

Town of Montgomery Newsletter

OCTOBER 2022

"WE'RE NOT FROM HERE" BY THE MODERN TIMES THEATER

THE MONTGOMERY HISTORICAL SOCIETY welcomes the Modern Times Theater show "We're Not From Here" a FREE family friendly event at Pratt Hall on Saturday, October 22nd at 7PM.

Arriving from elsewhere, just in time for the show, veteran vaudeville entertainers Rose Friedman and Justin Lander will present a million years in just under 75 minutes. A carpetbag of old fashioned amusements. Music, puppetry, and schtick. They will attempt to summon the ghosts from the attic to answer our most pressing questions, including "How did we get here?", "Where are we going?", and "Can't you do that somewhere else?" Funded by a Creation Grant from the Vermont Arts Council, and is intended specifically for presentation in small historic venues throughout Vermont. Family friendly, free. Donations always welcome.

A SHARED LIFE: A LIFETIME COLLECTION OF WORKS

THE MONTGOMERY CENTER FOR THE ARTS presents the extensive art collection of Carolyn and Harold Babcock.

The Babcocks have lived in Montgomery for over thirty years during which time they have been painting and quilting while tucked up in their amazing late 18th century farmhouse. Carolyn is a proficient quilter and Harold is a talented painter, and their combined artistry and vision has taken these old-style New England art forms and infused them with a virtue of design and beauty that bridges the gap between craft and art.

View their complete collection at the Opening Reception on Saturday, October 8th from 4-7PM. Gallery Hours weekends from 12-4PM. Saturday, October 15th at 1:30PM Carolyn Babcock will be present at the Gallery for an Q&A about her award-winning art and her life with Harold Babcock, the painter. Light refreshments will be served.

COLD HOLLOW TO CANADA ANNUAL GATHERING

Join COLD HOLLOW TO CANADA for their annual public gathering on Thursday, October 20th at 6PM at the Montgomery Town Hall for an evening of food, friends, and community with a look-back on the year's milestones and hear from guest speaker Jon Erickson.

Pre-registration required (\$20 suggested donation) at

www.eventbrite.com/e/cold-hollow-to-canadas-2022-annual-gathering-tickets-396767651727

Jon Erickson is the Blittersdorf Professor of Sustainability Science & Policy in the Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources and Fellow of the Gund Institute for Environment at the University of Vermont. He has published widely on energy & climate change policy, land conservation, watershed planning, environmental public health, and the theory and practice of ecological economics. Jon is also an Emmy award-winning producer of films, including the four-part PBS series Bloom on sources and solutions to nutrient pollution in Lake Champlain, and Waking the Sleeping Giant, a feature-length documentary on the intersection of the 2016 U.S. presidential race and the progressive movement.

KIDS WRITING CONTEST AND PIZZA PARTY

Sharpen your pencils, or dust off your keyboard, the Friends of the Montgomery Town Library, together with the Library, will be holding its annual writing contest and pizza party October 27th at 6pm Pratt Hall in the Village. The contest is open to Montgomery residents in grades 4-8 at Montgomery Elementary School and those similar residents that are home-schooled. This year's theme is "How did that get there?". The essay should be between 750 and 1000 words (2 to 3 pages) and can be about some wondrous thing that the author experienced or can be a work of fiction. All essays MUST be emailed in PDF format to:

friendsmontgomerytownlibrary@gmail.com by October 20th. The young authors will read their essays at Pratt Hall on October 27th. After the reading its pizza and drinks for all while the three judges attempt to make the inevitably difficult decision as to who wins the \$100 Amazon gift cards and who gets the \$50 gift cards. Please email to the above address for full details or with questions.

BEAR PAW POND STORYWALKS

THE MONTGOMERY TOWN LIBRARY, CONSERVATION COMMISSION, and HAZEN'S NOTCH ASSOCIATION are teaming up to offer the public "Storywalks" at Bear Paw Pond for the month of October. All members of the public are welcome to visit, particularly families with young children. The walk will start at the High Ponds Farm on Rossier Road and lead to Bear Paw Pond. StoryWalks are an innovative, delightful way for children –and adults!– to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time. Laminated pages from a children's book are attached to wooden stakes, which are installed along an outdoor path. As you stroll down the trail, you're directed to the next page in the story. Building Bright Futures will visit on Monday and/or Friday, weather dependent (contact your local Montgomery BBF group to confirm days). HNA asks that all visitors to the Storywalk stay on the marked paths and pack-in/pack-out in order to help preserve this beautiful location.

ECSTATIC DANCE @ THE MCA

Allow your body to move exactly how it wants to move within this substance-free "conscious" dance party on Friday, October 4th @ 7PM at the Montgomery Center for the Arts.

~ Come as you are ~ No experience needed ~ Freeform dance ~ Judgement free ~ All ages, FREE event, open to the public. Donations welcome to support the MCA.

Bring water and wear comfortable clothes for movement.

"A practice of being in your body -- that ignites creativity, connection, and community." -Gabrielle Roth's 5 Rhythms

CORNHOLE AT THE TOWN HALL

With colder temperatures and rain setting in for the season, Cornhole moves indoors at the Town Hall starting at 4PM on October 11th and 25th.

MES SOCCER HOME GAMES

Show up at the Montgomery Rec Center to cheer on MES middle school Soccer teams. Home games:

Monday, October 3rd -- Thursday, October 6th -- Tuesday, October 11th

Eight grade Senior final game: Thursday, October 20th at the Jay Peak Turf Fields.

Girls games start at 4PM, Boys games start at 5PM (tentatively).

Games cancelled for Thunderstorms.

LOCAL RESTAURANT INFO

THE INN events for October:

Greek Wine luncheon -- October 2nd at 12PM -- \$50 per person -- 4-course meal; 5 wines -- reservation required

The INN will be closing for stick season on October 23rd and reopening on Thanksgiving with a full Thanksgiving dinner featuring Dubbs Farm Turkey, Prime Rib, or Manicotti. Reservations recommended.

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HAN'S SMOKIN' WAGYU will be closed on Wednesdays for the season. Fall hours are:

Fridays: 4-7:30PM

Saturdays: 11:30AM-7:30PM

Sundays: 11:30AM-7:30PM

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THE BLACK LANTERN INN introduces their seasonal dinner and cocktail menu, featuring a selection of new Fall-inspired dishes along with some of the favored standards. Open Wednesday-Saturday at 5PM. Call for reservations 326-3269.

MUNICIPAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUNICIPAL CLOSURES

TOWN CLERKS TEMPORARY HOURS 9/5/22-11/25/22

Mondays: 9AM-12PM; 1PM-6PM [closed for lunch from 12-1PM]

Tuesdays: CLOSED

Wednesdays: 9AM-3PM

Thursdays: 9AM-3PM

Fridays: CLOSED [except for Tax Day on 11/11/22 when office will be open from 9AM-4PM]

Friendly Reminders: If you need to drop off a Tax or Water payment during any of our closed days or after hours you can submit your payment into our Town Office outdoor drop-box located beside the PSB front door. You can also mail a check payment, sign up for

Auto Payment by ACH, or even pay online on our website:

<https://montgomeryvt.us/pay/>

MEETING DATES

Select Board -- 6:30PM on October 3rd and 17th at PSB

Library Board of Trustees -- 6PM on October 10th at Library

Planning Commission -- 6PM on October 11th at PSB

Conservation Commission -- 5:30PM on October 5th at PSB

Most meetings are in person at this time, with some hybrid zoom options available.

A link to online forums can be found on the municipal website montgomeryvt.us/groups/gov