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To help you navigate all there is to see and do, we have published our annual Washington County Summer Guide. This 116-page magazine is brimming with in-depth coverages of the arts, outdoor fun, history, rodeos, along with a comprehensive calendar of events to help you navigate your busy summer.

No matter what your interest, if it's happening in the Washington County region you will find it inside this edition.

We hope you enjoy this special edition and keep it handy for quick and easy reference throughout the summer.

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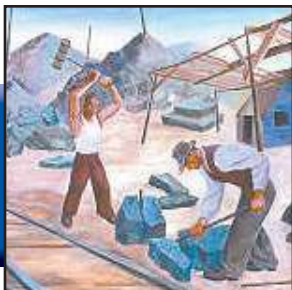


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Explore the region's

original buildings, furniture, artwork, historical artifacts including maps, documents, and pictures of the era. Some museums have gift shops with a variety of items.

Enjoy the picturesque views of the grounds, surrounding mountains, and wooded areas. Some of the museums have picnic areas.

Other information and

on-line opportunities await you by browsing the museum websites. Even a cell phone tour is possible.

NEW YORK

Skenesborough Museum Whitehall

Located along the Champlain Canal in the village of Whitehall, this museum boasts a vast display of artifacts, particu-

larly those dealing with the United States Navy.

Whitehall was originally known as "Skenesborough," named after Philip Skene, a Scottish officer in the British Army and one of the first to settle in the area. When the revolutionaries captured the British ship known as "The Liberty," it is said they established the first organized navy, thus

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making Whitehall “The Birthplace of the United States Navy.”

The year 1959 marked Whitehall’s 200th year of existence, and that year the Skenesborough Museum first opened its doors, in what was a restored canal terminal from 1917. In recent years the museum has seen many upgrades, such as new lighting, to make the displays easier to see.

One excellent example of this is the Navy diorama. The diorama lights up and narrates the entire history of the establishment of the first Navy in Whitehall.

The museum doesn’t

focus solely on Whitehall’s maritime history. It also houses artifacts detailing the role the canal and railroad played in the development of the community, while also boasting artifacts that show the different ways of living that developed in Whitehall as a result.

In addition to the indoor displays, there are two prominent outdoor displays, the USS Ticonderoga and a Delaware and Hudson Railroad car.

The main displays are not altered every year, so you can view everything mentioned.

Resting prominently

along the Champlain Canal, inside Whitehall’s Town Park, the area is perfect for an afternoon picnic following a stop in the museum.

The hours of operation are daily July 1 through Labor Day 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. After Labor Day the museum is open weekends until mid-October Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday noon until 3 p.m.

Hours vary at the museum, as do the rates, so interested visitors are encouraged to contact the museum’s director, Carol Greenough, at 518-499-1155. Appointments may be made

to open the museum during its non-operational hours. You can also learn more at <https://skenesborough.com/skenesborough-museum/>

Pember Library and Museum Granville

The Pember Library and Museum is a public library and natural history museum. Both library and museum were established in 1909 by Franklin Tanner Pember and his wife Ellen Wood Pember in the building designed and built for this purpose. This museum is an integral part of the cultural scene in Granville.

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Both the library and museum still operate in the original building, in rooms lined with taxidermy animals. The Pember Museum houses circa 1800 and 1900 taxidermy along with natural objects from around the world.

The Pember runs various activities throughout the year, dedicated to getting people out and about to absorb culture. One such event is "First Friday," which occurs on the first Friday of each month in conjunction with Granville's Slate Valley Museum.

Popular "First Fridays"

vary in their scope, but all aim for the same goal – getting people out to the museum and library in a hands-on fashion.

Throughout the year The Pember hosts book clubs, reading programs and crafts exhibits.

The Pember's exhibits focus on the natural history of the area, especially its vast bio-diversity, hence the taxidermy animals. This bio-diversity is not exclusive to Granville; it focuses on surrounding areas as well, such as Hartford.

About 80 percent of the museum's collections are on display at any given time

and added in recent years is the ability to see the collections online.

Specimens range from animal and plant remains to rocks, minerals and fossils, which detail the area's rich natural beauty.

A new exhibit "History in Your Backyard," will be displayed from June 15-May 15, 2020. "History in your Backyard" showcases historic objects found in Granville and surrounding areas. The Pember Museum is excited to present clay pipes, a circa 1700 coin and circa 1800 coins from Hartford, stone artifacts and projectiles from Wells,

Vermont, an igneous rock face from Pawlet, Vermont, a Thomas Edison Amberola, and more. It will also feature maps and information on local historic places to visit that are not well-known.

There will also be a Nature Preserve the second and fourth Sunday in the summer through the second week in October.

The Pember Museum is open Tuesday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Sunday, Monday, and holidays. The library hours are Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday

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Slate Valley Museum Granville

Located across the Mettewee River from the Pember Library and Museum is the Slate Valley Museum, now in its 24th year of depicting the rich slate-laden history of eastern New York and western

Vermont. The Welsh played a crucial role in the quarrying of slate in the "Slate Valley," and this museum offers plenty of opportunities to learn about the role these immigrants played.

Industry grew from Fair Haven to Granville, Salem, and Poultney, Vermont, and Granville has since been deemed "The Colored Slate Capital of the World."

In conjunction with the Pember Library and Museum, the Slate Valley Museum is considered the "cultural campus" of Granville and looks to illustrate that during the first Friday of each month.

"Glory Days: An Era of Industry" will be displayed June 7-Sept. 17, portraying the growth of the industry along the Battenkill, the Mettewee, and the Indian River from the mid- 19th century until the present. The rivers powered the mills and factories which flourished along their shores from as far back as the 1700s.

The Slate Valley Museum is curated by Salem historian Judy Flagg, Sally Brillon, research assistant, Washington County Historical Society, and Elizabeth Cockey, artist and author of Untold Stories of

the Battenkill.

Collections can also be searched on the website www.slatevalleymuseum.org.

Admission is \$5 for adults, children under 12, military personnel and their families, and slate industry workers and their families all free.

The Slate Valley Museum is open year-round and is located on Water Street in Granville. Hours are Tuesday-Friday 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is closed on Sundays and Mondays as well as on Independence Day. Call 518-642-1417 for

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Rogers Island Visitor's Center is open from May 23 through Oct. 31 Wednesday-

Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Call 518-747-3693 or visit www.rogersisland.org for more information.

Cambridge Historical Society and Museum

Cambridge

Located at 12 Broad Street, and run by the Cambridge Historical Society, this museum's goal is "to preserve and protect the great Cambridge area's history, both in physical and written form."

The house that hosts the museum was built in 1869 by John Smith, an officer of the Cambridge Valley Bank.

In 1881, it was sold to William McKie whose daughter, Katherine, inherited it in 1901. She was a graduate of the Emma Willard School in Troy, a chapter of DAR, director of the Mary McClellan Hospital and founder of the hospital's Women's Auxiliary. The house was sold in 1929 to the McFarland family who deeded it to the Cambridge Historical Society.

The museum relies heavily on local families and individuals to donate historical artifacts either for temporary or permanent display, which portrays the

history of the Cambridge area, and more importantly, its people.

Some of the interesting services the museum provides include genealogy by family name, video cassettes, historical DVDs, local history books, and the Mary McClellan Hospital collection.

The museum puts on various programs and events throughout the summer, and they are posted on the museum's website <http://www.cambridgeny-historicalsociety.org/>. This year the society is offering: June 19, "The Churches of Cambridge" - Speaker Ken

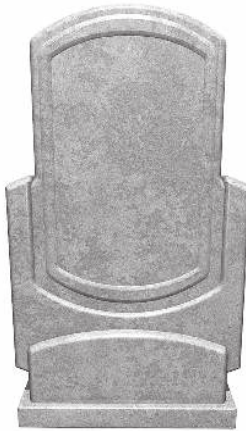
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Cambridge Historical Society Museum is open Tuesdays and Saturdays from 1 to 3 p.m. starting June 1 until Dec. 1 and also by appointment. For further information contact Beverly Collarmer at 518-677-3327.

Chapman Historical Museum Glens Falls

Chapman Historical Museum, located at 348 Glen Street in Glens Falls, focuses on American history.

From April 25 to Oct. 27, "The Building Stories" exhibit introduces the stories of architects and commercial builders, businesses that occupied downtown buildings, and the people who inhabited the houses along city streets and town roads. It is adapted from the material used in the museum's annual cemetery and walking tours.

Included in the exhibit will be photos of historic buildings that no longer



The Hyde Collection in Glens Falls.

exist: the Wing house on Warren Street, the First Presbyterian Church on Warren Street, the Opera House, Rockwell House on Fountain Square, and the Glens Falls Insurance Company. Other buildings stand but have changed: Ordway Hall, the BB Fowler building, Hotel Ruliff, Church of the Messiah and Hall's Ice Cream on Maple Street.

"The exhibit is funded by grants from the Leo Cox Beach Philanthropic Foundation, the Waldo T. &

Ruth S. Ross Charitable Trust, the City of Glens Falls and the Town of Queensbury and is sponsored by JMZ Architects & Planners, P.C."

Another small exhibit now through October 27 features photos of Seneca Ray Stoddard and street scenes of the 1870s and 1880s.

Visitors are encouraged to participate in and explore everyday life in Glens Falls. Each room of the museum focuses on various aspects of life. This "Hands-On History Project" covers

themes of school days, home style, music memories, and "weird and curious things." The project was funded by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

The museum has exhibits and displays that come and go, so it is recommended to check the website www.chapmanmuseum.org to see what's on display. There you can also find an online store with maps, books, and prints of S.R. Stoddard's

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For more details on the museum call 518-793-2826 or visit the website <https://www.chapmanmuseum.org/>

The Hyde Collection

Glens Falls

Art and history are always on display at the Hyde, which was opened by Charlotte Prunyn Hyde in 1953. Located at 161 Warren Street in Glens Falls, the museum is one of the most prominent in the area. Founders Louis and Charlotte Hyde acquired the majority of objects.

The Hyde has various exhibits from professional artists. Its permanent collection consists of American and European art and history spanning 6,000 years to the present. The Hydies collected 4,000 objects consisting of works on paper, sculptures, and decorative arts, including furniture and textiles.

Also exhibiting is "From the Rooftops: John Sloan and the Art of a New Urban Space" from June 15 to Sept. 15. Members-only is June 14 at 6:30 p.m. The painter John Sloan (1871-1951) was preoccupied with the New York City rooftops. "These wonderful roofs of New York City bring me all humanity," as Sloan was quoted in 1919. "It is all the world."

"From the Rooftops" lecture is at 2 p.m. June 15 presented by Adam M. Thomas, Ph.D., curator of American Art at the Palmer Museum of Art,

Pennsylvania State University, has limited space so RSVP online or contact Kayla at 518-792-1761, ext. 310 or adminasist@hydecollection.org

Another exhibit is from Oct. 6 to Jan. 5, displaying Pablo Picasso, Georges Braque, and Fernand Léger. Each were inspired by literature and poetry, both ancient and contemporary. Picasso's prints include Suite des Saltimbanques (1904-1905), and his last, Le Cocu Magnifique, 1968, as well as works from Braque's iconic L'Ordre des Oiseaux (The Order of Birds), 1962, and Léger's color lithographs from his Les Illuminations series (1950).

"Artists of the Mohawk Hudson Region" exhibition

displays works from the region. Artists are encouraged to participate in the 2019 display. Victoria Palermo will be this year's juror. Submissions are limited to five works or three videos no more than 10

minutes and may be made online between June 13-July 13. Additionally, proposals may include interventions in Hyde House and on the lawn.

The exhibit is from Oct. 11 through Dec. 4. The fee



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The Fort Edward area has some of the richest early American history in the nation, and it is literally on display at the Old Fort House Museum. The five-building museum complex, located on Broadway in the heart of the village of Fort Edward, features artifacts from the 18th to the 20th century that tell the tale of America's past.

Central to the museum complex is the Old Fort House built by Patrick Smyth in 1772 with timbers from the ruins of Fort Edward, a fortification from the French and Indian War.

From the 1770's to the 1940's the house served as a family home, tavern, and boarding house which hosted a number of nationally important figures. The Old Fort House features a permanent exhibit on Solomon Northup, the author of *Twelve Years a Slave*, who "commenced housekeeping in the old yellow building" for the first years of his marriage. Inside the Old Fort House, visitors can also find a tavern of the 1770s, a living room of the 1830's, a bedroom of the 1850's, a Victorian area sitting-room, and a 1940's kitchen.

The museum campus features a Plank Road Toll House, which reflects the life and living quarters of a toll collector in the 1840s. The circa 1853 law office of A. Dallas Wait, a Washington County judge, depicts the life of an attorney from the 19th century. The law

office was originally located at the end of Eddy Street, and was tabbed for demolition. However, in 1982, Scott Paper, and many interested parties in Fort Edward, elected to move the building to the historical campus.

The Riverside Schoolhouse, a one-room school originally located in the Town of Northumberland, depicts 20th century education for rural students. The Cronkhite Pavilion hosts exhibits on the history of Fort Edward, Hudson Falls and Sandy Hill. The pavilion also features exhibits illustrating the long-standing Native American and military history of the area. Lastly, the Village of Fort Edward Waterworks Barn houses exhibits on early transportation and farming.

Those interested in research can utilize the John P. Burke Research Center and the Fort Edward Art Center. Museum hours are 1 to 5 p.m. June through August, then September through mid-October from 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and closed on national holidays. Schools and bus tours may call to schedule an appointment any time of the year.

Museum admission is \$5, members and children under 12 are free. The gift shop is open year round during office hours, with a large selection of books on the area's rich local history. For more information call the museum at 518-747-9600.

for submission is \$25. If a site visit is needed, please contact Nicole at 518-792-1761, ext. 335, or nherwig@hydecollection.org to schedule an appointment.

The Hyde is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. Closed on Monday and most national holidays. For the summer it is open from July 15 to Aug. 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$12, students with ID \$10, children 12 and under, active military and family, and veterans all free. For those with disabilities the complex is accessible by wheelchair; exceptions are the guest bedroom and Mrs. Hyde's bedroom. Service animals are permissible and must wear service ID jacket or

vest.

For further information call Visit www.hydecollection.org or call 518-792-1761 or visit <https://hydecollection.org>

VERMONT

Bennington Museum *Bennington*

Bennington is home to the largest collection of Grandma Moses paintings and houses galleries of military history, contemporary, and outsider art. It is recognized by Yankee Magazine's Best of New England 2015, Editor's Choice for best museum **m a k e o v e r**. Forever collecting, the Bennington Museum continues to add to its gallery space and exhibitions.

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American art, focusing on the arts of Vermont that range from 18th-century portraits and decorative arts to folk art, and Vermont landscape paintings, along with 20th-century modernism and the work of self-taught artists.

The story of the Battle of Bennington is told in the Military Gallery, while Gilded Age Vermont highlights the industrial and cultural innovation of the region during the mid-19th century to the mid-20th century and features the 1924 Martin Wasp Touring Automobile. Bennington Modernism features changing works created in the early 1950s through the mid-1970s by a group of avant-garde artists who worked in and around

Bennington as they led the nation in artistic thought and innovation.

Bennington Museum is located at 75 Main St. in Bennington. It is open daily June through October, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and is wheelchair accessible. Closed July 4.

Regular admission is \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors 62+ and students over 18. Younger students and children are free, and there is no charge to visit the Museum Store. Research e-mail request is \$20. In person research free with admission. Groups of 10 or more with reservation. Cell phone tours are free.

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Poultney Historical Society Museums

Poultney

The Poultney Historical Society works in various ways to preserve the history of Poultney, and one such way is through maintaining museums. It maintains three museums: the East Poultney Schoolhouse, the Melodeon Factory and Union Academy.

Constructed in 1986, the East Poultney Schoolhouse was the final building erected in historic East Poultney. Following the Queen Anne style of architecture, this 19th century building hosts a collection of documents and the historical society's research center.

During the Industrial Revolution, Poultney's

Melodeon Factory was a prominent building, and now it's a museum hosting many of the historical society's permanent exhibits. The historical society has put endless work into repairing this property and in 2008 did extensive work on the foundation.

Lastly, Union Academy is believed to be one of the oldest surviving schoolhouses in Vermont. Noted journalist Horace Greeley began his career here in the 1820s, and the academy was an ideal location for many of his political speeches. The historical society took over the building in the 1980s and has restored it to its original schoolhouse look.

The Poultney Historical Society is dedicated to pre-

serving the history of the town of Poultney. For more information call 802-287-5252 or visit <https://www.poultneyhistoricalsociety.org>

Hildene

Manchester

Believe it or not, Abe Lincoln is associated with the Hildene museum. The home and grounds of the Lincoln home were built in 1903 by Lincoln's son, Robert Todd.

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General admission is \$23 for adults, \$6 for youth six to 16, children under six and members free. The second consecutive day admission is \$7 for adults a youth six to 16 children, under six and members free.

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The site is open year-round from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Closed main holidays.

Must check in at the Welcome Center for a pass.

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American Museum of Fly Fishing

Manchester

The museum's website reads, "In preparation for the 1893 Chicago World's Fair, Mary Orvis Marbury created wooden panels featuring flies and photographs to represent her father's outdoor equipment retailer, C.F. Orvis Company. These panels were rediscovered in 1963 as Hermann Kessler was

conducting research for Field and Stream magazine. He approached the new owner of Orvis, Leigh Perkins, and in 1968 the American Museum of Fly Fishing was founded. Fifty years after this historic event, AMFF is now the world's largest repository and conservator of angling-related artifacts, including our 7,000 volume Gardner L. Grant Library."

With the classic outdoorsy feel that one associates with Vermont, this museum illustrates the country's history with the calming sport of fly fishing.

The Leigh Perkins

Gallery currently has three exhibitions on display, "The Wonders of Fly Fishing," "On the Fly in the Salt: American Saltwater Fly Fishing and from the Surf to the Flats", and *Trout Magazine*.

Leigh H. Perkins Gallery's "The Wonders of Fly Fishing" lets you experience the evolution of the sport focusing on American masters H.L. Leonard and Charles Orvis, the makers of rod and reel.

"On Fly in the Salt: American Saltwater Fly Fishing and from the Surf to the Flats" focuses on the history of saltwater fly

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fishing displaying the evolution of tackle to the efficient gear of today. Displays will also include photos from the earliest days of the sport. Additionally, there will be video footage of the anglers who pioneered the joy of saltwater fly fishing.

Besides the exhibits, the museum displays a collection of rods, reels, flies, art, photos and other media for an educational experience of the sport of fly fishing. To help promote the conversation of fly-fishing waters, the American Museum of Fly Fishing utilizes its exhibits, gallery programs, lectures and spe-

cial events.

Year-round events and activities engage visitors, such as kids' clinics, and there is an extensive shop featuring a variety of items. Also available are digital exhibits on line.

From June to October the museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The rest of the year it is open Tuesday through Saturday with the same hours. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children five to 14, children under 5 and members free, and families \$10.

The American Museum of Fly Fishing is located at 4104 Main St. in Manchester

and can be reached by calling 802-362-3300 or by visiting www.amf.org

New England Maple Museum

Pittsford

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Calvin Coolidge Homestead Plymouth

In Vermont in 1872, John Calvin Coolidge was born in a house attached to his father's general store. In 1876, his father, "Colonel" John Coolidge, purchased the homestead across the street now known as the Calvin Coolidge Homestead. Calvin Coolidge

Homestead is owned by the state of Vermont and preserved in nearly its exact state. The building on the site details not only the Coolidge birth, but the life he led. The historical site includes a church, cheese factory, schoolhouse and the general store.

The homestead focuses on educational exhibits expressing the story of Calvin Coolidge's rise from the family homestead at Plymouth Notch to the White House in Washington, D.C. The Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation also has its offices in this facility.

Featured within Coolidge home is the formal dining room, the sitting room, the artifacts of the bedroom moved from the second floor to the lower level, and the kitchen.

The formal parlor was used only on special occasions. On display is the black walnut, horsehair-covered furniture purchased in 1876, as well as the original rug, lace curtains, and cast-iron stove.

"Oath of Office Room," the sitting room displays the table, Bible, and kerosene lamp used in the inauguration. President and Mrs. Coolidge occupied a

second-floor bedroom, not open to the public.

The kitchen contains the original cast-iron wood stove and a table set for four.

The Calvin Coolidge Visitor Center is open all year from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Visits should embark at the Visitor Center. An admission fee is charged and varies.

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Chimney Point State Historic Site

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All dominant cultures of the area recognized and utilized the strategic location

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quent special events, boat access from a new ramp, and a picnic area with views of the new bridge that was opened in 2013. New exhibits this year include "Salmon and People in A Changing World" in honor of the International Year of the Salmon. It covers the successful reintroduction of the Atlantic salmon into Lake Champlain. Also featured is a hallway exhibit: "A Brush with Nature: The Art of Lillian Kennedy," which uses both art and words to explain the process of landscape painting.

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A series of events geared toward children ages 3-5 is "Pre-Schoolers at the

Point." These will feature stories and crafts geared toward pre-schoolers and will be offered from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. on June 21, July 19 and Aug. 16. There is no cost, but a suggested donation per family is \$5.

Other events will include "Points of Interest: Lake Champlain Bridge Guided Walk, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 22 (\$8) and also offered on Sept. 15 from 1 to 3 p.m.; "Blast from the Past: How to Weed Your Attic", 2 to 4 p.m., July 21; a "Drawing Sanctuary Workshop" on Aug. 10 from 10:30 a.m. to noon and followed by "Guided Landscape

Painting with Watercolor and Gouache" that day from 1-4 p.m.; "Blast from the Past: Historic Clock and Watches Afternoon" on Aug. 11 from noon to 4 p.m.; "Blast from the Past: Working with Fiber" on Aug. 18 from 2-4 p.m.; and "Birchbark Basketmaking with Barry" on Sept. 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (cost is \$60).

Chimney Point is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., every Wednesday through Sunday, as well as on Monday holidays, from May 25 through Oct. 13. Admission is \$5 and free for children age 14 and under. The cost is \$2.50 for

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Mount Independence State Historical Site

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Mount Independence offers both a dose of history and an opportunity for a decent and mellow hike. As you follow its trails out on the jutting peninsula past scattered stone foundations and other ruins now shaded with a forest canopy, the place has a rather haunted feel.

Imagine it as treeless and open to the harsh elements and your needing to huddle around a meager fire to keep warm against

sub-zero winter winds sweeping down Lake Champlain from the north. Think of snakes slithering through your tent in the summer and swarms of biting insects spreading diseases for which there are no antibiotics and which can kill far more soldiers than cannon or musket ball.

Mount Independence seemed like a good idea for the American Revolutionaries at the time, but it was certainly a place of utter misery for the soldiers who were stationed there.

Mount Independence is now one of the largest

archeological sites from the American Revolutionary War. Between it and Fort Ticonderoga, which is readily visible across a narrow passage of Lake Champlain, 12,000 soldiers were stationed at one time. Construction of the Mt. Independence forts commenced in the summer of 1776 after the defeat of the American attempt to invade Canada and fears of a British thrust through the area. Many historical figures had a presence at the site, including Polish engineer Thaddeus Kosciusko. In fact, the combined forces at Mt. Independence and

Fort Ticonderoga deterred the first thoughts of a British attack through here – at least for that year.

That was about the only success achieved by the Americans with the two forts. Mt. Independence was occupied by a reduced force of 2,500 over the next winter and they suffered mightily from cold and disease. The next summer, both this site and Fort Ticonderoga were abandoned by the Colonial Army so it could live and fight another day. British General Burgoyne, fresh from a nearby battle at Hubbardton, Vermont, occu-

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pied the two forts with his German mercenary allies. They were there until the fall when they also abandoned, and burned, the forts after American victories in Bennington and Saratoga.

Mount Independence currently features four marked hiking trails with distances ranging from .2 to 2.5 miles. The 1.6-mile-long Baldwin Trail is notable as accessible for people with disabilities as it has compacted surfaces and gentle grades. It also offers 15 color signs detailing the history of the site.

A permanent exhibit in the museum features artifacts from the small to the largest, which is a 3,000-pound cannon constructed in Scotland in the 1690's.

Special events offered at the site include the "National Trails Day Hike into History," June 1, from 2 to 4 p.m. and on Aug. 4 from 2 to 4 p.m.; "Those Turbulent Sons of Freedom" book discussion and author talk on

June 8, from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. (discussion) and 2-3:30 p.m. (author talk); "Children's Revolutionary Morning Camp" from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. from June 26-28 (cost of \$75 per child); "Find the Green Mountain Boys Project" from 2-3:30 p.m. on July 14; "Children's Revolutionary Storytime" on July 24 and Aug. 21 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; "Inquiry into the Revolutionary Mind: What Were You Thinking Doctor Jonathan Potts and Reverend Thomas Allen?" on Aug. 28 from 2-3:30 p.m.; and "Soldiers Atop the Mount" on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Sat.) and 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Sun.) and the cost is \$6.

The site is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from May 25 to Oct. 13. Adult admission is \$5 while children age 14 and under are admitted for free. For groups of 10 or more that have reservations, admission is \$4 per person.

Directions: At the inter-

section of Routes 22A & 73 in Orwell, turn west on Route 73. Take the first left onto Mt. Independence Road. The road turns to gravel and follow it to a left up a hill. The parking lot is on left at the top.

For more information call 802-759-2412 or during the season at 802-948-2000, send an email to elsa.gilbertson@vermont.gov or go to http://historicsites.vermont.gov/directory/mount_independence.

Hubbardton Battlefield State Historical Site 5696 Monument Road, Hubbardton

It's hard to visualize this remote location of gentle, wooded hills and open, grassy fields as the site of a major battle. The clash that occurred here is described as a successful rear guard action by the American forces who fought the seasoned, well-trained British regulars of General John Burgoyne to a standstill.

The American forces, having abandoned Fort Ticonderoga and Mt. Independence to superior British forces, marched here along the narrow Mount Independence-Hubbardton Military Road. While the bulk of the force of 4,000 Americans continued on to Castleton, a group of 1,000 to 1,200 stayed behind to delay the British advance. The two forces met early in the morning of July 7, 1777 and several British attacks were repulsed. The result was deemed a success for the Americans, as their main force managed to escape safely and the British suffered many casualties, forcing them to reconsider their plans.

The Hubbardton Battlefield features a permanent exhibit illustrating the story of the conflict, period artifacts, a three-dimensional optic map with narration, and a diorama created by Vermont artist Paul V. Winter that depicts

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the battle. The outdoor, grass trail offers interpretive signs detailing the events of that day.

Special events offered in the summer of 2019 will include "Deep Sky Astronomy Night" from 9-11 p.m. on June 8; "The First Amendment" U.S. Constitution talk and discussion on June 23 from 2-3 p.m.; "Battle of Hubbardton Revolutionary War Encampment," July 6 (9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and July 7 (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) with a \$6 cost; Hubbardton Town Family Fun Day" on July 20 from 4-9:30 p.m. (music, food, activities and fireworks); "50th Anniversary of Apollo 11 Lunar Landing

Astronomy Night" on July 20 from 7-11 p.m.; "Last Sunday: Learning History Through Living History" from 1-2:30 p.m. on July 28; "Moonlight in Vermont Astronomy Night" on Aug. 10 from 8:30 to 11 p.m.; "Castleton Colonial Days" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Aug. 17; the "Mount Independence-Hubbardton Military Road Car Tour" from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Aug. 24; "Last Sunday: Soldiers, Citizens and Ghosts in the Time of the Battle of Hubbardton" from 2-4 p.m., Aug. 25; "Moonlight Starlight Astronomy Night" from 7:30 to 11 p.m., Sept. 7; "Day of Remembrance" on Sept. 11 from 10 a.m. to 5

p.m.; "Revolutionary War Board Game Afternoon" on Sept. 15 from 1-4 p.m.; and the "Fourth Sunday: Hubbardton Battlefield Hike" on Sept. 22 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and the "22nd Annual Mount Zion Hike," Oct. 6, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The Hubbardton Battlefield is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday, from May 25 through Oct. 13 as well as Monday holidays. Admission is \$3 and free for children under age 15. For those in groups of 10 or more with reservations, the cost is \$1.50 per person.

Directions: Head six miles east from VT Route 30 in Hubbardton or seven

miles north off of exit 5 of U.S. Route 4 in Castleton.

Call 802-759-2412 or 802-273-2282 during open hours or shoot an email to elsa.gilbertson@vermont.gov. You can also go to the web site at <http://historicsites.vermont.gov/directory/hubbardton>.

Bennington Battle Monument State Historical Park

15 Monument Circle, Bennington

The Bennington Battle Monument is actually the tallest structure (306 feet) in Vermont. Its presence dominates the Town of Bennington and is accentuated by its hilltop location.

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The monument commemorates a conflict that led to what is considered the turning point in the American Revolutionary War. Actually, as many do not know, the site is not where the battle actually took place, but marks the location of a key supply depot for the American forces.

The British were marching rapidly in this direction in the late summer of 1777, as they were in dire straits in terms of military supplies, especially following their tactical defeat at the Battle of Hubbardton. Thus they had their eyes on the Bennington depot.

Continental Army

Colonel John Stark decided to head off the British by attacking on Aug. 16 across the New York border on the Walloomsac River Heights. His force included 2,000 mostly untrained troops of the newly formed Republic of Vermont, as well as New Hampshire and Berkshire County, Massachusetts volunteers. The battle fortunes swayed back and forth a few times before the Americans prevailed at dusk. The inability of the British to gain these desperately needed supplies led to more dire consequences for them in the autumn.

Special events for the 2019 season include a Flag Day celebration on Friday,

June 14 from 2-4 p.m.; "Father's Day: Take Your Father to the Battlefield" on Sun., June 16; "Reading and Celebration of the Declaration of Independence" from 1-2 p.m. on the 4th of July; "Historic Evening Walk" on Fri., July 5 (starts at Monument); "Bennington Battle Day 5k Road Race & Celebration" (race starts at 9:30 a.m. at the Monument; registration at 8 a.m.); "Shady Ladies of 19th Century America" on Sat., Aug. 17 from 2-3:30 p.m.; "Moodus Drum and Fife Concert" on Sat., Aug. 17 from noon to 2 p.m.; and a "Historic Walk" on Sun., Aug. 18 starting at 7 p.m.

The Bennington Battle Monument site is open daily, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., from May 1 through Oct. 31. Admission is \$5, \$1 for children ages 6-14 and free for children under age 6. For groups of 10 or more that pre-register, the cost is \$2 per person. There is an elevator to the top and various statues on the grounds surrounding the monument, including one honoring Seth Warner, leader of the Green Mountain Boys force that helped defeat the British forces in the second engagement of the battle, as well as one of General John Stark. Also featured on the ground floor of the monument is a diorama

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If you need more information, including about special events that will be offered at the site, call 802-447-0550 or send an email to marylou.chicote@vermont.gov. Also check out the web site at <http://historicsites.vermont.gov/directory/bennington>.

Lake Champlain Maritime Museum

4472 Basin Harbor Road,
Vergennes

This museum offers numerous buildings brimming with exhibits and artifacts. These include an 1818 stone schoolhouse, featuring a Native American exhibit, the Hazelett Watercraft Center, with a collection of dugout and bark canoes, kayaks, rowing skiffs and other small watercraft, the Nautical Archaeology Center, and much more.

You can also step aboard a working replica of the 1776 gunboat, the Philadelphia II, or check

out the sailing canal boat Lois McClure and the bateau, Perseverance, a replica of an inland transport vessel from Colonial times.

Two-day Bladesmithing courses, instructed by Bob Boreaux, will be offered from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on May 25 & 26, June 29 & 30, July 27 and 28, Aug. 24 and 25, and Sept. 28 and 29. The cost is \$200-\$225.

For the more adventurous, there are five shipwrecks in Lake Champlain marked by yellow buoys for scuba divers. The site also offers a range of workshops and field trips, rowing/kayaking opportunities, and more. Call or check their

web site for details.

The museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., May 25 to Oct. 13. Admission is \$14, \$12 for seniors, \$7 for retired military, \$8 for students ages 6 to 18, and free to children age 5 and under and for museum members and active duty military. Group rates: \$12, \$11 for seniors and \$7 for youth.

Directions: The Museum's Basin Harbor facility is on Basin Harbor Road, 7 miles west of Vergennes (off Route 22A) and 12 miles north of the Lake Champlain Bridge. Follow the signs.

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Fort Ticonderoga National Historic Landmark

100 Fort Ti Road,
Ticonderoga

Fort Ticonderoga dates back to 1755, when the French military built what was then called Carillon at the outlet of the La Chute River, which connects Lake George with Lake Champlain. It served them well when they defeated the British in a bloody battle here in 1758, but then the Fort changed hands over and over again – the British

capturing it from the French, the Americans from the British in 1775, the British back from the Americans in 1777, and then the British finally destroying the fort after their defeat at nearby Saratoga.

William Ferris Pell purchased the grounds of the old fort in 1820 and then Stephen and Sarah Pell initiated the reconstruction of Fort Ticonderoga early in the 20th century. Over the years, items were gathered for the site's museum collection as well.


Today Fort Ticonderoga offers visitors the chance to explore the rebuilt fort, but also boasts an impressive garden with a history of its own. It originally provided food for the soldiers sta-

tioned at the fort and later, Pell established an arboretum on the site. A hotel was operated here until the turn of the 20th century as well. A new garden in this space, known as the "King's Garden," was initiated around 1920 by Sarah Pell. Guided tours of this peaceful space began in 1967.

Regular demonstrations at Fort Ticonderoga include a soldier's dinner, musket maintenance, tailoring, shoemaking, carpentry and farming and much more. Various tour options are also offered that generally last about 30 minutes, including musket and cannon firing demonstrations and tours of Mount Defiance and the Fort's historic gardens. Special events and re-enactments

for the summer season will include "Scots Day" on June 15, the "Independence Day Weekend" from July 4-7; "Battle of Carillon Commemoration" on July 8; Battle Reenactment: "Montcalm's Cross" on July 20-21; Living History Event: "The Sound of 1776" on July 27; and Battle Reenactment: "Brown's Raid" on September 14-15.

Fort Ticonderoga is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., from May 4 through Oct. 31 (last tickets sold at 4:30 p.m.). Mount Defiance is open the same dates and hours. Admission costs are \$24, seniors (65+) are \$22, children (ages 5 to 15) are \$12, children under age 4 are free. If you purchase a one-day admission, you can visit the next day for free. Admissions to



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Mount Defiance only are \$10 but are included with general admission to Fort Ticonderoga.

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Special two-day tickets are \$27.50 for adults, \$23.50 for seniors, and \$12.50 for children (ages 5-12) and include admission to Mount Defiance.

Directions: From U.S. Route 87 take exit 28 onto NY Routes 22 and 74 east, go 18 miles, turn left on Route 74 east and go a half mile to the entrance. From NY Route 9-N go to the traffic circle in Ticonderoga, turn east on Montcalm Street, continue three miles to Route 74E and go a half mile to the entrance. From Vermont, follow State Route 74 west or Route 22A via Route 73 in Orwell to the Ticonderoga ferry. After crossing Lake Champlain,

turn left after one mile.

For more information call 518-585-2821 or email info@fort-ticonderoga.org. Also check out the web site at www.fortticonderoga.org.

Bennington Battlefield State Historic Site New York Route 67, Walloomsac

The Bennington Battlefield was not in Bennington, Vermont, but in Walloomsac, New York. Here the Colonial Army, led by Brigadier General John Stark and Colonel Seth Warner, prevented the British, under General John Burgoyne, from capturing a key American storehouse in Bennington.

The Bennington Battlefield is open 8 a.m. to sunset daily from May 1

through Veterans Day.

For more information call 518-860-9094 or 518-279-1155, send an email to david.pitlyk@parks.ny.gov or go to <http://parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/12/details.aspx>.

Saratoga National Historical Park

648 Route 32, Stillwater

History books typically list the Battle at Saratoga as the turning point of the American Revolutionary War. Here the American Continental Army foiled an ambitious British effort to cut off the New England states from the rest of the rebellious colonies.

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New York, from Lake Ontario to the east, and led by General William Howe pushing north from New York City through the Hudson Highlands and beyond.

By August of 1777 this plan seemed to be proceeding fairly well, with Burgoyne capturing Fort Ticonderoga and pushing the Americans out of Hubbardton, Vermont.

In September, Burgoyne's forces began pushing south again, while American forces were fortifying the Bemis Heights near Stillwater, overlooking the Hudson River. Burgoyne split his 7,500-man force into three columns and by Sept. 19, the first fighting began.

Howe began sending a force northward from New York City to help out Burgoyne's force in early October, as his troops grew short on time, supplies and manpower. By Oct. 8, Burgoyne had been forced into a painful retreat north until his forces reached Saratoga (now Schuylerville), where they were surrounded by the American forces. They finally surrendered on Oct. 17. This American victory was pivotal in convincing the French to ally themselves with the Americans, which was key to the eventual defeat of the British.

The Saratoga Park Visitor Center is open year-round from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed only on Thanksgiving, Christmas



The Skenesborough Museum in Whitehall

and New Year's Day. The battlefield grounds are open to pedestrians daily from sunrise to sunset. The Driving Tour Road is open April 1 through Nov. 30 (weather permitting—road is not plowed) and the hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 1 through June 1, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. from June 1 to Labor Day, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Labor Day through the EST change, and then 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Nov. 30. Schuyler House is open from Sat., May 25 through Oct. 6 and the hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wed. through Sat.. The Saratoga Monument is open May 25 to Oct. 6 and its hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fri. through Sun. (closed 12:30-1 p.m. for lunch). Victory Woods is open to pedestrians daily from sunrise to sunset. It offers several miles of hiking trails including the 4.5 mile Wilkinson Trail—the only marked trail.

Directions: <http://www.nps.gov/sara/planyourvisit/directions.htm>.

Please note that there are no longer any entrance fees to this site.

For further information call 518-670-2985; or 800-421-1220 (hearing impaired) or send an email at <http://www.nps.gov/sara/contacts.htm>.

Birthplace of U.S. Navy *Whitehall*

There is some dispute as to the true birthplace of the U.S. Navy. Several communities make this claim, including Machias, Maine, Philadelphia, Providence, Rhode Island, Beverly and Marblehead in Massachusetts and Whitehall.

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Skenesborough was captured by American forces on May 9, 1775 in the first war action in New York State. Also captured was Skene's trading schooner, which became the first official ship of the U.S. Navy and it was refitted for war

under American Colonel Benedict Arnold. It was soon used to capture a British ship—the Enterprise.

Congress ordered General Philip Schuyler to construct a fleet of ships to deal with an expected British invasion. This resulted in 13 ships being added to four already in service on Lake Champlain during the summer of 1776 and the

Americans became a naval force to be reckoned with on its waters.

There are several historic sites to check out in Whitehall including the park on the Champlain Canal and nearby Skenesborough Museum, which contains a model of the town of the Revolutionary War period. It offers more than 4,000 artifacts as well as maps and photographs relative to the Revolutionary War and War of 1812, as well as the lake, canal and railroad history of the area. The armory on U.S. Route 4's intersection with N. Williams Street contains two of Benedict Arnold's naval cannons, retrieved from the bottom of Lake Champlain.

Summer hours at the Museum are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m.

For further information about the Skenesborough Museum, call 518-499-0716 or 499-1155 or go to the web site at www.skenesborough.com/skenesborough-museum.



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VERMONT

Southern Vermont Arts Center Manchester

The Southern Vermont Arts Center in Manchester, established in 1922, is as active as ever, with exhibitions and performances for all to enjoy this summer.

Featuring both the Yester House Gallery and the Elizabeth De C. Wilson Museum, the center's permanent collection has more

than 1,000 objects by Ogden Pleissner, Reginald Marsh, Guy Pene du Bois, Luigi Lucioni and Arthur Gibbs Burton, to name a few.

The Yester House Solo Shows, featuring a variety of work from current artist members and new artists to the Southern Vermont Arts Center, will run from May 25 to July 14.

"Everything Is Still," an exhibition featuring photographers working in motion picture film, will run from June 29 to Aug. 11.

From July 6 to Aug. 4, there will be an exhibit of seasonal paintings by Arthur Gibbs Burton (1883-1969), an impressionist from Windham County.

The annual member show, "Good Vibrations," will run July 20 to Aug. 25.

And from Aug. 17 to Oct. 20 will be "Vermont Perspectives," a show on contemporary American

regionalism.

The Arkell Pavilion will host musical performances from July through August, including performances by the Glenn Miller Orchestra on July 17 and Judy Collins on July 21.

The center, located at 930 SVAC Drive, is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. All exhibits in the Yester

House are free and open to the public. For more information call 802-362-1405 or visit www.svac.org.

Chaffee Art Center Rutland

Located in a Victorian home built in the 1890s, the Chaffee Art Center in Rutland was founded in 1961 by the Rutland Area Arts Association with the goal "to promote the arts



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The Chaffee Art Center will host its 58th annual Art in the Park Fine Art & Craft Festivals in the summer and fall, featuring a variety of fine artisans and crafters. Art in the Park is Vermont’s oldest continuing artistic tradition.

The summer festival is set for Aug. 10 and 11 in Main Street Park, at the junction of Routes 4 and 7 in the heart of Rutland. Gates open at 10 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. on Saturday and 4 p.m. on Sunday.

From June 21-July 26, the center will feature art by Vermont artist Ann McFarren, and from Aug. 2-Sept. 13, the Chaffee will mount an exhibit of photography.

The center also hosts a variety of art-driven classes and writing workshops.

The Chaffee Art Center is located at 16 S. Main Street. For hours, exhibition and further information, call 802-775-0356 or visit www.chaffeeartcenter.org.

Norman Rockwell Museum *Rutland*

Norman Rockwell is well known for his “Saturday Evening Post” covers, but staff at the Norman Rockwell Museum in Rutland note that those covers only “represent a fraction of Rockwell’s art.” The museum displays more than 2,500 pieces of art by Rockwell, not only many of his Post covers but paintings and work he did for other publications.

The museum, established in 1976, has works from Rockwell’s “Vermont

years and the entire span and diversity of his career,” and “shows Rockwell’s development as an illustrator and links his work to the political, economic, and cultural history of the United States,” said the museum’s website. The museum has a gift shop with calendars, postcards and magnets based on his work, as well as other gifts.

The museum is located at 654 U.S. Route 4, and is open seven days a week, year round, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 877-773-6095 or visit www.normanrockwellvt.com.

Castleton Art Galleries *Rutland*

Castleton University, nestled in the scenic rural town of Castleton, Vermont, has two art galleries that showcase local and regional artists throughout the year.

The Christine Price Gallery is located in the lobby of the Castleton Fine Arts Center, at 45 Alumni Drive. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Castleton University Bank Gallery is located in the heart of Rutland’s historic downtown, at 104 Merchants Row in the former Lake Sunapee Bank. Hours are Thursday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m.

For more information, visit their website at www.castleton.edu/arts/art-galleries/.

Stone Valley Arts *Poultney*

Founded in 2012 as part of the Poultney 20/20 revitalization movement, Stone Valley Arts is a not-for-profit corporation whose mission is to inspire communi-

ty participation in the visual, performing and literary arts by offering a wide variety of educational and cultural programs and events.

Summer programs include yoga, dance labs, drawing, literary open mic, writing workshops, concerts and children’s art classes. Fridays through the summer will feature swing nights, jazz piano performances, family art nights and more. Qigong classes will be offered on Mondays, beginning July 15.

Stone Valley Arts offers opportunities for children, teens and adults to explore their creative potential.

Stone Valley Arts at Fox Hill is located at 145 East Main Street, across from the Poultney High School. For more information, visit www.stonevalleyarts.org or call 802-325-2603.

NEW YORK

The Hyde Collection *Glens Falls*

Founded in 1952 by Charlotte Pruyn Hyde and her husband Louis Fiske Hyde, The Hyde Collection prides itself on its commitment to being “a truly remarkable blend of the present with the past.” The Hyde is housed in an American Renaissance-style mansion and showcases a distinguished collection of art featuring old masters such as Botticelli and Rembrandt, 19th-century European and American art such as Renoir, Van Gogh and Homer and modern and contemporary art including Rauschenberg, Stella and Warhol.

Open year-round, The Hyde presents changing exhibitions in its five gallery spaces as well as lectures, concerts, family

activities, education programs and school and group tours.

“A Magical World: The Art of Jacob Houston” and “Albert Flanagan: The Towering City” will run through June 23.

“From the Rooftops: John Sloan and the Art of a New Urban Space” will run from June 15 to Sept. 15.

The Hyde Collection is located at 161 Warren Street. From July 15 to Aug. 26 it will be open on Monday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in addition to its regular hours of Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. General admission is \$12 with a discount for people ages 60 and up. Admission is free for children 12 and under, students with an ID, veterans and active U.S. military and family.

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Salem Art Works *Salem*

Salem Art Works, also known as SAW, is dedicated to supporting artists in creating new and progressive work, as well as promoting an understanding and appreciation of contemporary art within the region.

SAW offers workshops and live events in and around its 120-acre sculpture park with a stunning views. The park is open from dawn to dusk 365 days a year.

On May 30, a live cello concert featuring musicians from Music from Salem will be performed upstairs in Barn 1 on the campus. And then listen to music with the incredible backdrop of the sculpture park at Music on the Hill, June 15 featuring the Figgs

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The public is invited to view artist presentations at Salem's North Main Gallery on June 5. On June 14 an opening reception at North Main Gallery in Salem will

celebrate the work of incoming young and studio artists in residence at SAW from May 30 to July 19.

On July 6, SAW's artists in residence will open their studios to share their works in progress.

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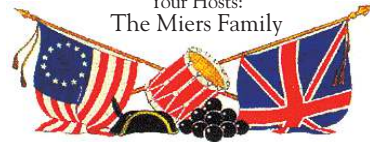
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The Small Gallery features rotating shows by members and guest artists, and the market is always staffed by one of its artisan members.

This summer, the Vermont Pastel Society will exhibit pastel art from its members June 14 through July 9.

From July 12 through Aug. 6, paintings by Laurie Goodhart will be on exhibit.

Members and guest artists will present artwork on the theme "Fire and Ice" from Aug. 9 through Sept. 3.

Valley Artisans Market is located at 25 East Main Street. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, call 518-677-2765 or visit www.valleyartisansmarket.com.

The Shirt Factory and Gallery

Glens Falls

Housed in an historic former shirt factory, The Shirt Factory features 77 studios with more than 100 individuals who offer an eclectic mix of original artwork, shops, services and classes.

Visitors are welcome to visit daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Each studio sets its own schedule, so visitors to a particular shop or artist should check their avail-



The Shirt Factory

ability prior to arrival.

Every Thursday, from May 16 to Sept. 12, The Shirt Factory hosts a Thursday Market that combines a farmers/flea/craft market with a food truck corral, demonstrations, games, live music, pony rides and more.

The Shirt Factory Gallery brings together the building's resident artists with artists from across the country with exhibitions throughout the year. The Oakroom Artists Group Show will run from June 5 through July 6, and the fifth annual Adirondack National Pastel Exhibition will take place from July 10 through Aug. 10. For more information on the gallery, call 518-636-5939 or visit www.shirtfactorygallery.com.

The Shirt Factory and Gallery are located at 71 Lawrence Street. Entry is free. For more information, visit www.shirtfactorygf.com.

The Laffer Gallery

Schuylerville

The Laffer Gallery is a contemporary fine art gallery and a full-service frame shop. With a commitment to exhibiting the work of established and emerging contemporary fine artists, The Laffer Gallery features "an impressive range of

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A variety of media are represented at the gallery, including original paintings, drawings, sculptures, photography and mixed-media printmaking.

The gallery maintains a 4-to-6-week exhibition schedule year-round, with "exhibitions that maintain cultural and social relevance, as well as spotlight a specific medium or artistic process."

The Laffer Gallery is located at 96 Broad Street and is open Wednesday through Sunday noon to 5 p.m. The gallery can be reached by calling 518-695-3181 or visiting www.thelaffergallery.com.

LARAC Lapham Gallery

Glens Falls

Located in a renovated carriage house in historic downtown Glens Falls, the Lower Adirondack Regional Arts Council (LARAC) was founded in 1972 to "unify the arts community and establish a cultural identity for the region." LARAC supports the local artistic tradition while challenging and inspiring the commu-

nity's vision of what art is and what it contributes. LARAC offers exhibits, workshops, lectures, readings and artists' demonstrations for children and adults.

LARAC's Lapham Gallery hosts seven exhibitions each year featuring local, regional and national artistic talent working in a variety of media and artistic genres.

The LARAC Members Show is on exhibit from May 24 through June 26, followed an exhibition entitled "Pigments" from July 5 to Aug. 7 and "Interpretation" from Aug. 16 through Sept. 18.

Admission to the Lapham Gallery is free. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with extended hours on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

LARAC's annual June Arts Festival takes place June 15 and 16 at Glens Falls City Park, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, rain or shine. The festival features about 150 exhibitors and vendors and typically draws crowds of around 15,000. Entry is free.

LARAC is located at 7 Lapham Place and can be reached by calling 518-798-1144 or by visiting www.larac.org.



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The course at Skene Valley Country Club is well known for a 1970's sighting of the creature known as Sasquatch. That's why the tall, hairy, man-like creature serves as the club's logo. A short trip from Glens Falls, Queensbury and Lake George, and minutes from Vermont, the course is known for wide fairways, short rough, few trees. With a length of 6,824 yards, the driver is in play for just about any par 4 or 5. One of the course's feature holes is the par 5 seventh,

which plays uphill more than 600 yards from the furthest tee – nobody will be shooting for eagle on this hole. The hole also has a slight dogleg right, with woods obstructing sight of the green. In addition to 18 holes, this course features a restaurant and bar, a driving range, pro shop and practice green. The greens fees vary, so call ahead.

Valley View Golf Course

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For those who prefer a quick 9-hole round, Valley View is a great option. The course offers some wide-open holes and some stellar views of the mountains and farms that surround the town of Whitehall. The signature hole at Valley View is the fifth hole, a par 4, dogleg right, which measures at 355 yards and allows the aggressive golfer to cut the angle, while the more faint-hearted can choose to lay up. Greens fees vary, so golfers should call ahead.

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Milestone Golf Club

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Milestone Golf Club was once a working farm and the childhood home of Bruce Jones, the course's owner. Nestled in the rolling hills of Hampton, Milestone Golf Course offers a challenging and fun nine-hole course with four sets of tees suitable for every ability level. The multiple tee boxes allow players to play a second round that consists of new challenges. With spectacular views of the surrounding mountain ranges and a variety of wildlife, Milestone is the perfect location for a relaxing weekend round or quick evening venture. The eighth hole is the course's trademark, with absolutely picturesque views of the mountains of Vermont. The par 65 course is supplemented by a recently



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The scenic Pole Valley Player's Club in Hartford

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Windy Hills began as a 9-hole course in 1995 and expanded to 18 holes in 1997. The course is located on the hilly banks of the Battenkill River. Windy Hills features changing elevations and undulating greens. The par-71 course includes four par 5s and five challenging par 3s, playing at 6,023 total yards from the white tees. The dogleg ninth hole, which plays at 371 yards, is the No. 1 handicapped hole on this course. The course plays 4,920 yards from the Ladies Tees, 5,326 from the Gold Tees and 6,023 from the White Tees. On Wednesdays check out the Hump Day Scramble, 5 p.m. Shotgun start. Players drawn at random. Cash prizes for winner, skins and closest to the pin. Come alone or bring friends! No commitment necessary! Non-members: \$28. Members: \$18. In addition to 18 holes of lush course, Windy Hills has a putting green, driving range and a club house. The Greenhouse Restaurant is a popular on-site restaurant and includes typical golf course food, such as sandwiches, burgers, hotdogs and salads. Weekend greens fees for the 2019 season are \$25 to walk 18 and \$40 with a cart for 18; for those who

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Battenkill Country Club

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ing puts. The par 3s on this course offer the greatest challenge, with some narrow shots and well protected greens. The very first hole, for example, is one of the hardest, requiring a precise mid-to-long iron off the tee. The rates are among the most competitive in the Saratoga and Washington County area. On a weekend, nine holes walking is \$15 with 18 holes \$22. Greens fees do vary, so golfers should call ahead.

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*1 Richmond Ave.
Hoosick Falls, New York
518-686-4210*

www.hoosickgolf.org

If you are looking to challenge yourself on a beautiful course while enjoying some of the best view around, the Hoosick Falls Country Club is for you. Since 1910 this course has demonstrated that golf should be played in a friend-

ly atmosphere on a well-groomed course with terrific scenery. Now under new ownership, the course is in its 106th year of existence, and its No. 1 handicapped hole is the par-4 fourth, which plays 350 yards. There's only one par 5 on the course, which comes in at 505 yards. If you are interested in league play, plenty of options are available. The clubhouse at Hoosick Falls Country Club includes some delectable foods, such as seafood and steak, plus your more typical golf food, like sandwiches. Stop in and see the ongoing changes and renovations. Call ahead for green fees.

Dutch Haven Golf Course

*3167 Route 67
Buskirk, New York
518-753-7533*

www.dutchhavengolf.com

This 9-hole course of 2,592 yards was created in 1963 and features holes of varying difficulty. The par-4 fourth is the No. 1 handicapped hole on the course from the men's tees, and from the women's tees the No. 1 handicapped hole is the par-3 third. The Dutch Restaurant and Bar, which was constructed in 2013, offers wings, quesadillas, burgers and desserts. The burgers are made with Grade A beef. The Dutch also hosts live music on certain evenings. To find out greens fees call the pro shop, as they vary on different days.

Ticonderoga Golf Course

*609 Route 9N
Ticonderoga, New York
518-585-2801*

www.ticonderogacountryclub.com

Exciting things are happening at the Ticonderoga

Golf Course this season. Nearly all the course renovations are complete with several beautiful new holes created and older holes significantly improved. Throughout the renovation all 18 holes remain fully open and playable. The back nine is almost complete and the front nine will be complete by season's end. Plans are in place for a new clubhouse and pro shop. With views of the Adirondacks that will leave you speechless, it's no wonder this course was voted "best Golf Course in the Adirondacks" by

Adirondack Life Magazine in 2015. Ticonderoga Golf Course is a unique 18-hole public course located in the historic Lord Howe Valley, on the north end of Lake George in the heart of the Adirondack Park, near the site where Roger's Rangers fought the renowned Snowshoe Battle. The course is perfect for players of all skill levels. The lengthy fifth hole is a 515-yard par-5 and has a vast expanse of Adirondack wilderness to the driver's right side. This par 71 course ranges from 6,271 yards at the furthest tees to 5,070 from its shortest tees. The course includes a restaurant, driving range, pro shop and platform tennis courts. Greens fees vary and twilight rates are available. Call ahead.

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Bay Meadows Golf Club

31 Cronin Rd.
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www.baymeadowsgolf.com

If you would like to play 41 golf courses from around the world without ever boarding an airplane, visit Bay Meadows. In addition to offering its own 9-hole outdoor course, Bay Meadows has an indoor PGA Course simulator the offers the opportunity to play where the pros play, even when the snow is piling up outside. The fair-

ways at Bay Meadows tend to be a little more on the wide-open side and the greens are predominantly flat. Although only 9 holes, the different tee boxes allow for a second 9 that is different enough from the front 9. Walking 9 holes costs \$14 and it is \$24 to ride; and for 18 holes it is \$18 to walk or \$31 to ride. There are some discounts available. For information and fees regarding the digital indoor golfing check the website or call ahead. Bay Meadows also has a pro shop and the popular Bogey's Pub and Grill. Bogey's is the ideal setting for weddings, baby showers, Sweet 16 birthday parties, corporate meetings or retirement parties. Seventy guests can be accommodated in the dining room and up to 100 in the club house.

Sunnyside Par 3

168 Sunnyside Rd.
Queensbury, New York
518-792-0148

www.sunnysidepar3.com

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to shoot a round of golf in the dark? Sunnyside Par 3 is an affordable executive 9-hole course for golfers of all ages and skills levels, on the edge of the picturesque Adirondack Mountains,

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Queensbury Country Club

907 Route 149
Lake George, New York
518-793-3711

www.queensburygolf.com

Queensbury Country Club has been tabbed the "Adirondacks Most Scenic 18 Hole Golf Course." Located near beautiful Lake George and overlooking the Adirondack Mountains, this Mark Cassidy-designed course offers 6,067 yards of par-70 golf on superbly maintained greens. The No. 1 handicapped hole is the 448-yard par-4 thirteenth which

offers a sharp dogleg left, with a well-protected green. The club offers a driving range, practice green, pro shop and lessons. You don't have to be golfing to enjoy the 19th Hole, which is open for lunch Monday-Saturday and the full bar is open from sun-up to sundown seven days a week. Golfers can enjoy a variety of food, beverages and snacks daily at the turn. Call ahead for greens fees.

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441 Lockhart Mountain Rd.
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Airway Meadows Golf Club

262 Brownville Rd.
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518-792-4144
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The name of this golf course explains its most prominent feature – an airplane runway runs along the fairways of the third and eighth holes at Airway Meadows. The runway occasionally forces players to yield to planes that are taking off or landing. You may also meet up with some beef cows from the Black Angus farm located within the facility. This course is conveniently located midway between Saratoga and Glens Falls and can be reached within 15 minutes from either city. The course – especially the back nine – has some tight fairways that require precision accuracy. The course is also hilly at parts, giving walkers a decent leg and cardio workout. In addition to 18 holes of golf on a championship quality course, Airway offers a full pro shop, driving range, practice green, snack window, restaurant and bar. A round of 18 holes costs \$32 to walk and \$47 to ride. Play 9 holes for \$18 walking and \$27 with a cart. There are senior discounts and twilight deals.

Brookhaven Golf Course

333 Alpine Rd.
Porter Corners, New York
518-893-7458
www.brookhavengolfcourse.com

The slogan at Brookhaven is “not your ordinary walk in the woods,” and that is certainly true at this 18-hole course. With nearly every hole having some bend and wind to it, this course has few holes that are straightforward. Water hazards dot the course, adding to the difficulty of the winding fairways. Many of the greens are well-protected. The Full Course Restaurant is open to the public or can be booked for special events. Whether planning an evening out or a day at the golf course, an enjoyable and comfortable dining experience awaits. Weekend greens fees are \$33 to walk 18 holes and \$48 to ride, while 9-hole rates are \$18 to walk and \$26 to ride. Weekday rates are different, so call ahead for more information.

Saratoga Spa Golf Course

60 Roosevelt Drive
Saratoga Springs, New York
518-584-2006
<https://www.saratogaspagolf.com/>

Saratoga Spa Golf Course is nestled amongst the majestic pines of historic Saratoga Spa State Park. The 18-hole championship course is one of the premier courses in the Capital Region and is rated four stars by Golf Digest's Best Places to Play, and in the July 2012 issue was listed as one of the 10 Best Courses in the U.S. under \$55. This beautiful course is both challenging and golfer-friendly. With five sets of tees, golfers are encouraged to choose the tees most appropriate for their golf game. Yardage from the front tees is 5,567 yards and from the championship tees the course mea-

sures 7,141 yards.

In addition to the championship course, there is a 9-hole Par-3 course which consists of seven par-3s and two par-4s, which explains why it is frequently referred to as the “Par 29”. While the course is only 1,671 yards, it has lots of character and appeals to many different types of golfers. Much of the course is tree-lined, so there is a comfortable separation between the holes.

Saratoga Spa also has a full grass tee driving range, a practice putting green, pro shop and Catherine's in the Park Restaurant that overlooks the beautiful Victoria Pool. Call ahead for green fees.

Saratoga National Golf Course

485 Union Ave.
Saratoga Springs, New York
518-583-4653
<http://www.golfsaratoga.com/>

Saratoga National Golf Club is one of the country's premier public golf courses, voted Top 100 public golf course and pro shop in the country. Designed by renowned golf architect Roger Rulewich, Saratoga National Golf Course was rated one of America's Best Golf Courses by Golf Digest. Most importantly, the staff at this course wants you to have fun. After a round of golf, take in the thoroughbred races at historic Saratoga Race Course, then settle in for a concert at SPAC. Greens fees vary drastically, so call ahead to find out more.

VERMONT

Lake St. Catherine Country Club

2395 Route 30
Poultney, Vermont
802-287-9341
www.lsgcc.net

Established in 1925, “The Lake” began as a 9-hole course before moving to 18 holes in the mid-1990s. Lake St. Catherine Country Club offers unheralded views of the Green Mountains and is a short drive to the lake that is its namesake. The course measures at 6,414 yards from the longest tees and 4,951 from the shortest. The par-3 sixteenth is one of the easiest holes on the course and offers a panoramic view from atop the elevated tee box. Rates vary based on the month and the time of the day, so golfers should call ahead for details and to reserve a tee time. Cap off your day with a drink and some light fare on the deck of the Fairway Grille, also known as the 19th hole. The deck provides a great view of the course and the 9th and 18th greens – perfect for reviewing your round with family and friends and adding up to an enjoyable golf experience at Lake St. Catherine.

Bomoseen Golf Club

111 Prospect Point Rd.
Castleton, Vermont
802-468-5581
www.prospectpointgc.wix.com/prospectpointgc

Bomoseen Golf Club is a 9-hole public golf course with a par of 35. Nestled alongside beautiful Lake Bomoseen, the course allows golfers to soak in the lake views and the fantastic rolling hills that surround it. The course was opened in 1933 as an 18-hole course and redesigned in 1953 as the 9-hole it is today. The course is conveniently located on the lake with dock spaces available for those traveling by boat. Following a round, golfers can enjoy dinner at The Palms at Prospect Bay located in the same building as the pro shop. The

ninth and final hole is the signature hole on the course. Playing between 130-160 yards, this hole is a par 3, over a pond to a slightly elevated green, with great views. The price to walk 9 holes is \$18, and it's \$25 for 9 holes with a cart. Specials offered after 4 p.m. include 9 holes walking for \$10, \$18 with a cart.

Neshobe Golf Club
224 Town Farm Rd.
Brandon, Vermont
802-247-3611
www.neshobe.com

Neshobe Golf Club has been called "One of New England's Finest Public Courses." "The Nesh," as it's affectionately known, is a par-72 course nestled in the woods, pastures and rolling hills that epitomize

Vermont. Total yardage from the blue tees is 6,341 yards. The tenth hole is considered "The Toughest Par 3 in Vermont." From the blue tees, a golfer faces a 190-yard tee shot over the Neshobe River. If you overcompensate for the river, you can end up over the green in the woods. There are various rates at Neshobe and they can be found by either calling ahead or checking out the website. Every Wednesday is Senior Day. Seniors can play a round with a cart for \$42. Mondays belong to those who have served our country in the armed forces or with service as a fire fighter, policemen or rescue worker. Veterans can play an 18-hole round with a cart for \$40. On Tuesdays the

course offers a two green fees with a cart for \$67. Friday is Vermont Day. Residents of the Green Mountain State can play for \$49 with a cart. The Long Iron Restaurant and Pub includes various specials on the delicious menu.

