfood.org. www.rutlandfarmandfood.org.

WEST NEWBURY. West Newbury Summer Festival. Breakfast, silent auction, exhibits, bake sale, white elephant, parade, hay rides, rib barbecue, dessert cafe. Free. 8 am - 3 pm. In and around the West Newbury Hall, 219 Tyler Farm Rd. (802) 584-3809. marjqmartin@gmail.com. Facebook.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. 3rd Annual Welcome Abenaki Event. Sponsored by The Hartford Historical Society. Learn about the culture and traditions of the Vermont Native people. Chief Nate Pero of the Koasek Tribe, and Jeannie Brink will speak. From 12:30-1:30 pm a traditional Abenaki feast will be held with a wild meat barbecue, corn on the cob, potato dishes and potluck offerings. (Rain date Aug. 11). Free. 11 am - 5 pm. At Lyman Point Park. (802) 296-3132. hartfordhistory.org.

WOODSTOCK. Summer Fest. A festival of food, drink, live music, street performers, kids activities, dancing, tastings, and shopping. Free. 10 am - 9 pm downtown. (802) 457-3555. info@woodstockvt.com. www.woodstockvt.com.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

BRANDON. Hot Jazz at Brandon Music. Jeremy Mohney Quartet. 7:30 pm. \$15 with a pre-concert dinner available for just \$15. Reservations are encouraged. Venue is BYOB. At 62 Country Club Rd. (802) 465-4071. www.brandon-music.net.

CHESTER. 2nd Annual Southern Vermont Hot Dog Cook Off. Incredible gourmet hot dogs prepared by twenty chefs, both professional and amateur. with music by the Bondville Boys. To benefit the Springfield Humane Society. Admission. 1-4 pm. Stone Hearth Inn, 698 Rt. 11 West. (802) 824-5055. Bhoymham1@myfairpoint.net. www.spfldhumane.org.

CHESTER. Open Mike Country Jamboree. Hosted by Green Mountain Express. All musicians and singers invited. Bands and singles welcome. Refreshments on sale in the kitchen, raffles and 50/50 tickets at the door. \$5 donation for admission. 1-4 pm. Gassetts Grange #327, Jct. 10 & 103N. (802) 591-4290. Every second Sunday.

PUTNEY. 11th Annual Twilight on the Tavern Lawn Presents Occidental Gypsy. Acoustic Gypsy quintet mixes Gypsy and swing/jazz with contemporary American music melodies. Free. 5:30 pm on the Putney Tavern lawn (bring a lawn chair or blanket) or at Next Stage at 15 Kimball Hill in case of rain. (802) 387-5772. www.twilightmusic.org. Also August 25.

RANDOLPH. Central VT Chamber Music Festival: 16th Annual Summer Gala. New American Cuisine prepared by pianist Jung Lin, plus Musical Coda with desserts Violin, Basia Danilow and Arturo Delmoni; Cello, Peter Sanders; Piano, Jung Lin. 5 pm. Reservations required: Janet Watton. (802) 728-9402. Chandler Music Hall, 71-73 Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org. www.centralvtchambermusicfest.org.

RUTLAND. The Chaffee Art Center's 52nd Annual Art in the Park Festival. Arts and crafts, food, music, kids' activities, all outdoors under tents. Free admission. 10 am - 4 pm. Main Street Park at the junction of Rts. 4 & 7. (802) 7750356. info@chaffeeartcenter.org. www.chaffeeartcenter.org.

WOODSTOCK. 13th Annual Antique Tractor Day. Restored and unrestored tractors, dating from the 1930s to the 1960s. Narrated tractor parade at 1 pm. Tractor-drawn wagon rides; make-it-take-it wooden tractors for children, a toy tractor sandbox, ice cream making, and more. Lunch and snacks available. 10 am - 5 pm. Admission: adults \$12, age 62 & up \$11, children ages 5-15 \$6, 3-4 \$3, under 3 free. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. info@billingsfarm.org. www.billingsfarm.org.

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

RUTLAND. Friends of the Library Basement Book Sale. 4-8 pm. Rutland Free Library, 10 Court St. (802) 773-1860. www.rutlandfree.org.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

BARTON. 144th Annual Orleans County Fair. Old-time agricultural county fair is alive with entertainment and fun for the entire family. At Roaring Brook Park. (802) 525-3555. www.orleanscountyfair.net. Through August 18.

WELLS. Modern Woodmen of America 75th Annual Carnival and Parade. Entertainment, rides with \$7.50 wristband, carnival food. Modern Woodmen of America grounds at 10 Main St. (802) 645-0323. Through August 17.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

FAIR HAVEN. Concert in the Park. TS Ensemble performs classic tunes. Free admission. 7 pm at the town park. (802) 265-3010. www.fairhavenvt.org. Also August 22.

RANDOLPH. Central VT Chamber Music Festival: French Horn Master Class with Ellen Dinwiddie Smith. Free admission. 7 pm. Chandler Music Hall, 71-73 Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org. www.centralvtchambermusicfest.org.

WELLS. Modern Woodmen of America 75th Annual Carnival and Parade. Entertainment, rides with .75 tickets, carnival food. Modern Woodmen of America grounds at 10 Main St. (802) 645-0323. Through August 17.

WILMINGTON. 96th Annual Deerfield Valley Farmers' Day Fair. Full midway with rides, truck pull & horse pull, ox pulling, farm exhibits, horse show. Sunday-only demolition derby. At Baker Field. (802) 319-0117. www.dvfair.com. Through August 18.

WOODSTOCK. Brown Bag Concert Series Presents Michele Choiniere. Traditional Franco-American & Quebec folk songs and original compositions. Free. 12-1 pm. Woodstock Village Green. Rain site: Woodstock Town Hall Theatre. (802) 457-3981. info@pentanglearts.org. www.pentanglearts.org.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

BELLOWS FALLS. Concert: Your Rhythm, Your Life. Master drummer Glen Velez and vocal phenomenon LOIRE (aka Lori Cotler). Admission. 7:30 pm. Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St. (802) 463-3100. www.stonechurcharts.org. Also August 17.

GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Theater Presents *Shatterer of Worlds*. Free admission, donations welcome. 7:30 pm in The Paper Mache Cathedral at The Bread and Puppet Farm, Rt. 122. (802) 525-3031. www.breadandpuppet.org. Also August 23.

LANDGROVE. Lecture: Vermont and the Civil War. Howard Coffin discusses the Civil War's impact on Vermont. Free. 4:30 pm. Landgrove Meetinghouse, Landgrove Rd. (802) 824-3850. vtstone2@gmail.com. www.vermonthumanities.org.

MIDDLEBURY. 29th Annual Summer Carillon Concerts Presents George Matthew Jr., Carillonist at Middlebury College and Norwich University. Free. 5 pm. Mead Chapel and surrounding lawns, 75 Hepburn Rd. (802) 443-3168.

PEACHAM. Peacham Acoustic Music Festival. A variety of acoustic styles from blues to bluegrass, swing to old-time performed by excellent local and national musicians. Two great contra dances, and Saturday includes workshops, jam sessions, and a craft fair with family tent for the kids. Admission. Fri 1-11 pm, Sat 9 am-11 pm. Peacham Village, 79 Church St. (802) 592-3140. www.pamfest.com. Also August 17.

ROCHESTER. Rochester Chamber Music Society Concert Final Concert of the Season—Nordic Visions: Music from Norway, Sweden, and Finland. Performance by Mary Bonhag, soprano; Evan Premo, double bass; and Cynthia Huard, piano. Admission by donation. 4 pm at the Rochester Federated Church, 15 N. Main St. (802) 767-9234.

RUTLAND. *Menopause The Musical*. Hilarious musical parody set to classic tunes from the '60s, '70s and '80s. Tickets: \$29.50 - \$49.50. 7:30 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. www.paramountvt.org. www.menopausemusical.com. Also August 17, 2 pm & 6 pm.

