

Town of Montgomery Newsletter

August 2023

USED BOOK SALE FUNDRAISER

The Friends of the Montgomery Town Library will have a used book sale Friday, August 4th and Saturday, August 5th from 10AM-5PM at the Town Hall (57 South Main Street). Proceeds benefit the Library Expansion Fund.

MONTGOMERY FARMER'S MARKET

The Montgomery Farmer's Market returns to the Pratt Hall Lawn this summer. Open every Saturday from 9:30AM-1PM. Featuring local vendors selling their home goods, local meats and cheeses, jams and baked goods, soaps and essential oils, maple products and more.

MCA EVENTS

>>**Paint and Sip with Amber Harvey***: Amber comes to the MCA on August 26th from 4:00pm-6:00pm. Cost \$35 and includes all painting materials. (Canvas, easels, paint, pallets, paint brushes).

We ask that you arrive on time or at least 15 minutes before the start of the class to pick your seats. Even earlier is fine!

To RSVP, more info, pay over the phone with debit/credit card call/email.

Artzyharvey@gmail.com / 802-595-2360

>>**"A Retrospective Looking Forward: The Art of Aida Whedon"***

Opens AUGUST 12th Thru Sept 2nd

On Loan from the Collection of Tony Whedon; Curated by M Sebastian Araujo

While sorting through a few boxes in a barn loft, readying the house on Dreamers Road for sale, we came across two old boxes that had been shipped from VT to NYC and then brought back again, placed into the barn unopened and forgot about for a for nearly forty years. When they were opened a whole artistic diary of the life and work of Aida Whedon came bounding out into the light of day. An exhibition of the work will be on display at the MCA to share with the community before the collection goes to an archive of her work at the Dodge Barn Aida Whedon Museum in Great Neck, NY. Gallery Hours : SAT,SUN 1-4 or by appointment.

If you have accessibility needs, please contact Sebastian at montgomerycenterarts@gmail.com at least 3 days prior to an event so that we can coordinate accommodations for access. Art is for everyone, and in this old building we want to help facilitate inclusion to the best of our ability.

>>**Sunday Mediation Sessions**: A guided mediation, free and open to the public for revitalization of mind, body, and soul. 12-1PM. Sponsored by the Montgomery Community Church in collaboration with the Montgomery Center for the Arts.

MONTGOMERY SUMMER SESSIONS

The Montgomery Rec Center is excited to announce the return of our summer music series for the 2023 season! This will mark the 9th year of hosting this beloved event, which brings families and friends together to enjoy music, food, and fun!

Free and open to the public. Donations welcome. Shows start at 6PM at the Rec Center Pavillion.

August 3rd: High Summer // August 10th Matthew Mercury (makeup rain day concert)

YOGA

>>A new yoga series opens at the Grange. Led by certified yoga instructor Emily. Hatha Level 1&2 focused on alignment based postures, breath work, and meditation. Tuesdays from 9-10AM. \$10 per class.

>>J Mountain Yoga continues Gentle Vinyasa Yoga on Thursdays from 9-10AM at the Grange. \$10 per class.

LOCAL RESTAURANT INFO

THE BLACK LANTERN INN

Wednesday through Friday, open at 5PM.

Wednesday night Trivia starting 6PM; Thursday wing night and \$5 draught beers.

THE INN

August 6th - Monthly Italian Night starting at 5pm. Affordable family friendly Italian favorites. Menu at www.theinn.us

August 13th- Wine Tasting 12pm. Focusing on France. 5 wines, 4-course lunch \$50. Call to make a reservation.

August 27 - Monthly CEA, live poet, live art, and live music! Dinner starts at 5pm the show starts at 7pm.

Restaurant closed for dinner on August 4th for a private party.

HAZEN'S NOTCH CONSERVATION TRUST (HNCT)

We are pleased to introduce the Hazen's Notch Conservation Trust (HNCT), a local non-profit land trust with a focus on the conservation of forests, wildlife habitats, natural areas, farmland, soil and water resources, undeveloped open space, and non-motorized recreational trails in the Town of Montgomery.

A local land trust provides owners of moderate to smaller land parcels an opportunity to conserve their properties in a way that meets their needs and preserves the natural landscape for the future. These conserved lands also provide the public with opportunities for low-impact recreation while enjoying nature's beauty.

The HNCT is working with local landowners and collaborating with other conservation organizations to identify opportunities for protecting important natural areas. The HNCT is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit, charitable organization. For more information about how to support the Trust or to become involved, please visit <https://hnct.org/> or contact us at hazensnotchvt@gmail.com.

HISTORICAL EXHIBIT

FRIENDS OF THE MONTGOMERY TOWN LIBRARY presents an exhibit of images and text on the life of General Montgomery displayed in the halls of the PSB. The town of Montgomery was named for Major General Richard Montgomery, who was killed in the American Revolution. A colorful new exhibit on his "short, ironic life" has been mounted in the town Public Safety Building on Mountain Road. Montgomery was killed while leading the American assault on the British fortress of Quebec in a raging blizzard in December, 1775. This exhibit recounts Montgomery's short ironic life in eight 11-by-17-inch wall panels illustrated with historic pictures of the general and photographs of Montgomery Place, the estate built by his widow on the Hudson River, in New York. A full-size reproduction of the dramatic oil painting, *The Death of Montgomery in the Attack on Quebec, December 31, 1775*, by John Trumbull, the so-called "painter of the Revolution" whose subjects included George Washington and other Founding Fathers, is also on exhibit.

The exhibit may be viewed whenever the library (802-326-3113) or the town clerk's office (802-326-4719) are open. The exhibit is free but donations to support the library are welcome.

MUNICIPAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOWN CLERK OFFICE HOURS

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Mondays: 8:30AM-5PM

Tuesdays: 9AM-3PM

Wednesdays: 8:30AM-3PM

Thursdays: 8:30AM-3PM

Fridays: 9AM-11:30PM

MEETING DATES

Select Board -- 6:30PM on August 7th and 21st at PSB ~ Library Board of Trustees -- 6PM on August 14th at Library
Planning Commission -- 6PM on August 15th at PSB ~ Conservation Commission -- 5:30PM on August 2nd 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