The Golf Club at Equinox
108 Union St.
Manchester, Vermont
802-362-7870
www.playequinox.com

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ing mountains at this par-71, 6,423-yard gem of a course. The Golf Club at Equinox offers golf instruction, membership packages and stay-and-play options. The facility has been named one of the "Top 75 courses in the U.S." by Golf Digest, and ranked in the "Top 3 Golf Courses in Vermont" by Golfweek. Managed by Troon Golf, the lavish fairways and towering mountains create a surreal environment. The second hole is considered the No. 1 handicapped hole, with a lengthy bunker running along the right side and a vast body of water to the left. The green is fortified with bunkers abounding. Equinox also offers a pro shop, putting green and restaurant. There are "peak"



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Mt. Anthony Country Club

180 Country Club Dr.
Bennington, Vermont
802-442-2617

www.mtanthonycc.com

Entering its 119th season, Mount Anthony Country Club is a staple in Bennington. Established in 1897, Mount Anthony Country Club is nestled in the Green Mountains in the heart of Historic Old Bennington. The golf course has gone through a major renovation under new ownership and management since 2007. The course challenges players

of any level while offering spectacular Green Mountain vistas. One of the trademark holes is the humongous par-5 fifth, which plays at 544 yards from the shortest of the tee boxes, and is the No. 1 handicapped hole on the course. The course has a driving range, two putting greens and a restaurant. Rates vary based on the time of the week and time of the day, so golfers should call ahead to make a tee time and determine the greens fees. The country club also can host weddings and events. The Grille offers an exciting menu of global and regional cuisine.

Stonehedge Golf Club

216 Squire Rd.

North Clarendon, Vermont

802-773-2666

www.stonehedgegolf.com

Enjoy the finest little golf course Rutland County has to offer. Stonehedge offers both a par-3 course and Vermont’s only foot golf course, both of which are 9 holes. The normal golf course at Stonehedge affords golfers the opportunity to work on their iron shots and approach game. There is 1,186 yards worth of par-3 golf and another 790 yards of foot golf available. Rates for the 9-hole course are \$13, or \$18. Carts are \$6 for 9 holes and \$10 to play two rounds. Nine holes of foot golf is \$10 and 18 holes costs \$15. There are now no foot golf playing restrictions. Play any day, any time, even at night. For hours of operation, call ahead. The club also has senior and first responder discounts.

Rutland Country Club

275 Grove St.

Rutland, Vermont

802-773-7061

www.rutlandcountryclub.com

The Rutland Country Club has offered extraordinary golf since 1901, providing remarkable golf on 18 beautiful holes for more than 115 years. Many famous golfers and celebrities have visited Rutland Country Club over the years, and many are pictured throughout the clubhouse. Ted Williams was quite enamored by the course, as was Bob Rotella, and as is Keegan Bradley today. Rutland Country Club is a semi-private golf course and one of the oldest municipal golf courses in the U.S. Depending on the tee box, the course can

either play as a par 70 or a par 71. The No. 1 handicapped hole is the par-5 fourth hole, which plays at 481 yards from its furthest tee location. There is a fully stocked pro shop, a snack shack at the turn from the front nine to back nine. Baxter’s Restaurant offers succulent lunch and dinner specials. Baxter’s is named after John Baxter, the original owner of the club’s property. The various guest greens fees can be found on the website or by calling ahead. Tee times are required.

Proctor-Pittsford Country Club

311 Country Club Rd.

Pittsford, Vermont

802-483-9379

www.proctor-pittsford.com

The Proctor-Pittsford Country Club is open to the public and members, featuring 6,048 yards of par-70 golf. The course opened as a 9-hole course in 1928 and expanded to 18 holes in 1989. With three sets of tee boxes, sixty-one well-dispersed sand bunkers, well-manicured greens and a player-friendly layout, Proctor-Pittsford Country Club is a favorite of local residents as well as out of town guests looking for a fun but challenging golf experience. The scenic views of the Green Mountains rival any in the state. The course also has a driving range. Open to the public and members alike, Redfield’s is the club’s new casual dining restaurant with a great lighter menu, an easy-going, comfortable atmosphere and stunning views. The cuisine features comfort food with a contemporary twist. Call ahead for greens fees or a tee time. Fees vary and there is a twilight special after 4 p.m.



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VERMONT

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Bennington

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tures specialty foods, maple products, baked goods, Vermont-distilled spirits, delightful dining and live entertainment.

The show is hosted at Camelot Village, home of the Southern Vermont Garlic Festival. Camelot Village is worth a visit on its own. It is a sprawling multilevel barn full of antiques, collectibles and furniture. The festival is

located on its lawns and pathways.

This year's festival will take place Friday-Sunday, Aug. 2-4. Hours on Friday and Saturday will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday admission special is \$5. Admission on Saturday and Sunday is \$8. Adult weekend pass is \$10. Children are free. For more information, visit www.craftpro-

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Bennington Battle Day *Bennington*

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sites open to the public for free. There will be a commemorative ceremony at the battlefield at 7 p.m. Visit www.benningtonbattlemonument.com for more information.

Southern Vermont Garlic and Herb Festival *Bennington*

More than 100 vendors will pour into Bennington for the 24th annual Southern Vermont Garlic and Herb Festival on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The festival proudly claims "Vermont Stinks" – that is, unless you're a garlic connoisseur. Crafts,

food, gardening demonstrations and more activities bring garlic lovers from throughout New England to this festival. Visitors can find everything from garlic ice cream to garlic jelly, pickled garlic, roasted garlic, garlic braids and, of course, plain garlic bulbs of every variety that will be available for sampling and purchase, along with planting and braiding and cooking demonstrations. There are activities for kids, including face painting, train rides and more. Relax at Ramunto's Beer and Wine Garden under the tent listening to live music both days. The festival takes

place at Camelot Village in Bennington. For more information visit www.bennington.com/garlicfest.

Vermont State Fair *Rutland*

This year marks the 173rd annual Vermont State Fair, which takes place Aug. 13-17 in Rutland. This year will feature rides, a demolition derby, truck pulls, hell riders and more. Originally named the Rutland State Fair, the event started out as a one-day festival but has grown rapidly ever since. In terms of midway amusement, the fair includes a carousel, Ferris wheel and the "1001 Nachts" ride each

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Stratton Mountain

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opportunities. Wanderlust allows attendees to "choose their own adventure" by picking what events they would like to attend online. More information, including ticket prices, a full schedule and background information on each event can be found at www.wanderlust.com/festivals/stratton.

NEW YORK

Cambridge Valley Balloon Festival

Cambridge

One of the area's most popular summer festivals takes flight on June 7-9 this year. It's the 19th annual

Cambridge Valley Balloon Festival, and it draws hot air balloon fans from all over the area. There will be four launches of about a dozen hot air balloons throughout the weekend. Friday night will feature a block party and candlestick glow followed by a fireworks display. On Saturday, the Chamber of Commerce organizes a Taste of Cambridge to showcase local food producers and restaurants. This event is followed by the annual Moon Glow, a spectacular evening display of tethered hot air balloons illuminated from within that light up in rhythm to music provided

by a DJ. Sunday brings an end to the official festival activities with a Pilots Breakfast at the Cambridge American Legion. More details are available at www.cambridgenychamber.com.

LARAC June Arts Festival

Glens Falls

Probably the region's largest arts and craft festival, the 47th annual June Arts Festival presented by the Lower Adirondack Regional Arts Council will take place this year June 15 and 16 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday in City

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Al Fresco Dinner Salem

Washington County is known for its agricultural history, and the Al Fresco Dinner is one of many events that recognizes the importance of agriculture in the county. After enjoying a meal of fresh local "farm to table" food prepared by chef Bill Richter, attendees of the event – this year celebrating the 150th



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anniversary of the Historic Salem Courthouse – will have the opportunity to dance the night away to music by Hot Club of Saratoga. There will be an exhibition of artist George Van Hook's work as well as a silent auction in the barn. This year's dinner will take place Saturday, July 27,

from 5 to 9 p.m. Tickets are on sale at www.salemcourthouse.org.

Washington County Cheese Tour

Washington County

The Washington County Cheese Tour, now in its 13th year, is a self-guided celebration of handmade artisanal and farmstead cheeses and the farms where they are produced. This year's tour will take place Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 7-8, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Each farm open to the public offers tastings, special products and authentic experiences unique to life on a farm in Washington County. Washington County wine-makers and brewers also join the two-day event, making it the fun-filled

foodie event it is today. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/thecheesetour.

Art & Plow Fest Salem

The annual Salem Fourth of July Parade and Art & Plow Fest embraces an "art & agriculture" theme to reflect the area's rich agricultural roots and arts culture. The parade kicks off on Main Street at 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 4, with local farmers parading their prized cows, oxen, sheep and goats along with farm equipment, classic cars and antique trucks. Area arts professionals, organizations, individuals and businesses will showcase their creative talents in floats and performances. The Art & Plow Fest will feature pre-parade pop-up art galleries around town. A post-parade festival on the green at the Salem train depot starts at 6 p.m. with live music, food vendors and – new this year – art and craft vendors, too. The festivities will culminate in a community bonfire on SAW Hill at Salem Art Works. For more information, visit www.salem-nychamber.com.

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Washington County Fair *Greenwich*

The Washington County Fair, which boasts the slogan of "New York's No. 1 Agricultural County Fair," will take place this year from Aug. 19 to 25. From animals and agriculture, to entertainment and rides and games, the fair brings smiles to everyone. There are many activities and events, both educational and entertainment-oriented, throughout the week. The fair works with local FFA and 4-H groups to focus on the importance of agriculture in Washington County. There are a vast array of discounts available throughout the week for admission and midway rides. Fair-goers are encouraged to visit www.washingtoncountyfair.com or call 518-692-2464 for more information.

The Great Schaghticoke Fair *Schaghticoke*

After the Washington County Fair ebbs, the 200th annual Great Schaghticoke Fair keeps fair-goers in the swing of things as it runs from Aug. 28 to Sept. 2. New York State's third largest fair embraces its role in showing the best that Rensselaer County has to

offer in terms of agriculture, and the fair makes use of all five senses in its exhibits. Buildings at the fairgrounds will be chock-full with vegetables, fruits, animals, antiques, baked goods and homemade crafts, all from the local region. Fair organizers are putting the final touches on organizing the midway rides and various other forms of entertainment that will be taking place this year. Visit www.schaghticokefair.com or call 518-753-4411 for more details.

Adirondack Wool and Arts Festival *Greenwich*

The 11th annual Adirondack Wool and Arts Festival is scheduled for the weekend of September 28-29 at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Greenwich. The festival is a natural draw for fiber enthusiasts, with more than 100 vendors and exhibitors showcasing their products including fiber arts, raw fleece, yarns and supplies. Demonstrations, workshops, live animals and children's activities take place throughout the two days for all those who knit, crochet and weave.

Canal Fest *Whitehall*

Canal Fest marks the "unofficial start of summer" and takes place annually in Whitehall's Skenesborough Park. This year's festival will be held Friday and Saturday, June 28 and 29. The festival kicks off with a concert Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. A midway with rides, games, food and vendors will provide entertainment throughout the festival, and another concert will be held on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. followed by fireworks at 9:30 p.m. Music continues throughout the summer in Whitehall with concerts in the park at 7 p.m. on Friday nights.

Turning Point Parade Weekend *Schuylerville*

Celebrating the Battle of Saratoga, considered the turning point of the American Revolution, this festival blends patriotism with fun activities. The theme of the 25th annual Turning Point Parade Weekend in Schuylerville this year is "In the Footprints of History." On Saturday, Aug. 3, the weekend kicks off in Fort Hardy Park at 3 p.m. with food, games and fun till 11 p.m., including laser tag, a dunk tank, horse show, live music, human foosball and more. Fireworks are scheduled for 9:30 p.m. On Sunday, Aug. 4, the parade begins at 1 p.m. on Broad Street with participation from more than 100 units and 12 musical groups. For more information, visit www.turningpointparade.com.



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introductions.

There is a pause in the program then until July 7 when the Hubbard Hall Concert will offer "Shaw Invokes Beethoven, including works by Beethoven, Caroline Shaw and Gabriel Faure. This will feature Katie Lansdale and Gioia Gedicks, violins; Markus Placei, violin and viola; Lila Brown, violin; Byron Hogan, cello; and Judith Gordon, piano.

The July 21 Hubbard Hall Concert is "Gubaidulina and the Old World" and it will offer pieces by Mozart, Sofia Gubaidulina and Schumann

and be performed by Cornelia Schwartz and Heidi Brown-Hill, violins; Lila Brown, viola; Yuchi Sun, clarinet; William Laney, cello; and Marc Ryser, piano.

The July 28 program at Hubbard Hall - "Bonis, Monk, Weir and Rebirth"--will offer compositions by Clara Schumann, Mel Bonis, Meredith Monk, Robert Schumann and Arnold Schonberg and be performed by Saul Bitran, violin; Lila Brown, viola; David Russell, cello; Judith Gordon, piano; and an MFS Emerging Artist TBD, piano.

The final concert on Aug.11 will be held at 105 McKie Hollow Road in Cambridge and feature pieces by Beethoven, Brahms and Kaijia Saariaho. Featured performers will be Calvin Wiersma, violin; Lila Brown, viola; Matthias Naegele, cello; Joe Bongiorno, bass; Vanesse Halroyd, flute; Rane Moore, clarinet; Jennifer Slowik, cello; Lisa Chisholm bassoon; and an MFS emerging artists TBA, horn.

There will also be open rehearsals at 4 p.m. for the July 7, July 21, July 28 and Aug. 11 concerts. These will

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Fort Edward

The Little Theater on the Farm at 27 Plum Road in Fort Edward offers an amazing line-up of musicians this season. The focus is on bluegrass, country and folk music, but that's not all. Concerts are held

from Saturday, May 4, through Saturday, Sept. 28, on Wednesdays (7 p.m.), Saturdays (7 p.m.) and Sundays (2 p.m.).

The season opens with the classic country music from the Whiskey River Band and concludes with the old country and originals of the Bluebillies. In between you can hear some rock, folk, country, bluegrass, Irish music, a Beatles tribute band (Across the Pond) on June 8, and even tributes to Elvis (Kevin Harder on Aug. 31) and Roy Orbison (June 15 by "Dr. Bruce"), plus much more.

For a complete list of the

summer concerts go to <http://www.littletheater27.org> or call 518-747-3421.

Granville

Most small-town summer concerts offer a variety of music to satisfy many tastes and Granville is no different. It offers free music every Thursday, from June 27 through Aug. 22, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Granville Veterans Memorial Park on Quaker Street.

Opening on June 27 are Skippy and the Pistons, a classic rock & horn band. On July 5 the classic country of Whiskey River will be featured (also fireworks

and a strawberry social). July 11 will offer the American Longboards with their American music from the 50's, 60's and 70's. Following on July 18 is Harold Ford & the Cash Band who pay tribute to that American great—Johnny Cash. Daryl Magill and Sass and Brass will perform pop, R & B & Big Band tunes on July 25 and Studio Two, a Beatles tribute band, will be featured on Aug. 8. Grand Central Station will offer pop, R & B and standards from the 60's and onward on Aug. 15 and the season will conclude on Aug. 22 with the Washington

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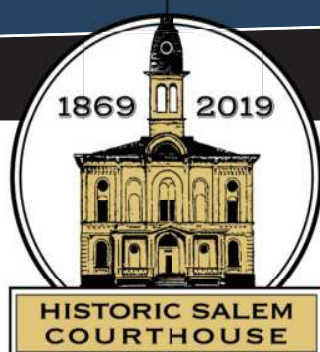
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For more information go to <http://granvillenchamber.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2018-Summer-Concert-series-Schedule.pdf> or contact the Granville Area Chamber of Commerce at 518-642-2815.

Lake George

The ninth annual Lake George Music Festival is scheduled for Aug. 12-23. This collaborative artist retreat for emerging young professionals and celebrated musicians from around the world will feature traditional and experimental concerts, open rehearsals, public receptions and informational talks held in a variety of appealing venues.

The LGMF's Opening Night will be at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 12 at the Sacred Heart Church at 15 Mohican St. in Lake George. It will feature chamber music by the Festival's resident ensemble. Tickets are \$15. The next night at 7 p.m., "Excursion!" will explore composers from around the globe. This will be at the Park Theater, 14 Park St. in Glens Falls and tickets are \$15.

On Aug. 14 it's back to Sacred Heart for "Hidden Gems," which is dedicated to beautiful but rarely performed works. The follow-



The popular entertainer Daryl Magill returns to Granville this summer for another classic performance.

ing night at the Park Theater it will be "The Innovation: Then and Now" which will illuminate works by composers Alyssa Weinberg, Juri Seo and others.

Saturday, Aug. 17 will offer a "Late Night Concert" on the Minne-Ha-Ha Cruise Ship from 8:45 to 10:30 p.m. This will depart from the Steel Pier at 57 Beach Road, Lake George and tickets are \$30. It features an eclectic, lively program that is danceable and includes symphonic, jazz and cross-over classics. Paid parking is available at the Steamboat Company lot.

"Piano Mania" is featured on Sunday, Aug. 18 at 1 p.m. at the Tannery Pond Community Center, 228 Main Street in North Creek. This fun program offers LGMF pianists playing with zero hands (!) all the way up to eight hands. The cost is \$25 and free parking is across the street in the library lot.

Monday, Aug. 19 will

offer "LGMF Uncorked" at the Lake George Club, at 4000 Lake Shore Drive in Diamond Point. The dinner, served at 6 p.m., will include wine tastings, one glass of wine, a souvenir wine glass, gourmet cheese samplings, and a full buffet dinner and dessert. Following, at 7:30 p.m., will be an opera performance of Peter Brooks' *La Tragedie de Carmen* by the LGMF Orchestra and singers from the Seagle Music Colony. General seating is \$85 and \$450 for premium seating. There is free parking on the club grounds by the tennis court.

Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 7 p.m. at the Park Theater will be "Limitless," featuring non-traditional instruments and visual elements, as well as non-traditional instrumentation. The cost is \$15. The following Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 7 p.m. LGMF will offer "The World of Today" at Sacred Heart for \$15. The concert will emphasize "diversity through music" and as a

"catalyst for change."

"Timelines" will be at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 22 at the Park Theater and it will offer favorite classical pieces followed by a world premiere of Sheridan Seyfried's "Caprice for Solo Violin" performed by Artistic Director Barbora Kolarova. The cost is \$15.

The Festival will conclude with a performance by the full Lake George Symphony Orchestra on Friday, Aug. 23 at 7:30 p.m. This will be at the Lake George High School Auditorium, 381 Canada Street in Lake George. Led by music director Roger Kalia, it will feature work by Schumann and Stravinsky. The cost is \$25 and free parking is in the high school bus garage on Mountain Drive.

To purchase tickets for any LGMF event go to www.lakegeorgemusicfestival.com/tickets or for more information: www.lakegeorgemusicfestival.com/contact. You may also call 518-791-5089 or email info@lakegeorgefestival.com for more information.

Free concerts are offered throughout the summer on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. at Shepard Park on Canada Street in Lake George. The concerts run in July and August, beginning on July 3. Details on their extensive schedule can be found at <https://www.lakegeorgearts.org/summer-concert-series/> or call 518-668-2616 or email mail@lakegeorgearts.org for more information. Special events offered include the Community Band Festival, Lake George Music Festival and Lake George Jazz Weekend on Saturday, Sept. 14 and Sunday, Sept. 15.

The season's "Fridays at the Lake Concert Series"

line-up includes Kristen Caplino with Better Off Led on June 14; Funk Evolution with Dirt Cheap on June 21; Rock'n Chicks of Classic Rock Tribute on June 28; Refrigerators with Proudest Monkeys on July 5; E.B. Jeb with The Switch Band on July 12; Vivid From Connecticut with Tumbling Dice on July 26; Skeeter Creek with the Katie Louise Band on Aug. 2; New York Players with The Switch Band on Aug. 9; Soul Session with Yellowdog on Aug. 23; and After Funk with Capital Zen on Aug. 30. For more information call the Village of Lake George at 518-668-5771.

The 15th annual Lake George Community Band Festival will be held at Shepard Park on Canada Street in Lake George Friday, July 19 and Saturday, July 20. This free event features concert bands from throughout the northeast U.S. and Canada playing everything from jazz, TV and Broadway show tunes to motion picture themes and more. For updates on 2019's dates and performers send an email to info@lgcb.org or check the web site at <http://www.lgcb.org/MainPages/BandFestival.html>.

The Jazz at the Lake: Lake George Jazz Weekend will be on Sept. 14 and 15 at Shepard Park, Canada Street, in Lake George. For more information go to <https://www.lakegeorge.com/annual-events/jazz-festival/> or call 518-668-2616.

The Freihofer's Saratoga Jazz Festival will be on Saturday, June 29 and Sunday, June 30 at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center in the beautiful woods of the Saratoga Spa State Park. Tickets range

from \$65 (adults) to free (age 15 and under) on the lawn to \$105 (adults) or \$90 (age 15 and under) in the orchestra pit.

The Amphitheater line-up for Saturday includes George Benson, Los Van Van 50th Anniversary, Kandace Springs, James Carter Organ Trio, Mercy Project (Jon Cowherd, Brian Blade, John Patitucci, Steve Cardenos) and Donna Grantis. Sunday performers will include Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue, Norah Jones, Django Festival All-Stars with guests Edmar Castaneda & Grace Kelly, Joshua Redman Quartet with Aaron Goldberg, Reuben Rogers and Gregory Hutchinson, and the Joey DeFrancesco Trio featuring Billy Hart. Performances begin at noon.

The line-up on Saturday at the Charles R. Wood "Jazz Discovery" Stage (new gazebo stage) features Antonio Sanchez & Migration, Lionel Loveke & Raul Midon, Veronica Swift with The Emmet Cohen Trio, Black Art Collective (featuring Jeremy Pelt, Wayne Escoffery, James Burton III, Xavier Davis, Vicente Archer, Carl Allen), and Joe Locke's Subtle Disguise with special guest, Raul Midon. Performing on Sunday at this site will be Ruthie Foster, Allison Miller Boom Tic Boom (featuring Jenny Scheinman, Carmen Staff, Kirk Knuffke, Ben Goldberg & Todd Sicksafoose), Cha Wa, Youn Sun Nah, Joel Harrison's Angel Band (featuring Jon Cowherd, Jaleel Shaw, Stephan Crump, Brian Blade and others), and Kansas Smitty's House Band. Performances on this stage will begin at 11 a.m.

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Salem

The Historic Salem Courthouse at 58 East Broadway in Salem will celebrate its 150th anniversary with its first Battle of the Bands competition on Saturday, June 22 starting at 5 p.m. The event will be held at the R.S. Tayler Sons and Brewery in Hebron and offer food, beer and great music. Admission is \$10 to watch up to nine bands vie for a \$1,000 prize. Go to <https://salemcourthouse.org/battleofthebands/> for more information or call 518-729-8776.

Whitehall

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Bluegrass

Bluegrass is always a huge draw in this region which is why the 25rd annual Basin Bluegrass Festival, held at the end of Basin Road in Brandon, remains popular. This year it runs from July 11 to 14 and the line-up promises to be true

to the genre's uniquely American roots. Scheduled to perform on Friday, Saturday and Sunday are Cedar Ridge, the Seth Sawyer Band and Dave Nichols & Spare Change. On for Friday only are Redwood Hills and Danny Paisley & Southern Grass. Performing on Friday and Saturday are Canaan's Land, Zink & Company and The Kevin Prater Band. Scheduled for Saturday and Sunday is the Edgar Loudermilk Band while Smokey Greene & Sons will play on Sunday only.

Tickets for single days cannot be purchased in advance and the costs are \$25 each for Friday and Saturday (\$15 after 5 p.m.) and \$15 for Sunday. Overnight camping is not included in these prices. Weekend ticket sales begin at 8 a.m. on Thursday, July 12 and gates open on Sunday at 8 a.m. Weekend tickets purchased in-advance (must be postmarked by June 25) are \$55 and are \$65 at the gate. Early camping is \$10 per person for the week.

For more information send an email to basinbluegrass@yahoo.com or call 802-247-3275 (or 802-236-1096 after July 15). Also check out the web site at www.basinbluegrassfestival.com.

Another option for bluegrass lovers is the 2019 Danby Olde Country and Bluegrass Festival on July 25-27 on Powers' Field off Route 7 in Danby.

Featured performers will include Josh Grigsby & Country Line (Friday and Saturday), Monroe Crossing (Saturday), Beartracks (Saturday) The Atkinson Family (Friday and Saturday), Nick Anderson & Sandy Creek (Thursday and Friday),

Cornfed Dogs (Saturday), Roxeen & Dalrymple (Thursday and Friday), Moonshine Falls (Friday and Saturday), Whiskey River (Thursday) and the host band: Passin' Thru (Thursday and Friday). The hours are 4 to 10 p.m. Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and on Saturday.

Admission is free for children ages 15 and under if accompanied by an adult. Ticket prices are \$20 for Thursday, \$30 for Friday, \$30 for Saturday, \$15 for all days after 5 p.m., while weekend tickets cost \$55 if purchased before July 1 and \$65 at the gate. Advanced

tickets can be ordered by sending a SASE and check or money order payable to: Green Mountain Climbers, c/o Dave Powers, 217 Tift Road, Danby, Vermont 05739.

Further information: Call Tary Jesmonth at 802-293-5515 or email tjflatpicker@comcast.net or call Dave Powers at 802-293-5920 or email him at danbybluegrass@gmail.com.

Directions: Coming north on Route 7, turn left onto Scottsville Road (after cemetery) and if coming south, turn right onto Scottsville Road (before cemetery). Go 1 ¼ miles, turn right onto Tift Road,

go another ¼ mile and the event is on the left.

Finally, the Green Mountain Bluegrass & Roots Festival will be held at Hunter Park in Manchester from Thursday, Aug. 15 (open at noon) through Sunday, Aug. 18 (closing at 8 p.m.). There is a fantastic line-up for this four-day event that includes the following performers: Sam Bush, Mandolin Orange, Darrell Scott, Town Mountain, Donna the Buffalo, Marth Scanlan & Jon Neufeld, Mipso, Lonesome Ace Stringband, Chatham County Line, Danny Barnes, Grant Gordy & Jon K. Walsh,

Phillips, Grier and Flinner, John Reischmann & Eli West, Molsky's Mountain Drifters, Jordan Tice, Lonely Heartstring Band, Rayna Gellert & Kieran Kane, Hawktaill, Christian Sedelmyer, Dead Horses, Twisted Pine, Andrew Marlin, Beg, Steal or Borrow, Rachel Baiman, Sunny War, Lula Wiles, Green Mountain Playboys, The Brother Brothers, Bobby Britt and Josh Oliver.

Pre-sale, four-day passes cost \$135 or \$145 at the gate. Day tickets (pre-sale) are \$25 on Thursday (\$30 at the gate), \$50 on Friday and Saturday (\$55 at the gate) and \$30 on Sunday (\$35 at

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Castleton

The Castleton Pavilion at Castleton University is the location for the Castleton Summer Concert Series every Tuesday at 7 p.m. from June 11 through Aug. 17. The free concerts happen rain or shine. For more information go to www.castleton.edu/summer-concerts.

Fair Haven

The beautiful and shady park in the center of town is the location for the free Fair Haven Summer Concerts in the Park every Thursday, 7 to 9 p.m. from June 13 through Aug. 22. The Starline Rhythm Boys open with their honky-tonk sound on June 13. On June 20 Annie & the Hedonists offer blues, jazz and swing while June 27 will feature the Wyld Nightz Band's high-energy, classic rock 'n roll. After the July 4th break Ener-Jazz will play the park on July 11 with their Big Band tunes followed by Prydein's bagpipe-driven Celtic rock sound on July 18. Aaron Audet closes out the month on July 25 playing popular, cover tunes. Aug. 1 brings Catamount Crossing's foot-tapping bluegrass sound, followed by Blue Jay Way covering classic rock hits on Aug. 8 and The Hand-Picked Band performing country and rock classics



Annie and the Hedonists will perform in Fair Haven on June 20.

on Aug. 15. The concert series concludes on Aug. 22 with the lively Irish/Celtic rock of J.P. Murphy.

As always, the Fair Haven concerts feature door prize drawings, free ice cream cones on certain dates, a 50/50 raffle, and refreshments for sale. If the weather is bad, the concerts will be held in the Fair Haven Congregational Church. Accessible parking is available.

For more information go to www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

Killington

The Killington Music Festival has been offering internationally acclaimed musicians performing classical music in a picturesque mountain setting for 37 years. This year's concerts will be at 7 p.m. every Saturday night from June 29 to July 27 at the Ramshead Lodge at the Killington Resort. There is also the free option of attending the Young Artist Series, also held at the same location and time on Fridays, July 5, 12 and 19; Wednesday, July 24 and Thursday, July 25, with additional concerts at noon on July 17 and 24 at the Rutland Free Library's Fox Room, Court Street in Rutland.

The Festival features students from prestigious music schools who gather

to play chamber music and to teach other students. Performances feature faculty and invited guests and the concerts have become a staple for area culture. Tickets are \$25 and can be ordered by calling 1-800-621-6867 or go online to www.killingtonmusicfestival.org. For more information, check out the web site or call 802-773-4003 or email kmfest@kmfest.org.

Manchester

Another staple in the summer classical music scene is the Manchester Music Festival, which runs from July 11 through Aug. 10 with a full schedule of high-quality performers. The festival opens with a free pre-concert recital from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and then the Premiere Festival Concert from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on July 11 at the Southern Vermont Arts Center. This will feature compositions by Brahms, Schubert, Schumann and Christopher Theofanidis. The first of the weekly Young Artist Concert series will be held from at the Manchester Community Library (138 Cemetery Ave.) 4 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, July 14 and will feature pieces by Erwin Schulhoff, Mozart, Beethoven, Frank Bridge and Gabriel Faure. Subsequent events will be on July 21 and 28 and Aug. 4 and 11. The final Orchestral

Concert of the Festival will be from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 10 at the Southern Vermont Arts Center and it will feature compositions by Ralph Vaughan Williams, Rachmaninoff and Brahms. Other concerts will be held on July 18, 21, 25, 27 and Aug. 1 and 8.

For more information or to purchase tickets, go online to www.mmfvt.org, send an email to info@mmfvt.org or call 802-362-1956.

Rutland

Rutland's Seven to Sunset Concert Series in Main Street Park (Route 7) begins on June 19 with the Phil Henry Acoustic Trio. Following performers are Miss Guided Angels on June 26, Enerjazz on July 3, Rick Reddington and the Law on July 10, TBA on July 17, Aaron Audet Band on July 24, Steve Harmann on July 31, and the John Lackard Blues Band closing out the series on Aug. 7. Also check out the Rutland City Band every Sunday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Park from June 16 through Aug. 18. All events are free. For more information go to <https://www.rutlandrec.com/seven-to-sunset-concerts>.

Also keep watch at <https://downtownrutland.com/events> for musical performers to be scheduled at Rutland's Friday Night Live Concerts scheduled for July 12, 19 and 26 held at the intersection of Wales and Center Streets in downtown Rutland. "Friday Night Live" offers outdoor dining, shopping, children's activities and more starting at 5 p.m. and the main performers begin at 8 p.m., although there will opening acts on the street before the headliners.



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Dorset Theatre Festival's mission is "to create bold, innovative, and authentic theatre that engages a multi-generational community, and economically diverse region enlightening, entertaining, and inspiring audiences through the celebration of great plays. They aim to redefine the landscape of theatre by presenting

thought-provoking productions drawn from the new and classic canon, as well as through the development of new plays, new audiences, and new artists for the future of American theater. Dorset Theatre Festival produces theatre that matters."

The Theatre Festival will present four plays this summer, its 42nd season, all beginning at 7:30 p.m.

"Private Lives" by Noel Coward is a revival of 1930 comedy of manners. This runs June 20-July 6. Elyot and Amanda, once married and now honeymooning with new spouses at the

same hotel, meet by chance, reignite the old spark, and impulsively elope. After days of being reunited, they again find their fiery romance alternating between passions of love and anger. Their aggrieved spouses appear and a roundelay of affiliations ensues as the women first stick together, then apart, and new partnerships are formed.

"Dig" written and directed by Theresa Rebeck is a new play that runs July 11-27. It's about a dying plant shop in a dying urban neighborhood that receives a visitor from the past,

Meghan, the neighborhood screw-up, whose suicide attempt followed a terrible tragedy. Roger, the store owner, wants nothing to do with this situation, but Meghan is improbably clinging to life. Can a soul beyond saving be saved? A play about courage, redemption and photosynthesis.