TUNBRIDGE. 39th Annual Lippitt Country Show. An old-fashioned horse show, featuring the Lippitt Morgan horse. Classes include in-hand, English, Western, jumping, trail, costume, stick horse, races and much more. At the Tunbridge Fairgrounds, Rt. 110. For information call (802) 235-2264. www.lippittcountryshow.com. livers@vermontel.net. Thru Aug 18.



Enjoy August Happenings at Rochester's BigTown Gallery

August will be hopping at BigTown Gallery on Main Street in Rochester, VT. A new exhibition will open on July 31st and run through October 5, entitled Folk Vision: Folk Art from New England and Beyond.

Selected artists include Gayleen Aiken, Nek Chand, Merrill Densmore, Howard Finster, HJ Laurent, Theodore Ludwiczak, Violetta Raditz, Russell Snow, Burleigh Woodard, 19th and 20th century sandpapers, bottle whimsies and more.

The opening reception will be held on Sunday, Aug. 18, beginning at 3 p.m. At 4 p.m., the gallery's new non-profit BigTown Projects will host An Afternoon with Vermont Filmmaker Jay Craven. There will be a free screening of Craven's 1984 documentary short Gayleen about Vermont folk artist Gayleen Aiken, in the main gallery, followed by a Q & A with the filmmaker. A picnic dinner in the garden with gourmet pizza from our wood-fired oven, available a

la carte, and a wine tasting by Neshobe Vineyards of Brandon, VT will follow. At 6:30 p.m. events move to Rochester High School auditorium for a 100 Town Tour screening of Craven's new film, Northern Borders.

And there is more! BigTown Projects will also host our free, annual Summer Reading Series, presenting nationally and locally acclaimed, award-winning poets & writers, Saturday evenings at 5:30 p.m.

August 3—Kellam Ayres & Vijay Seshadri.

August 10—John Elder & Woon-Ping Chin.

August 24—Cristen Brooks & David Huddle.

August 31—Ann Aspell & Major Jackson.

The gallery is open Wednesday-Friday 10-5, Saturday 12-5, Sunday-Tuesday by appointment.

BigTown Gallery is located at 99 North Main St., Rochester, VT. (802) 767-9670. info@bigtowngallery.com. www.bigtowngallery.com.

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WELLS. Modern Woodmen of America 75th Annual Carnival and Parade. Entertainment, rides, carnival food. Modern Woodmen of America grounds at 10 Main St. (802) 645-0323. *Through August 17.*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

ADDISON. Blast from the Past: How They Made It in New France. Site interpreter Karl Crannell offers hands-on demonstrations of the crafts and skills practiced by those living here on the frontier of New France. Wood crafts, tailoring, and more. 1:30-3:30 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 VT Route 17W. (802) 759-2412. www.historicsites.vermont.gov/chimneypoint.

BENNINGTON. Annual Bennington Battle Day Living History Encampment. Drill presentations, musket and artillery demonstrations, educational exhibits, and activities for children. Authentic cannons will be on display and fired periodically during the day. Free and open to the public. 10 am Saturday through 5 pm Sunday. Bennington Battle Monument, 15 Monument Circle. (802) 447-0550. Marylou.chocote@state.vt.us. www.historicsite.vermont.gov. *Also August 18.*

CASTLETON. Annual Castleton Colonial Day House Tour. View outstanding architecture throughout the village. The Higley House, home of the Castleton Historical Society, will be open. See a reenactment of "a day in camp" by members of the 53rd Regiment of Foot in America. Castleton Library ice cream social 2-4 pm. The Federated Church hosts a baked ham dinner at 5 pm (\$9 adults \$5 children). Rain or shine. 10 am - 4 pm. Tour tickets on the day at Castleton Federated Church and the Langdon-Hitchcock House. Tickets are \$20, \$18 for seniors 62+. (802) 468-5309. rileyjvt@comcast.net. www.bsi-vt.com/castleton/chs.

GRANVILLE, NY. Genealogy Workshop. Genealogist Lisa Alzo will present a two-day workshop geared toward researching your Slovakian roots. Admission. 10 am. Slate Valley Museum, 17 Water St. (518) 642-1417. www.slatevalleymuseum.org.

HARDWICK. 5th Annual Kingdom Farm and Food Days. Two-day event that showcases Vermont farms, gardens, small producers, and agricultural businesses. Morning caravan tour of regional agricultural organizations; select from the list of open farms. \$25. 8 am - noon. (802) 434-4122. Brigitte@highmowingseeds.com. nofavt.org. *Through August 18.*

LONDONDERRY. Freedom and Unity Festival. The event is being organized by Vermonters for Liberty (V4L) and is open to the public. Speakers, panel discussions, workshops, a pig roast (\$25 per person), food, craft, and information booths from all over the political spectrum, and a concert. Admission \$10 per person. Children under 12 free. Additional charges for Joel Salatin's workshops of \$30 each or both for \$50. At Magic Mountain Ski Area, 495 Magic Mountain Access Rd. (802) 442-7371. vermontliberty@gmail.com. vermontersforliberty.org. www.ruralvermont.org.

NEWFANE. Windham County History Fair. Vintage exhibits and demonstrations by the County's historical societies, walking tours of historic Newfane Village, food, raffles, and much more. Free. 10 am - 4 pm. Newfane Common. (802) 365-7766. historicalsocietyofwindhamcounty.org.

PEACHAM. Peacham Acoustic Music Festival. Blues to bluegrass, swing to old-time performed by excellent local and national musicians. Contra dances. Workshops, jam sessions, and a craft fair with family tent for the kids. Admission. Fri 1-11 pm, Sat 9 am-11 pm. Peacham Village, 79 Church St. (802) 592-3140. www.pamfest.com.

RANDOLPH. Central VT Chamber Music Festival: Concert in the main hall. Works by Beethoven, Shostakovich, and Brahms. Violin, Basia Danilow; Violin and Viola, Arturo Delmoni; Cello, Peter Sanders; Horn, Ellen Dinwiddie Smith; Piano, Jung Lin. 8 pm. Chandler Music Hall, 71-73 Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org. www.centralvtchambermusicfest.org.

SHELBURNE. Moonlit Campfire. Enjoy sitting around a campfire on a warm summer evening, fun activities, s'mores, and a visit from a live owl. \$6. Pre-registration required. 7-9 pm. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. off Rt. 7. (802) 985-8686. jpenca@shelburnefarms.org. www.shelburnefarms.org.

TUNBRIDGE. 39th Annual Lippitt Country Show. An old-fashioned horse show, featuring the Lippitt Morgan horse. At the Tunbridge Fairgrounds. For information call (802) 235-2264. Irivers@vermontel.net. www.lippittcountryshow.com. *Also August 18.*

VERGENNES. Rabble in Arms: Building Macdonough's Fleet. A War of 1812 encampment. Visit replica vessels at North Harbor, talk to sailors, shipwrights, blacksmiths, and see nineteenth century military drill and camp life. Demonstrations and exhibits. Admission. 10 am - 5 pm. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, 4472 Basin Harbor Rd. (802) 475-2022 x 114. krisj@lcm.org. lcm.org. *Also August 18.*

WELLS. Modern Woodmen of America 75th Annual Carnival and Parade. Entertainment, rides, carnival food. Cake booth, pie booth, blanket booth, dart booth, plush booth, birthday booth, ring toss, bingo of course, our annual money raffle Antique tractor pulling at 10 am. Chicken Barbecue at noon by the Ladies Aid of the Wells Methodist Church. Parade at 5 pm. Fireworks at 9:30 pm. Modern Woodmen of America grounds at 10 Main St. (802) 645-0323.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

BENNINGTON. Annual Bennington Battle Day Living History Encampment. Drill presentations, musket and artillery demonstrations, educational exhibits, and activities for children. Authentic cannons will be on display and fired periodically. Free. Through 5 pm. Bennington Battle Monument, 15 Monument Circle. (802) 447-0550. Marylou.chocote@state.vt.us. www.historicsite.vermont.gov.

