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Some of the key events in our community for June, 2015:

*June 2 and 16: Ferrisburgh Selectboard Meeting*  
*June 4: VUHS Piano and Music Theory Student Recital VUHS Auditorium 11:00 AM*  
*June 4: Walden Graduation 6:00 PM Potluck Dinner 7:00 PM Recognition*  
*June 5: Bixby Library Movie Night 6:00 PM*  
*June 6: VUHS Alumni Dinner American Legion 5:30 PM*  
*June 7: VUHS Baccalaureate Service VUHS Auditorium 6:00 PM*  
*June 8: VUHS Jazz Ensemble at Burlington Jazz Fest 4:15 PM Church St.*  
*June 8: School Budget Public Meeting VUHS Library 6:00 PM*  
*June 9: VUHS School Vote Ferrisburgh Town Hall 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM*  
*June 9: Diversified Occupations Graduation Hannaford Career Ctr 5:30 PM*  
*June 10: VUHS Senior Awards Night VUHS Gymnasium 6:00 PM*  
*June 11: FCS School Board Meeting FCS 6:00 PM*  
*June 11: FCS Grade 6 Step Up 7:00 PM*  
*June 12: VUHS Class of 2015 Graduation VUHS Gymnasium 6:00 PM*  
*June 13 and 27: Ferrisburgh Grange King Pedo Card Parties 6:30 PM*  
*June 13-14: Pirate Festival Lake Champlain Maritime Museum*  
*June 14: Rokeby Museum opening of R. Robinson drawings and Presentation 3:00 PM*  
*June 15: Commodore PTG Meeting Tania Bolduc's Home 6:30 PM*  
*June 16: VUHS Eighth Grade Step-Up Ceremony VUHS Auditorium 9:30 AM*  
*June 20: Ferrisburgh Solstice Fun Run FCS 8:00 AM*  
*June 27-28: Abenaki Heritage at Lake Champlain Maritime Museum*

Voting on the Vergennes Union Middle/High School budget for the 2015-2016 school year will take place at the Ferrisburgh Town Hall and Community Center on Tuesday June 9 from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM. There will be a budget informational meeting for the public on Monday June 8 at 6:00 PM at the VUHS library. Information on the budget can be viewed at <http://www.anwsu.org/>

Be sure to visit the Addison Northwest Supervisory Union's Facebook page and Twitter account. These new sites are great ways to stay connected to the news and goings-on in our school community:

<https://www.facebook.com/anwsu> and [https://twitter.com/ANWSU\\_VT](https://twitter.com/ANWSU_VT).

Our Vergennes Union High School's Commodore Jazz Ensemble has performed at the internationally famous Burlington Jazz Festival for years. We all can enjoy our students' skills and talents again this year at the Jazz Festival on Monday June 8 at 4:15 PM on Burlington's Church Street stage. For details follow the link below:

<https://sites.google.com/a/anwsu.org/vuhs-music/> or  
<http://discoverjazz.com>.

We offer heartfelt congratulations to all our Ferrisburgh Students as they complete another year of their education and we send special good wishes to those who are “stepping up” or graduating from high school. These students, along with their teachers and parents and our community, have worked hard and deserve all our support for future success. For information on the June ceremonies and celebrations, please visit <http://vuhs.org> or <https://sites.google.com/a/anwsu.org/fcs/home>.

The Bixby Library’s Movie Club monthly meeting will be on June 5 at 6:00 PM. Each meeting begins with an introduction of the evening’s film, then the showing and then an informal discussion of the film. Perhaps the best part of the evening is that the attendees get to vote on the film choice for the next month’s meeting! Alex Jay Dubberly, a local screenwriter, is the evening’s facilitator. Visit the Bixby website for information about this month’s film <http://bixbylibrary.org/WPBixby/uncategorized/adult-programs/> and to learn about the other many events and services available at our library.

The Ferrisburgh Grange’s “King Pede” card parties are scheduled for the Saturdays of June 13 and 27. These get-togethers are held at the Ferrisburgh Town Hall and Community Center and begin at 6:30 PM with a sandwich supper and then on to an evening of fun and card games. This is a great way to socialize with your neighbors and support our Grange – so please consider joining this event.

Celebrate the start of summer with the Ferrisburgh Summer Solstice Fun Run on Saturday June 20 at the Ferrisburgh Central School site. Registration begins at 8:00 AM. There will be 1K and 5K options. This is a family friendly event open to walkers and runners and is not a timed race. This event will raise money for completion of the construction of Ferrisburgh’s community recreation facility. Look for more details on Front Porch Forum and registration details at Facebook/Ferrisburgh Skating Rink. For more information, contact Martha Davis at: [marthand@gmavt.net](mailto:marthand@gmavt.net).