"Mrs. Christie" written by Heidi Armbruster runs Aug. 1-17. This classic mystery is set in 1926 when Agatha Christie mysteriously disappeared. Ten days later, the 37-year-old wife and mother who dabbled in detective fiction was

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Sometimes a woman needs to disappear in order to find herself.

"Slow Food" by Wendy MacLeod and directed by Jackson Gay is a limited engagement with only 10 performances. It is 95 minutes of comedy. Irene and Peter want to have a nice meal out on their big anniversary in Palm Springs. But their highly neurotic waiter, Stephen, will not bring them their food, and everything goes horribly, ridiculously wrong. This absurd server will have them examining everything from their menu choices to their very future together.

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The 2019 Main Stage single ticket pricing Wednesdays and Thursdays general center, \$54, general side \$48, Fridays-Sundays general center \$58, general side, \$52. Pipeline series single Tuesday July 2, July 23, Aug. 6 general center/side \$33. Special event pricing a summer evening with Natalie Merchant, Sunday, Aug. 4, 8:30 p.m. at the Dorset Playhouse general center/side \$65.

Summer Stars Gala hon-

oring Tim Daly, actor/activist and star of CBS's "Madam Secretary" and Dorset's "Downstairs" by Theresa Rebeck and featuring Jamie Bernstein's piano snapshots of musical portraits of family and friends, Sunday, June 23, 6 p.m. at the Old Gray Barn, 1582 VT Route 30, N. Rupert. One ticket to the four shows Main Stage pass \$190, three show Main Stage pass \$156. Four ticket flex pass \$220. Get four tickets for use for any Main Stage shows or Pipeline Series presentations in any combination on any day of the week. Super pass \$260 is one ticket

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The Dorset Theatre Festival is at 104 Cheney Road. Buy season passes online or contact the box office at 802-867-2223 ext. 101 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday or by email. Please note that all ticket purchases are non-refundable.

For more information or tickets, visit www.dorsettheatrefestival.org, email boxoffice@dorsettheatrefestival.org or call 802-867-2223.

Weston Playhouse Theatre Co.

Weston

As Vermont's longest-running professional theatre, the Weston Playhouse Theatre Company celebrates the classics and nurtures the new with a multi-stage summer season of rollicking musicals, family-friendly productions, classic plays, and groundbreaking new works.

The Weston Playhouse Theatre Company is a non-profit organization supported in part by funds from the National Endowment for the Arts and an ever-growing family

of individuals and organizations who believe in the impact that the performing arts makes on its community. It is dedicated to producing diverse theatrical and cultural events that enrich the lives of the community and the broad region they serve, with education and outreach programs for all ages, including training programs, play development and retreats.

The 2019 summer season is a season of great American classics and powerful contemporary writing from some of the country's most exciting playwrights.

The Playhouse season

kicks off with "The Fantasticks" June 20-July 13, Weston Playhouse. The longest-running musical in history. It invites the audience to use their imagination to create a world of moonlight, magic, and memory. This charming and funny fable tells the story of a boy, a girl, their two fathers, and the wall that keeps them apart. Reality collides with romance as the young couple falls in love, grows apart, and finds their way back to each other after the September rains.

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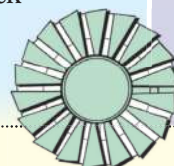
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project unlocks the much deeper mystery that has brought them together. "I and You" is an ode to youth and the strange beauty of human connectedness.

Mid-summer, Weston Playhouse launches a fresh take on the masterpiece, "Oklahoma!" July 18-Aug. 10. On a beautiful morning in 1906 in Oklahoma Territory, a group of intrepid pioneers are setting out to forge a new community with young women and men setting out to chart their futures. When "Oklahoma!" opened on Broadway 75 years ago, it promptly revolutionized

the American musical. Its stunning music, heartfelt storytelling, and richly poetic lyrics awakened audiences to a revelatory vision of America. This musical production is written for America today and celebrates Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma!"

Next, spend an evening with one of country music's biggest stars as Walker Farm presents "Always... Patsy Cline" Aug. 1-Aug. 24. When an unlikely encounter in a Texas honky-tonk lands Patsy Cline at her biggest fan's kitchen table, the rising star finds a fast

friend and a savvy business partner. Late night conversations between Patsy and Louise, a Southern housewife, create a bond that lasts a lifetime. Listen in and hum along as Patsy and Louise belt their way through hits such as "Walkin' After Midnight", "Crazy", and "Back in Baby's Arms."

Next at the Weston Playhouse is the famed and thought-provoking drama, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" by Edward Albee Aug. 15-Sept. 1 at Weston Playhouse. It's two o'clock in the morning when George and Martha return

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Wrapping up the season, Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm will present Paula Vogel's Tony Award winning play about a group of actors who risked everything for theater, "Indecent" Sept. 26-Oct. 20. This deeply moving work charts the true story of a group of artists who risked their lives to put on a Broadway play and were arrested on opening night. "Indecent" follows the writer, his play, and the people who fought to perform it against all odds. This Tony Award winner by the author of "How I Learned to Drive" and "The Long Christmas Ride Home" is Weston's 5th American Masters production.

The 2019 season of Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm also features the Weston Playhouse Theatre's Young Company performing at Walker Farm, "The Phantom Tollbooth" June 13-June 30, an adventurous tale based on the beloved children's novel. Protagonist Milo is completely, terribly, and persistently bored. Not even his favorite toys can capture his attention for more than a moment. All hope seems lost until a mysterious tollbooth appears in his bedroom. Suddenly, he is transported to the Land of Wisdom, where life is anything but boring.

Additionally Weston Playhouse is excited to

present the "New Works Festival" Sept. 13-15 and 20-22 Walker Farm, which nurtures up to four emerging artists through a residency in which they will develop a new theatrical work and be given a platform for a public viewing at the end of the residency.

Audiences are encouraged to enjoy pre-show dinner at the theatre's popular restaurant on the lower level of the Playhouse. Subscribers save 10% on pre-theatre meals, not including alcohol or guests who are not subscribers.

Through late August, audiences step out of the theatre and into the licensed lounge for, as Yankee Magazine calls it, the "best spot for a nightcap", while joining in on the wild fun of Weston's legendary "Cabaret," an hour-long music and comedy revue presented by Main Stage talent and Young Company actors.

Subscription sales and single ticket sales are available online or by calling the Weston box office at 802-824-5288. Gift certificates for the Weston 2019 season can be purchased online at westonplayhouse.org. Phone lines are open for limited hours, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays.

Season subscriptions for three, four, and five shows are available for \$121.50-\$304.54 and offer exclusive benefits, restaurant discounts, and personalized customer service. Children and students save 50 percent, and a limited quantity of Vermont tickets are available for \$25 with a Vermont ID.

Weston Playhouse is located at 703 Main St, Weston, Vermont 05161. For further information visit

<https://www.westonplayhouse.org/> or <https://www.broadwayworld.com/vermont/article/Weston-Playhouse-Announces-2019-Season-20190222>

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Lake Theatre Productions

Lake George

Lake Theatre Productions, Inc., is a non-profit organization whose mission is "to produce the professional seasons of the Lake George Dinner Theatre, as well as to partner with local academic institutions in providing arts training and experience with a professional theatre organization, and serving the local community by producing theatrical events that address social and regional issues."

LTP currently has a working relationship with SUNY Adirondack and provides training via workshops and play readings involving students and theatre professionals. Workshops and seminars are open to the general public.

The 2019 season starts with Sir Anthony Conan Doyle's "The Hound of the Baskervilles", adapted by Stephen Canny and John Nicholson July 11-Aug. 31. This most celebrated Sherlock Holmes story gets a rollicking makeover in this hilariously barking spoof! When Sir Charles Baskerville is found mysteriously dead on his estate, everyone's favorite detective is summoned from Baker Street with his trusty sidekick, Dr. Watson in tow. Three actors play 14 different characters bringing you from the streets of London to the Moors of Devonshire in this fast-paced, uproari-

ous adaptation.

"Lunch with Mrs. Baskin" is presented Sept. 12-Oct. 19. Although she has no intention of buying anything, Mrs. Eva Baskin, a sweet, retired widow, continuously sets up appointments with sales people solely to have lunch and conversation with them in her home. Two young sales people, Terry, who not very successfully sells garage doors and Kira, who successfully sells solar panels and has just learned that her fiancée is cheating on her, accidentally meet in Mrs. Baskin's apartment. Although neither has the slightest intention of getting involved in a relationship, Mrs. Baskin thinks otherwise.

The Lake Dinner Theatre is located in the Lake George Holiday Inn, 2223 Canada St., 0.7 miles north on Route 9 off I-87 Exit 21.

Matinee performances are Tuesday-Thursday, seating at 11:30 a.m., curtain 1 p.m. Show only please arrive by 12:45 p.m. Evening performances Wednesday-Saturday, seating 6:30 p.m., curtain 8 p.m. Show only please arrive by 7:45 p.m.

Order tickets in advance on the website or call 518-668-5762 ext. 411. There are discounts available for seniors age 55-plus and for purchasing tickets prior to June 30. Dinner Theater audience seating is primarily at tables of six, eight or 10 guests per table, depending on the number of reservations for each performance. Every effort is made to seat larger parties together or at adjacent tables, when possible. Special seating requests are accepted but are not guaranteed. Handicap access requests are accommodated and should be arranged by

contacting the box office.

Please note all sales are final with a 24-hour advance notice. Reservations may be switched to another date based on seating availability. For more information call 518-306-4404, 518-879-6218, or visit www.laketheatreproductions.com.

Adirondack Theatre Festival *Glens Falls*

Adirondack Theatre Festival (ATF) is a professional non-profit summer theatre that strives to challenge, entertain, and nourish its audience through the development and production of new and contemporary musicals and plays. This relationship engages the community as audience members and participants in workshops, discussions and educational programming.

Each summer ATF produces a nine-week season of theatre for an audience of more than 9,000 using professional artists from New York City and across the country. ATF operates under a Small Professional Theatre Agreement with Actors' Equity Association (AEA) and 100 percent of the actors in its productions and readings are professional actors. A typical summer season includes four main stage productions and four special events. ATF is the only professional summer theatre in the Capital District, Saratoga, and Adirondack regions of upstate New York solely committed to producing new and contemporary works of theatre.

ATF productions are original works crafted specifically for their audiences by some of the most established professional theatre artists in the country. They

are all members of Actors' Equity Association, the union of professional actors. They have worked regularly on and off-Broadway, on television, and in movies. The same goes for the directors and designers.

ATF also operates the Adirondack Film Festival which extends its mission of new plays to reach new films. Serving more than 3,500 patrons in one weekend, the film festival brings in major stars from the industry and showcases more than 100 films across multiple screens all in downtown Glens Falls.

For the 2019 season, ATF presents shows beginning with "Calling All Kates," book by Emily Goodson, music and lyrics by Jeremy Schonfeld, and directed by Chad Rabinovits at the Charles R. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, June 14-26. Marc has planned the perfect honeymoon, a trip around the world with his beautiful fiancé, Kate McBride. But when Kate dumps him right before the wedding, Marc is left single, heartbroken, and with non-refundable, non-exchangeable tickets. In an act of desperation, he posts an online ad in the hopes of finding the only person he can now legally travel the globe with... a stranger with the same exact name as his ex-fiancé.

From July 5-13 ATF presents "The Enlightenment of Percival Von Schmootz", a musical comedy, Monty Python meets the Dark Ages, music by Michael Kooman, book and lyrics by Chris Dimond, and directed by Scott Weinstein. Fed up with a world filled with plagues, pestilence, and poor personal hygiene, a ridiculously optimistic young man sets out on a

quest to end the Dark Ages. As he attempts to bring the light of hope to the world, Percival von Schmootz meets with hilariously disastrous results at every turn.

"Sequence," an award-winning drama by Arun Lakra and directed by Marshall Paillet (Nikola Tesla Drops the Beat, Loch Ness) will be from July 23-27. In this thriller, Time Magazine's "Luckiest Man Alive" has successfully bet double or nothing on the Super Bowl coin toss for 20 consecutive years. He's getting ready to risk \$800 million on the 21st when a young woman claims to have figured out his mathematical secret. Meanwhile, a staggeringly unlucky man believes his 150 consecutive wrong test answers are proof of a higher power. When both are asked to confront the true meanings behind their run of "luck," guessing right and wrong can have dire and fatal consequences.

"Beau," a powerful and uplifting musical drama, runs Aug. 3-9. The concept, book, and lyrics are by Douglas Lyons, music by Ethan D. Pakshar and Douglas Lyons. Eight actor-musicians tell the story of Ace Baker, who spends the first decade of his life fatherless. At 12-years-old, a phone call reveals that his grandfather, Beau, has been alive all his life, and his mother knew. Family secrets unravel as Ace rushes to make up for lost time with a man who changes his life and puts a guitar in his hand.

"Alice in Wonderland," PB&J Caf, a dinner theatre for kids, will run June 25-28, July 16-20. By Lewis Carroll and adapted by Kathryn Schultz Miller, this show is

a theatrical version of the classic adventure. Alice meets a hurried white rabbit, swims in a sea of her tears, confronts a caterpillar, and questions a grinning Cheshire cat, all in an effort to find out what kind of place she stumbled into. The PB&J Café will give young theatre goers the opportunity to order a meal from the cast of characters, participate in a pre-show art activity, dine during the live theatre performance, and come home with autographs from their favorite actors.

The ATF Cabaret Series, "Johnathan Burns Flexible Comedy," will be June 28-29. Goofy, curious and oddly flexible, Jonathan Burns has performed his unique blend of comedy and magic for audiences across the globe.

ATF's Greatest Hits is another Cabaret Series showing July 7-8. This concert performance is directed by Emily Maltby. Join the celebration of ATF's 25th anniversary with a look back at the theatre's most memorable musicals.

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Hubbard Hall is located at 25 East Main Street in Cambridge. For more information visit www.hubbard-hall.org <https://hubbard-hall.org/about/class-catalog-event-calendar/> <https://hubbardhall.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/HH-Summer2019.pdf> or call 518-677-2495.

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Add to that the hundreds of miles of trails in Vermont, whether the leaves are green or bursting with the colors of fall and the Lakes Region is the perfect place to observe countless breath-taking views.

Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned veteran, the hiking trails in this region are sure to have something that fits your ability. The rolling foothills and their intermediate trails are ideal for the novice hiker who wants to build up to bigger challenges. For the more experienced hikers who are in search of a more challenging experience, the Adirondacks and Green Mountains may be calling you.

On clear days, some of the hikes allow climbers to see for miles and miles. Some may even be lucky enough to see the White Mountains of New Hampshire. So tighten up your boots, grab your back pack, and set out to enjoy some of the scenery that upstate New York and west-

ern Vermont have to offer. Few places in the United States offer better.

NEW YORK

Delaware and Hudson Rail Trail *Granville*

The Delaware and Hudson Rail Trail inherits its name from the railroad that use to steam through its path. The trail winds its way from Granville, New York to Castleton, Vermont. The surface is not paved, but is flat and smooth and consists of firm stones perfect for bicycles, strollers and pedestrians. The rail-trail is ideal for beginning hikers who want to enjoy a fun day out with family.

The southern portion of the trail begins in Granville and continues south before crossing the border of the Green Mountain state where it passes through the town of West Pawlet and opens up a bit, offering sweeping views of the surrounding countryside. After passing a parking area outside the hamlet of West Rupert, the trail continues a half-mile before reaching its southern end.

The northern segment of the trail steps off near the campus of Castleton University. Scenery includes a lovely perspective of rural Vermont's dairy farms, meadows, woods and small towns.

After seven miles you'll reach Poultney, near the Vermont/New York border. This section of the trail ends shortly thereafter.

Getting there: The southern portion of the trail can be accessed south of the village of Granville on Route 22, a quarter mile from Andrews Lane. Walkers can also park near the Slate Valley Museum off Water Street or in public parking off Main Street in Granville for direct access to the trail.

Feeder Canal Heritage Trail/Warren County Bikeway

Washington/Warren County
The Feeder Canal Heritage Trail/Warren County Bikeway provides a pleasant adventure, whether you prefer to walk, run or bike. This nine-mile former towpath extends from the Feeder Dam in Queensbury to Mullen Park in Fort Edward.

The surface for most of the Feeder Canal trail is crushed stone, while most of the Warren County bikeway is paved and suitable for a variety of non-motorized recreational pursuits. The trail is suitable for all ages as much of the trail has been laid out to avoid steep hills, but plan on enough time to overcome small bumps.

By using designated on-

street routes, it's possible to connect with the Saratoga County Heritage Trail and the Old Champlain Canal Towpath. The trail also offers access to attractions in the village of Lake George, Queensbury, Glens Falls, South Glens Falls, Hudson Falls and Fort Edward.

Getting there: There are several access points for this trail, including Feeder Dam, Haviland Cove and Pruy Island, Murray Street, Glen Street, Shermantown Road, River Street, Martindale Avenue and the Martindale Boat Basin, Burgoyne Avenue, and Mullen Park.

Black Mountain *Dresden*

Topping out at 2,665 feet, Black Mountain is one of the highest peaks surrounding beautiful Lake George. The mountain provides a stunning view of the northern end of the historic lake, fire towers, three small ponds, and the crystal blue water of one of Washington County's most popular beaches. Well-suited for the novice hiker, the 2.5 mile trail is a relatively easy one. There are however some challenging spots, including the tricky and easy to overlook trail junction. Black, Buck, and Sleeping Beauty Mountains, as well as the

ponds near them, are interconnected by trails. If you are a more experienced hiker and prefer the challenge, try the trails around Tongue Mountain.

There are two main approaches to the summit. The steepest approach is from Black Mountain Point and is accessible only by boat. Because it cannot be reached by car and because the trail climbs 2,300 feet in 2.8 miles, most people choose to hike from the trailhead on Pike Brook Road in Dresden. Besides featuring half of the vertical ascent, it offers two

routes to the summit which can be combined for an interesting loop trip. The entire loop covers 6.7 miles.

Getting there: Travel north through Whitehall on Route 22 for about 4.5 miles and look for a sign to Huletts Landing on the left (county Route 6). Drive for 2.7 miles and turn left on Pike Brook Road. At .8 miles look for a large parking lot.

Buck Mountain Fort Ann

Also awaiting you on the East side of Lake George is Buck Mountain. The open, rocky summit boasts an

almost 360-degree view of the lake, the Sagamore Resort, the Tongue Mountain Range, Shelving Rock Mountain, Sleeping Beauty and Black Mountain, and the village of Lake George to the south.

A slightly longer hike than its Fort Ann sister peaks, there are two routes to the summit: one from Pilot Knob and one from Hogtown in Fort Ann. Most hikers choose to hike from a trailhead at the end of Pilot Knob Road. This route is 3.3 miles and features a 2,000-foot vertical ascent,


with several waterfalls and views.

While the trail from Buck Mountain is shorter and involves less climbing (2.3 miles, 1,130 feet), it offers fewer views on the way up.

Getting there: Pilot Knob Trailhead: Take Route 149 to and turn left on Route 9L, going just shy of 5 miles, then turn right at the sign for Kattskill Bay and Pilot Knob. The parking lot is 3.5 miles on the right-hand side.

Getting there: Hogtown Trailhead: Traveling on Route 149, turn onto

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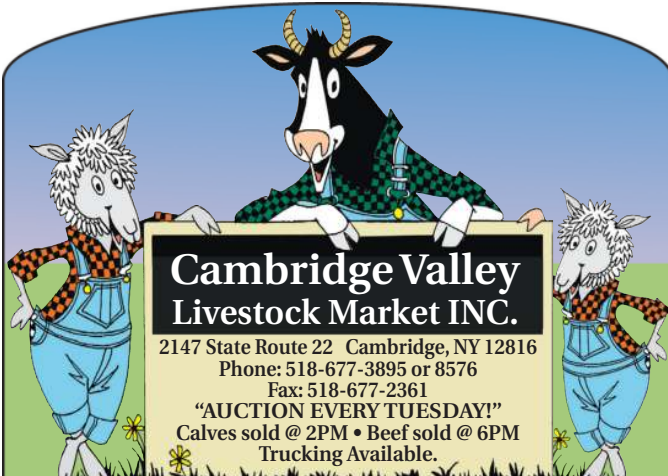
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HIKING

Buttermilk Falls Road. At 3.2 miles it becomes Sly Pond Road. At the intersection with Hogtown Road continue straight ahead onto Shelving Rock Road. The parking area is just past the parking area for the Lake George Trails System on the left-hand side. There is a trailhead sign for Buck Mountain.

Shelving Rock Falls

Fort Ann

If you are looking for a trail that features an easy hike to a beautiful 50-foot waterfall, the Shelving Rock Falls trail may be it.

The gorgeous appearance of the falls changes with the transition of the seasons. The brook leading to the falls features some cascades and smaller falls. Hikers can also follow the brook to the renowned Log Bay on the eastern shore of Lake George, and nearby Shelving Rock Mountain offers some limited views of the lake and surrounding mountains.

The trail to the falls follows an old carriage road and consists of a few hills, but they are not very steep and are reasonable to navigate. At 1.7 miles (one-way),

it is suited for a nice family outing.

The trail leads to the top of the falls and there is a trail to its base. Hikers should use caution around the falls. Be careful, as footing can be slick and there have been serious injuries there in recent years. So watch your step.

Getting there: Follow the directions to Buck Mountain. Once you reach the parking area for the Lake George Trails System, continue down the road for 2.8 miles until you reach an orange-painted steel gate that guards a culvert and

small bridge. The trail starts here and there is a parking area just beyond this point on the left.

Sleeping Beauty

Fort Ann

Don't let the name fool you. This trail may prove more of a challenge than you think. Sleeping Beauty is a popular mountain within easy distance of both Washington and Warren counties. A moderate day-hike featuring a steady, reasonable climb that takes an hour to an hour-and-a-half to the summit comes to a crescendo with open views in

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almost every direction. A glance to the east provides you with a view of Pico, Killington, and other Vermont mountains. To the west is Lake George and many Adirondack peaks. Make note of the fact that access to the trailhead, known as Dacy Clearing in the Hogtown area of Fort Ann, is sometimes closed. This adds an additional 3.2-mile (roundtrip) to the hike, but it is a fairly flat walk from the parking lot. If it is open, hikers can drive to the start of the 1.8-mile trail. Those looking for more adventure can continue over the summit to Bumps Pond and

Fishbrook Pond, where they might encounter secluded fishermen casting a line in.

Getting there: Traveling on Route 149, turn onto Buttermilk Falls Road, which at 3.2 miles becomes Sly Pond Road. At the intersection with Hogtown Road continue straight ahead onto Shelving Rock Road. You'll see a parking area for the Lake George Trails System, and the road to Dacy Clearing is located just beyond a gate at the end of the parking area.

Pilot Knob Preserve

Fort Ann

Although a little smaller than its eastside Lake

George neighbors, Pilot Knob Preserve offers views that are equally rewarding without as much of a challenge as its counterparts. A family could easily make their way up this path in 30 to 45 minutes. Don't let the short trip fool you however. Views from the top, including nearby mountains, the distant Adirondacks and much of the length of Lake George are absolutely spectacular. A gazebo sits atop the small peak, providing a perfect shaded spot for a picnic or a rest. There are several marked routes, so the trail can be hiked up

and down or as a semi-circuit.

Getting there: Traveling on Route 149, turn on Ridge Road or Route 9L north for about 4.7 miles, bear right onto Pilot Knob Road and continue for .7 miles to a small parking area on the right.

Prospect Mountain

Lake George

Prospect Mountain is a peak with an interesting history. On a clear day Prospect Mountain can provide a vision that you will not soon forget. There is a good bet hikers will encounter a panoramic view from

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as far away as 100 miles. Although this hike is just short of three miles in length, it climbs at a moderate to steep grade for nearly two miles and can be taxing for people not in good physical condition. The trail follows an old roadbed of a funicular railway that served a once-thriving summer hotel on the mountain, and historical markers at the top explain this in detail.

Hikers with a fear of bridges may choose to avoid this trail as there is a trek across a metal bridge over the Northway to reach the

trailhead.

Getting there: Heading north on Lake George's main road, Canada Street, take a left onto Montcalm Street and follow hiking trail signs to the end of Smith Street.

The Tongue Mountain Range

Bolton Landing

Five main mountain summits make up this range, which rises more than 2,000 feet above the western shore of Lake George. The range includes First Peak, French Point Peak, Fifth Peak, Five Mile

Mountain and Brown Mountain, and derives its name from its appearance – it forms a peninsula that juts out into Lake George like a tongue. More than 18 miles of trails are accessible from Clay Meadows and another more northerly trailhead located off Route 9. The diversity of trails allows hikers to split the range into several day hikes or make one long overnight trip. The most popular hike in the range is Fifth Peak, which offers nice views and only a 2.5 mile walk from the Clay Meadows parking lot. A popular but much

longer and more rugged trip (about 12 miles) is to ascend Fifth Peak from Clay Meadows and continue south to French Point, then First Peak, before dropping to Montcalm Point on the shore of Lake George. From here one can follow a trail north along the lake to the trailhead.

Caution: It should be noted that the Tongue Mountain Range is one of the only places in the Northeast that is home to the timber rattlesnake. These snakes blend in well with the undergrowth of the forest and sometimes

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will sun themselves on trails. Although the snakes are not aggressive, hikers should use extra care when scrambling up rocks or stepping over downed trees and large rocks.

Getting there: Take the Adirondack Northway (I-87) to Exit 24 and head east on Valley Wood Road toward Bolton Landing. After about five miles, turn left at a T-intersection with State Route 9N. The southern Clay Meadows trailhead is about 4.5 miles north of the intersection. Parking is on the east side of the road.

For the northern trailhead, continue another five miles past the Clay Meadows Trailhead to find parking on the northwest side of the road.

Hadley Mountain

Hadley

It may be short in distance at 1.8 miles, but Hadley Mountain features a sharp elevation of 1,525 feet that could prove challenging to a novice hiker. A moderate climb following red trail markers leads through woodlands on a mostly bedrock trail while crossing back and forth over a small creek which is

dry during the summer months.

A fire tower at the summit offers travelers a 360-degree view which takes in the surrounding southern Adirondacks, the Adirondack's high peaks and the Great Sacandaga Lake.

This moderately gentle trail is perfect for the novice hiker or a family and is the ideal setting to have a mouth-watering picnic.

Getting there: The trailhead is reached by finding your way to Lake Luzerne (Route 9N), then crossing the Hudson River to the vil-

lage of Hadley. Turn north onto Saratoga Route 1 for about 3 miles to Hadley Hill Road, turn left and go uphill for 4.6 miles to Tower Road (small sign on the left), which leads to a parking area and the trailhead.

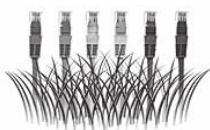
Cat and Thomas Mountains

Bolton

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The trail to Cat Mountain is 6.5 miles long (round trip) on a wooded road that offers good footing. The trail coincides with the Thomas Mountain trail for three-quarters of a mile before diverging to the left onto a yellow-marked trail. After passing through a gate, the trail follows a stream and then begins to climb at a moderate pace before a couple of flat spots near the summit.

The trail to Thomas Mountain follows an old logging road with good footing, climbing about 700 feet before reaching a small

cabin near the summit where there are nice views of Crane and Gore mountains.

Getting there: The trailhead for both hikes is located off Valley Woods Road just after you turn right off county Route 11, which runs from Exit 24 of the Northway (I-87) to 9N near Bolton Landing. Valley Woods Road is about 2 miles from the exit.

Crane Mountain Loop Hike

Crane Mountain Loop Hike is a 3.1-mile heavily trafficked loop trail located near Warrensburg that fea-

tures a lake and is rated as difficult. The trail offers several activity options and is best used from June until October.

Crane Mountain is a beautiful Southern Adirondack trail with a natural stone bridge, cliff ladders and a spring-fed mountain ridge pond. The loop trail beginning at the trailhead at Ski Hi Road in Johnsburg.

Getting there: From Johnsburg and Route 8 turn south onto South Johnsburg Road. Follow this until you come to the small town of Thurman and take a right

onto Garnet Lake Road. Travel 1.4 miles down this road until you see a DEC sign at Ski Hi Road pointing toward Crane Mountain.

Spruce Mountain Firetower

Spruce Mountain Firetower is a 3.1-mile moderately trafficked out and back trail located near Porter Corners that offers the chance to see wildlife and is rated as moderate. The trail is primarily used for hiking, nature trips, and snowshoeing and is best used from April until October.

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Dogs are also able to use this trail.

The 73-foot fire tower on the 2,009-foot summit of Spruce Mountain was built in 1928 and manned until 1988. The summit is accessible by a gated service road and a 1.2-mile hiking trail. The trail has downfall and the remains of past logging operations. The trail crosses an old concrete culvert over a stream then immediately climbs. The total elevation gain is 1,000 feet over this 1.2-mile hike. The trail can be tough to follow at times with many old logging roads crossing

the trail. The trail is marked sometimes with red DEC discs. The trail crosses land used by the Blue Jay Hunting Club on a lease from International Paper, so hiking is not recommended during hunting season (late September through early December).

Getting there: From Saratoga Springs, head north on Route 9N toward Corinth. Shortly after passing through South Corinth take a left on Wells Road and drive for a few miles until it T's, take a right on Spruce Mountain Road (not signed) and just a few hun-

dred yards down this road there will be a dead end sign. Pass the gated entrance to the fire tower access road on the left, and proceed to a parking area.

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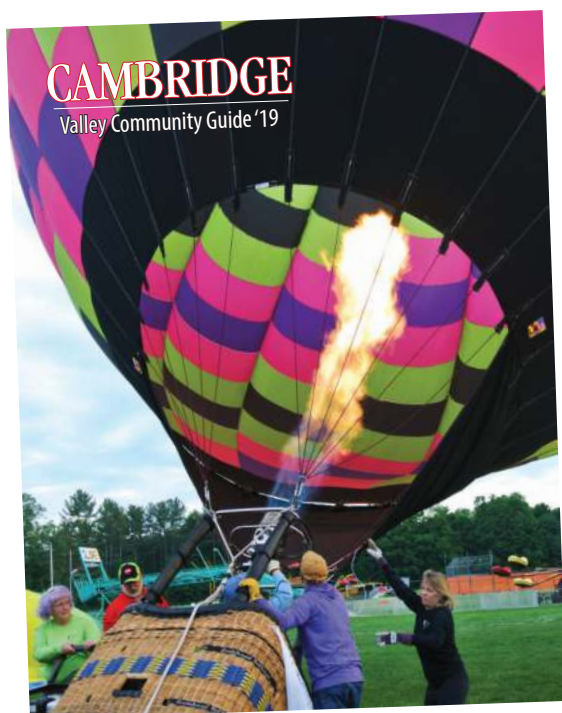
Haystack

Pawlet

Generations of Pawlet families and visitors from around the world have climbed the steep slopes to the top of Haystack Mountain to take in the spectacular 360-degree views. Wildlife of the Mettowee Valley is plentiful on this 3.1-mile moder-

ate out and back loop. The trail begins with scenic agrarian landscapes, enters the forest and eventually comes out onto a view-filled top. Hikers will need about an hour-and-a-half to reach the summit. The trail rolls up and down, climbing at a slight grade through soft and hardwood forests for the first two-thirds of the hike before climbing steeply to the summit where hikers are greeted by 270 degrees of unobstructed views of Granville and the Slate Valley. Make sure to take plenty of water and wear good shoes. This trail

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is quite challenging and is best suited for the experienced hiker.

Getting there: The trail to the summit is off Tunket Road in Pawlet. Heading south from Granville, New York, toward Pawlet, turn left onto Waite Road (about 1.7 miles north of Pawlet) and go exactly 1.2 miles to the entrance at Tunket Road. There is a small parking area on the left side. Walk up Tunket Road until you see signs for the trail on the left.