FERRISBURGH. Pie & Ice Cream Social. Choose from homemade pies of every type, while relaxing to the tunes of the Vergennes City Band. Proceeds support the Museum's work, so have a second piece! Admission \$10 adults, \$9 seniors, \$8 students, children under 5 free. 1-4 pm. Rokeby Museum, 4334 Rt. 7. (802) 877-3406. rokeby@comcast.net. www.rokeby.org.

FAIR HAVEN. 25th Anniversary Summer "Gathering of the Clans." Sponsored by the Poultney Area St. David's Society. The menu is your choice, separate checks. 1 pm. Fair Haven Inn, 5 Adams St. To register write: psds88@yahoo.com. www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~vtpasds.

HUBBARDTON. Battlefield Third Sunday. Carol and Brook Aldrich, dressed in period attire, will tell you about clothing during the Revolution, have reproduction items available to look at, and will offer suggestions on putting together a period outfit. 1 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. www.Historicsites.vermont.gov/Hubbardton.

ROCHESTER. Art Exhibition—Folk Vision: Folk Art from New England and Beyond. 3 pm opening reception. An Afternoon with Vermont Filmmaker Jay Craven at 4 pm with a free screening of Jay Craven's 1984 documentary short "Gayleen" about Vermont folk artist Gayleen Aiken. Picnic dinner in the garden will follow. 6:30 pm at Rochester High School screening of Craven's new film Northern Borders. BigTown Gallery, 99 North Main St. (802) 767 9670. info@bigtowngallery.com. bigtowngallery.com. *Through October 5.*

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The next concert will be on Sunday, August 4 at 4 p.m. Vanessa Holroyd, flute and Peter Clemente, guitar will be performing works by Piazzola, Hoover, and Bach. Both concerts are held at the Rochester Federated Church, 15 N. Main St., VT Route 100, in Rochester VT. Admission is by donation.

On Friday, August 16 at 7 p.m., the final concert of the season is Nordic Visions: Music from Norway, Sweden, and Finland. Mary

For more information about the concerts contact Lesley Straus, Rochester Chamber Music Society, P.O. Box 377, Rochester, VT 05767. (802) 767-9234.

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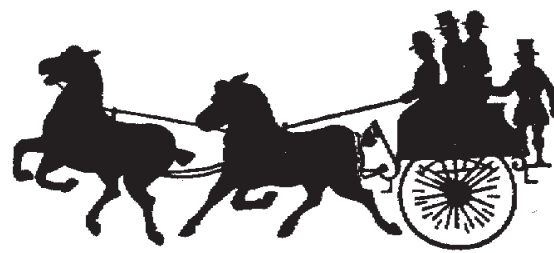
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RANDOLPH. Central VT Chamber Music Festival: Third Annual Breakfast with Bach. 11 am breakfast in the Esther Mesh Room; 12:30 concert at Bethany Church. Chandler Music Hall, 71-73 Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org. www.centralvtchambermusicfest.org.

TUNBRIDGE. 39th Annual Lippitt Country Show. An old-fashioned horse show, featuring the Lippitt Morgan horse. At the Tunbridge Fairgrounds. For information call (802) 235-2264. lrivers@vermontel.net. www.lippittcountryshow.com.

WOLCOTT. 5th Annual Kingdom Farm and Food Days. Tours of High Mowing Organic Seeds trials field. Seed swap. workshops, children's activities. New England Culinary Institute showcase meal. All free. Boogie down with Granite Junction string band at the bonfire. 11 am - 6 pm. www.highmowingseeds.com.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

LYNDONVILLE. 168th Annual Caledonia County Fair. The oldest fair in Vermont. Demo Derby. Concert with Lorrie Morgan. At Mountain View Park. (802) 626-5917. www.vtfair.com. *Through August 25.*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

RUTLAND. Concert: Toby Walker. Combines blues, ragtime, country, bluegrass, rock and old time jazz into his own unique style. Tickets: \$15. 7:30 pm. The Brick Box, Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. www.paramountvt.org. www.littletobywalker.com.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

BONDVILLE. Annual Bondville Fair. In operation since 1791! Agricultural displays and contests, quilt show and exhibit, crafts. Rides & games, free entertainment. Fairgrounds on Rt. 30 across from Stratton access road. (802) 297-9810. bondvillefair.org. *Through August 25.*

RANDOLPH. Central VT Chamber Music Festival: Special Children's Concert. 11 am. Chandler Music Hall, 71-73 Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org. www.centralvtchambermusicfest.org.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

ESSEX JUNCTION. Champlain Valley Fair. Vermont's largest fair & the state's largest event. Concert with Damian and Stephen Marley. Champlain Valley Exposition, Rt.15. (802) 878-5545. champlainvalleyfair.org. *Through September 2.*

EAST THETFORD. Annual Tomato Tasting by the River. A casual afternoon of celebration and music, honoring the heirloom tomato. Advance registration. Tickets: \$25; children under 12 \$15. 2-4 pm. Cedar Circle Farm, Pavillion Rd. off Rt. 5. (802) 785-4737. www.CedarCircleFarm.org.

HUBBARDTON. Mount Independence-Hubbardton Military Road Car Tour. The Crown Point Road Association offers a driving tour along part of the 1776 Mount Independence-Hubbardton Military Road, from the Hubbardton Battlefield to Otter Creek. 9:30 am. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. www.Historicsites.vermont.gov/Hubbardton.

LUDLOW. Fletcher Farm Annual Arts and Crafts Festival. Over 90 of New England's finest artists and craftsmen exhibiting top quality wares. Fletcher Farm School for the Arts & Crafts, 611 Rt. 103 South. (802) 228-8770. info@fletcherfarm.org. www.fletcherfarm.org.

ROCHESTER. Summer Reading Series Presents Cristen Brooks & David Huddle. Free. 5:30 pm. BigTown Gallery, 99 N. Main St. (802) 767-9670. www.bigtowngallery.com.

VERGENNES. 32nd Annual Vergennes Day. Pancake breakfast, crafters, car show, music, children's venue, horse & wagon rides, bandstand music, chicken BBQ, children's venues, face painting, car show. Free Bet-Cha Transit shuttle to venues. Sponsored by City of Vergennes, organized by Addison County Chamber of Commerce. 7 am - 4 pm. Vergennes City Park plus other venues, Main St., Rt. 22A. (802) 388-7951. www.vergennesday.com

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

ADDISON. The Shortest Distance between Two Points Guided Walk. Delve into history while walking across the new Lake Champlain Bridge. Meet at the Chimney Point museum. Binoculars welcome. Rain or shine, dress for the weather. \$6. 1 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 VT Route 17W. (802) 759-2412. www.historicsites.vermont.gov/chimneypoint.

PUTNEY. 11th Annual Twilight on the Tavern Lawn Concert with Prydein. Bagpipe rock quintet that brings a rock'n'roll sensibility to a traditional Celtic repertoire. Free. 5:30 pm on the Putney Tavern lawn (bring a lawn chair or blanket) or at Next Stage at 15 Kimball Hill in case of rain. (802) 387-5772. www.twilightmusic.org.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

MORETOWN. Farm and Homestead Resiliency Strategies. See the systems and species used in converting 10 degraded acres of hillside into a resilient small farm/homestead. \$20. 5-7:30 pm. Whole Systems Research Farm, 66 Dean's Mountain Rd. (802) 434-4122. info@nofavt.org. www.wholesystemsdesign.com.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

BRIDGEWATER CENTER. North Branch Bluegrass Festival. Wed. Pickin' Party, Thurs. Open Stage, Fri. Spaghetti Supper. 16 Music Workshops, Songwriter's Contest. Rough Camping, Games, Horseshoes. Gates 10 am. Bridgewater Center Rd. off Rt. 4. (802) 672-3042. info@nbbluegrass.com. www.pickvt.com. *Through September 1.*