Rokeby Museum will open their summer exhibit entitled “The Farm: Drawings of Rowland Evans Robinson, 1850-1880 on Sunday, June 14. This is a notable event, as these drawings have previously not been available for public viewing. Gregory Sharrow of the Vermont Folklife Center will be on hand to explore Vermont’s farm legacy in his presentation “Sense of Place.” Sharrow draws on the Folklife Center’s rich collection to examine the fabric of Vermont’s farm culture and distinctive traditions from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century as he probes its relationship to today’s farms and farmers. The drawings of Rowland Evans Robinson cover similar territory, but from 150 years earlier. Born to abolitionist parents at Rokeby in 1833, Robinson began to draw as a child. Following a desire to “*be somebody*,” he set off for New York City in his early twenties. Robinson struggled to find work in the illustrated newspapers of the day but eventually succeeded capturing his view of farm life for the agricultural papers. These drawings will be on display until the end of October. The program, “Sense of Place,” is sponsored by the Vermont Humanities Council and is free. Admission to the Museum is \$10 adults, \$9 seniors, and \$8 students. For more information contact Jane Williamson, 802-877-3406 or [rokeby@comcast.net](mailto:rokeby@comcast.net)

Josh Carter will offer a basketball camp this summer through the Willowell Foundation at Vergennes Union High School June 22-26, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. The camp will focus on teaching the fundamentals, team building activities, and teaching players how to mentally prepare for games. The camp is for ages 8-17 and will be split into three different age brackets. The camp is co-ed. Follow this link for more information and to register. <http://www.willowell.org/programs/willowell-summer-camps/fast-break-and-flow-basketball-camp/>

Now with the summer season in full swing, there is a lot going on at the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. Be sure to regularly visit their website for updates and events at [www.lamm.org](http://www.lamm.org). The site contains a full listing of the great adventure camps offered by the museum in collaboration with Burlington Parks and Recreation Department. The famous annual Kids Pirate Festival will take place the weekend of June 13 - June 14. The whole family will enjoy activities such as building a model Pirate Ship, visiting a Pirate Fleet and Pirate Camp, and meeting Rockin' Ron, The Friendly Pirate - ARGGGHH! The Abnaki Heritage Weekend will be held on June 27 - June 28. This special weekend, hosted by Lake Champlain Maritime Museum and presented in partnership with the Vermont Commission on Native American Affairs, gives visitors an Abenaki perspective on life in the Champlain Valley. Members of the Elnu Abenaki Tribe, the Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk and Koasek Traditional Band of the Koas Abenaki Nation, and the Vermont Abenaki Artists Association are participating. The Native people at this event are experts in the living indigenous arts and traditions which they come together to share with one another and with visitors. They have inherited, researched, reconstructed, or apprenticed to learn the techniques with which they create outstanding beadwork, quillwork, basketry, pottery, woodworking and other items for personal use or for sale. Tribal members will also share songs, drumming, dancing, games, food preparation, and other life skills.

The Ferrisburgh Hollow is looking quite fancy these days. The flower boxes on the Old Hollow Road bridge over Lewis Creek are in place and brightening this lovely area of this historic town. Members of the North Ferrisburgh Village Association filled and installed (and will maintain) the flower boxes, and neighbor extraordinaire, Julie Rubaud, owner of Red Wagon Nursery in Hinesburg, generously donated the plants and soil. Also, the student-designed banners have been hung along the Hollow Road. Artwork created by Ferrisburgh Central School students was transformed into banners in a project by FCS art teacher Allison Parsons and the North Ferrisburgh Village Association. These efforts provide beauty and art for the Hollow, and are also part of a traffic calming project, encouraging drivers to slow down and enjoy the artwork and not speed through the highly residential district of North Ferrisburgh.

Calling all Ferrisburgh Artists! Maxine Davis, owner of Maxine Davis Glass Art in North Ferrisburgh, is spearheading an effort to create a network of Ferrisburgh artists and local services. She envisions a communications system that enables Ferrisburgh residents to learn of local services and also to access local businesses. These local services range from artists to bakers to carpenters, and all who provide useful goods and services.

Maxine wants to support Ferrisburgh artists in a network that would enable the sharing of ideas and support creativity and also to develop a local market. Maxine is planning an opportunity for these artists to display their wares at Ferrisburgh Day in September. If you are an artist or have a service that would build on this community, please contact Maxine at 802-425-3034 or [mzdavis@gmavt.net](mailto:mzdavis@gmavt.net).

Note: We are always interested in having a variety of Ferrisburgh-related news in this column; so if you have news that would be of interest, contact Sally Kerschner at [smwkersch@comcast.net](mailto:smwkersch@comcast.net). You are able to access these columns and other information about Ferrisburgh news and events by viewing the Ferrisburgh Town Website at [www.ferrisburghvt.org](http://www.ferrisburghvt.org).