Little Rock Pond

Danby

Little Rock Pond Trail is a 4.7-mile out and back trail near Danby, Vermont. The trail features a pond that is very popular for swimming and fishing and is best used from May to October. Camping and backpacking along the trail are also popular activities. The hike features only 350 feet of elevation change, making it nice for families. Dogs are welcome on the trail as well, as long as they are on a leash. At the northern end of the pond, the Green Mountain Trail offers the option to extend the hike to a 7.5-mile hike. The trail is located on a section of the Appalachian/Long Trail and is marked by white blazes.

Getting there: From Route 7 in Danby, turn east onto Brooklyn Road (Forest Road 10) for about 3.5 miles to the Appalachian/Long Trail crossing. Parking is on the south side of the road.

Deane Nature Preserve

Poultney

Looking for the best views in Poultney? Donated to Green Mountain College by Bill and Linda Osborne in 2002, the Lewis Deane Nature Preserve is on 85

acres. The Vermont Land Trust holds a conservation easement on the land. Located four miles southeast of the campus on St. Catherine Mountain, the trail head is on the west side of Endless Brook Road.

Hiking trails provide access to beautiful views from an easy to moderate hike up St. Catherine Mountain, which tops out at 1,214 feet. With the Green Mountains behind them, hikers can see Lake St. Catherine below and the Adirondack Mountains in the distance.

Two trails lead to the top: The more family friendly Yellow Trail is the longer of the pair but has a gentler, safer incline. Look out for an important left, uphill turn by a tree with three yellow ties around it. The trail after this spot is windy and less-worn, but hikers are asked not to bushwhack so as to not disturb vegetation. The Yellow Trail should take 45 minutes to an hour each way.

The blue trail is much shorter, but also much steeper. Use caution on this trail as the ground can be uneven and loose. Hike through an open field to get to the trailhead and follow the Blue trail the rest of the way.

Getting there: Off Route 30, turn onto Endless Brook Road, across from the entrance to Lake St. Catherine State Park. Once on Running Brook Road, continue until the parking area just before the intersection with Dayton Hill Road.

Slate Valley Trails

Poultney

Slate Valley Trails is a volunteer community group founded in 2015 as a chapter of the Vermont Mountain Biking

Association. Its mission is to build, maintain and promote foot and bicycling trails in the Slate Valley region of southwestern Vermont. Through partnering with local landowners, communities and state parks, the group identifies and develops multipurpose trails in which community members and visitors can hike, bike, snowshoe and cross-country ski.

The Endless Brook network in Poultney offers seven miles of hiking and biking. In 2018, the group added another 12+ miles of hiking and biking trails at the Fairgrounds network in East Poultney. Howe Hill in East Poultney features 2.5 miles of hiking trails off Thrall Road. Delaney Woods on East Delaney Cross Road in Wells has three miles of new hiking and biking trails. Members have also worked on trails near Castleton University. A fun and flat walking biking trail is the Rail and River Trail around the village of Poultney.

Slate Valley Trails offers seasonal group rides and hikes in which locals, neighbors and visitors gather to enjoy the outdoors. For those who wish to venture on their own, the Slate Valley Trails website offers detailed descriptions of hiking and bike options. The group engages volunteers in a variety of trail maintenance and trail-building opportunities throughout the spring and summer.

Getting there: Trail information is available at www.slatevalleytrails.org, and on the group's Facebook page.

White Rocks Cliffs

Wallingford

Views of the mountains of the Taconics, the

Adirondacks and the valley below, White Rocks Cliffs offers it all. The area is defined by the Cheshire quartzite that was exposed during the last Ice Age and gives the cliffs their white appearance. Among the trails in the area are the popular and scenic Cliffs Trail and the Ice Beds Trail, which leads to the large pile of white rocks at the base of the cliff. Both trails start from a parking lot at the Green Mountains National Forest-White Rocks Picnic area. Please stay on the marked trails.

The Cliffs Trail is 3.2 miles round trip but it rises 1,250 feet so it is a fairly strenuous hike. The first part winds around the northeastern edge of the cliffs before reaching the Appalachian/Long Trail junction, then south, following the white blazes past the Greenwall Shelter Spur trail at one mile. Continue south for .4 miles to reach the spur that leads to the cliffs and several beautiful vistas.

The Ice Beds trail is 1.8 miles (180 feet of elevation gain) to a pile of massive rocks that protects ice well into the summer. The trail, easy enough for children, leaves the southwest corner of the parking lot and climbs several switchbacks until it meets an old woods road at about .4 miles, where it follows a stream to the rocks.

Getting there: **From Route 7 in Wallingford**, follow Route 140 east 2.1 miles to the junction of Sugar Hill Road on the right.

From Route 103 in East Wallingford, follow Route 140 west about 4.0 miles to the junction of Sugar Hill Road on the left. Follow Sugar Hill Road about 200 feet to the sign for the

Green Mountain National Forest-White Rocks Picnic Area and turn right onto Forest Road 52. Follow that a half mile to the Picnic Area parking lot.

Stratton Mountain

Arlington

The 360-degree views at the top of this 3,940-foot peak, the highest peak in Windham County and named on the New England Highest Hundred list, includes the Green Mountains, the Taconic Mountains and more. Hikers can see three states from the 70-foot fire tower atop Stratton Mountain, the highest peak in Southern Vermont. A caretaker is stationed at the summit during the summer and fall. This is a 7.6-mile round-trip hike featuring 1,730 feet of elevation gain, making it a moderate to difficult trek, however there is a short, relatively easy 0.75-mile trail between North Stratton's summit and Stratton Mountain's summit.

The trail follows the Appalachian/Long Trail, marked with white blazes, to the summit. The trail is gradual at first, passing through a mixed hard/soft wood forest. About a mile

and half into the hike, the trail begins to climb steeply, before flattening out for awhile along the ridgeline. After this point, it begins to climb switchbacks before reaching the summit.

Getting there: From Route 7 in Arlington, turn west onto Route 313. Take a right onto South Road and follow to the end, turn right onto Kansas Road and follow over Route 7 and over a two-lane bridge. Turn right onto Kelley Stand Road for about 9.6 miles. The parking area is on the north side of the road.

Stratton Pond

Arlington

A hike to Stratton Pond may be the ideal trek for anyone who enjoys beautiful flowers. This trail leads to the largest body of water on the Long Trail and the most heavily used camping site located on the Appalachian Trail in Vermont. The pond features several designated campsites available on a first-come, first-served basis (\$5 fee). The trail is 7.8 miles long (round trip), but climbs only 390 feet, making it a relatively easy hike that takes five to six hours on average.

The trail starts off with

a gradual grade that may have areas of mud. It is 3.5 miles to the pond where you can enjoy a refreshing swim or view the loons that are diving for their daily food supply.

Getting there: From Route 7 in Arlington, turn west on Route 313 at the end of the exit ramp and take a right onto South Road and follow to the end. Turn right onto Kansas Road and cross Route 7 and a two-lane bridge. Turn right and travel Kelley Stand Road for about 8.7 miles. Parking will be on the left.

Bromley Mountain

Peru

Bromley Mountain is a popular ski resort east of Manchester, but after the winter cold and snow are gone it offers so much more.

A climb to the top of this trail will reward you with great views in every direction, including Stratton Mountain and Mount Equinox. On a clear day, you may even get a glimpse of the Adirondacks in New York and Mount Washington in New Hampshire.

Leave yourself plenty of time. This popular, 6-mile roundtrip trail takes four to five hours to complete. Identified by white trail blazes, this route follows the Appalachian Trail from a parking lot a few miles below the ski resort. The trail begins at the east end of the parking lot and follows Bromley Brook for the first mile, becoming steeper until it reaches the spur leading to a tenting area. From here, the trail emerg-

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Lye Brook Falls

Manchester

The heavily wooded Lye Brook Falls Trail runs for a little more than two miles through the striking Lye Brook wilderness. A simple trail that leads to one of Vermont's highest waterfalls, the 100-plus-foot Lye Brook Falls, this hike is considered a moderate trail, gaining less than 800 feet. A century ago the route was home to some charcoal kilns and sawmills that can still be seen through keen eyes. The trail follows Lye Brook on old logging roads, traveling at a steady grade. At 1.8 miles, a spur trail leads a half-mile to the falls. Moose have been known to frequent the area, so wildlife enthusiasts can keep a camera at the ready for both the falls and the animals.

Caution: Rocks dot the trail and can be slippery at



Merck Forest in Rupert offers lots of hiking trails.

times, especially those near the falls.

Getting there: From Route 7 in Manchester, travel about a quarter mile east on Route 11/30 to East Manchester Road, then south for about a mile, then turn left onto Glen Road, just before the overpass. Follow Glen Road and bear right at the fork onto Lye Brook Access Road. The trailhead is at the east side of the parking lot at the end of the Lye Brook Access Road.

Prospect Rock

Manchester

Rated as moderate, Prospect Rock trail is a 3.1-

mile out and back trail. The summit of Prospect Rock offers fine views of the Manchester Valley. The trail includes a waterfall and is perfect for birding or other nature trips. The hike climbs 1,000 feet in less than two miles and can be completed in one-and-a-half to two-and-a-half hours. Marked with blue blazes, the trail follows the old Rootville Road up the Downer Glen Ravine. After entering the forest, the trail gets steeper and crosses a small brook several times, then meets the Appalachian/Long Trail at 1.7 miles. A spur leads 200 feet west to the summit.

Getting there: From Route 7 in Manchester, travel about a quarter mile east on Route 11/30 to East Manchester Road, turn right then immediately left onto Rootville Road for about a mile. Limited parking is found at the trail head beyond the last residence and some limited parking is available below the water tank; please obey all parking signs.

Burr and Burton Trail on Equinox Mountain

Manchester

The Burr and Burton Academy athletic teams are nicknamed the Bulldogs. Aptly named, the Burr and Burton Trail is a bulldog in its own right. The hike features a vigorous climb to the highest summit in the Taconic Range, the second highest peak in Southern Vermont. At nearly 4,000 feet, Equinox Mountain offers views of the Berkshires, the Green Mountains, and into New York. The trek features a radio tower, abandoned radio station and old hotel. At 6.8 roundtrip miles, this trail, also known as the Blue Summit Trail, offers almost 2,900 feet of elevation gain, making it a rugged hike. Starting on an old logging road, the trail begins with a short side trip to Lookout Rock with views of the valley before continuing to the summit.

Getting there: From Manchester village, take Route 7A to the Burr and Burton Seminary parking lot on Seminary Avenue.



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Merck Forest *Rupert*

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Getting there: From Salem, New York, take

Route 153 to Rupert to Route 315. Travel east for three miles and turn into the main entrance of Merck Forest on the right. Follow the road a half mile to the visitors' center.

Deer Leap *Killington*

Leading to a rocky outcrop, Deer Leap rewards hikers with dramatic views of the Coolidge Range, Sherburne Pass and more. The hike climbs 600 feet and covers 3.1 miles and takes you near protected land of the Abenaki.

From the parking lot on Route 4, follow the Sherburne Pass trail north to the junction with the Appalachian Trail. From here take the Appalachian Trail south until you reach the Deer Leap Trail which climbs quickly to a ridge and another trail junction just short of a mile from Route 4. The trail to the left travels a quarter mile to

Deer Leap overlook. Return to the Deer Leap Trail and go north at the junction and climb over Big Deer Leap Mountain at which point the trail descends to the Appalachian Trail. Turn right and follow the trail back to its junction with the Sherburne Pass Trail and the parking lot on Route 4.

Taking a shortcut to the Deer Leap overlook is very dangerous, even for the experienced hiker. Please stay on the marked trails. In addition to safety considerations, people are asked to stay out of the lower area to give the eroded, denuded surfaces a chance to "heal" and to protect some areas special to Abenaki people who once roamed the land.

Getting there: **From Rutland**, travel east on Route 4. Trailhead parking is across the street from the Inn at the Long Trail at 9.3 miles.

The Great Cliff and Mount Horrid *Brandon*

Although the name may seem a little bit scary, there is not much horrid about a hike on this trail. The Great Cliff and Mount Horrid offer a short-distance very achievable jaunt, even for the novice hiker. These trails offer excellent views and the opportunity to see nesting peregrine falcons and other wildlife. The gain is a little more than 600 feet and is 1.4 miles roundtrip, but several steep sections make it more difficult than the distance suggests. From Brandon Gap, follow the Long Trail north for .7 miles to a blue-blazed spur trail that leads to the top of Great Cliff. The trails are sometimes closed during the summer to protect nesting falcons so look for signs. Mount Horrid Overlook offers a view of a beaver pond and other wildlife.



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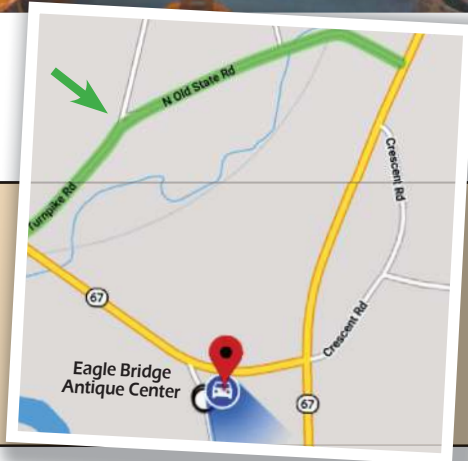


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Although the park does not feature a launch for large motor boats, there is a dock from which to launch canoes and small non-motorized boats.

The park practices a “carry in, carry out” trash policy.

It is open on weekends only starting May 25 through June 23, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. with the beach open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. It is open daily June 23 through Sept. 2. Parking and admission are free.

The park is located at 6303 Sunset Bay Road in Huletts Landing. For more information, call the county Parks and Recreation Department at 518-746-2451 or visit <http://www.co.washington.ny.us/596/Huletts>

Washington County Park *Lake Lauderdale Cambridge*

Like its sister park in Huletts Landing, the Washington County Park at Lake Lauderdale features a beach, playground, basket-



The Washington County Park at Lake Lauderdale is a popular summer destination.

ball courts, volleyball, a pavilion, barbecue pits and a walk-in cooler that can be rented for group events. There are also horseshoe pits and nature trails.

The park is open weekends only starting May 25 through June 23, and open daily June 23 through Sept. 3. Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Beachgoers must also practice a “carry in, carry out” trash policy.

Parking a car costs \$2 a day or \$20 for a season pass. The park now allows the launching of canoes and kayaks. It also features a 200-person pavilion with a

barbecue pit and a 12 x 12 gazebo for rent.

Lauderdale Park is located at 2642 State Route 22 in Cambridge. For more information, call the county Parks and Recreation Department at 518-746-2451 or visit <http://www.co.washington.ny.us/659/Lauderdale-Park>

Mettowee River Park *Granville*

The village-owned Mettowee River Park is a swimming hole, complete with a small beach and tire swing. There are charcoal grills and picnic tables available for visitors’ use. Access is available to the Mettowee River where several canines and people of all ages can be found enjoying the water on hot summer days. There is no lifeguard, so swimming is at your own risk. For additional information, call the village office at 518-642-2640.

Little League Complex *Mettowee River Granville*

Located at the end of a dirt road, past the baseball and softball diamonds at the Granville Little League

Complex, is a popular swimming hole. Access is available to the Mettowee River, where several canines and people of all ages can be found enjoying the water on hot summer days. There is no lifeguard, so swimming is at your own risk.

Million Dollar Beach *Lake George*

Million Dollar Beach is the largest and most popular beach in Lake George Village. It offers a boat launch, lifeguards, showers, changing rooms, picnic areas with grills, plenty of swimming space, concession stand, volleyball court and lockers. Parking costs are \$10 for cars, \$5 for motorcycles, and \$50 for bus. Those who are willing to park a bit further and walk to the beach will park for free. The beach is open to the public for swimming 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call 518-668-3352 or visit <https://www.lakegeorge.com/business/million-dollar-beach-8740/>

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in Lake George. Information: 518-668-5771 or lgville@nycap.rr.com or <https://www.visitlakegeorge.com/recreation/shepard-park>

Usher's Park Beach *Lake George*

Relax on quiet Usher's Beach located on Route 9L, just past Million Dollar Beach. This public beach is an ideal spot for people of all ages, especially parents with small children. Since it is a small beach with shallow water, parents know where their kids are at all times. It is down a steep hill, so you may need to ask for assistance from the state workers. Not only does it offer swimming but also a playground, picnic areas, tennis courts, public restrooms, three pavilions to rent, and basketball. The park's hours are from 8 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The beach hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. only, when lifeguards are on duty. It is open from mid-June through Labor Day. The rest of the park opens Memorial Day weekend. For more information, call

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VERMONT **Lake St. Catherine** **State Park** *Poultney*

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Bomoseen State Park *Castleton*

Within a 3,576-acre park, the beach at Bomoseen State Park boasts that it is the largest lake contained entirely within Vermont. Besides swimming, the

beach offers a picnic area, concession stand, pavilion for rent, and canoe, kayak, row, pedal boat rentals. The park is at 22 Cedar Mountain Road and is open daily from 10 a.m. to sunset from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend. There is a small fee to enter the park. For more information, call 802-265-4242 or visit <https://vtstateparks.com/bomoseen.html>

Crystal Beach **Lake Bomoseen** *Castleton*

This town park on the shores of Lake Bomoseen offers roped-off swimming, kayak rentals, basketball, volleyball and Boccie courts, grills, two outside covered pavilions for rent, ample picnic areas, charcoal grills some shady, some sunny, and snack bar. Other amenities include lake view benches, play and climbing structures, swing set, and separate docks for boats or fishing. The park opens Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Entrance fee is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children and seniors. Season passes are \$15 for residents and \$75 for non-residents. Weather permitting the snack shack is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. For more information, call 802-278-8888 or visit <https://www.castletonvermont.org/crystal-beach>

Half Moon Pond **State Park** *Hubbardton*

This park features two small sandy beaches. As motor boats are not permitted on the lake, beachgoers can enjoy a quiet day. Rowboats, kayaks, canoes, and pedal boats are available for rent, and hiking trails surround the water.

There is also a park interpreter highlighting the natural and cultural history of the park. This is a camping-only park, and day-use opportunities are not available. Pets are permitted throughout the park but are not permitted in the cabins or in the cottage. The Dragonfly Cabin is pet-friendly. The park, located at 1621 Black Pond Road in Hubbardton, is open from Memorial Day weekend to Columbus Day weekend. For more information, call 802-273-2848 or visit <https://vtstateparks.com/half-moon.html>

Emerald Lake **State Park** *Dorset*

Emerald Lake is known for its emerald green color. It offers a small public beach surrounded by woods and is perfect for swimming and paddling, since the lake is restricted to non-motorized boat traffic. Emerald Lake is surrounded by woods with great hiking opportunities. Other amenities include a snack bar, a hillside picnic area, lake-side picnic tables with grills, and a picnic pavilion for rent, boat rentals (canoes, kayaks, row and pedal). There is also a park interpreter covering the natural and cultural history of the park. Pets are not permitted on the sandy beach or in the day-use area but are allowed elsewhere in the park. There is a small park fee. The park, located at 65 Emerald Lake Lane in East Dorset, is open from 10 a.m. to sunset from Memorial Day weekend to Columbus Day weekend. For more information, call 802-362-1655 or visit <https://vtstateparks.com/emerald.html>



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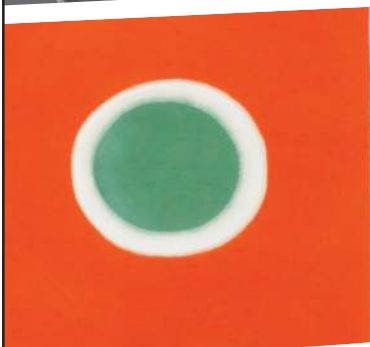
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Log Village and Grist Mill Campground

Hartford

Located in an idyllic rural setting among the rolling agricultural fields of Hartford, this campsite is close to several amenities. Six miles from the Vermont border and just 28 miles from the town of Lake George and the Adirondack State Park, the campsite is just a short drive from such major events as the Washington County Fair, Americade, the Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival, the Tour of the Battenkill Cycling Event and several ski areas.

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Moreau Lake State Park

Gansevoort

Moreau Lake State Park's lake lies amid hardwood forests, pine stands, and rocky ridges. Shady groves of trees shelter picnic grounds and a pavilion overlooking the lake. Wooded campgrounds are quiet and secluded, offering facilities for group campers, as well as tent and trailer sites. Rent a beach lounge and beach umbrella and relax lakeside, or rent fishing gear and try to land the "Big One." There are sites for groups, tents and trailers, a large lakeside pavilion that can accommodate up to 120 people for events, and a lakeshore cottage rental.

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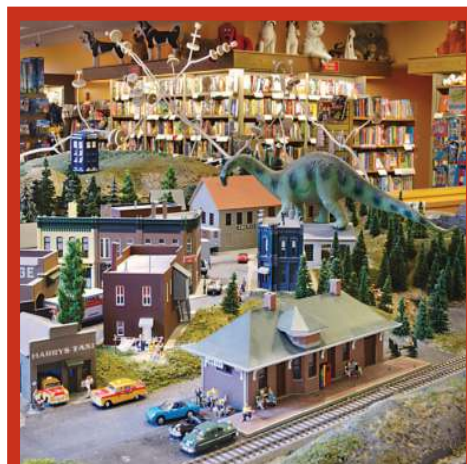
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Putnam Pond

Ticonderoga

Conveniently located six miles from Ticonderoga,

Putnam Pond is a scenic pond for boating and other water activities. Known as "Putts Pond" by the locals, this campsite was named after the famous General Putnam. The pond is a key starting point for hikers and backcountry campers trekking into the Pharaoh Lake Wilderness area, a 46,000-acre tract featuring 39 bodies of water covering 1,100 acres, more than 60 miles of hiking trails and 14 backcountry lean-tos. The campground features 72 developed campsites (nine of them remote) that can accommodate tents and RVs up to 30 feet long. All the sites are large, well-forested

and private, and there are hot showers, flush toilets, trash and recycling receptacles, a boat launch, a picnic area and pavilion, and canoe and rowboat rentals. The campground offers a variety of recreational opportunities: canoeing and boating, fishing, and hiking. The Swing Trail, 12 miles long, passes by a half dozen bodies of water and offers multiple access points. As a host site for the Junior Naturalist program for children (ages 5-13) and their families, the campsite becomes an outdoor classroom. To learn more, call 518-585-7280, or visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24492.html.


Lake George

As the home of Great Escape, Americade, historic French and Indian War site Fort William Henry, the new Dino Roar Valley, and plenty of shopping and dining in Lake George village, Lake George has been a popular tourist site for many years. At 32 miles long and three miles wide at its broadest point, Lake George is known as the Queen of the Adirondacks. The state Department of Environmental Conservation operates public campgrounds in and around Lake George, and campers can enjoy a wide

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Hearthstone Point

Lake George

Located on picturesque Lake George just two miles north of the village of Lake George, Hearthstone Point has become a very popular vacation destination. Lake George region offers some of the most diverse recreation opportunities in the state. A Junior Naturalist Program is also offered at Hearthstone, and the successful camper can earn a naturalist patch for his/her efforts. If you're planning on vacationing in Lake George, Hearthstone Point may be the perfect fit. The

campground features 251 tent and trailer sites (including 13 handicap-accessible sites), hot showers, flush toilets, trash and recycling facilities, a sandy beach, and swimming area. Take note, there is no boat launch at this facility. To learn more, call 518-668-5193, or visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24470.html

Lake George Islands

Lake George

Lake George is commonly known as the "Queen of American Lakes" and the Lake George Islands offer a unique experience for campers to enjoy. The Lake George Islands campsites are accessible by boat only and are spread over much of the lake. The campgrounds are divided into three groups: Glen, Long

and Narrow. Each group has its own headquarters to make registration as convenient as possible. In all, there are 387 shoreline campsites located on 44 state-owned islands: 85 sites are in the Narrow Island Group (Mother Bunch Group), 170 sites and 42 cruiser sites are in the Glen Island Group (The Narrows), and 90 sites are on Long Island.

The 42 cruiser sites are for large boats with sleeping quarters. Twenty-five sites in the Glen Island Group are located on the mainland but are accessible by boat only. Most sites are well-forested and private. All sites have a dock for at least one boat, a fire-place, picnic table, and toilet facility. Cruiser sites

also provide a charcoal burner and privy.

Fishing, hiking, bird-watching, boating, swimming and sailing are among the many activities campers enjoy. Dogs are prohibited on the islands and motorized boats are subject to a mandatory inspection program to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.

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Rogers Rock Hague

Located on the northern end of Lake George, Rogers Rock is a popular family campground where campers enjoy swimming, bicycling, fishing, boating and hiking (on state-marked trails only). There are two group camping areas that are perfect gathering places for family and friends. It features 332 campsites, including group camping areas, a boat launch, mooring buoys, and a guarded

swimming area. It also features attractions for day-users. Hiking, swimming, boating and fishing are popular activities.

Rogers Rock is six miles south of Ticonderoga, which has many historical sites of interest and educational opportunities, including Fort Ticonderoga, site of a key moment in the American Revolution. This site takes its name from Robert Rogers, a British colonial fighter during the French and Indian War who, according to legend, fled from his Indian pursuers atop Mt. Pelee, a cliff that slopes into Lake George hundreds of feet below. One account purports he slid down the rock, while another claims he simply

backtracked and evaded his followers. Either way, the campground and cliff (Rogers Slide) are now named for him.

For more information, call 518-585-6746, or visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24493.html.

Luzerne Campground

Lake Luzerne

If you're looking for a place to camp while bringing your equine family members as well as your human family, the Luzerne Campground is the spot. One thing that makes this campsite unique is the 22-horse paddocks on site. Located on Fourth Lake, this popular family campground features 174 tent and trailer sites (some of which are suitable for the mobility impaired), picnic

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area, swimming area and rowboat, canoe and kayak rentals. Boating, fishing and swimming are popular activities and the campground offers a Junior Naturalist program for children and their families.

A current negative Coggins test is required for all horses entering the campground and out-of-state horse owners must produce a 30-day health certificate. There are also day-use facilities. Patrons will be responsible for the cleaning of their stalls and paddocks during their stay and before their departure. In addition, only campers with horses will be permitted to camp in the horse area on holiday weekends.

For more information, call 518-696-2031 or visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24480.html.

Paradox Lake

Paradox

Paradox Lake Campground is nestled in rolling hills of hardwood and creates the impression of being miles from the real world. It's relatively small, compared with other state campgrounds in the region, and sits on the shore of Day Bay on Paradox Lake. The lake itself is nearly five miles long and offers swimming, boating and fishing opportunities. There are 58 campsites, hot showers, flush toilets, a boat launch, a picnic area and canoe and boat rentals. A network of hiking trails is located to the south of the lake. For more information, call 518-532-7451 or visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/24488.html.

Hog Town/Knapp Estate

Fort Ann

This area, at the end of Sly Pond Road in Fort Ann, offers primitive backcountry



Battleground Campground in Lake George.

try camping opportunities. Although you won't find many amenities, you will find stunning views of Lake George from atop Buck and Sleeping Beauty Mountains, backcountry ponds and a beautiful waterfall (Shelving Rock Falls). Tent and lean-to sites are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, although some restrictions apply.

Backcountry

Maybe you are a little more adventurous and prefer a little more "roughing it" than what public campsites and state parks provide. A more primitive camping adventure may be what you are looking for. Backcountry camping opportunities exist in state-owned forests and wilderness areas across the state, including the area surrounding Black Mountain in Dresden and the Pharaoh Lake Wilderness area near Ticonderoga. Because backcountry camping requires you to be self-suf-

ficient, at times carry a heavy pack, and involves limited or no access to clean drinking water, campers are encouraged to use caution and never camp alone. Primitive campers should also respect the environment that they are staying in and employ a "leave no trace" philosophy. To learn more about primitive camping, visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/41282.html.

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Lake St. Catherine State Park

Poultney

Opened in 1953, the 117-acre Lake St. Catherine State Park campground features 50 tent and RV sites and 11 lean-tos. The park is situated on the shore of picturesque Lake St. Catherine. All the sites are at least partially wooded. Flush toilets, hot showers and a dump station are provided on premises. The park has a well-developed picnic area

featuring a large grassy field, tables and charcoal grills. There is a basketball court, two beaches (one for campers and another for day-users), a snack bar, and kayak, canoe, rowboat and pedal boat rentals. Boating and fishing on the lake are very popular. A short hiking trail offers visitors a tour of the Big Trees of Lake St. Catherine and a breathtaking view of Birdseye Mountain.

Lake St. Catherine provides excellent fishing 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 nature programs are held at the nature center.

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Bomoseen State Park

Castleton

Opened in 1960, this 3,000-plus acre park is on Lake Bomoseen, the largest lake located entirely within Vermont's borders. Black Pond, Half Moon Pond, Said Pond and Moscow Pond are totally located within the park, with Glen Lake right nearby. There are rich cultural resources within the park, mostly associated with the 19th century slate industry. The park contains several quarry holes and their adjacent colorful slate rubble piles as reminders of this period. These quarries provided slate for the West Castleton Railroad and Slate Company.

The campground contains 66 campsites including 10 lean-tos and most sites are wooded, open and grassy, or along the shore of the lake. There is an open pavilion that seats up to 100 people and has electricity, grills, picnic tables and handicapped accessibility. Flush toilets, hot showers and a dump station are provided. The park has a beach for swimming, a picnic area, snack bar and boat rentals. There are several hiking trails, one of which is connected to Half Moon State Park, as well as a self-guided Slate History Trail that explores the slate mining heritage of the park and surrounding area. To learn more, call 802-265-4242, or visit vtstateparks.com/htm/bomoseen.htm.

Lake Bomoseen KOA

Bomoseen

Lake Bomoseen KOA is much more than a typical campground. Vermont's largest lake takes center stage at this KOA. Lake Bomoseen KOA has a marina, store and gift shop, and



Half Moon State Park in Hubbardton, Vermont.

boat rentals on site for recreational vehicles. The campsite includes 50-amp hookups, as well as cabins and tents. Head out onto the lake in a pontoon boat, glide along the shoreline in a canoe or set out in a fishing boat to cast for bass, northern pike and trout. You'll find plenty of activity on shore too. There is a pool complex with a large swimming pool, kiddie pool, whirlpool and waterslides. Indoor and outdoor movies, mini golf, hayrides. Themed weekends such as Christmas in July and Halloween in August add to the fun. This year's fireworks show is scheduled for July 5.

There is also a large recreation hall and covered patio area. The surrounding woods are home to deer and moose, which occasionally wander through the campground. To learn more, call 802-273-2061, or visit koa.com/campgrounds/lake-bomoseen

Half Moon Pond State Park

Hubbardton

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of everyday life at Half Moon Pond State Park, nestled in the 3,500 forested acres of Bomoseen State Park. It is set in the dense woods of a small, sheltered basin surrounding Half Moon Pond.

The campground offers 52 tent sites, 11 lean-tos, five furnished cabins. For those seeking more of the comforts of home, Tall Timbers Cottage, with its waterfront location and private boat dock, offers all the amenities. Flush toilets, hot showers and a dump station are provided.

Paddlers enjoy Half Moon Pond because motorboats are not permitted. Kayak, canoe and rowboat rentals are available. There is excellent bass and pan-fishing, and a vast trail system offering hikes of all lengths and ability levels. Hikers are likely to encoun-

ter a variety of wildlife including white-tailed deer or an occasional moose. Two small, sandy beaches are perfect for swimming or sunbathing. This park has a park interpreter offering fun, hands-on activities. For more information, call 802-273-2848, or visit vtstateparks.com/htm/halfmoon.htm.