RUTLAND. 168th Annual Vermont State Fair. More free entertainment than any other fair! Agricultural events, horse & cattle shows and exhibits, farm museums. Midway with over 35 rides, games and concessions. Demolition derbies. Harness racing. Concert with Travis Tritt. Camping available. Fairgrounds on Rt. 7. (802) 775-5200. www.vermontstatefair.net. *Through September 8.*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

BENNINGTON. Southern Vermont Garlic & Herb Festival. Live music, kids activities, food including garlic ice cream, multiple garlic products, farm products and over 150 vendors. No pets please. Admission \$5, kids \$1. Free parking. 10 am - 5 pm. Camelot Village, Rt. 9 West. (802) 447-3311. www.lovegarlic.com. *Through September 1.*

PLYMOUTH NOTCH. The Ninth Annual Plymouth Folk & Blues Concerts. Wagon rides on Saturday; children's crafts and face painting both days. Free, donation suggested. Admission charged to tour buildings. Organized by Jay Ottaway and the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation. 2-5 pm. President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site, 3780 Rt. 100A. (802) 672-3773. plymouthfolk.com. historicsites.vermont.gov. *Also September 1.*

SPRINGFIELD. Wellwood Orchard Celebrates Customer Appreciation Day. Free hot dogs, chips, soda, kids games, balloon art, petting zoo, contests, wagon rides and prizes. Music by John Laware. Cheryl the Clown & face painting by Linda Weiser. PYO apples. 10 am to 3 pm. 529 Wellwood Orchard Rd., off of Center Rd. (802) 263-5200. www.wellwoodorchards.net.

ROCHESTER. Summer Reading Series Presents Ann Aspell & Major Jackson. Free. 5:30 pm. BigTown Gallery, 99 N. Main St. (802) 767-9670. www.bigtowngallery.com.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

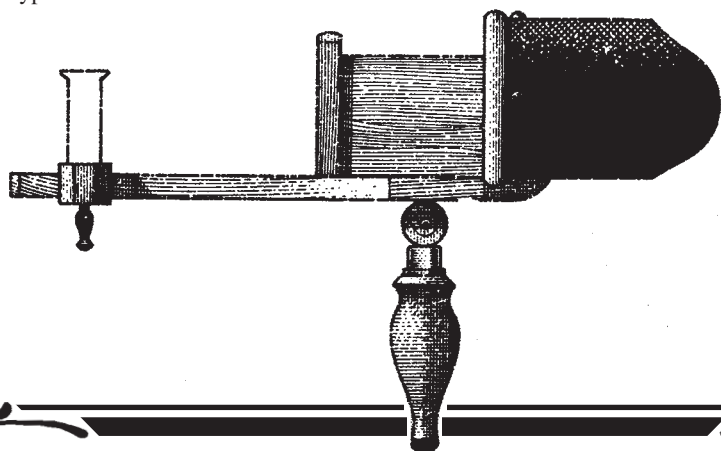
GUILFORD. The Guilford Fair. Live music—fiddle, jazz, swing, bluegrass, folk, and more. Ox pull. Horse show, horse and pony pulling, draft horse demonstrations, cattle show. Carnival with games and rides. 8 am - 5 pm. Fairgrounds on Fairground Rd. off Weatherhead Hollow off Guilford Center Rd. (802) 254-7406. sites.google.com/site/guilfordfairvermont/home. *Also September 2.*

RANDOLPH. 21st Annual New World Festival. Concerts, music and dance workshop sessions, children's activities, and open dancing on five stages from noon until 11 pm. Adults \$34 advance, \$39 after August 23, After 6 pm \$21. Students 13-18 \$11, children 2-12 \$5. Downtown Randolph, Main Street closed to traffic. (802) 728-6464. www.chandler-arts.org. www.NewWorldFestival.com.

WOODSTOCK. Labor & Leisure Day at Billings Farm & Museum. Work and fun on the farm! Wagon rides, building a split rail fence, ice cream making, and laundry - using a washboard and wringer. Admission \$12 adults, \$11 seniors, \$6 children 5-15, \$3 children 3 & 4. 10 am - 5 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, Rt. 12 & River Rd. (802) 457-2355. www.billingsfarm.org.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

RUTLAND. 168th Annual Vermont State Fair. Free entertainment, agricultural events, farm museums. Fairgrounds on Rt. 7. (802) 775-5200. vermontstatefair.net. *Through September 8.*



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Chandler Celebrates 21st Annual New World Festival

Sunday, September 1st

Chandler's New World Festival in Randolph, VT enters its third decade with this year's 21st annual festival on Sunday September 1.

The daylong event goes from noon to 11 p.m. on Labor Day Sunday and celebrates the region's Celtic and French American musical heritage brought to northern New England by English, Scottish, Irish and French-Canadian immigrants.

With Main Street closed to traffic, the festival site is an intimate pedestrian village. Nearly 75 of the best regional and international musicians play concerts, offer workshops, play in dance bands, and share tunes and traditions. Once again, the Festival has been designated a Top Ten Fall Event by the Vermont Chamber of Commerce.

A galaxy of performances

This year's performers include Acadian powerhouse trio Vishtën; Genticorum, leaders of a new generation of traditional music groups from Québec; high-energy dance band Elixir; The Press Gang, a trio with squeeze box, fiddle and guitar; Boston-based Long Time Courting; Dominique Dodge, a harper and singer from Burlington, VT; and Les Poules à Colin, a young trad group from the Lanaudière region of Québec, featuring the offspring of several well-known traditional musicians.

Performances are in Chandler, in all-weather tents on Main Street, and in Bethany Church. No Strings Marionette will put on puppet shows. There will be performances by young musicians. Dance instruction and crafts are featured in the family tent. The dance tent offers participatory dancing in a variety of styles: contra, French quadrilles, Cape Breton, and free-style. The sessions tent brings musicians from the same traditions together to share tunes in impromptu performances.

Great food, artisans, and crafts

Adding to the festive atmosphere is work by area artisans. Vendors will be offering herbal bodycare, honey products, Russian hand-made crafts, jewelry, knitwear, violins, products made in Scotland, baskets, pickles, jams, and dulcimers.

An array of great food is offered by Randolph area restaurants, caterers and local non-profit organizations, available in the main food tent and in booths along the street and near the sessions tent. You can buy beer from Otter Creek and wine from Grandview Wineries. Enjoy everything from burgers and pulled pork, to rice and black beans, falafel, Mexican



The Fretless perform at Chandler's New World Festival. From left to right: Ivonne Hernandez, violin, viola, step dancing and vocals, from Victoria, BC; Trent Freeman, violin, viola and feet, from Vancouver, BC; Eric Wright, cello, from Los Angeles; Karrnel Sawitsky, violin and viola from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. photo by First Light Studios

food, and roasted corn & veggies. There will be fruit plates, pie slices, shortcakes, pastries, maple cotton candy, and of course, pizza slices and French fries! Beverages include strawberry lemonade, sodas, fruit juices, coffee, iced teas, bubble teas, and mango lassis!

The festival is an all-volunteer event. Even Kevin Dunwoody, the Festival's music director for all of its 21 years, works for no pay. Chandler Executive Director Becky McMeekin praises Dunwoody's efforts. "Kevin has built an incredible network of musicians over the years, and the seeds of many new artistic collaborations have been planted at the festival. Patrons trust that he will put together a terrific line-up featuring both new and established musicians."

Volunteers are still needed for this year's festival. Interested persons, age 12 or older, are asked to contact the festival's

volunteer coordinator, Marda Donner, at (802) 276-3808 or mardadonner@hotmail.com.

Tickets are: adults \$34 advance, \$39 after August 23; students (13-18) \$11; children (2-12) \$5; after 6 p.m. \$21. Ticket prices include 6% Vt. sales tax. Discounted advance tickets are available through August 23 online at www.newworldfestival.com or by calling the Chandler Box Office at (802) 728-6464, 3-6 p.m. weekdays.

For more information about featured performers at the New World Festival, please visit www.newworldfestival.com. All performance sites are wheelchair accessible.

