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Some of the key events in our community for October 2015:

**October 2 and 23: Tot Gym at FCS 9:00AM - 10:30AM**  
**October 2 and 22: Cinema Appreciation Group, Bixby Library**  
**October 6 and 20: Ferrisburgh Selectboard Meeting 6:30 PM**  
**October 7: Ferrisburgh Central School Walk to School Day**  
**October 7: Commodore Parent Teacher Group meeting, VUHS Library 6:30 PM**  
**October 19: Ferrisburgh Central School PTO meeting 6:15 PM**  
**October 19: College Information Night VUHS Library 6:00 PM**  
**October 21: Ferrisburgh Central School Board Meeting at VUHS 6:30 PM**  
**October 25: Presentation on Vermont Bats by Alyssa Bennett, Rokeby 3:00 PM**  
**October 30: Ferrisburgh Central School Monster Mash 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

The Ferrisburgh Day Committee would like to thank everyone for a wonderful celebration of the new town garage and for a great Ferrisburgh Day on September 12. Loretta Lawrence sends her thanks to all who helped, with a special thanks to the Ferrisburgh Day Committee members: Charles & Deanna Shapiro, Dorothy Muzzy, Tim Vincent; Gail Blasius, Pam & Ron Kampner, Gloria & Jim Warden, Laurie Mutini, and Karyn Kadar. This event truly showcased the community spirit in Ferrisburgh!

The town of Ferrisburgh has an opening for someone to take the minutes at the Selectboard meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. The position pays \$20/hour. EOE. Please send letter of interest and qualifications to: Ferrisburgh Town Clerk PO Box 6 Ferrisburgh, VT 05456 Or email to [ferrisburghclerk@comcast.net](mailto:ferrisburghclerk@comcast.net).

Looking for a local business or service? Be sure to visit the newly created listings of Ferrisburgh businesses as organized by Maxine Davis at [www.theferrisburghlist.com](http://www.theferrisburghlist.com). At present there are several artisans listed. The next few categories to be included will be: 1. tradesmen ( carpenters, mechanics, painters, roofers, electricians, plumbers, handymen, etc.) 2. Anyone working with food that they sell, grow or barter (caterers, bakers, farmers, meals to go, cooking classes, farm stand, gardener, etc.) and 3. Childcare (daycare, babysitting, play groups, after school care, mommy and me groups etc.). If a local business would like to list their service, send the following information to [mzdavis@gmavt.net](mailto:mzdavis@gmavt.net): Name, address, email address, telephone number, website or Facebook page, service and/or business name and short description of the business. The only stipulation is that the business must be based in Ferrisburgh and/or do business from a Ferrisburgh address. There are no fees for this listing and anyone can opt out whenever they choose. Any questions or suggestions, please call Mickey at 425 3034.

The Bixby Library is beginning a "Cinema Appreciation Group". Alex Dubberly and the Bixby's Adult Services Librarian, Muir Haman, have scheduled two months of events for a film discussion group. The Cinema Appreciation Group will help participants to look at

films differently and to broaden their interpretations of what makes a film enjoyable. The meetings for Bixby's Cinema Appreciation Group will begin Friday, October 2 at 6:00 PM, when the group will watch the video short "Whiplash" and talk about elements to look for when they watch Whiplash at home. Then the group will meet again on Thursday October 22 at 5:30 PM for a continued discussion. On November 5 at 6:00 PM, the group will meet to watch Jennifer Kent's "The Babadook" short and will continue their discussion on November 19 at 5:30 PM after everyone has watched the film. The Cinema Appreciation Group will be offered free of charge. Space is not limited, but participants are asked to register their interest ahead of time, so that borrowing the films can be organized. Questions and registration should be directed to Muir Haman, the Bixby's Adult Services Librarian (802-877-2211 x208 or [muir.haman@bixbylibrary.org](mailto:muir.haman@bixbylibrary.org)).

Addison County Readers, Inc. is a not-for-profit all volunteer organization dedicated to promoting early literacy and future school success. The group supports Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, a program that sends a book each month to the home of each registered child (birth through five years of age) at no cost to the family. Children of different ages receive different titles; the books are carefully selected and are the children's to keep. We are currently conducting a raffle with the Grand Prize being a framed Original Painting by local artist Ashley Wolff. Tickets are \$3 each or 4 for \$10 and are available from a board member or at Classic Stitching in Vergennes, The Vermont Bookshop in Middlebury or Recycled Reading of Vermont in Bristol. All funds raised will support Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in Addison County! For more information, contact Margo Grace, [mgrace@anwsu.org](mailto:mgrace@anwsu.org).

Ferrisburgh Central School's PTO will hold their annual Monster Mash on Friday, October 30, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Come for a night of dancing and trick or treating all around the school. Adults and children should start thinking of their costumes now for this fun family event!

On Sunday, October 11, come celebrate Rokeby's apple heritage with author Rowan Jacobsen. Jacobsen profiled 123 apple varieties in his newest book, *Apples of Uncommon Character*, many of which were once grown in our area. The Robinsons planted a substantial orchard in 1849, and samples of the same apples will be available for tasting. This event will be at Rokeby on Route 7, the cost being \$5 program only or free with Museum admission.

Rokeby will mark National Bat Week on Sunday, October 25, at 3:00 PM. Alyssa Bennett, Department of Fish and Wildlife specialist, will present a "state of the bat" address, detailing her findings from several years of tagging and monitoring Vermont's bats and their living environment. Vermont's bat population has been under siege by disease — and losing ground — for years, but there are signs that the bats may be regaining their numbers. The cost is \$2 program only or free with Museum admission.

Vergennes Union High School has organized several events to assist Senior students and their parents to prepare for college applications. School Counselors will hold an Informational Meeting for the parents of seniors about the college search and application process on October 19 at 6:00 PM in the VUHS Library. Immediately following the

Informational Meeting is another important presentation, Paying for College Night, offered by VSAC. This presentation will review FAFSA applications and student loans. In addition, college representatives are scheduling visits to Vergennes for this fall, so Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to check the schedule of visits on the Guidance bulletin board, the Guidance section of the website [www.vuhs.org](http://www.vuhs.org), and the Google Doc "College Visits 2015-2016". For more information, contact Mrs. Gilbeau at 877-2567 x 3.

Note: We are always interested in including 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).

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