Branbury State Park

Brandon

Branbury State Park's name is derived from combining the names of two nearby towns, Brandon and Salisbury. The 69-acre site, originally a farm, became a state park in 1945. A neighbor of the Green Mountain National Forest, the park is located on the eastern shore of Lake Dunmore at the base of Mt. Moosalamoo. It features 20 tent sites, seven lean-tos and 17 tent/RV sites. Flush toilets, hot showers and dump station are available. The park also rents out the two-bedroom, lake accessible Moosalamoo

Cottage and two screened in wooden shelters that can seat 40 people each. The 1,000-foot natural sandy beach, clean, clear Lake Dunmore, and the large open grassy areas make the area very popular for swimming, sunning or picnicking. Pets are allowed in the day-use area, but not on the sandy parts of the beach or swimming area. Nearby hiking trails to scenic vistas, waterfalls, caves, mountain lakes and streams provide outstanding hiking opportunities. Mountain biking trails are also nearby. There is fishing and boating (canoe, kayak, rowboat, and pedal boat rentals are available at the park) on Lake Dunmore.

For more information, call the reservation center at 1-888-409-7579 or visit

vtstateparks.com/htm/branbury.htm.

Emerald Lake State Park

Dorset

Conveniently located between Manchester and Rutland, this 430-acre park draws its name from 20-acre Emerald Lake. When viewed from high above the park, the lake appears to be green in color. The Dorset area became well known for its marble quarries in the early 19th century. The first commercial marble quarry in the region, and likely the country, was opened in 1785 by Isaac Underhill on Mt. Aeolus.

The campground features 67 campsites and 37 lean-tos on a heavily wooded ridge above the lake. Anglers will enjoy casting

their lines and trying to haul in a menu of yellow perch, small mouth bass, northern pike and other warm water species. Restricted to non-motorized boats, the lake is ideal for swimming and paddling and the park rents boats. The park is popular among hikers due to its proximity to the Long Trail and to Dorset Mountain.

Two picnic areas are available and an open pavilion that can accommodate up to 100 people is available to rent. The park is close to attractions in Manchester. For more information, call 802-362-1655, or visit vtstateparks.com/htm/emerald.htm.

Lake Shaftsbury State Park *Shaftsbury*

Good news for campers who already enjoy Lake Shaftsbury State Park. This season the park will remain open all the way to Oct. 14. You know what that means? More time to relax and unwind. There is no better way to do just that than a hike around "Healing Springs Nature Trail." Lake Shaftsbury State Park sits on 84 acres surrounding the small but picturesque Lake Shaftsbury. There is a fully furnished waterfront cottage that comfortably sleeps six, with deck and grill. Lake Shaftsbury also operates a group camping area with clusters of 15 lean-tos available throughout the year. There is also a developed beach, play area and picnic area. The snack bar concession has rental canoes, kay-



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Gifford Woods State Park

Killington

For campers who visit the Gifford Woods State Park and like to bring their four-legged members of the family along, the Moose Lodge is now pet-friendly. Pets are permitted throughout the park, but are not allowed in most cabins at this time. With its location at the base of Killington and Pico within one of the few old-growth hardwood forests in Vermont, this park is a favorite of hikers, including those on the Appalachian Trail. Gifford Woods contains one of the few old-growth hardwood stands remaining in Vermont. The stand has many grand-sized sugar maple, beech, yellow birch, white ash and hemlock.

The campground features four cabins, 22 tent/trailer sites and 20 lean-tos in two camping loops. Each loop features a rest room with modern plumbing and hot showers. There is a trailer sanitary station, but no hookups. A wooded picnic area is located behind the ranger's quarters with a play area. With its prox-

imity to Killington and the Rutland region, there is no shortage of recreational opportunities nearby and the park offers easy access to the Appalachian Trail. Learn more by calling 802-775-5354 or visit vtstateparks.com/htm/gifford.htm.

Merck Forest and Farmland Center

Rupert

The 60-acre farm at Merck Forest and Farmland Center is managed with low impact, ecologically sensitive practices. The animals — pigs, sheep, chickens and horses — are raised according to the highest standards of humane animal management. Merck Forest offers more than 30 miles of well-marked trails for hiking, horseback riding, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Beautiful views of the Taconic Hills and Adirondack Mountains abound.

Merck Forest is a 3,160-acre tract of farmland and forest that features 30 miles of hiking trails and camping opportunities, including tent sites, lean-tos and cabins. Cabins are fully enclosed and each is equipped with a wood-burning stove, wooden bunks and a nearby outhouse. Three lean-to shelters are available for overnight rentals. Lean-tos have three walls, a roof, a nearby outhouse and a fire ring. Shelter and tent sites feature fire rings and out-

houses. All sites are hike-in, and the distance is anywhere from .5 miles to 2.5 miles. Most of the land in Merck Forest and Farmland Center is open to dispersed camping, without the conveniences found at cabins, shelters or other developed areas. Dispersed camping sites are for backpacking only. Everything taken into a dispersed camping site must be packed out again.

Reservations are required and it's recommended that visitors pack in their own water or be prepared to treat water. For more information, call 802-394-7836, or visit merckforest.org.

Camping on the Battenkill

Arlington

If your idea of camping is a quiet family campground that brings you back to nature, just north of the town of Arlington on Historic Route 7A you'll find Camping on the Battenkill. This private campground is situated on 35 acres along the Battenkill and features 103 wooded and open sites for tents and RVs. Its location makes it the perfect base camp for fishing and paddling adventures on the river. The Battenkill is known as one of the best trout streams in the East. Anglers will relish the challenge of landing the native trout that reside in the stream.

Swimming at the campground is in a natural swimming hole on the

property. Many campers enjoy bringing their own tubes or canoes and floating down the river. Children and adults alike enjoy our open field for playing ball games, swinging on the swings, or digging in the sand pile. There is also the local recreational park, located 1,000 feet from the campground.

The campground has a dumping station, camp store, water, electric and sewer hook-ups, flush toilets and hot showers. For more information, call 802-375-6663 (toll free: 800-830-6663), or visit campingonthebattenkillvt.com.

Primitive camping

If the amenities of a public campground are not your style and you enjoy roughing it a bit more, Vermont offers primitive camping at no charge on many state lands. Lands designated for primitive camping are usually located in wilderness areas and most of the time are accessible only by foot. These sites do not offer facilities or designated water sources therefore requiring you to provide your own means of purification. "Leave no trace" camping is also expected in these areas. For more information on primitive camping, call the district office that manages the land in your area. Permits are not required. For more information, visit vtstateparks.com/htm/primitive.htm.



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Adventure Sports

If high adventure is your choice

The Washington County region offers plenty of opportunities for fun in the sun (or rain), from boating on the many lakes, to hiking the hills and peaks of the Green, Taconic and Adirondack ranges, to bicycling back roads past open fields, farms and woods.

Many people also set fitness goals and train through the year with their eyes on a 5K or 10K road race. Others raise the ante in terms of fitness challenges, setting goals for the 26.2 grueling miles of a marathon or the swim-bike-run variety of a triathlon or a variation on that multi-sport event.

For the multi-sport enthusiasts, the area offers some choices for challenging and fun events.

Ticonderoga Triathlon

Early season races at which to test your fitness level are offered by the Ticonderoga Triathlon on Saturday, June 22 and Sunday, June 23 in Ticonderoga, New York at Black Point Beach. Race options include Sprint (half of Olympic distance) and Olympic distance (one-mile swim, 25-mile bike, 10K-run) triathlons as well as sprint and Olympic AquaBikes. An aquabike is a swim-bike race.

There's also a Kids Triathlon. A run-bike duathlon is also offered at 9

a.m. on Sunday. The sprint races start at 7:30 a.m., the Olympic-distance at 9 a.m. and the Kids Tri at 2:30 p.m. Both individual racers and teams are welcome and all races offer both overall and age group awards. Check the web site for registration costs. For further information and for entry fees, go to the web site at <https://coachmarkwilson.com/events/ticonderoga-triathlon-festival-formerly-hague-endurance-festival/> or call 914-466-9214.

Skyhigh Off-Road Triathlon

Grafton Lakes State Park in Grafton, New York, is the location of the 2019 Skyhigh Off-Road Triathlon on Saturday, Aug. 3, and the 20th Annual Skyhigh Kids Triathlon on Friday, Aug. 2. The former starts at 8:30 a.m. and features a 400m lake swim, 13K mountain bike course and 5K trail run while the latter begins at 6 p.m. and offers a 100-meter swim, 5K closed bike course and 1K trail run. For further information go to www.skyhighadventures.com/races.htm/ or call 518-674-0369.

The Crystal Lake Triathlon

The Crystal Lake Triathlon will be held on Saturday, Aug. 17 in Averill Park, New York. It features a USAF-sanctioned sprint distance course (.5 mile

swim, 18 mile bike, 3 mile run) as well as an aquabike race option. The costs are \$65 for adults (ages 18 or over) or \$45 for youth (ages 17 and under) through July 16, but the prices will go up by \$5 for each after that. The aquabike fees are \$60 for adults and \$40 for youth up to July 16 and \$5 more after that. For further information send an email to race@cdtriclub.org or check out the web site at <http://www.cdtriclub.org/index.php/race/>.

Lake George Triathlon Festival

A late season event offered is the Lake George Triathlon Festival on Saturday, Aug. 31 and Sunday, Sept. 1, at Lake George's Battle Field Beach Road. Race offerings include the Big George Half (1.2-mile swim, 56-mile bike, 13.1-mile run),

the Aquabike (1.2-mile swim and 56-mile bike), the Lake George Olympic (.9-mile swim, 24.8-mile bike and 6.2-mile run) and various team options. Check the web site for registration costs, starting times and other details. For more information go to www.adkracemgmt.com/race/lake-george-triathlon-festival/.

Lost Cat 50K

If you're a distance-running enthusiast but tired of road courses, consider the Lost Cat 50K in East Dorset on Saturday, Aug. 24. Runners can choose to do the whole 50K (8 a.m. start) or Marathon (26.2 miles and 8 a.m. start) or Half-marathon (13.1 miles and 9 a.m. start) distances. Half of the event is held on trails and the other half on a combination of dirt roads and some pavement

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(more of the former) and there is plenty of elevation gain (4,500 feet in the Marathon and 2,400 feet in the half). Registration, which closes on Friday, Aug. 23, costs \$100 for the 50K, \$95 for the Marathon and \$70 for the Half-Marathon. The race starts at 112 Mad Tom Road in East Dorset and for more information or to register go to <https://ultrasignup.com/register.aspx?did=6245>. The races are part of the Aug. 24-25 Dorset Running Festival that includes 5K and 10K races on Sunday, Aug. 25.

For those who seek physical and mental challenges and events with more novel twists and turns – and crawls through mud, jumps through fire, spear throws, tire drags, swings on rope – all while on the run, with much of it uphill, obstacle races, which are military-type events, offer this new level of challenge and have become increasingly popular in recent years.

Vermont Spartan Race

The classic Vermont Spartan Race at Killington Ski Resort on Sept. 14-15 provides an opportunity for this type of physical and mental challenge.

This was the site of the 2014 World Championship for good reason: a challenging course. It includes steep slopes, muddy waters and huge hills, offers three distances, including the Ultra Beast of 30-plus miles with 60-plus obstacles, the Beast Race of 12 to 14 miles with about 30-35 obstacles and the 3-mile Sprint Race with 20 obstacles, as well as a Spartan Kids Race with competitive and regular two-mile races for Spartans ages 10-13,

another one-mile race for those ages 7-9 and a Half-Mile Kids Race. Military style race obstacles will include wall and rope climbs, ramps, crawls, drags, cargo nets, monkey bars, and more. No maps are allowed for anyone!

Spartan Kids Races

The Spartan Kids Races, held on both Saturday and Sunday, cost \$25 for those pre-registered or \$35 on race day for those age 7-9. The prices for those age 10-13 are \$30 (pre-registered) and \$40 (race day) for the two-mile race and \$25/\$35 for the half-mile event. All kids receive a T-shirt and finisher's medal. The competitive 2-mile Kids Race start times are 9 a.m. (boys) and 9:15 a.m. (girls) on both Saturday and Sunday and at noon for the regular two-mile kids race on both days. The one-mile kids race start times are 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Sunday. The half-mile Kids Race start times are 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.

The cost for spectators on Saturday is \$20. Spectators for all events can watch from the K-1 deck, Roaring Brook Umbrella Barn, Snowshed area and Snowshed Pond. Parking: \$10 per car, \$20 per van, \$50 per bus or RV, cash only.

Ultra-Beast Races

The Ultra-Beast races will all be on Saturday, Sept. 14. Registration for the Ultra-Beast is \$297 for the elite division and \$287 for the age group division. The bright and early start times are 6 a.m. for

elites, 6:15 a.m. for age groups and 6:30 to 7 a.m. wave starts for the open division. The cost is \$272 for the open division.

The Beast event is offered on both Saturday and Sunday in 2019. The costs are \$220 for elites and \$210 in the age group division with start times of 7:30 a.m. for the elite men, 7:45 a.m. for the elite women and from 8 to 9 a.m. for the age group division.

Open division racers can compete in the morning or afternoon, with start times from 9:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., or from 1 to 2 p.m. The open division costs are \$180 for the a.m. and \$162 for the p.m. competitors.

The Sunday Beast costs are \$172 in the age group division, with start times of 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and \$162 in the open division, with start times from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Check the web site for prices as they increase as you get closer to the race date. Be sure to arrive an hour before your start time!

The course closes promptly at 9 p.m. for safety reasons and those left out in the dark will have to settle for a DNF.

The Sprint races are all held on Sunday. Registration for the Sprint race is \$147 for elites, who start at 10 a.m. (men) and 10:15 a.m. (women), \$142 for the age group division, with start times from 10:30 to 11 a.m., \$122 for the open division, with morning start times from 11:15 a.m. to noon and afternoon times from 12:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. Once again, check the web site for prices as they increase as you get closer to race date.

All event finishers receive a medal, a trifecta

medal wedge piece, T-shirt, protein bar, FitAID, beer ticket (age 21+), photos, bananas, and access to the festival area.

Check at <http://www.spartan.com/en/race/detail/3618/overview> for more information and updates about the Spartan Beast races or go to the Killington Resort web site as the date comes closer at www.killington.com.

Aerial Adventure Parks

Who didn't see a tree in their backyard as a kid and not want to climb it? It was such a challenge and gave you a sense of real accomplishment as you picked your route up that hemlock or white pine, then enjoyed looking down on your house or the neighborhood with a bird's eye view.

Children – and many adults – may also think how great it would be to be able to swing, or even fly, from one tree to another.

Perhaps these are some of the reasons why aerial adventure parks have become popular. They let kids experience some new thrills and give adults the opportunity to go back to one of the simple joys of their own childhood.

Aerial Adventure Parks are elevated obstacle courses that combine elements of tree-climbing with zip-lines, rope-swings, and suspension bridges. The parks typically offer a range of courses for different ages and ability levels, and are an active and healthy alternative to a traditional amusement park.

There are currently three aerial courses located near Washington County and the Lakes Region of Vermont.

Adirondack Extreme Adventure Course

35 Westwood Forest Lane,
Bolton Landing, New York

Still listed as the U.S.'s largest aerial tree-top adventure park, the Adirondack Extreme Adventure Course features more than 1.5 miles of wobbly bridges, climbing walls, zip lines and swinging surprises, with varying levels of height and difficulty. This aerial tree-top adventure course is an elevated obstacle course securely suspended between trees 10 to 60 feet off the ground.

The park, which is open from April through November, features adult, extreme adult, and junior adult courses (participants must measure at least 5'9" in height) as well as one children's course. All are conveniently color-coded to indicate difficulty and height above the ground; yellow is for children and black is the most challenging and highest course for adults.

There are five courses within the adult category, six in the extreme adult category, three in the junior adults, and one course to give children age 7 and up the chance to channel their energy and natural attraction for climbing trees in this park.

Each adult and extreme adult course contains 10 to 17 obstacles, including zip-lines (the Alber Brook zip-line is 350 feet long), Tarzan swings (including one on the black course that requires swinging from a 50-foot-high platform into a cargo net), hanging nets, wobbly bridges, swinging logs, and many more.

Before beginning, everyone participates in a 30-minute training session to learn

how to use the equipment and remain safe. Afterwards you progress on to the green course and then you're free to explore the park.

Prices, as of May 22, are \$45 per guest for four courses (ages 9 and up meeting height requirements and must be accompanied by an adult 18-plus, 1 adult per 5 minors), \$50 per guest for five courses (ages 12 and up, ages 12-14 must be accompanied by an adult 18-plus, 1 adult per 5 minors), \$55 per guest for six courses (ages 12 and up, ages 12-14 must be accompanied by an adult 18-plus, 1 adult per 5 minors) and \$30 per guest for the kid's course (ages 7 to 11 and must be accompanied by an adult age 18-plus). Age and height restrictions apply. Group discounts are also available (for ten or more in the same category).

Summer hours run daily from May 3 to Sept. 2 and reservations are strongly recommended. Fall hours are from Sept. 3 to Nov. 13 when the park is open only on weekends. Groups depart every 30 minutes beginning at 8 a.m. and last departure times will vary day-by-day.

Call 518-494-7200 or visit www.adirondackextreme.com for more information.

Getting there: Take the Northway (I-87) north to exit 24, Bolton Landing. Exit onto County Route 11 and proceed a quarter mile to Hendricks Road. Turn left onto Hendricks Road and follow the signs.

Bromley Mountain Ski Resort Aerial Adventure Park

3984 State Route 11
Peru, Vermont

Bromley Mountain opened one of the area's

newest aerial adventure parks in 2012. The park includes five distinct courses with 65 elements to satisfy all skill and age levels.

Each course has zip-lines but primarily consist of "bridges" between tree platforms made of rope, cable and wood configurations that offer unique challenges.

The park is open to anyone ages 7 and up. Staff will provide a harness and safety equipment as well as monitors for safety.

A 2½-hour Aerial Adventure Park Pass ticket (for those 48" tall and up) costs \$49 at the ticket window or \$44 if purchased online, while a "Double Play" (includes 2½-hour Aerial Adventure Pass and All-Day Mountain Adventure Pass) costs \$65. For \$75 (\$70 purchased on-line) you can purchase the "Triple Play," which includes an All-Day Mountain Adventure Pass, 2½-hour Aerial Adventure Pass, and a ride on the Sun Mountain Flyer. Children (under 48 inches) can get an all-day pass for \$25 at the window or \$20 online. The Sunset Pass (5 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays in August) are \$37 and the Family 4 for 3 (only available on-line) costs \$147 for All Day Adventure Passes. Check the web site for other deals.

Bromley is open beginning on May 25 through June 9 on weekends and holidays, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and then daily from Friday, June 14 through Labor Day on Monday, Sept. 2. From Sept. 7 through Oct. 14 it's back to weekends and holidays. On Saturdays from July 6 through Aug. 31, hours extend to 5:30 p.m.

Bromley also features

the Sun Mountain Flyer, a five-story, half-mile zip-line that reaches speeds up to 50-mph, an alpine slide, climbing wall, water slides, miniature golf and other attractions.

For more information or tickets, visit <https://www.bromley.com/summer/attractions/aerial-adventure-park/> or call 802-824-5522 x 252.

Getting there: From Manchester take Route 11/30 six miles to where the roads diverge. Continue on Route 11 for another mile. Bromley is on the left.

Okemo Mountain Resort Canopy Tour

77 Okemo Ridge Road
Ludlow, Vermont

Okemo Mountain Resort offers its sixth season of a zip-line canopy tour beginning on May 26 (check for updates at their web site or call). Located behind the Jackson Gore Inn, the course features seven zip-lines that are 40 to 50 feet above the ground.

The longest of the lines is 900 feet, and riders can soar at speeds up to 30 mph as they descend nearly 300 vertical feet from start to finish.

Each zip-line canopy tour is about two hours long. Groups of up to eight people, accompanied by two expert guides, start with 30 minutes of ground school. Each guest is fitted with a harness and then becomes acquainted with safety procedures and techniques for riding the zip-lines.

Reservations are highly recommended for both morning and afternoon departures. Zip-line riders must be at least 10 years old and weigh between 80

and 250 pounds. Riders between the ages of 10 and 15 must be accompanied by an adult or guardian. The cost (2017 rates - check web site or call for updates) is \$79 per person, although early-bird specials are offered at 8:30 and 9 a.m. for \$65 per person.

Okemo also features a Mountain Coaster (think of a roller coaster through the woods), climbing wall, bungee trampoline and more.

Summer hours will begin sometime in late May - call or check the web site for updates. For reservations, call 802-228-1600 and for more information, visit www.okemo.com/activities/zipline-tours/.

Getting there: Take U.S. Route 4 east to State Route 7 south to State Route 103 south, 20 miles to Ludlow. The entrance to Jackson Gore will be on the right. Or continue 1.5 miles to Okemo Mountain Resort entrance, also on the right.

Mountain Biking

Lots of dirt. Butt-pounding traverses of rocky trails. The occasional fall into muddy holes or unexpected drenchings in streams. Heart-pounding climbs up steep single track through quiet woods.

Mountain biking gives cyclists the opportunity to get away from the hazards of traffic and impatient drivers and enjoy the back-country of Vermont and upstate New York. The area offers ideal mountain bike country with both challenging and mellow trails through scenic woods, farmland, and up easy hills or steep mountain grades.

Mountain biking is great exercise and requires

constant concentration as mountain bikers encounter gravelly soils, boulders deposited by glaciers thousands of years ago, bumpy and winding uphill, and tire-sucking mud. It's also an activity where you are expected to get really dirty and where cuts and bruises (and mud in your eye) are like a badge of honor.

Many mountain bikers have favorite dirt roads, snowmobile trails and other routes that are off the beaten path. But for those who are looking for more maintained trails and, perhaps, some camaraderie, there are a few appealing options in this area.

Pine Hill Park Rutland, Vermont

Pine Hill Park, near the heart of Rutland, offers 325 heavily forested acres and 16 miles of single-track trails. The trail system is also ideal for those who prefer running or hiking. The land was first given to the city in 1921 and it is currently stewarded by the Pine Hill Partnership (non-profit).

Pine Hill Park features trails for all ages and abilities, from the relatively flat to the technical. Most of the trails have good flow and there is very little root and rock debris to slow bikers down. There are also a number of bridges that offer some fun diversions, as well as decent climbs, a pond, and pleasant views toward the Green Mountains.

Bring your own bike or rent one from the Pine Hill Bike Shop for \$10. The shop also has equipment available for purchase, and will service all kinds of bikes. There is no charge

to use the park.

Those interested in mountain bike racing may want to consider participating in the Pedal Mountain Bike races offered at Pine Hill Park on Tuesdays on June 18, July 16 and Aug. 20, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Riders can opt for a short loop of 3 miles or a longer one of 8 miles. Go to info@rutlandrec.com or call 802-773-1822 for details.

For more information on Pine Hill Park, visit www.pinehillpark.org. For the mountain bike race series and other events, go to www.rutlandrec.com.

Getting there: Pine Hill Park is located at 2 Oak St. Extension in Rutland. If you're traveling from New York State or the Lakes Region, take Route 4 east to Exit 6 (West Rutland). Take Route 4-BR for roughly three and a half miles, turn left onto Pierpoint Avenue and then left onto Oak Street Extension.

Okemo Mountain Resort

77 Okemo Ridge Road,
Ludlow, Vermont

Okemo's Evolution Bike Park is expected to open in late June. It offers a variety of trails for riders of different levels, including novices. A new expansion to the summit also means longer, steeper and more challenging terrain for more experienced riders.

For more information call 1-800-78-OKEMO or go to the web site: www.okemo.com.

Getting there: Take State Route 4 east to State Route 7 south to State Route 103 south, 20 miles to Ludlow. The entrance to Jackson Gore will be on the right. Or continue 1.5 miles to Okemo Mountain

Resort entrance, also on the right.

Killington Mountain Resort

4763 Killington Road,
Killington, Vermont

Killington's re-designed and expanded Mountain Bike Park features 35 trails covering 27 miles, all served by the K-1 Express Gondola that can take you all the way to the 4,241-foot summit of Vermont's second-highest peak. Trails are also served by the Snowshed Express Quad and Ramshead Express Quad Chairlift.

Killington offers a diversity of terrain, ranging from classic cross-country single track to challenging downhill and free-riding trails to easy-going dirt roads. There are a number of natural and man-made features on some downhill trails as well as a 1,700 foot drop for adrenalin-pumping thrills spread over five areas. The Snowshed Express Quad was added just a couple of years ago to provide more lift-serviced terrain.

The Bike Park is open from May 25 through June 14 on Saturdays and Sundays (as well as Memorial Day) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. From June 15 to Sept. 1 hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. From Sept. 2 until Oct. 14, the hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Prices for the 2019 season are (adults are age 19+ and youth are ages 18 and under) \$45 for adults and \$34 for youth if pre-purchased mid-week or \$51 (adults) and \$38 (youth) pre-purchased for week-



Tastings

Craft beverages in vogue

Upstate New York and Vermont have offerings of all types of beverages at the breweries, vineyards and cider houses that are flourishing in the region. Doors are open and ready for visitors to cross the thresholds for regular tastings, samplings, growler fillings, tours and – in many instances – food, fun and entertainment.

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Adirondack Pub & Brewery owner and founder John Carr became intrigued by the aromas and flavors when he experienced high-quality European ales and lagers, so he began brewing innovative, all-natural and great-tasting beer. Year-round favorites such as Bear Naked Ale, Iroquois Pale Ale, Bobcat and Blonde Ale are brewed, bottled and packaged on-site. Available on tap, 6 packs, select 12 packs, samplers, and growlers.

Enjoy sampling a wide

assortment of Adirondack Ale at The Pub. The rustic cabin-inspired restaurant is open for lunch and dinner. Sit inside, out on the covered deck or around a fire pit. Menu offerings include appetizers, salads, soup, burgers, sandwiches, seafood, steak, chicken, BBQ plates, tacos, Quesadillas and more.

They do not take reservations but call 30 minutes prior to arrival so they can seat you quickly. Open Monday through Thursday from noon till 10 p.m. Friday through Sunday from 11:30 a.m. until 10 p.m. Year-round favorites are brewed, bottled, and pack-

aged on-site. Brewery tours are given at 5 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m.

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ends and \$60 (adults) and \$45 (youth) purchased on-site. Four-hour tickets are \$45 for adults and \$35 for youth. Trail access only tickets cost \$25. Two-day tickets cost \$75 (adults) or \$50 (youth) pre-purchased for mid-week and \$85 (adults) and \$64 (youth) pre-purchased for weekends or \$100 (adults) and \$75 (youth) on-site. Three-day tickets cost \$125 (adults) and \$95 (youth) pre-purchased for mid-week, \$94 (adults) and \$71 (youth) pre-purchased for weekends and \$111 (adults) and \$90 (youth) on-site.

Some special events to note are the Vermont Bike & Brew, from Friday, June 21 through Sunday, June 23. This offers organized mountain biking for all levels with entertainment for the whole family. The Killington Mountain Bike Club will also hold a race series every Wednesday, from June 19 through Aug. 28 (excluding July 3).

Getting there: Killington is at the junction of Routes 4 and 100 in Killington, 11 miles east of Rutland. From the Killington sign on Route 4 (across from Bill's Country Store) drive

3.6 miles up the Killington Road to the Snowshed Base Area on the left.

Gore Mountain, 793 Peaceful Valley Road, North Creek, New York

Gore Mountain Ski Resort offers both single track and open ski trails for mountain biking. Served by the Northwoods Gondola, the trails descend 1,700 vertical feet and feature steep downhill trails as well as flatter terrain.

The mountain biking trails are open on Saturdays and Sundays through Columbus Day

weekend, but check their web site or call for updates.

Helmets are required. Rentals are not available but can be found nearby in North Creek.

For more information, including rates, call 518-251-2411 or visit www.goremountain.com.

Getting there: Take I-87 (the Northway) to Exit 23 (Warrensburg). Follow Route 9 for four miles to Route 28 and proceed 16 miles to 793 Peaceful Valley Road.

Although they have a tie to Argyle, Argyle is a dry town, so they set up in Greenwich and Cambridge. Hours at the Brewery & Tasting Room are Wednesday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. The focus at this location is beer, local wine and hand-made gifts.

The Cambridge Tasting Room hours are Wednesday through Friday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. focusing on the sale of growlers. Always on tap at Argyle are Blonde, India Pale Ale, Altbier, Woodland Ale, Oatmeal Stout, Rough & Red-DyNo.2. There are also the rotational tap beers, as well as seasonal.

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518-312-0589

www.artisanalbrewworks.com

Artisanal Brew Works is owned and operated by high school teachers, Kurt Borchardt and Colin Quin. They create high quality craft beer, and their mission is to produce fresh ales with local ingredients that appeal to a wide variety of tastes. They offer IPAs, Sours, Wheat and Belgian beers. The brewery also offers various events during the year. Hours of operation are closed Monday, Tuesday through Friday 3:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday noon to 9 p.m., and Sunday noon to 7 p.m.

Battle Hill Brewing Company

4 Charles St.

Fort Ann

518-639-1033

Battle Hill Brewing Company joined the brew-

ing scene in early 2014. As others did, they began as home brewers. The vision is to produce seven barrels at a time using fresh, local ingredients and brewing practices. "This revolutionary beer, brewed fresh in Fort Ann," includes a selection of beers such as the popular Grains of Liberty, an all grain and honey ale, and War Whoop IPA, an American piney and citrus hop. Hours Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Battle Hill also offers tasty appetizers, salads, soups, chili, sandwiches.

Brown's Brewing Company's Walloomsac Taproom

50 Factory Hill Rd.

Hoosick Falls

518-205-5049

Troy Taproom

417 River St.

Troy

518-273-2337

www.brownsbrewing.com

At Brown's you can enjoy brewed beers such as pale ale, cherry and raspberry ales, and IPAs, as well as great food and a retail store with an assortment of merchandise. If you're looking for a unique place to hold a special event such as a wedding, anniversary and birthday celebrations, retirement parties, Brown's Brewery Company offers the intimate Trojan Room that comfortably seats 30 guests and a two floored, multi-room Revolution Hall that can accommodate from 30 to 300 guests.

Another feature is the Malt Room where you can enjoy cask conditioned Brown's beer in a private events space 50 to 100 people. The dark, cozy basement bar is accented with

original 19th century infrastructure and a copper topped bar made from Brown's Whiskey Porter aging barrels. The menu will be adapted to reflect the uniqueness of the space.

The events planning team will assist you from the beginning to the last-minute details. Both rooms are equipped with audio, video, and wireless features.

The hours at the Hoosick Falls location are Wednesday through Friday 3 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday noon to 9 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 7 p.m. Hours of operation at the Troy Taproom are Monday through Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 11p.m., Friday 11:30 a.m. to midnight, and Sunday 11:30 a.m. to midnight. All Brown's locations are closed on the second Monday in January, Easter, July 2, July 4, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Early closure at 5 p.m. Christmas Eve.

Common Roots Brewing Company

58 Saratoga Avenue

Temporary taproom:

30 Saratoga Avenue

South Glens Falls

518-409-8248

www.commonrootsbrewing.com

Co-owners and founders Bert and Christian Webster brewed their first brew together to honor their family roots. They combine beers of old traditions with new inspirations, and their mission is to create great beer. New beers are produced frequently. The selection includes IPAs and a variety of ales and specialty beers.

The taproom at 58 Saratoga Avenue suffered heavy fire damage in March 2019. It is temporarily located at 30 Saratoga Avenue.

Pop in for a beer while perusing the latest Common Roots merchandise. You may also reserve the taproom for special events. Hours of operation are Monday through Thursday 3 to 9 p.m., Friday 3 to 10 p.m., Saturday noon to 10 p.m., Sunday 2 to 8 p.m.

Cooper's Cave Ale Company

2 Sagamore St.

Glens Falls

518-792-0007

www.cooperscaveale.com

Cooper's Cave Ale Company is not only a pub and brewery but has a retail shop and offers soda, ice cream, and ice cream cakes. It is open for lunch and dinner with a menu that includes soups, salads and starters, sandwiches, burgers, wraps and more. Dine inside, on the four-season deck, or reserve a private room.