Chandler Center for the Arts and Chandler Music Hall are located at 71-73 Main St., Randolph, VT. For general information call (802) 728-9878.

Central Vermont Chamber Music Festival

Chandler Music Hall in Randolph, VT welcomes the return of the Central Vermont Chamber Music Festival, now in its 21st season.

This annual two-week summer chamber music residency began at Chandler in 1993. Under the direction of cellist and artistic director Peter Sanders and in partnership with Chandler, the festival continues to present concerts of both familiar and unusual repertoire for mixed ensembles, all performed by world-class artists.

The 2013 events include two Saturday evening concerts, a special Friday morning performance for children, and a free lunchtime concert of lighter fare at the gazebo in downtown Randolph. This

year's theme is a continuation of last season's "All About Community."

Special highlights include a Breakfast with Bach concert featuring the Double Violin Concerto with violinists Arturo Delmoni and Vermont Youth Orchestra (VYO) Young Artist. New this year is a French Horn Masterclass in collaboration with the VYO.

The festival opens with a gala evening of fabulous cuisine prepared by pianist and chef Jung Lin at private homes. Jung describes her cooking as "new American", a style based in French-technique and inspired by international flavors and seasonal food. After the meal, dessert and a musical coda follow at

a second home. Reservations are required and seating is limited. Please contact Janet Watton for more information, (802) 728-9402.

The festival welcomes the return of violinists Arturo Delmoni, Basia Danilow, Cyrus Beroukhim, and Adela Peña; violist David Cerutti; and festival artistic director and cellist Peter Sanders. They will be joined by pianist Jung Lin and Ellen Dinwiddie Smith on French Horn.

The public is warmly in-

vited to a free open rehearsal on Thursday August 22, and a special children's concert featuring the Island Time Steel Band will be presented Friday August 23 at 11 a.m.

Tickets can be ordered by calling the Chandler box office at (802) 728-6464 from 3 and 6 p.m. weekdays.

For more information about the festival and its 2013 offerings, please visit www.centralvtchambermusicfest.org.



Members of the Central Vermont Chamber Music Festival relax at Brookfield's Floating Bridge. photo by First Light Studios

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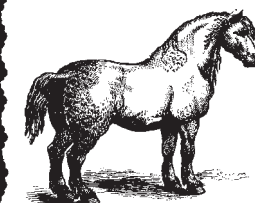
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Horse and Rider Welcome at Three Stallion Inn

by Charles Sutton

It is not unusual today to see vehicles on Vermont roads hauling horses to and from the various horse shows. Joining them too, are a growing number of vacationers who bring their horses with them, maybe to be in a show, or maybe to ride on some of the state's many inviting woodland or forest trails. But who takes in horses?

One destination is the horse-friendly Three Stallion Inn in Randolph in central Vermont, with its own 18 miles of well-groomed horseback riding trails through woods and open fields. The inn offers eight well-maintained indoors horse stalls, a riding ring and fenced pastures.

The inn, located on the 1,300-acre former Green Mountain Stock Farm property has quite a history with horses. It was one of Vermont's major breeding centers for Morgan horses from 1927 to 1962.

Home to the Lippitt Morgan horse

When Sam Sammis and his wife Jinny bought the property in 1971 the farm house and remaining buildings, vacant for years, were in disrepair, the horses were long gone. During the 1970s the inn was renovated and fixed up initially to service a girls' horseback riding camp.

Also, during the 1970s the inn and its facilities hosted the Lippitt Morgan Horse Show, named after Green Mountain Stock Farm founder Robert Lippitt Knight, who developed the Lippitt line of Morgan horses known for their strength of character, versatility and endurance.

The main building at the stock farm housed horse-breeder Knight's pine-paneled office. A story passed down about Knight relates that when he had someone who wanted to buy a horse, he'd invite them into his office and they would negotiate a price over a cigar and brandy with a cheerful fire burning in the fireplace. In addition to horses Knight sold and traded a large variety of horse carriages. There also was an extensive library of books on horses.

Excellent accommodations for horse and rider

For those who bring a horse for a trail riding vacation there today, the inn offers a special package of \$150 per night, double occupancy, plus a stall for the horse. An additional horse can be boarded for an extra \$25. There are veterinarians and farriers in the area if needed.

Guests have use of all inn amenities including the fitness center, swimming pool, hot tub, and tennis courts. A continental breakfast is served or guests can have a full breakfast at The Depot Restaurant, former CNRR train Station.

Jinny Sammis, an avid horseback rider, recommends the best place to go after riding the inn's trails, is the Mt. Tom trail system in Woodstock, VT maintained by the Rockefeller Foundation for Billings Farm. No fee is charged. And she adds: "The system includes hiking, cross country skiing, carriage driving and of course horseback riding." Its many trails are very wide, dry, gravel carriage roads, with no real water crossings.

The inn also has recommendations for other riding trails in the area as well as stables where guests can rent horses.

Area equine events

Jinny said of particular interest this summer to horse lovers is the 59th Annual Open Horse Show of the Mid-State Riding Club to be held August 11 at its grounds on Rt. 12 just north of Randolph.

The non-profit club has activities for people of all ages



Three Stallion Inn and the Green Mountain Stock Farm offer many miles of trails for riding. photo by Brian Hartigan

and experience with fun classes (stick horse, costumes and games) as well as traditional competitions. Its goal is equine-related fun and education with a slogan "Horsin' around to get where we want to go!"

In late July the Mid State Riding Club and The Three Stallion Inn host an American Competitive Trail Horse Association (ACTHA) ride where the terrain offers the required difficulties for rider and horse.

For a weekend of watching Lippitt Morgans compete, plan to attend the 39th Annual Lippitt Country Show, August 16-18 at the Tunbridge Fairgrounds in Tunbridge, VT.

This will be an old-fashioned horse show, featuring the Lippitt Morgan horse. Classes include in-hand, English, Western, jumping, trail, costume, stick horse, races and much more. (For information call (802) 235-2264.)

The club notes there are only about 2,000 Lippitt Morgan horses in the entire country and they all are related to Justin Morgan's stallion "Figure" from Randolph.

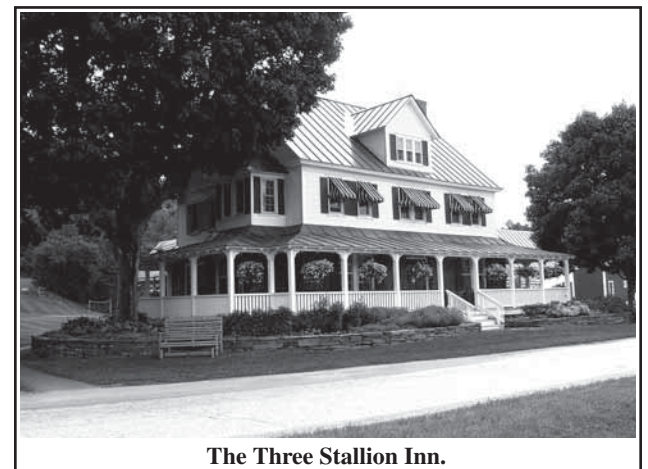
Morgan horse owners are encouraged to bring their Morgans or just come as a visitor and watch the Morgan Mile Trotting Races starting at 1 p.m. September 7 along the famous Morgan Mile road in Brookfield, VT. This race follows a tradition started in 1796 where a Morgan race took place on the Morgan Mile when the famous Morgan "Figure" raced down this old Vermont road, easily beating out two New York running horses.

Organizer Dennis Tatro and The Vermont Morgan Horse Association will have two Morgan trotters race at a time,

either at a trot, under saddle or in harness. (For information call (802) 763-2516.)

Without a horse, there's plenty of equine enjoyment in Vermont. When you drive around you may notice a sign of the times—there seem to be fewer cows, but many more horses!

