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Crêpe Night at Scott Farm benefits Vermont

Independent Media

DUMMERSTON — The first of two August Crêpe Nights at Scott Farm, 707 Kipling Rd., takes place Wednesday, Aug. 5, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Crêpe Nights celebrate the harvest, simple food, music, and community in a picnic-style setting. Outdoor and indoor

tables and chairs are provided as well as a sprawling grassy hillside ripe for picnic blankets, folding lawn chairs, and bare feet. The seasonally focused menu includes a salad, savory supper crêpe (galette), and sweet dessert crêpe.

Each dinner is co-hosted by a different local nonprofit who benefits from the evening's proceeds. The Aug. 5 event supports Vermont Independent Media (VIM), the umbrella organization for *The Commons*, *The Deerfield Valley News*, and the Media Mentoring Project.

Founded in 2005, VIM started with the belief that independent journalism is critical for the functioning of democracy and is the lifeblood of a community. Through the publication of *The Commons* and *The Deerfield Valley News*, VIM sets a standard for fair and accurate journalism and provides an open forum for diverse voices to discuss important issues within Windham County. Their educational focus provides learning opportunities and internships for young adults and others who want to engage in the essential democratic functions of a free press.

Crêpe Nights happen rain or shine. In the event of inclement weather, it will move to the farm's Apple Barn event space. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$12 for children under 12. Reservations are required and can be made at scottfarmvermont.com/upcoming-events-1/vim.

Grace Cottage Hospital Fair Day is Aug. 1

TOWNSHEND — The 76th annual Grace Cottage Hospital Fair Day takes place Saturday, August 1, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on the Townshend Common. As always, admission and parking are free.

Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital relies on this important event to raise crucial funds. This year, all proceeds will go toward the construction of a new primary care clinic building to replace the current aging facility (more information at gracecottage.org/future).

45 Hospital Fair Day offers a variety of fun activities for the
46 whole family. The auction begins at 9:30 a.m., and the Birthday
47 Parade, led by the Taconic Bagpipers, starts at 10 a.m. Booths
48 offering homemade pies, jewelry, T-shirts, household items,
49 books, food, kids' games, and \$1 pony rides, plus live music and
50 more, will add smiles and festivity to the day.

51 ***Vermont photo exhibit in Dummerston***

52 DUMMERSTON — "Chronicles of Vermont Life: Farms,
53 Rivers, and Fairs," a new photo exhibit by Charles Fish, will be
54 open for viewing Sunday, Aug. 2, and again on Aug. 16, from 1 to
55 3 p.m., at the Dummerston Historical Society in Dummerston
56 Center.

57 His photos feature glimpses of subjects he has explored
58 on the water, on foot, and in the four books he has authored. All
59 are welcome; there is no admission charge to view the exhibit.
60 For more information, contact kiddsing2772@gmail.com or
61 gailsvt@gmail.com.

62 ***BCAT hosts ice cream bike ride***

63 BRATTLEBORO — Brattleboro Community for Active
64 Transportation (BCAT) hosts its fifth monthly social community
65 bicycle ride slated for Monday, August 3, at 6:15 p.m.

66 This month's ride is to the Blueberry Haus in Guilford.
67 This is a ride out and back from Living Memorial Park over
68 Guilford Street and Creamery Road to the Blueberry Haus. The
69 ride is about three hilly miles each way. The ride is a family-
70 friendly event, with bicycles, e-bikes, cargo bikes, and other
71 one-, two- or three-wheeled (mostly) self-propelled contraptions
72 welcome.

73 BCAT says it is "committed to growing our robust bicycle
74 culture, building bicycle community, and promoting bicycle
75 safety." For more information about BCAT, contact bratt@googlegroups.com.
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77 **Senior lunch in Marlboro**

78 MARLBORO — Marlboro Cares Senior Lunch will be
79 held Tuesday, Aug. 4, at noon at the Marlboro Community Center
80 on South Road. Dan and Gail MacArthur will show slides and
81 talk about their recent trip to South Africa, which included going
82 on a safari.

83 Senior lunches are for any Marlboro resident over the
84 age of 60 for a suggested donation of \$5. Reservations are a must
85 to ensure there is enough food and seating. Call 802-258-3030
86 any time before 9 a.m. on the Friday before the lunch to reserve a
87 seat or for any questions.

88 **Dover Free Library hosts annual Dessert Social**

89 **Aug. 5**

90 DOVER — The 2026 Dover Free Library Dessert Social is
91 Wednesday, Aug. 5, at 6 p.m. in the Dover Town Hall. There will
92 be a baking competition, live music, and a tasting party.

93 This event is free to all, and all food and refreshments are
94 free. Donations are encouraged and appreciated, but entirely
95 optional.

96 Individuals interested in baking for the event should
97 register via the Google form at bit.ly/875-dessert, or reach out
98 directly at desk@doverfreelibrary1913.org.

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