CCAC serves a variety of ales and IPAs on tap, 22-ounce bombers and 12-ounce bottles. The assortment of sodas come in growlers, to-go-cups, kegs, or 12-ounce bottles.

Hours of operation are Sunday through Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. The retail shop hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

Davidson Brothers Brewing Company

184 Glen St.

Glens Falls

518-743-9026

www.davidsonbrothers.com

Owner and brewer Rick Davidson and his brothers, Paul and John, tested and researched local breweries before opening this establishment. It is both a brewery and restaurant located

in the heart of Glens Falls. Open seven days a week, they serve lunch and dinner in a rustic, relaxed, and ramped up setting to deliver quality fare of all types, whether light, heavy, basic or saucy. Dining outside with flowing beer and frequent live music makes the experience all the more appealing.

They offer traditional IPAs with a hoppy, medium-bodied beer. The Irish Red with a reddish tinge is medium bodied with a sweet malt. Their British brown ale, a distinctive brown color, has a moderate malt and a medium body. The strong Scotch Ale has heavy body and full flavor. Their Oatmeal Stout is a strong stout, pitch black, roasted flavors with some chocolate thrown in. Hours of operation Monday and Tuesday closed, Wednesday and Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Druthers Brewing Company

381 Broadway
Saratoga Springs
518-306-5275

1053 Broadway
Albany

518-650-7996

221 Harborside Drive
Schenectady
518-352-8640

www.druthersbrewing.com

"Being true to your craft will never let you down at Druthers. We choose to make great beer by using the best ingredients, never sacrificing quality, never cutting corners. Here's to good choices." Druthers branched out to other locations in Albany and Schenectady. You can count on their signature year-round brews, IPAs, pilsner, as well as seasonal choices.

In addition to traditional fare, they offer snacks, salads, pasta dishes, chicken and seafood. Dine at the bar, inside the restaurant, or out on the patio.

The hours at the Saratoga location are 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The bar is open 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday.

Mean Max Brew Works

193 Glen St. #2
Glens Falls
518-793-2337

www.meanmaxbrew.com

Mean Max specializes in richly crafted handmade ales and lagers. The farm brewery offers 22 different brews on tap. You can bring your own food from any local restaurant to enjoy with your favorite Mean Max brew. Another unique opportunity at Mean Max is to host a party Free! You can bring whatever food and decorations, and the clean-up will be done by the staff. Want it catered, they will work with the caterer to make sure you get what you want. Open Tuesday through Thursday 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 3 p.m. to 11 p.m., and Saturday 3 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Paradox Brewery

154 U.S. Route 9
Schroon Lake

www.paradoxbrewery.com

Paradox brews and bottles in the Adirondacks, with a foundation of the beer being found in the granite 600 feet below the Adirondack Park. The water is so pure that it does not need to be filtered or treated before brewing with the best malts and hops

found.

The tasting room offers a variety of core beers, off trail series, forever wild series, and barrel and aged series. Currently the selection includes Paradox Pilsner, Red Ale, Beaver Bite IPA, and Beaver Overbite IPA. Hours of operation Saturday and Friday noon to 6 p.m., Sunday noon to 4 p.m., and additional hours by appointment.

The Slate Town Brewing Company

31 Main Street
Granville
518-345-5357

<https://www.facebook.com/SlateTownBrewingCompany/>

Slate Town Brewing Company is a New York farm brewery owned and operated by brewer Glenn Wetherell and Susan Knapp, who both branched out from Hicks Orchard and Slyboro Ciderhouse. Susan co-owned and operated Hicks Orchard and was co-founder of Slyboro Ciderhouse. Glenn was the hard cider maker at Slyboro. With a passion for brewing exceptional seasonal and traditional beer, a healthy dose of experimental beer styles, and a love for their local rural/urban village, the duo purchased a 1930s brick building on Main Street in Granville, breaking ground in the spring of 2017. They feature 10 tap beers, ciders, and wine. Popular is the flight sample tasting of your choice of four beers. Although they do not currently have a kitchen, on the weekends they have food trucks and bar snacks available. You are welcome to bring in food from our local restaurants to enjoy

in the taproom. Hours: Wednesday through Friday 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 1 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Ladies night Wednesdays. Live music Wednesday through Saturday.

R.S. Taylor & Sons Brewery

Tap Room
2602 County Rte. 30
Salem
518-209-0474

R.S. Brewery Tap Room

26A Congress Street,
Congress Plaza
Saratoga Springs
518-209-0474

<https://untappd.com/v/rs-taylor-sons-brewery/6199177>

R.S. Taylor & Sons Brewery and Tap Room are located on Misty Bleu Farm, which is open to the public. Farm to glass products are offered, as they grow their own hops.

Hours of operation are Monday through Thursday 4 p.m. to 11 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from noon until 11 p.m. and Sunday from noon until 6 p.m.

The Brewery Tap Room features seven artisan ales on tap, two guest taps of hard cider and one nitro tap. Growler cans are filled while you wait. This establishment offers BYOF, which means you can bring in your own food or order in from any Saratoga restaurant. There are a variety of seating options and plenty of free parking.

R.S. Taylor serves locally made cheeses, fresh salads, soups, and sandwiches on the patio or upstairs at the tap room. The list of offerings changes with the seasons.

You are welcome to enjoy the 50 acres of rolling hills,

waterfalls, country views. Bring a picnic, stroll, relax in an Adirondack tantalizing your palate with the farm-brewed ales.

NEW YORK WINERIES/VINEYARDS

Adirondack Winery

395 Big Bay Road
Queensbury
518-668-9463

www.adirondackwinery.com

Adirondack Winery's headquarters is in Queensbury, off Northway exit 18. This location is open for pick-up orders and walk-in sales. The winery crafts various wines ranging from fruit-infused to traditional red and white including its Vidal Blanc, Adirondack Sangria, Baco Noir, Berry Blush, Dry Riesling, Gewurztraminer and Orchard Blossom. There are various wine-tasting packages available at the tasting room, which also regularly plays host to events. Its headquarters is closed on Sundays and is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. Wine pick-up by appointment outside of these hours is available.

Adirondack Winery

285 Canada St.
Lake George
518-668-9463

www.adirondackwinery.com

The tasting room at Adirondack Winery is the heart of this family-run operation. The winery offers a mix from fruit-infused wines to traditional red and white wines. A standard wine-tasting session is \$7, while the upper-end premium session for two goes for \$35. Adirondack Winery also offers party

packages, which needs to be reserved two weeks in advance. Also available are large group tastings, and wine gift boxes. Tasting Room Hours: April 1-May 12 Sunday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. May 13-23 Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Memorial Day Weekend May 24-26 Friday-Sunday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. May 27-June 27 Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. June 28-September 2, Monday-Sunday 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

Adirondack Winery

4971 Lake Shore Drive
Bolton Landing
518-668-9463

www.adirondackwinery.com

The Adirondack Winery is always growing, but deep-down its tasting rooms are the epicenter of its business. Its Bolton Landing tasting room, which features only its New York wine selection, is located on Lake Shore Drive in downtown Bolton Landing. Hours of operation May 3-May 23 Friday, Monday, Thursday & Sunday noon to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Memorial Day Weekend May 24-27 Friday through Sunday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 28-June 27 Monday through Thursday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 28-Sept. 2 Monday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Space also available for parties and special occasions from Saturday noon to 6 p.m.

Amorici Vineyard

637 Colonel Burch Rd.
Valley Falls
518-469-0680

www.amoricivineyard.com

Amorici Vineyard's philosophy of natural wine-making celebrates the sweet nectar of the grape. There is no such thing as perfect; however, Amorici recognizes the assistance of Mother Nature – the real winemaker. Joe Messina, Amorici's owner/winemaker, incorporates his family heritage in making his unique, award-winning wines. With a picnic area and tasting room, this quaint vineyard has various wines for wine connoisseurs. Red wines from Amorici Vineyard can be found at wine and food pairings throughout the area. The wines are vegan and vegetarian friendly, as they are never clarified with shellfish or egg-based products. The tasting room is open Thursday through Monday noon to 6 p.m. Lunch and dinner are also served at Amorici Vineyard offering soups, salads, appetizers, Italian-flair entrees, and seasonal chef favorites. Dining after 6:00 p.m. you must make a reservation.

Oliva Vineyard

250 Excelsior Ave.
Saratoga Springs
518-350-4515

www.olivavineyards.com

Considered "The Thoroughbred of Wine" touted by owner and winemaker, Tony Oliva and his wife Debreen. They have a passion for wine, family, and horseracing. "The horse in the logo is actually one of the Oliva's horses crossing the finish line in a win. Tony "works like a racehorse to produce quality wine and beer." Oliva Vineyards show-

cases their premium wine at the Saratoga Farmers' Market, where you can taste before you purchase. Hours of operation: Saturday noon to 9 p.m., Sunday noon to 7 p.m., closed Monday through Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Ledge Rock Hill Winery

41 Stewart Dam Rd.
Corinth
518-654-5467

www.lrhwinery.com

Ledge Rock Hill Winery takes great pride in producing a quality product while giving customers relaxation and enjoyment as they sip on their wines. They offer both dry and sweet wines, all made with natural ingredients. The red wines are made from grapes that are crushed at the winery and aged for a minimum of 10 months in either American or French oak barrels. Meanwhile, the white wines are aged in stainless steel barrels at cool temperatures. Tastings are customized to individual likes and preferences and includes a guided, knowledgeable wine-tasting associate, six wines of choice per person, one souvenir Ledge Rock Hill Winery logo wine glass per person, optional curated food pairings such as gourmet cheese, Italian meats, and specialty artisan chocolates available. Hours of operation Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Be sure to check for future visits, as they add more days throughout the summer.

Victory View Vineyard

11975 State Route 40
Schaghticoke
518-461-7132

www.victoryviewvineyard.com

Victory View Vineyard, a small farm in rural

Washington County, is a family-owned winery with Mary and Gerry Barnhart sharing their passions. They specialize in growing cold climate grapes and producing farm-bottled wines. Victory View's goal is to craft fine wine at an affordable price and showcase their rural roots. Enjoy a wine tasting session for \$7 and keep your wine glass as a souvenir. Free vineyard and winery tours. Hours of operation: regular tasting room hours are April

through December on Saturdays and Sundays, noon to 6 p.m. We are open some Monday holidays, including Memorial Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, and Veterans Day.

The Saratoga Winery

462 Route 29

Saratoga Springs

518-584-9463

www.thesaratogawinery.com

Rich and Tara Nimmo began making wine as a hobby, which evolved into a wine cellar. Their dream came true with the concep-

tion of The Saratoga Winery.

This rustic winery provides a backdrop for any occasion, a simple picnic, romantic interlude, business gathering, and more. Wine tasting is also offered during business hours. Reservations are preferred if you have a party of six or more.

Hours of operation: Sunday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. live music 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and wood-fired pizza noon to 6 p.m. Monday: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Happy Hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday

and Wednesday 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Happy Hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Trivia at 7 p.m. and wood-fired pizza 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., last wine tasting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Friday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. live music 6 to 9 p.m., wood fired pizza from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. live music from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., wood fired pizza from noon to 7 p.m. on Saturday, and on Sunday noon.



Calendar of Events

Ongoing

May 17-Oct. 27: **Ghost Tours.** Friday-Sunday at 7:30 and 9 p.m. through June 23; Wednesday-Sunday at 7:30, 8, 9 and 9:30 p.m., June 26-Sept. 1; Friday-Sunday at 6:30 and 9 p.m., Sept. 6-Oct. 27 (no ghost tour Oct. 11 and 12). Reservations required. Fort William Henry, Lake George,

N.Y. \$18 for adults, \$15 for seniors, \$8 for children ages 5-15. Tour requires walking on stairs and in dark places. Reservations: 518-668-5471 or visit www.fwhmuseum.com/visit/tours-tickets.

May 25-Sept. 13: **Live Nation Concert Series.** Featuring Cardi B, Phish, Jackson Browne, Dave Matthews Band, Heart,

Brad Paisley, Santana, KISS, Steve Martin & Martin Short and more. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

June-Oct.: **Old Fort House Museum.** Museum hours are 1-5 p.m. daily, June-Aug.; 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, Sept.-mid-Oct. Closed on national

holidays. Gift shop open year-round during office hours. Old Fort House Museum, 29 Broadway, Fort Edward, N.Y. \$5 admission, \$3 for ages 13-18 years. Information: 518-747-9600 or visit www.oldforthouse-museum.com.

June-Sept.: **Guided Garden Tours.** The Yaddo Gardens are open daily free of charge from



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dawn to dusk. Guided tours are offered for \$10. On Saturdays and Sundays, June 15-Sept. 1, and Tuesdays, July 16-Aug. 27, tours are at 11 a.m.; **special "ghost tours"** are offered on Friday and Sunday evenings, Sept. 13-Oct. 27, at 5 p.m. Yaddo Gardens, Route 9P, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. 518-584-0746 or www.yaddo.org/yaddo-gardens/tours/

July-August: **Musket and Cannon Firing Demonstrations.** 11 a.m. musket-firing and 2 p.m. cannon-firing daily. Fort Ticonderoga, Ticonderoga, N.Y. 518-585-2821 or www.fortticonderoga.org/visit/daily-programs.

July-August: **Lake George Association Floating Classroom.** Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Aquatic learning adventure. Lake George Village Dock north of Shepard Park. \$18 adults, \$17 seniors, \$12 for under 18. Reservations required. 518-668-3558 or info@lakegeorgeassociation.org.

July 12-Aug. 31: **"The Hound of the Baskervilles."** The Lake Theatre, Holiday Inn Resort at Lake George, 2223 Canada St., Route 9, Lake George, N.Y. For dates, times, rates, call 518-879-6218 or visit www.laketheatreproductions.com.

Year-Round: **The John P. Burke Research Center.** Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to noon year-round. Open to the public for research on local historic topics. 22 Broadway, Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-9600 or www.oldforthousemuseum.com.

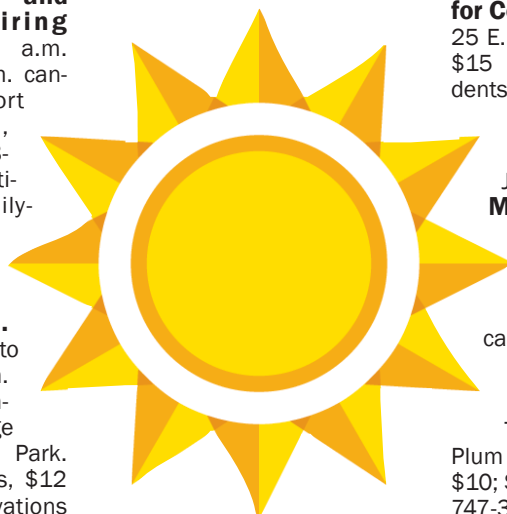
May

May 26: **Chamber Music in the Courtroom.** 3 p.m. Dan Shulman, Kaori Washiyama and friends in a concert of piano and string music. Historic Salem Courthouse, Salem, N.Y. \$20. Information and tickets: 518-854-7053 or www.salem-courthouse.org.

May 29: **Hale Mountain Pickers.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

May 29-June 2: **16th annual LakeGeorge.com Elvis Festival.** The Forum, Lake George. 888-406-5885 or www.lakegeorgeelvisfest.com.

May 30: **Music from**



Salem cello concert. 6 p.m. Salem Art Works, 19 Cary Lane, Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

May 31: **Walt Whitman Bicentennial Celebration.** 7 p.m. Free concert by Opera Saratoga before its season begins. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. Free; limit two tickets per person. www.hubbardhall.org or 518-677-2495.

May 31, June 2, 6, 8: **"Cendrillon."** The Opera Company of Middlebury, Town Hall Theater, Merchants Row, Middlebury, Vt. 802-382-9222, or visit www.ocmvermont.org.

June

June 1: **Trophy Husbands.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 1: **Official opening of 2019 season at the Old Fort House Museum**

Campus and Gift Shop. 29-31 Broadway, Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-9600 or www.oldforthousemuseum.com.

June 1: **Poultney, Vermont, Town-Wide Yard Sale.** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Search for hidden treasures and enjoy food concessions. 802-287-2010 or www.poultneyvt.com.

June 2: **Emerging Artists Seminar Workshop Concert for Cello.** 4 p.m. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge N.Y. \$15 for adults, \$10 for students or pay what you can. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

June 3-8: **Americade Motorcycle Touring Rally.** Based at Fort William Henry, Lake George. 518-798-7888 or www.americade.com.

June 5: **Stony Creek Band.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 5: **Salem Art Works Artist Presentations.** 3:30 to 5 p.m. North Main Gallery, 196 N. Main St., Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

June 7-9: **19th annual Cambridge Valley Balloon Festival.** Balloon launches at dusk and dawn, Friday evening through Sunday morning, with food and events all weekend. Free. 518-677-0887 or www.cambridgenychamber.com/balloon-festival.

June 8: **4th annual Give Cancer the Boot Barn Dance and Ice Cream Social.** 7 to 10 p.m. Music by Jeff Williams, line and square dance lessons; preceded by the farm's open house from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 4J Farm, 481 County Route 47, Argyle N.Y. \$10 donation benefits the American Cancer Society. 518-791-9811.

June 8: **Plunder Bay Bass Tournament.** \$2,500 first prize. Plunder Bay Marina, 250 Mount Independence Rd.,

Orwell, Vt. \$150 entry fee. 802-779-5853.

June 8: **Deep Sky Astronomy Night.** 9 to 11 p.m. Members of the Green Mountain Astronomers welcome visitors to explore the wonders of the night sky. Hubbardton Battlefield, Hubbardton, Vt. Admission by donation. Call 802-273-2282 to confirm.

June 8: **Across the Pond.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 8: **Fishing Day at Lake St. Catherine State Park.** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Vermont Life Skill Share program sponsored by Pawlet Public Library. Free. 802-325-3123.

June 9: **Emerging Artists Seminar Workshop Concert for Viola and Violin.** 4 p.m. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge N.Y. \$15 for adults, \$10 for students or pay what you can. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

June 9: **43rd annual Crowley Brothers' Memorial 10K Vermont State Championship.** The oldest 10K race in Vermont, it also serves as the Vermont championships of the 10K Masters and 5K. Proctor Green, Proctor, Vt. 802-558-2328, or www.crowleyroadrace.com.

June 9: **12th annual ACE Charity Car Show.** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Hosted by Adirondack Car Enthusiasts. Crandall Park, Glen St., Glens Falls, N.Y. \$3 suggested donation for spectators, \$10 per car. 518-791-0354 or Adirondack Car Enthusiasts Facebook page.

June 9: **Raptors Rock!** 1:30 to 3 p.m. Saratoga National Historical Park, Stillwater. A park naturalist will bring a selection of raptors to meet up close. Free. www.nps.gov/sara.

June 12: **Luke Garrett with Danny & Katie and Dave & Amy.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 13: **Starline Rhythm Boys.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. Free ice cream party. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

June 13-30: **"The Phantom Tollbooth."** Tuesday-Sunday, 4 p.m.; 1 p.m. some days. Walker Farm, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company, 705 Main Street, Weston, Vt. 802-824-5288, or www.westonplayhouse.org.

June 13, 25, July 23: **History Walk.** 9:30 to 1 p.m. A series of guided tours on bot Battles of Saratoga. Caravan to various locations, then walk 1-3 miles over uneven ground. Bring water and insect repellent and wear sturdy shoes. Saratoga National Historical Park, Stillwater. Free. www.nps.gov/sara.

June 14: Salem Art Works **Opening Reception for Incoming Young and Studio Residents.** 3:30 to 5 p.m. North Main Gallery, 196 N. Main St., Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

June 14-22: **"Calling All Kates."** 7:30 p.m. most nights. Adirondack Theatre Festival. A romantic musical comedy. Charles R. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. 518-480-4878 for tickets. www.atfestival.org.

June 14-15: **Greenwich Whipple City Festival.** A two-day festival including a Friday night parade at 6 p.m., live music, 5K and 10K races, craft fair, carnival and more. Greenwich, N.Y. Free. 518-692-7979 or visit www.greenwich-chamber.org.

June 15: **Dr. Bruce, Roy Orbison Retrospective.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 15: **Hubbard Hall Year-End Dance Showcase.** 4:30 and 7 p.m. One ticket, two performances. Hoosick Falls High School Auditorium, 21187 Route 22, Hoosick Falls,

N.Y. \$10 general admission, \$5 for students, \$2 for ages 6-10, free for children 5 and under.

June 15: **Scots Day.** Commemorate Scottish heritage at the fort, enjoy bagpipe music, honor fallen Scottish soldiers. Fort Ticonderoga, Ticonderoga, N.Y. 518-585-2821 or www.fortticonderoga.org.

June 15: **The Figgs.** Music on the Hill. Salem Art Works, 19 Cary Lane, Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

June 15-16: **47th LARAC June Arts Festival.** Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Features hundreds of fine art and craft items, including a juried art and craft show and family-friendly activities. City Park, Glens Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-798-1144 or www.larac.org.

June 18: **Dead & Company.** 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

June 19: **Bluegrass Jam.** 7 p.m. All musicians welcome. Free admission, donations appreciated. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 19: **Phil Henry Acoustic Trio.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

June 20: **Annie and the Hedonists.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

June 20-July 6: **"Private Lives."** Dorset Playhouse, 104 Cheney Road, Dorset, Vt. Noël Coward's 1930 comedy of manners. For tickets, rates, times, call 802-867-2223 or visit

www.dorsettheatrefestival.org.

June 20-July 13: **"The Fantasticks."** Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 2 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. Mainstage, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company, 703 Main Street, Weston, Vt. 802-824-5288 or www.westonplayhouse.org.

June 21-23: **Saratoga Balloon & BBQ Festival.** Friday, 3 to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 5:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hot air balloon launches, craft fair, kids' zone, more. Saratoga County Fairgrounds, 162 Prospect St., Ballston Spa, N.Y. \$12 for adults, \$5 for kids 3-15 years. 518-480-7651 or www.balloon-andbbq.com.

June 22: **Battle of the**

food and a 50/50 raffle will be among the day's activities. 1394 County Route 24, Middle Granville carnival grounds, Middle Granville, N.Y. \$3, free for children under 6, \$10 for vehicle entry/registration.

June 22: **Music of the Movies.** 1 p.m. An insightful view of the history of music in film. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$10. www.hubbardhall.org or 518-677-2495.

June 22: **Men o' War Balladeers.** 7 p.m. Blend of traditional Celtic, maritime and British folk ballads. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$15 for adults, \$10 for students or pay what you can. www.hubbardhall.org or 518-677-2495.

June 23: **Smokey Greene and Sons.** 2 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

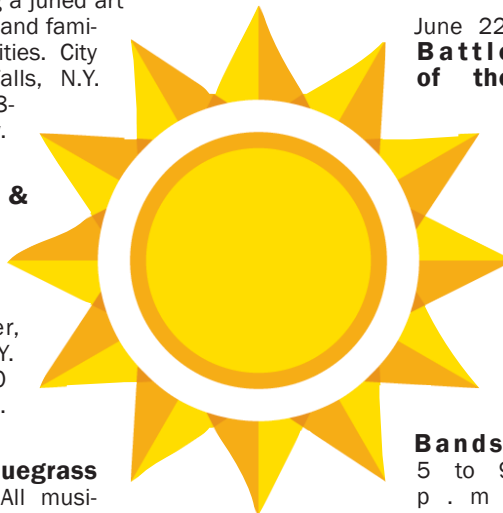
June 23: **The First Amendment.** 2-3 p.m. U.S. Constitution talk and discussion followed by a battlefield walk. Hubbardton Battlefield, Hubbardton, Vt. 802-273-2282.

June 23: **"Rooted: Cultivating Community in the Vermont Grange."** 2 to 4 p.m. Film screening and discussion with local farmers. Pawlet Public Library, 141 School St., Pawlet, Vt. Free. 802-325-3123.

June 23: **Chamber Music in the Courtroom.** 3 p.m. Dan Shulman, Kaori Washiyama and friends in a concert of piano and string music. Historic Salem Courthouse, Salem, N.Y. \$20. Information and tickets: 518-854-7053 or www.salem-courthouse.org.

June 25: **The Grift.** 7 p.m. Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

June 25-28, July 16-20: **"Alice in Wonderland."** Noon performances; some performances at 5 p.m. Adirondack Theatre Festival's PB&J Café is dinner



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Fundraiser for Historic Salem Courthouse Community Center with food, beer, and great music. R.S. Taylor & Sons Brewery, 3602 County Route 30, Salem, N.Y. \$10 admission. 518-854-7053 or www.salem-courthouse.org.

June 22: **12th annual Castleton Townwide Yard Sale.** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Castleton Community Center hosts more than 50 tables inside and out, "drive around" maps available. Castleton Community Center, 2108 Main St., Castleton, Vt. 802-468-3093.

June 22: **Penrhyn Engine and Hose Co. 13th annual Car Rally.** 5 to 8 p.m. Show featuring classic vehicles from yesterday and today. Music,

theatre for kids; a theatrical version of the classic adventure with audience participation. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. 518-480-4878 for tickets. www.atfestival.org.

June 26: **Miss Guided Angels.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

June 26: **Hank Williams Tribute with The Bluebillies and Bill Healy, followed by themed open mic.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 27: **Wyld Nightz Band.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

June 27: **Skippy and the Pistons.** 7 to 9 p.m. Classic rock horn band. Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

June 28: **Steel Pier Jazz Band.** 7 to 9 p.m. Jazz. Music in the Park. Riverside Veterans Memorial Park, Whitehall, N.Y. Free.

June 28-29: **Whitehall Canal Festival.** Friday, 6 to 9 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 10 p.m. Vendors, food, children's games and rides, live music in the evenings, fireworks Saturday evening at 9:30 p.m. Skenesborough Park. Free.

June 28-29: **"Jonathan Burns Flexible Comedy."** 7:30 p.m. Adirondack Theatre Festival. ATF's cabaret series features Jonathan Burns's unique blend of comedy and magic. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. Tickets: 518-480-4878 or www.atfestival.org.

June 29: **The Bluz House Rockers.** 4 to 8 p.m. Music from the 1970s. Hoosick Falls Summer Concert Series. Wood Park Gazebo. Free.

June 29: **Poultney Public Library's annual book sale.** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Youth flea mar-

ket at the same time in front of the library. Poultney Public Library, 205 Main St., Poultney, Vt. 802-287-5556.

June 29-30: **Freihofer's Saratoga Jazz Festival.** Saturday, noon; Sunday, 11 a.m. Featuring some of the world's premier performers including George Benson, Los Van Van, Norah Jones and more. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

June 29-30: **Adirondack Wine & Food Festival.** Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Charles R. Wood Park Festival Commons, Lake George, N.Y. Tickets: \$38 or \$15 for designated driver. www.adirondackwineandfoodfestival.com.

June 29: **Freewheelin'.** 7 to 9 p.m. Classic rock. Music in the Park. Riverside Veterans Memorial Park, Whitehall, N.Y. Free.

June 29: **John and Orion Kribs.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

June 29-July 27: **Killington Music Festival.** Saturdays at 7 p.m. Music in the Mountains classical concert series. Rams Head Lodge, Killington Ski Resort. Tickets: 80-621-6867 or www.killingtonmusicfestival.org.

July

July 1: **Blink-182/Lil Wayne with special guest Neck Deep.** 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 2: **Studio Two, a Beatles tribute band.** 7 p.m., Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

July 2, 3: **Phish.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-

9330 or www.spac.org.

July 3: **EnerJazz.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

July 2-7: **Vermont Summer Special.** Part of the Vermont Summer Festival, New England's largest "AA" rated hunter/jumper horse show. Harold Beebe Farm, Route 7, East Dorset, Vt. 802-496-4878 or visit www.vt-summerfestival.com.

July 4: **The Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce Fireworks Extravaganza.** 9:45 p.m. Vermont State Fairgrounds, Rutland, Vt., 802-773-2747 or www.rutlandvermont.com.

July 4: **Salem's 4th of July Parade and Art & Plow Fest.** Art and agriculture-themed parade at 5 p.m., starting on North Main Street. Pre-parade pop-up art galleries. Art & Plow Fest with music, food vendors and art and craft vendors, 6 to 8 p.m. followed by a special evening event at Salem Art Works. Information and full schedule at www.salemnychamber.com.

July 4: **Fourth of July Celebration, Poultney, Vt.** Parade at 10 a.m. down Main Street, 5K Martin Devlin Fun Run, fireworks at dusk at Poultney Elementary school, with activities. www.poultneyvt.com.

July 4: **Independence Day Celebrations.** Citizenship ceremony at 10 a.m. followed by Park Ranger emeritus Joe Craig portraying a town crier declaring America's Independence at 2 p.m. Saratoga National Historical Park, Stillwater, N.Y. Free. 518-664-9821 or www.nps.gov/sara.

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July 4: **Celebration and Reading of the Declaration of Independence.** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Colonial music, games and activities for children, reading of the Declaration of Independence with a replica declaration available for all to sign. Bennington Battle Monument, Bennington, Vt. Free. 802-447-0550 or www.benningtonbattlemonument.com.

July 4-7: **Independence Day Celebration.** Celebrate freedom by exploring the year 1777 when America was consumed in the labor of liberty. More than 13 tours daily. Fort Ticonderoga, Ticonderoga, N.Y. 518-585-2821 or www.fortticonderoga.org.

July 4, 18, 26 and Aug. 8 :

Music from Salem open rehearsal. 4 p.m. Brown Farm, 154 Priest Rd., Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-232-2347 or www.musicfromsaalem.org.

July 4-21: **"I and You."** Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 2 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. Walker Farm, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company, 703 Main Street, Weston, Vt. 802-824-5288 or www.westonplayhouse.org.

July 5: **Donnie P. and Celebration.** 7 to 9 p.m. Polka. Music in the Park. Riverside Veterans Memorial Park, Whitehall, N.Y. Free.

July 5: **Jackson Browne.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 5: **Whiskey River.** 7 to 9 p.m. Classic country music.



Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free. Fireworks and strawberry social.

July 5-6: **Brandon's 43rd Independence Day Celebration.** Music at 6 p.m. in Seminary Park on Friday. Silent auction on Saturday morning, followed by family games and a parade at 1 p.m. Live music after the parade. Fireworks at dusk. www.brandondon.org.

July 5-13: **"The Enlightenment of Percival von Schmootz."** 7:30 p.m. most nights. Adirondack Theatre Festival. Monty Python meets the Dark Ages in this musical comedy. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. Tickets: 518-480-4878 or www.atfestival.org.

July 6: **107.7 GNA Countryfest.** 4 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 6: **Lake St. Catherine Association's 7th Annual Boat Parade.** 1 p.m. Prizes awarded for best overall, most patriotic, funniest, most original. Fireworks over the lake at dusk. info@lakestcatherine.org.

July 6: **Salem Art Works Artists-in-Residence Open Studios.** Stop by, tour the grounds, meet the artists and see what they are working on. Salem Art Works, 19 Cary Lane, Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

July 6, 7: **Battle of Hubbardton Revolutionary War Encampment.** Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Re-enactors present military demonstrations, guided camp and battlefield tours, children's activities, illustrated talks and more to commemorate the only Revolutionary War battle fought in Vermont. Hubbardton Battlefield, Hubbardton, Vt. 802-273-2282.

July 7: **"Shaw Invokes Beethoven."** 4 p.m. Music from Salem concert. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$25 for adults, \$10 for stu-

dents or pay what you can. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

July 7: **Poultney-Granville Town Band.** 6:30 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. East Poultney Green, 1500 East Main St., East Poultney, Vt. Free.

July 7-8: **"ATF's Greatest Hits."** 7:30 p.m. Adirondack Theatre Festival. ATF's cabaret series celebrates the festival's 25th anniversary with a look back at the theatre's most memorable musicals. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. Tickets: 518-480-4878 or www.atfestival.org.

July 7-13: **41st annual Middlebury Festival on the Green, Middlebury, Vt.** Sunday, 7 p.m.; Monday-Friday, 12 to 1 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m. Middlebury Town Green. A variety of performers. Free (donations accepted). 802-462-3555 or www.festivalonthegreen.com.