The Three Stallion Inn is located at 665 Stock farm Rd, off Rt. 66 near I-89, exit 4, in Randolph, VT. For further information or to arrange a stay call (800) 424-5575, e-mail tsi@3stallioninn.com or visit www.3stallioninn.com.



The Three Stallion Inn.



Morgan horse shows go way back at the Green Mountain Stock Farm. photo courtesy of Three Stallion Inn

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The event takes place in our fields along the banks of the beautiful Connecticut River, under a tent in case of rain. A rainbow of fresh-picked organically grown heirloom tomatoes in the raw will be available for sampling. Taste a selection of delicious farm-made appetizers created on the farm by Cedar Circle Farm's Chef Alison Baker.

To give you an idea of what to expect, here is the appetizer menu from last year: Heirloom Tomato & Watermelon Salad, Chilled Tomato & Coconut Soup, Goat Cheese Bruschetta with

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Cedar Circle Farm is located on Pavillion Rd. along the Connecticut River, just off of Rt. 5 in East Thetford, VT. For details and directions, visit www.CedarCircleFarm.org or call the farm at (802) 785-4737.



Megan Baxter, production manager at Cedar Circle Farm at the Tomato Tasting table.

Peacham Acoustic Music Festival

Welcome to the Peacham Acoustic Music Festival taking place on August 16 & 17, 2013.

The Peacham Acoustic Music Festival is a blend of the old and the new—roots music from the Celtic traditions, old time fiddle tunes, and a touch of blues and bluegrass. There are two great contra dances, and Saturday includes workshops, jam sessions, and a craft fair with family tent for the kids. We strive to provide the finest in local and national talent—a who's who of the people that will lead our concerts, workshops, jam sessions and dance! Check out our website for bios and links.

The Peacham Acoustic Music Festival includes workshops to please every musical palate. For more information, please contact Jean Dedam, Workshop Coordinator at (802) 592-3176 or email jeandedam@fairpoint.net.

Matthew Skoller & Bill Sims Jr. will be playing the blues. Bob Amos & Catamount Crossing featuring Sarah Amos perform Americana music. Atlantic Crossing will be there with their popular Celtic tunes. Guthrie's Ghost performs folk, led by David Bernz, a two-time Grammy award winning producer for Pete Seeger. The lineup includes Hope Machine, Amy Fradon, Annie And The Hedonists, Carl Jones, Will Mentor, The Irregulars, Chickweed, Ethan Azarian, Alan Greenleaf and The Doctor, and The Bayley Hazen Boys.

A popular event that challenges the creative soul of musicians of every ability level is the Band Scramble. Throw your name in the hat and get thrown together with three or four other adventurous souls to put together a song or two for presentation during the Saturday afternoon concert.

Note that the festival is rain or shine—the dance and concert venues are indoors.

We are introducing a unique lodging opportunity in Peacham—the Peacham B & B Co-Op—which consists of local residents who have a spare room or two in their home available to visitors attending the festival. For more information contact: Barry Lawson, Housing Coordinator at (802) 592-3632 or lawson384@charter.net.

Peacham is nestled in the corner of Vermont known as the Northeast Kingdom. It is a land of pastoral beauty and gently rolling hills. There are many summertime diversions with lakes and streams for fishing, boating and swimming and the Peacham Pathways trail system..

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Bread and Puppet Presents the Total This&That Circus

The Bread & Puppet Theater in Glover, VT is celebrating its 50th birthday. As well, it marks 23 years of annual *Our Domestic Resurrection Circuses* in Glover (1975 through 1998), and an additional 13 seasons (1999 through 2012) of weekly circus-pageant programs.

This year, circus and pageant are merged into one even titled the *Total This&That Circus*. Director and founder Peter Schumann explains: "The extension of the Circus from the gravel-pit amphitheater to the meadow above, normally referred to as Pageant, is now the 'That' part of the *This&That Circus*, and is wholly integrated into the preceding 'This' part."

This year's *Total This&That Circus* features daffodil combat forces battling F-35s & other evils, but also provides appropriate funeral services for the victims.

After the elimination of the 800,001st Palestinian olive tree—totally unattended by the National Outrage Orchestra—The Office of Directions issues the correct right & wrong directives to all attenders & absentees of the elimination.

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Parents who have trouble with the politics of the circus should consult with their kids.

Bread and Puppet's *This&That Circus* runs every Sunday through August 25th. The Museum Tour is at 1 p.m. Short shows begin at 2 p.m., Circus/Pageant at 3 p.m.

The Bread and Puppet Museum is a massive accumulation



photo by Mark Dannenhauer

See the *Total This&That Circus* by Bread and Puppet Theater this summer through August 25 in Glover, VT.

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There are usually guest speakers including Dr. Leonard Perry, UVM Extension Agent and a host of WCAX's 'Across the Fence.'

The Tea Garden Café is open summer afternoons until Labor Day, from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., every day but Monday. Teas are served in the flower garden, under a covered porch or, when the weather is inclement, in a little plant-filled conservatory. Reservations for tea are recommended.

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of the puppets, masks, paintings and graphics of the Bread and Puppet Theater, housed in a 150-year-old barn. It is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Additionally, the Friday night performances of *Shatterer of Worlds* run through Friday, August 23rd in the Dirt Floor Cathedral at Bread and Puppet Theater.

Bread and Puppet hosts Shape Note singing in the fa-sol-la traditions every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. through the end of August. All are welcome.

Visit the breadandpuppet.org website to order their 2014 calendar, now available.

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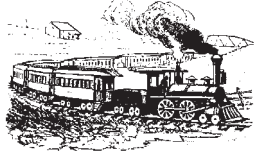
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"How much is this book worth?" Unfortunately, this is a question that cannot be answered quickly or easily. Ultimately, the law of supply and demand determine the value of a book. Many books have primarily sentimental value, such as family bibles: They may be valuable to an individual because they have been in a family for generations, but they rarely have much monetary value. Some books, however, are genuinely valuable and collectible.

While several qualities affect the value of a book, the most important is content. Few people have any interest in 1970s medical textbooks, while there are many collectors for medical textbooks from the 1500-1600s. Textbooks from the 1970s are simply out-of-date, of no interest to historians and unusable by modern students. Textbooks from the 1500s, on the other hand, are part of the history of medicine. It is possible that in another 500 years, those 1970s textbooks will be valued as part of the medical history of the 20th century but right now they are usually recycled for their paper content.

Content, age, and condition

However important, significant or valuable the content of a book, without a market a book will languish. Age is not necessarily important, although books from the 1600s and earlier always hold some value. Some authors are recognized as significant, but without a lot of collectors the prices will stay low. Location matters—books sell for more at speciality shows or in New York City than a small open shop in rural Vermont, unless the book is of local interest at that store. The sale price of most books will be strongly affected by the changes in collectors' interests.

The value of any book will be changed by its condition. Most collectors want not just good copies but fine copies, where the book and its dust jacket look like they just came from the publisher. Any flaws decrease the value, often dramatically. Some collectors may be willing to accept a less than perfect copy if the book is scarce enough, or if other factors preclude perfect copies. Children's books and

depression-era books can be extremely hard to find in good condition. On the other hand, a collector in modern first editions will not usually accept a lower condition copy, since so many fine copies are available.

Illustrations increase value

Some books are prized for their illustrations or beautiful bindings. Famous artists such as Walter Crane, Gustav Dore, Dali, Arthur Rackham and Tasha Tudor produced book illustrations which are highly desirable today. Paperbacks from the 20th century can be collected for cover art by Boris Vallejo, Frank Frazetta, and some others. Generally, hardcovers are worth more than paperbacks, and books bound in leather usually command a premium, as do books with particularly attractive bindings. Some bindings, particularly from the Victorian period, were elaborately engraved and decorated, sometimes by famous book artists, and today some artists create one-of-a-kind bindings which can sell for high prices as works of art.

Many collectors seek particular editions of a book. Most commonly this is the first published version of a book or the true first edition. To collectors, the term first edition means the first printing of the first edition, although technically it refers to any printing of that edition. There are limited editions, illustrated editions, other special editions, and even some significant paperback editions. Even pirated editions have a small market. Many people collect all books by a particular author, but some "completist" collectors try to purchase every published edition and variant of every book by a particular author!

Who owned this book?

Finally, associations can also affect a book's value. Was a specific copy signed by the author or illustrator? Was it owned by someone notable or famous? These can all have an impact on the desirability or price of a book. It is the hardest value to judge, and depends greatly on the seller and how much they are able to research about that individual copy. Once again, scarcity and the market for a particular type of association will change the value. Some authors sign so many books that an unsigned copy is rarer than a signed one!

Visit a book fair

To see many different types of collectible books, visit a book show or exhibit. Book shows bring together dozens of dealers selling used and rare books and paper of all types. First editions, children's books, illustrated books, miniature books—whatever the type of book or subject, someone specializes in it. Hundreds of books are on display at a book fair. All are notable in some way. Visiting a fair, browsing, and asking questions of the many dealers there is a good way to learn how to distinguish the many different characteristics of books. In the end, though, a book is worth what someone is willing to pay for it.

The Vermont Antiquarian Booksellers Association is holding their Summer Book Fair on August 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Brattleboro at the Living Memorial Skating Facility, 61 Guilford Rd. off Rt. 9. Admission is \$5.

For more information visit www.vermontisbookcountry.com or call (802) 464-8438.



Children's Book Reviews

Stories about Musicians Lullabies, and Folk Songs

As anyone who has raised a little child knows, songs, humming, and rhyming music will always soothe and soar their spirits. Here are some children's books that explore song and music and with interesting illustrations.

This beautiful picture book, *There Was a Tree* by Rachel Isadora (\$16.99, www.penguin.com/youngreaders), takes a popular song and sets it in a gorgeous African setting. Children can follow the lyrics while they attune to a family of African animals around an acacia tree, watching a little blue and orange bird hatch out a baby. Sheet music is included so the whole family can sing, too.

Many areas of the earth and their special animals come to light under the night skies in *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star* by Jane Cabrera (\$16.95, www.holidayhouse.com).

This version of a favorite lullaby is a universal celebration of love, beautifully illustrated with shining animal faces and a golden twinkling star. "Twinkle, twinkle, up above, for me and for the one I love."

Children will love *Vivaldi's Four Seasons* by Anna Hardwell Celenza and illustrated by JoAnn E. Kitchel (\$19.95, www.charlesbridge.com). It relates the story of how the Italian composer Vivaldi, known as Il Prete Rosso, wrote more than 140 concertos for girl musicians at a state-run orphanage, including the well known and loved piece, *The Four Seasons*. We would all have wanted to hear the red-dressed girl musicians, so finely illustrated here, play his 18th century masterpieces. A CD of the music is included with the book.

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The New Horse-Powered Farm

Tools and Systems for the Small-Scale Sustainable Market Grower

by Stephen Leslie with forward by Lynn Miller
(Chelsea Green Publishing)

Hidden among the back roads of America there is a growing resurgence of small, sustainable family farms especially in the Northeast. And many are setting aside their time-worn tractors, replacing them with draft horses.

This book tells the story of horse-powered farms that are reemerging today as a viable alternative to highly mechanized factory-farm system. Work horses had all but disappeared from the American farm scene with the advent of the tractor. In his forward to this timely and remarkable book by Stephen Leslie, Lynn R. Miller, founder and editor of The Small Farm Journal, describes what happened:

“Work horses and mules were not phased out, they were pushed out. They were deemed to be in the way of industry and a corporate notion of progress. That was it, the cusp, the very moment in history when we sold out our self reliance and working identity to the devil. It was commerce-driven cultural ‘cleansing.’ With the work animals went the biodiversity of plants and animals, elegant multi-crop rotations, the rich fabric of small-town America, the top soil, the spiritual and economic solvency of a nation, and the knowledge.”

Fortunately we learn through this book’s over-view that the tide has turned and small diversified farms have made a comeback. Think of the ever-growing number of farmers markets just here in Vermont.

The author and others who have contributed to this book are exceedingly grateful to the Amish and Mennonite farming communities who kept horse-powered farming alive as their way of life.

They perpetuated a horse-drawn technology (equipment, harness-making, etc.) which is now available to present day farmers. They also provided a pool of experienced teamsters, who have shared their know-how as mentors.

In an interesting take on this we learn that post-Soviet Cuba survived an enforced peak-oil crisis by developing a combination of urban gardening and the return to oxen-powered farming. But it wasn’t easy for the Cuban government to find a sufficient number of old men who could still remember how to work with oxen, to train the young farmers.

Today the ever-increasing cost of fossil fuels and their damaging effects on the environment are all the more reason for farmers to switch to horse power.

It is not unusual for those of us living in Vermont to see draft horses being used for carriage, sleigh and hay rides, maple sugar-

ing, and being also in the woods for logging. Some may even be keeping a draft horse as a reminder of how it was done in the old days.

Be surprised now to learn in Leslie’s 350-page book that draft horses are being harnessed for vegetable production!

Seeing is believing, and this book has a wonderful collection of photographs in color of horses doing just that—working the vegetable patch, be it plowing, cultivating, adding compost or harvesting.

We are taken inside the author’s own Cedar Mountain Farm in Hartland, VT where his business comprises a 20-Jersey dairy herd and a four-acre CSA market garden.

As members of the Cobb Hill Ecovillage co-housing, he and his wife Kerry are co-owners of 270 acres of farm and forest land. They manage 67 acres of community land: 17 in hay, 35 or so in pasture and the balance in garden and greenhouses.

The farm has high tunnels (hoop houses) measuring 26 x 50 feet and 26 x 100

feet. These extend the growing season and almost make the market farm a year-round

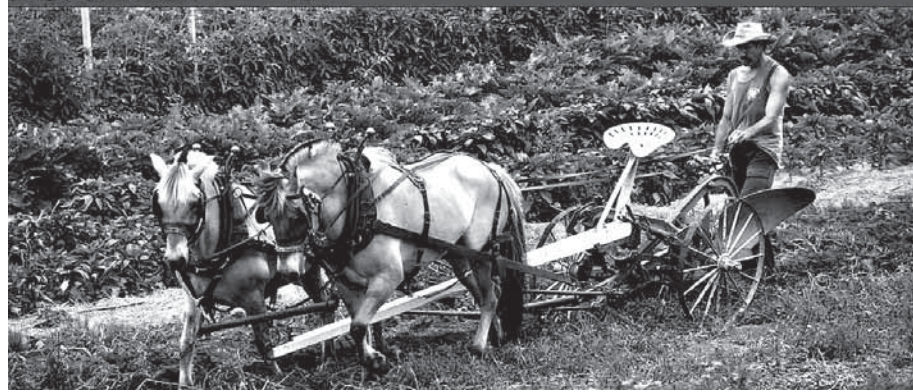
business. They do not use horses for tillage and cultivation inside the tunnels, but there is a write-up with photographs of the Ruby and Amber’s Organic Oasis Farm in Dorena, Oregon, where 11 draft-horse friendly 3,000 square foot hoop houses are used to grow potatoes and other vegetables. “What a joy it is to work the horses in these hoop houses, rain, snow or shine!” says Walt Bernard, farm owner. He also tells us the farm was named after his first team of draft horses.

The author and his wife apply bio-extensive concepts which Anne and Eric Nordell outlined for them to fit the unique circumstances and layout of their farm.

The Nordells, who farm in north-central Pennsylvania, have been an inspiration to many farmers who want to raise vegetables using horses and their methods of intricate rotation and fallow patterns for crops.

The Nordells have articles in the book including one On Using Cows to Make the Most of Your Horses in the Market Garden. “Cows” stands for a four-year rotation of Corn, Oats, Wheat, and Sod.