July 9: **DC3, Rick Redington and the Luv, The Heavily Brothers.** 7 p.m., Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

July 9-14: **Manchester Summer Festival.** Part of the Vermont Summer Festival, New England's largest "AA" rated hunter/jumper horse show. Harold Beebe Farm, Route 7, East Dorset, Vt. 802-496-4878 or visit www.vt-summerfestival.com.

July 10: **Rick Redington and the Luv.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

July 10, 13: **Hee Haw Show.** Wednesday, 2 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

July 10, 17, 24, 31: **Children's Programs.** 1 to 3 p.m. Saratoga National Historical

Park, Stillwater, N.Y. Free. 518-670-2982 or www.nps.gov/sara.

July 11: **American Longboards.** 7 to 9 p.m. American music from the 50s, 60s and more. Free ice cream night by Zappone Motors. Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

July 11: **Luke Bryan: Sunset Repeat Tour.** 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 11: **EnerJazz.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. Free ice cream party. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

July 11: **"The Ringdove," presented by Mettawee River Theater Co.** 8 p.m. All donations benefit Mettawee. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

July 11: **Lake Effect.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

July 11: **Saratoga Race Track Opening Day.** Gates open at 11 a.m. Thoroughbred racing daily except Mondays and Tuesdays through Labor Day. Saratoga Race Course, 267 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs, N.Y. www.nyra.com/saratoga.

July 11-13: **Salem Volunteer Fire Department's Firemen's Carnival.** Starts at 5:30 p.m. each day. Music, food, fun and fireworks on Saturday evening at 9:30 p.m. Carnival grounds, Salem, N.Y. 518-321-9430.

July 11-14: **25th annual Basin Bluegrass Festival.** Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Sunday gospel sing, 9 a.m. Basin Road, Brandon, Vt. 802-247-3275 or www.basin-bluegrassfestival.com.

July 11-27: **"Dig."** Theresa Rebeck's new play about courage, redemption and photosynthesis. Dorset Playhouse, 104

Cheney Road, Dorset, Vt. For tickets, rates, times, call 802-867-2223 or visit www.dorset-theatrefestival.org.

July 12: **The Weight Band.** Arkell Pavilion, Southern Vermont Arts Center, 930 SVAC Drive, West Road, Manchester, Vt. 802-362-1405 or www.svac.org.

July 12: **Bluebillies.** 7 to 9 p.m. Country. Music in the Park. Riverside Veterans Memorial Park, Whitehall, N.Y. Free.

July 12: **Love and Theft.** 5 p.m. Friday Night Live Concert Series. Center Street, downtown Rutland, Vt., Free. 802-773-9380 or www.downtown-rutland.com.

July 12, 13: **Dave Matthews Band.** 8 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 12: **Washington County Band.** 7 p.m. Marches, show tunes, light classical and old favorites. Mowry Park Gazebo, Greenwich, N.Y. Free. 518-854-9339 or visit www.washington-countyband.com.

July 13: **A Taste of SAW Summer Gala.** 4 to 8 p.m. A feast of local food, music and art. Salem Art Works, 19 Cary Lane, Salem, N.Y. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

July 13-14: **40th annual RAVE Car Show & Flea Market.** Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 250-350 vehicles, all makes and models, auto related flea market, vendors and kids' activities; this year featuring cars from 1979. Vermont State Fairgrounds, Rutland, Vt. \$5 for adults, free for kids under 12. 802-265-8026 or www.ravecarclub.com.

July 13-14: **"Games People Play," Schuylerville Garden Club Flower Show.** Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Presented by the Schuylerville Garden Club. Saratoga Town Hall, 12 Spring St., Schuylerville, N.Y. Free. 518-692-2198 or schuylerville-gardenclub.org.

July 14: **Tedeschi Trucks**

Band. 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 14: **Poultney-Granville Town Band.** 6:30 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. East Poultney Green, 1500 East Main St., East Poultney, Vt. Free.

July 16: **Mile Twelve.** 7 p.m. Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

July 16-20: **New York City Ballet.** 2 and 8 p.m., depending on day. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 16-21: **Manchester Classic Horse Show.** Part of the Vermont Summer Festival, New England's largest "AA" rated hunter/jumper horse show. Harold Beebe Farm, Route 7, East Dorset, Vt. 802-496-4878 or visit www.vt-summerfestival.com.

July 17: **To be announced.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

July 17: **Chamber Music Institute performance.** 7 p.m., Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

July 17: **Bluegrass Jam.** 7 p.m. All musicians welcome. Free admission, donations appreciated. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

July 17: **The World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra.** Arkell Pavilion, Southern Vermont Arts Center, 930 SVAC Drive, West Road, Manchester, Vt. 802-362-1405 or www.svac.org.

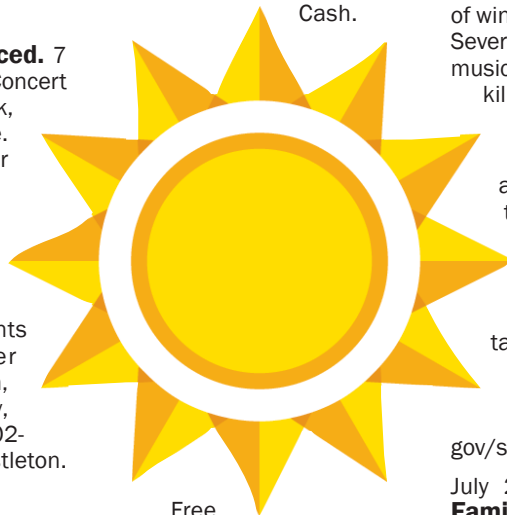
July 18: **Summer Picnic Fundraiser.** 5 p.m. Museum tours, picnic with food from the Anvil Restaurant and Ye Olde Fort Diner. Old Fort House Museum, 29 Broadway, Fort Edward, N.Y. \$17. 518-747-9600 or www.oldforthousemuseum.com.

July 18: **Prydein.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

July 18: **Whiskey River Band.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

July 18: **Washington County Band.** 7 p.m. Marches, show tunes, light classical and old favorites. Cambridge Library, Cambridge, N.Y. Free. 518-854-9339 or visit www.washington-countyband.com.

July 18: **Harold Ford and the Cash Band.** 7 to 9 p.m. A concert dedicated to the extraordinary music of Johnny Cash.



Free ice cream night by Glens Falls National Bank & Trust. Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

July 18-Aug. 10: **"Oklahoma!"** Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 2 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. Mainstage, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company, 703 Main Street, Weston, Vt. 802-824-5288 or www.westonplayhouse.org.

July 19: **The Green Brothers.** 7 to 9 p.m. Salsa band. Music in the Park. Riverside Veterans Memorial Park, Whitehall, N.Y. Free.

July 19: **O-Town and Aaron Carter.** 5 p.m. Friday Night Live Concert Series. Center Street, downtown Rutland, Vt., Free. 802-773-9380 or www.downtownrutland.com.

July 19-20: **"Start Again."** 7:30 p.m. Adirondack Theatre Festival. Concert reading about the love we lose and the inspiring road back from heartbreak. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. 518-480-4878 for tickets. www.atfestival.org.

July 19-20: **Teen Theater, ages 13-18. "A Midsummer Night's Dream."** Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. Hubbard Hall Theater Company, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$10 for adults, \$5 for students. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

July 19-21: **Killington Wine Festival.** Featuring hundreds of wines from around the world. Several different tasting events, music, golf tournament. www.killingtonwinefestival.com

July 20: **18th-Century Cloth & Clothing.** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Armies in the American Revolution were towns on the move and included important craftsmen like tailors. This event will take a close look at the cloth trades. Saratoga National Historical Park, Stillwater. Free. www.nps.gov/sara.

July 20: **Hubbardton Town Family Fun Day.** 4 to 9:30 p.m. Music, food and fun for all ages, ending with fireworks at dusk. 802-273-2282.

July 20: **Blues for Breakfast.** 4 to 8 p.m. Grateful Americana. Hoosick Falls Summer Concert Series. Wood Park Gazebo. Free.

July 20-21: **Battle Reenactment: Montcalm's Cross.** Re-enactors recreate the 1758 Battle of Carillon. Fort Ticonderoga, 102 Fort Ti Road, Ticonderoga, N.Y. 518-585-

2821 or fortticonderoga.org.

July 21: **16th annual Uncle Sam Chapter Antique Truck Show.** 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Washington County Fairgrounds. \$2. Information: Clarence Ritchie at 518-642-9437.

July 21: **Heart, with special guests Sheryl Crow and Lucie Silvas.** 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 21: **"Gubaidulina and the Old World." Music from Salem concert.** 4 p.m. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$25 for adults, \$10 for students or pay what you can. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

July 21: **Afternoon of Irish Music with Craic Agus Ceol, The McKrells, Irish Step Dancers of Hubbard Hall.** 2 to 6 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. Donation \$10 or \$7 senior/student. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

July 21: **Judy Collins.** Arkell Pavilion, Southern Vermont Arts Center, 930 SVAC Drive, West Road, Manchester, Vt. 802-362-1405 or www.svac.org.

July 21: **Poultney-Granville Town Band.** 6:30 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. East Poultney Green, 1500 East Main St., East Poultney, Vt. Free.

July 23: **Blues for Breakfast.** 7 p.m., Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

July 23-27: **"Sequence."** 7:30 p.m. most nights. Adirondack Theatre Festival. Award-winning drama about "the luckiest man alive." Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. 518-480-4878 for tickets. www.atfestival.org.

July 23-28: **Valley Classic Horse Show.** Part of the Vermont Summer Festival, New England's largest "AA" rated

hunter/jumper horse show. Harold Beebe Farm, Route 7, East Dorset, Vt. 802-496-4878 or visit www.vt-summerfestival.com.

July 24: **Rob Thomas, with special guest Abby Anderson.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 24: **Aaron Audet Band.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

July 24: **Johnny Cash Tribute with The Bluebellies and Marty Wendell, followed by themed open mic.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

July 25: **Brad Paisley, with special guests Chris Lane and Riley Green.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 25: **Willie Playmore.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

July 25: **Aaron Audet.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

July 25: **Daryl Magill with Sass and Brass.** 7 to 9 p.m. Pop, R&B, big band sounds. "Granville's Taste of the Slate Valley" with free food samples from local businesses. Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

July 25-27: **Danby Olde Country and Bluegrass Festival.** 13th annual festival with concessions, camping available. Powers' Field, 245 Tifft Rd., Danby, Vt. 802-293-5515 or www.danbyoldecountrybluegrassfestival.wordpress.com.

July 26: **Train/Goo Goo Dolls.** 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-

584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 26: **The Samples.** 5 p.m. Friday Night Live Concert Series. Center Street, downtown Rutland, Vt., Free. 802-773-9380 or www.downtownrutland.com.

July 26: **Washington County Band.** 7 p.m. Marches, show tunes, light classical and old favorites. Veterans Park Gazebo, Whitehall, N.Y. Free. 518-854-9339 or visit www.washingtoncountyband.com.

July 26-27: **Summer Theater Youth Company, ages 8-12. "James and the Giant Peach."** Friday, 7 p.m., Saturday, 2 p.m. Hubbard Hall Theater Company, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$10 for adults, \$5 for students. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

July 27: **Just Us Gals, featuring outstanding female musicians.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

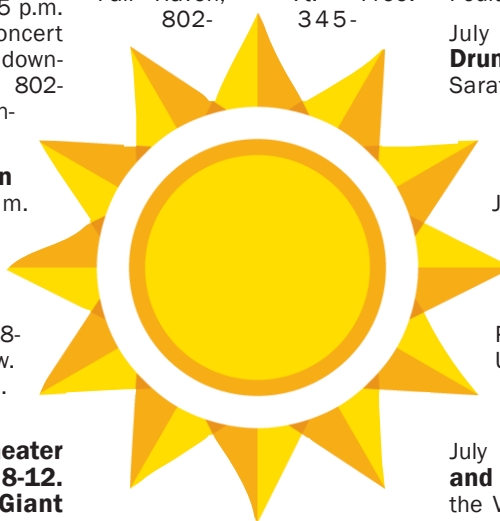
July 27: **Joe Bonamassa.** 8 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 27: **Family Fun Day.** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participate in activities, see animals, enjoy foods based on the "Little House on the Prairie" books by Laura Ingalls Wilder. Washington County Fair Farm Museum, 392 Old Schuylerville Rd., Greenwich, N.Y. Free. 518-692-2464.

July 27: **Annual Country Fair & Antiques Auction.** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Arts and crafts, antiques and collectibles, vendors, books, plants, garage and bake sale. Old Fort Museum, 29 Broadway, Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-9600 or www.oldfort-housemuseum.com.

July 27: **14th annual Fair Haven Classic Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show.** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. More than 100 vehicles, live music, food, raf-

fles. Fair Haven Town Green, Fair Haven, Vt. Free. 802-345-



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July 27: **The Sound of 1776.** Experience the rousing sounds of the fifes and drums that hoisted the spirits of an American Army in 1776. Fort Ticonderoga, 102 Fort Ti Road, Ticonderoga, N.Y. 518-585-2821 or fortticonderoga.org.

July 27: **17th annual Al Fresco Dinner.** 5 to 9 p.m. A celebration of agricultural heritage. The farm-to-table dinner features Hot Club of Saratoga and Bill Richter as chef. Historic Salem Courthouse, Salem, N.Y. Information and tickets: 518-854-7053 or www.salemcourthouse.org.

July 27-28: **Pawlet Public Library's 52nd annual Book Sale.** Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mettawee Community School, Route 153, just south of junction of Route 30 in Pawlet, Vt.

July 28: **Kidz Bop.** 4 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 28: **"Bonis, Monk, Weir and Rebirth."** 4 p.m. Music from Salem concert. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$25 for adults, \$10 for students or pay what you can. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

July 28: **Poultney-Granville Town Band.** 6:30 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. East Poultney Green,

1500 East Main St., East Poultney, Vt. Free.

July 29: **Yamato: The Drummers of Japan.** 8 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

July 30: **Twangbusters.** 7 p.m., Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

July 30-Aug. 4: **Manchester and the Mountains.** Part of the Vermont Summer Festival, New England's largest "AA" rated hunter/jumper horse show. Harold Beebe Farm, Route 7, East Dorset, Vt. 802-496-4878 or visit www.vt-summerfestival.com.

July 31: **Steve Hartmann.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

July 31: **Cedar Ridge.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

July 31-Aug. 2: **The Philadelphia Orchestra.** 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., depending on day. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

August

Aug. 1: **Rugged Country.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

Aug. 1: **Catamount Crossing.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. Free ice cream party. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

Aug. 1: **Washington County Band.** 7 p.m. Ice cream sundaes for all, courtesy of Salem Rotary. Marches, show tunes, light classical and old favorites. Georgi Museum, Shushan, N.Y.

Free. 518-854-9339 or visit www.washingtoncountyband.com.

Aug. 1: **New York Players.** 7 to 9 p.m. Outstanding big band sound, top 40, R&B. Granville Summer Concert Series. Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 1-17: **"Mrs. Christie."** Classic mystery about the disappearance of Agatha Christie. Dorset Playhouse, 104 Cheney Road, Dorset, Vt. For tickets, rates, times, call 802-867-2223 or visit www.dorsettheatrefestival.org.

Aug. 1-24: **"Always . . . Patsy Cline."** Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 2 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. Walker Farm, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company, 703 Main Street, Weston, Vt. 802-824-5288 or www.westonplayhouse.org.

Aug. 2: **EnerJazz.** 7 to 9 p.m. Big band. Music in the Park. Riverside Veterans Memorial Park, Whitehall, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 2-4: **Southern Vermont Art & Craft Festival.** Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fine art and craft, demonstrations, food. Camelot Village, Route 9 West, Bennington, Vt. \$5 on Friday, \$8 on Saturday and Sunday, free for kids. 802-316-5019 or www.craftproducers.com.

Aug. 3: **Marty Wendell and his tour band.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 3: **West Side Drive Dance Band.** 4 to 8 p.m. Styling, energetic covers. Hoosick Falls Summer Concert Series. Wood Park Gazebo. Free.

Aug. 3-4: **Antique Fair and Flea Market.** Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Washington County Fairgrounds. \$4 admission (good for both days), \$3 for seniors, free for children under 14. 518-331-5004 or www.fairgroundshows.com.

Aug. 3-9: **"Beau."** 7:30 p.m. most nights. Adirondack Theatre Festival. A powerful and uplifting musical drama. Wood Theater, 207 Glen Street, Glens Falls, N.Y. 518-480-4878 for tickets. www.atfestival.org.

Aug. 4: **Natalie Merchant in concert.** 8:30 p.m. Dorset Playhouse, 104 Cheney Road, Dorset, Vt. For tickets, rates, call 802-867-2223 or visit www.dorsettheatrefestival.org.

Aug. 4: **Hootie and the Blowfish.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Aug. 3: **24th annual Norman's Attic.** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Flea market, craft fair and town-wide tag sale named for Norman Rockwell. Arlington Town Green, Route 7A, Arlington, Vt. 802-375-9952.

Aug. 3: **Yard Sale Day in Brandon, Vt.** Beginning at 9 a.m. Townwide yard sale with maps available. 802-247-6401.

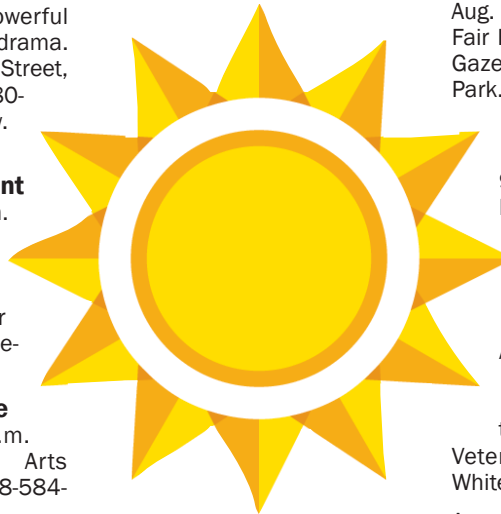
Aug. 3-4: **25th annual Turning Point Parade Weekend.** Family fun, food, music, live entertainment. Fireworks at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday and the Turning Point Parade at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Fort Hardy Park, Schuylerville, N.Y. www.turningpointparade.com.

Aug. 4: **26th annual Ticonderoga Area Car Show.** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food, door prizes, vendors, music. Bicentennial Park, Ticonderoga, N.Y. 518-585-6102 or www.ticonderogany.com.

Aug. 4: **Granville Town Band.** 6:30 to 8 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 6: **Satin & Steel.** 7 p.m. Heritage Family Credit Union presents Castleton Summer Concerts at the Pavilion, Castleton University, Castleton, Vt. Free. 802-468-1013 or www.castleton.edu.

Aug. 6-11: **Vermont Summer**



Celebration. Part of the Vermont Summer Festival, New England's largest "AA" rated hunter/jumper horse show. Harold Beebe Farm, Route 7, East Dorset, Vt. 802-496-4878 or visit www.vt-summerfestival.com.

Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27: **Noontime Concert Series.** Concert programs across a range of styles. Saratoga National Historical Park, Stillwater, N.Y. 518-664-9821 or www.nps.gov/sara.

Aug. 7: **John Lackard Blues Band.** 7 p.m. Seven to Sunset Concert Series. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vermont. Free. www.rutlandrec.com or 802-773-1822

Aug. 7: **Country and Bluegrass Jamboree with Cedar Ridge, Whiskey River, The Bluebillies, High Peaks, Smokey Greene and Sons.** Noon to 10 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward. \$15 adults, \$12 students/seniors. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 7-9: **The Philadelphia Orchestra.** 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., depending on day. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Aug. 8: **Nobody Special Band.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett

Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

Aug. 8: **Blue Jay Way.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

Aug. 8: **Studio Two.** 7 to 9 p.m. A Beatles tribute band. Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 9: **The Moonlighters.** 7 to 9 p.m. Big band. Music in the Park. Riverside Veterans Memorial Park, Whitehall, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 9: **Let's Hang On: Frankie Valli Tribute.** Arkell Pavilion, Southern Vermont Arts Center, 930 SVAC Drive, West Road, Manchester, Vt. 802-362-1405 or www.svac.org.

Aug. 10: **Washington County Band.** 12:30 p.m. Rupert Old Home Days. Marches, show tunes, light classical and old favorites. Rupert Fire Department grounds, Rupert, Vt. Free. 518-854-9339 or visit www.washingtoncountyband.com.

Aug. 10: **East Poultney Day.** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Historical demonstrations, craft fair, farmer's market, evensong, food tent and more. The Green, East Poultney, Vt. 802-287-5252 or www.poultneyhistoricalsociety.org.

Aug. 10: **Summer Gala.** Celebrate Fort Ticonderoga's historic legacy with music, food, and a silent auction; semi-formal summer attire is encouraged; reservations required. Fort Ticonderoga Visitors Center, 102 Fort Ti Road, Ticonderoga, N.Y. 518-585-2821 or mstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org.

Aug. 10-11: **58th annual Art in the Park Summer Festival, presented by the Chaffee Art Center.** Fine arts, crafts, food, music, children's activities. Main Street Park, Rutland, Vt. 802-775-0356 or www.chaffeeartcenter.org.

Aug. 10-25: **Heroic Maze: A Corn Maze Adventure.** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Test your knowledge of Fort Ticonderoga history in a six-acre corn maze; fun for all ages. Fort Ticonderoga, 102 Fort Ti Road, Ticonderoga, N.Y. www.fortticonderoga.org.

Aug. 11: **Korn/Alice in Chains.** 6:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Aug. 11: **Benson Family Day and Burdock Festival.** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Parade, farmers market, barbecue. Benson Vt. 802-537-2611.

Aug. 11: **"Saariaho and Serenades."** 4 p.m. Music from Salem concert. Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, N.Y. \$25 suggested admission or pay what you can. 518-677-2495 or www.hubbardhall.org.

Aug. 11: **Just Us Guys, featuring outstanding male musicians.** 2 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 11: **Granville Town Band.** 6:30 to 8 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 11: **18th-Century Day.** Noon to 5 p.m. Step back in time at the historic Schuyler House as the grounds come alive with 18th-century activities. General Philip Schuyler House, US Route 4, Schuylerville, N.Y. 518-664-9821, or www.nps.gov/sara.

Aug. 13-17: **Vermont State Fair, Rutland, Vt.** Amusement rides, animals, food, comedians, live music, games. 802-775-5200 or www.vermontstatefair.org.

Aug. 14-17: **The Philadelphia Orchestra.** 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., depending on day Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Aug. 15: **Jonathan Newell and Friends.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

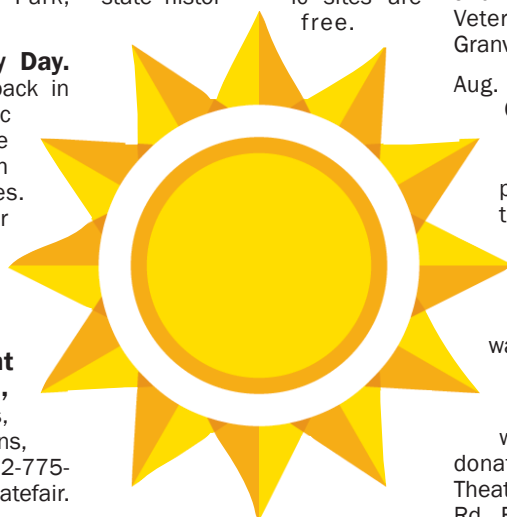
Aug. 15: **The Hand Picked Band.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

Aug. 15-17: **Barn Sale.** Thursday, 4 to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 15-Sept. 1: **"Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"** Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 2 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. Mainstage, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company, 703 Main Street, Weston, Vt. 802-824-5288 or www.westonplayhouse.org.

Aug. 15: **Grand Central Station.** 7 to 9 p.m. Pop, R&B and a wide range of standards from the 60s to today. Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 16: **Bennington Battle Day.** 7 p.m. Commemorative ceremony at the battlefield; all state historic sites are free.



Bennington Battlefield, NY Route 67, Hoosick Falls, N.Y. 518-860-9094 or www.benningtonbattlemonument.com.

Aug. 17: **15th annual Battle**

Day 5K Road Race. Registration begins at 8 a.m., race at 9:30. The half-mile kids fun run follows. Bennington Battle Monument, Bennington, Vt. 802-447-0550 or www.benningtonbattlemonument.com.

Aug. 17: **Motorbike.** Music on the Hill. Salem Art Works, 19 Cary Lane, Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

Aug. 17: **81st annual Castleton Colonial Day Historic House Tour.** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Includes more than 10 outstanding period homes and public buildings and 22 points of interest. Exhibits of period clothing, antique quilts and Vermont crafts. Ice cream social and raffle. \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, free for children 12 and under. 802-468-5691 or www.castletonhistorichouse-tour.org.

Aug. 17-18: **Celebration of the Battle of Bennington Weekend.** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Demonstrations, educational exhibits and activities for children. Bennington Battle Monument, Bennington, Vt. 802-447-0550 or www.benningtonbattlemonument.com.

Aug. 18: **Granville Town Band.** 6:30 to 8 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 19-25: **Washington County Fair, Greenwich, N.Y.** One of Washington County's biggest and most popular events, an agricultural tradition for more than 100 years. Music, entertainment, food, agriculture and fun. 518-692-2464 or www.washingtoncountyfair.com.

Aug. 21: **Bluegrass Jam.** 7 p.m. All musicians welcome. Free admission, donations appreciated. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 22: **JP Murphy.** 7 p.m. Fair Haven Concert Series. Free ice cream party. The Gazebo at Fair Haven Town Park. www.fairhavenvt.org/concerts.

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Aug. 22: **Vintage Country Band.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

Aug. 22: **Washington County Band.** 7 to 9 p.m. Musicians from all parts of Washington County present their talent in a diverse, engaging program. Granville Summer Concert Series, Veterans Memorial Park, Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 22-31: **"Slow Food."** A comedy for anyone who has ever been "hangry." Dorset Playhouse, 104 Cheney Road, Dorset, Vt. For tickets, rates, times, call 802-867-2223 or visit www.dorsettheatrefestival.org.

Aug. 23: **Santana.** 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Aug. 24: **KISS: End of the Road World Tour.** 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Aug. 24: **Downtown Rutland Street Party and Sidewalk Sales.** All day. Center Street, Rutland, Vt. 802-773-9380 or www.downtownrutland.com.

Aug. 24: **Washington County Band.** 6:30 p.m. Marches, show tunes, light classical and old favorites. Pawlet Public Library, Pawlet, Vt. Free. 518-854-9339 or visit www.washingtoncountyband.com.

Aug. 24: **Old Friends Band.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 24: **ACE Under the Lights 10 Car Show,** 6 to 9 p.m. Hosted by Adirondack Car Enthusiasts. Derby Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. \$3 suggested donation for spectators, \$10 per car. 518-791-0354 or visit Adirondack Car Enthusiasts Facebook page.

Aug. 25: **Granville Town Band.** 6:30 to 8 p.m. Marches and concert band specialties. Veterans Memorial Park,

Granville, N.Y. Free.

Aug. 28: **Carter Family Tribute with The Bluebillies and Deena Chappell, followed by themed open mic.**

7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 28-Sept. 2: **200th Great Schaghticoke Fair.** Live entertainment, rides, demonstrations, motorsport events and more. 518-753-4411 or www.schaghticokefair.org.

Aug. 29: **Hand Picked Band.** 7 to 9 p.m. Hudson Falls Concerts in the Park. Juckett Park, Hudson Falls, N.Y. Free. 518-747-5426.

Aug. 30: **Maxine Linehan in "One: The Songs Of U2."** Arkell Pavilion, Southern Vermont Arts Center, 930 SVAC Drive, West Road, Manchester, Vt. 802-362-1405 or www.svac.org.

Aug. 31: **Lynrd Skynyrd.** 6:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Aug. 31: **Elvis Tribute with Matthew Boyce.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Aug. 31-Sept. 1: **Whitehall Town-Wide Yard Sale.** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Community-wide yard, tag, garage and sidewalk sales. 518-499-4435 or www.whitehall-chamber.org.

Labor Day and beyond

Aug. 31 and Sept. 1: **24th annual Southern Vermont Garlic and Herb Festival.** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sample food and crafts from more than 100 vendors offering everything garlic, from garlic ice cream to garlic jelly. Camelot Village, Route 9 West, Bennington, Vt. Tickets available at the gate or online. 802-447-3311 or www.bennington.com/garlicfest.

Sept. 1: **Peter Frampton: Finale, the Farewell Tour.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Sept. 4, 7: **50s and 60s Show, produced by Sandy Wheeler.** Wednesday, 2 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Sept. 5: **Jason Aldean.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Sept. 5-8: **31st annual Adirondack Nationals Car Show.** Classic cars, special events, night cruises, more. Fort William Henry, Canada Street, Lake George, N.Y. \$15 spectator admission for the weekend. 518-380-1874 or www.adirondacknationals.com.

Sept. 6-7: **Sandy Hill Days.** Friday, 2 to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Two-day festival celebrating history of

filled foodie event it is today. Free. www.facebook.com/thecheesetour.

Sept. 11: **Warren C. Ramblers.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Sept. 13: **Steve Martin & Martin Short.** 7:30 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga, N.Y. 518-584-9330 or www.spac.org.

Sept. 14: **Chamber Music in the Courtroom.** 7 p.m. Dan Shulman, Kaori Washiyama and friends in a concert of piano and string music. Historic Salem Courthouse, Salem, N.Y. \$20. Information and tickets: 518-854-7053 or www.salem-courthouse.org.

Sept. 15: **Patsy Cline Tribute with Chrissy White.** 2 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Sept. 18: **Bluegrass Jam.** 7 p.m. All musicians welcome. Free admission, donations appreciated. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Sept. 20-22: **Festival of Fire.** The Intercollegiate Festival of Fire is in its 12th year; watch artists produce original work in cast iron. Salem Art Works, 19 Cary Lane, Salem, N.Y. Free. 518-854-7674 or www.salemartworks.org.

Sept. 20-22: **Rogers Island Visitor Center French & Indian War Encampment Weekend.** Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 11 Rogers Island Dr., Fort Edward, N.Y.

Sept. 21: **Fair Haven Applefest.** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Farmers' markets, flea markets, crafters, games and food, cider press, apple pie and decorating contests. Fair Haven Green, Fair Haven, Vt.

Sept. 21: **Whiskey River Band.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on

the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Sept. 25: **High Peaks Bluegrass Band.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Sept. 22: **Tour de Salem Flame Fighters 5th annual Bike Ride.** Registration at 7:30 a.m.; 63-mile ride at 8 a.m.; 25-mile ride at 8:30 a.m.; 16-mile at 9 a.m.; 10-mile at 9:30 a.m. Starts and ends at the carnival grounds on Archibald Street off Route 22. \$35/person or \$45/family to ride. 518-321-9430, www.tourdesalemflamefighters.com or visit the Facebook event page.

Sept. 28: **Evening with The Bluebillies.** 7 p.m. Little Theater on the Farm, 27 Plum Rd., Fort Edward, N.Y. \$10; \$7 seniors/students. 518-747-3421 or www.littletheater27.org.

Sept. 28: **Beer, Brats and Bluegrass.** 3 to 8 p.m. More than 10 microbrews from around New York State with Big Stone Gap bluegrass band. Historic Salem Courthouse, Salem, N.Y. Information and tickets: 518-854-7053 or www.salemcourthouse.org.

Sept. 28-29: **Adirondack Wool and Arts Festival.** Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Local artisans and craft makers, food and beverages, wagon rides, demonstrations. Washington County Fairgrounds, Greenwich, N.Y. \$5 admission, free for children under 13. www.akdwoolandarts.com

Sept. 29: **33rd annual Autumn Leaves Car Show.** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. More than 200 cars, prizes, food, music. Granville Little League Complex, Glen St., Granville, N.Y. \$3 admission, free for kids 15 and under. www.granvillenychamber.com