This book has an encyclopedic amount of information on the use and care and feeding of draft horses, equipment for plowing, seeding, cultivating, and safety measures. We learn about the different breeds of draft horses suitable for small, sustainable farms including draft ponies, the Fjord horse, the Haflinger, mules, and the miniature horse. The author uses Fjords which he says are “highly trainable, nimble and careful with



The New HORSE-POWERED FARM

TOOLS AND SYSTEMS FOR THE SMALL-SCALE SUSTAINABLE MARKET GROWER

STEPHEN LESLIE

Foreword by Lynn Miller

Book Review by Charles Sutton

their steps, and possessed with great endurance and “try.”

For those of us who have grown vegetables, a full chapter on horse-powered vegetable production is fascinating reading. But if horses are going up and down the widened rows on horse foot paths, won’t valuable growing space be lost? Not so, when a certain amount of land remains fallow in a rotation plan.

The book has many first person accounts by other farmers about what they must do considering their location, growing conditions, and weather. We read about one farmer with limited space who scatters root vegetable seeds in with the land set aside for cover crops. Those extra vegetables are income, too.

It wasn’t until he was in his early 30s that the author got into farming full-time. Before that he spent seven years at the Weston Priory, a Benedictine Monastery in Weston,

VT, followed by a two-year apprentice program at Hawthorne Valley biodynamic farm in upstate New York. There he met his wife-to-be Kerry Gawalt. The couple started a new farm life at Cedar Mountain Farm in Hartland in a community intended to showcase “green” architectural design, sustainable living and organic farming. The author ends his book with a salute to his horses and their lives together:

“Ahead of us is only the next furrow to be turned and then maybe a chance to let the horses and myself catch our breath and for me to tell them, ‘good horses,’ and to whisper my silent prayer of thanks for the abundance of life they bring to me.”

The New Horse-Powered Farm by Stephen Leslie is available at your bookseller or can be ordered for \$39.95 from the publisher, Chelsea Green Publishing at www.chelseagreen.com.



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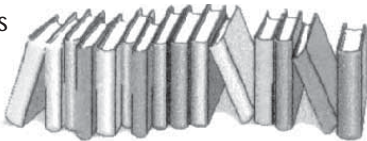
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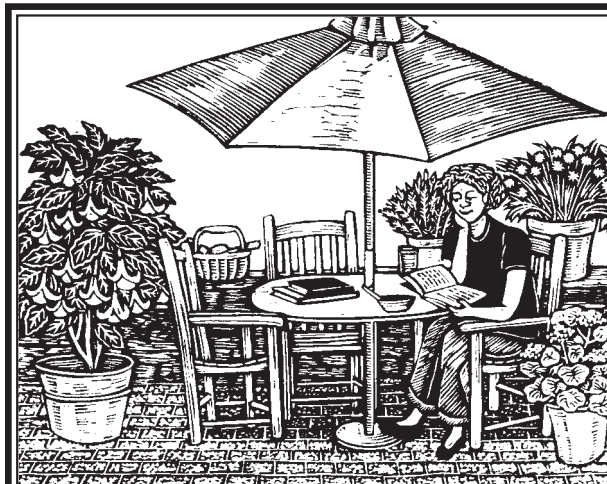
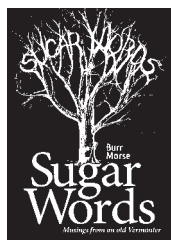
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August 17th & 18th, 2013

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Kingdom Farm and Food Days is a collaboration between the Center for an Agricultural Economy (CAE), NOFA-VT, High Mowing Organic Seeds (HMS), Pete's Greens, and the New England Culinary Institute (NECI).

Saturday, August 17th

Join the Center for an Agricultural Economy in Hardwick, VT for a morning caravan tour of regional agricultural organizations.

Go behind the scenes at each individual business. Personalize your tour route by selecting from the list of open farms organized by NOFA-VT. All participating farmers have generously opened their facilities from 8 a.m. to noon for KFF attendees.

Farm demos and activities vary from farm to farm. Ride in a tractor-pulled hay wagon for a tour of the farm production fields at Pete's Greens followed by a walking tour of the processing facility. Learn how the facility works and meets the needs of this four season CSA and wholesale farm. Participation cost is \$25.

Sunday, August 18th

Join High Mowing Organic Seeds in Wolcott, VT for a festive day from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tours of the HMS trials field will be led by HMS and Bejo representatives. Workshops for gardeners and growers include: seed saving, herbal gardening, and vegetable fermentation, gleaning with the Vermont Foodbank, a seed swap, children's activities hosted by Lamoille Valley 4-H club.

The New England Culinary Institute is preparing their farm to table showcase meal served in the field, using HMS produce and food donations from area farms. Compare the flavors and textures of vegetable varieties at the tasting station and enjoy fresh fire-roasted corn on the cob.

After dinner, boogie down with the Granite Junction string band followed by a bonfire. All of this days events are free, including the meal.

More about...

The Center for an Agricultural Economy is based in Hardwick, VT. Their mission is to build a regenerative,



Tom Stearns, President of High Mowing Organic Seeds, stops to explain plantings while leading a trials walk during Kingdom Farm and Food Days. photo by High Mowing Organic Seeds

locally-based, healthy food system. Their Community Food Access Program strives to bridge the gap between healthy, local food and Vermonters through their Food Access Fund, Farm-to-Institution Program, events like Pies for People and Soup for Supper and collecting produce at the Hardwick Farmers' Market. They sponsor learning visits and farm tours. And they run The Vermont Food Venture Center, a full service facility where you can get help with your food-based business from recipe development to processing. For more information visit www.hardwickagriculture.org.

High Mowing Organic Seeds is an independently-owned, farm-based seed company in Wolcott, VT dedicated to sup-

porting sustainable agriculture and providing farmers and gardeners with the highest quality certified organic seed. To learn more go to www.highmowingseeds.com.

New England Culinary Institute is located in Montpelier, VT. It is dedicated to providing a high quality, student-centered, and career-focused education, which is grounded in culinary arts, baking and pastry arts, and hospitality and restaurant management. Visit www.neci.edu.

The Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont is a nonprofit association of farmers, gardeners, and consumers working to promote an economically viable and ecologically sound Vermont food system. They sponsor workshops and conferences and are full of handy resources. For more information go to nofavt.org.

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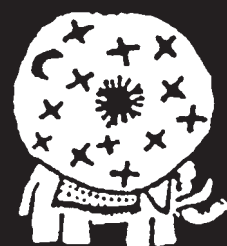
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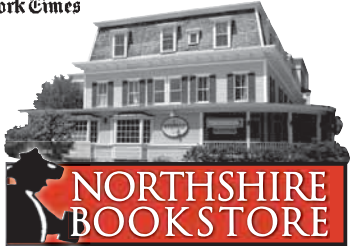
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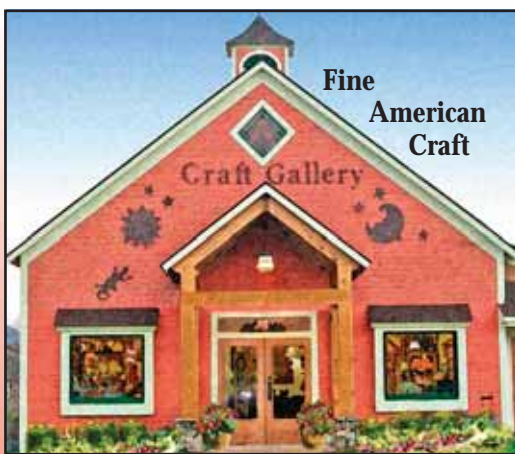
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"Cusha! Cusha! Cusha!" calling
"For the dews will soon be falling;
Leave your meadow grasses mellow,
Mellow, mellow;
Quit your cowslips, cowslips yellow;
Come uppe, Whitefoot, come uppe Lightfoot;
Quit the stalks of parsley hollow,
Hollow, hollow;
Come uppe, Jetty, rise and follow,
From the clovers lift your head;
Come uppe, Jetty, rise and follow,
Jetty, to the milking shed."



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