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Submissions for Addison Independent - Ferrisburgh Column: March 2016  
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*March 1 and 15: Ferrisburgh Selectboard Meetings: 6:30 PM*  
*March 3: Lake Champlain Maritime Museum Kayak Program: VUHS 6:30 PM*  
*March 5: VUHS Rummage sale collection on Saturdays in March: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM*  
*Kennedy Bros. Vergennes*  
*March 5: FSC Children's Theater Performance: VUHS 7:00 PM*  
*March 5 and 19: Ferrisburgh Grange King Pedes Parties: 6:30 PM*  
*March 6: Peter and the Wolf: Bixby Library 2:00 PM*  
*March 7: FCS Parent Teacher Organization: FCS 6:15 PM*  
*March 10: Ferrisburgh Central School Board Meeting: 6:30 PM at FCS*  
*March 12: Supermarket Bingo Fundraiser: FCS 4:00 PM*  
*March 12: Baba Yaga Presentation: Bixby Library*  
*March 13: Freedom and Unity film showing: FHS 2:00 PM*  
*March 14: VUHS Board Meeting: VUHS 6:00 PM*  
*March 23: ANWSU Board Meeting: VUHS 6:00 PM*  
*April 2: Trinkets and Treasures Rummage Sale: VUHS*

Be sure to include the Bixby Library in your March schedule! On Sunday March 6, at 2:00 PM, Sergei Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf* will be performed by the Windsong Woodwind Quintet and narrated by VPR's Classical Host Walter Parker. Windsong is comprised of five top-notch Vermont talents, including Vergennes musician and VUHS music teacher Susan O'Daniel. The program is appropriate for adults and children of all ages. Admission is free but space will be limited so arrive early. Also, in March, as part of a three library collaboration initiated by the Orwell Free Library, author and illustrator Marika McCoola will be offering a graphic novel workshop on Saturday March 12 at Bixby Library. Marika wrote the graphic novel *Baba Yaga's Assistant*. Space in the workshop will be limited and registration required. Contact Bixby Adult Services Librarian Muir Haman to sign up or for more information: [muir.haman@bixbylibrary.org](mailto:muir.haman@bixbylibrary.org).

The Ferrisburgh Grange "King Pedes" card parties are scheduled for the Saturdays of March 5 and 19. 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. King Pedes is an unusual game that involves "trick-taking" techniques such as in Hearts and Spades or Pitch. This is a game of fun and skill so come prepared to use your strategic thinking.

The Ferrisburgh Historical Society will be hosting 'Freedom & Unity: The Vermont Movie' which is the first ever documentary series about Vermont. The six-part film series explores the various periods, and the various reoccurring political and philosophical themes, in our state's history. The FHS will be showing Part Two of the Series, entitled "Under The Surface". This film digs beneath the surface of Vermont's bucolic image to explore the period from pre-Civil War until 2009. It chronicles the rise

of labor unions and quarry work, the resulting labor wars, the marketing of Vermont, the state's reaction to New Deal policies, to Joe McCarthy, to urban émigrés, aka "flatlanders" and "back to the landers." The film and discussion will be held on March 13 at 2:00 PM at the Ferrisburgh Historical Society at the Town Offices on Route 7. For more information, contact Silas Towler at 425-3380.

The Lake Champlain Maritime Museum will have an informational meeting about the Champlain Discovery summer program on Thursday March 3 at 6:30 PM in the VUHS library. Champlain Discovery is a co-educational 5-week summer program where participants ages 13-16 build their own 17 foot sea kayak and then embark on a 10-day paddling adventure exploring Lake Champlain from Whitehall, New York to Burlington, Vermont. Dates for Champlain Discovery are June 20 to July 23. Financial aid is available for this program based on financial need. More information is at the Champlain Discovery page on the maritime museum's website at [http://www.lcmm.org/education/champlain\\_discovery.htm](http://www.lcmm.org/education/champlain_discovery.htm) or contact Nick Patch at [nickp@lcmm.org](mailto:nickp@lcmm.org).

Free Afterschool Meals are available for students at VUHS! The Addison Northwest Supervisory Union is sponsoring the U.S. Department of Agriculture-funded Child and Adult Care Food Program at Vergennes Union High School. The ANWSU Fusion program that provides care, educational, and enrichment activities for children will now make available afterschool meals (dinner) for ALL students at no cost. This afternoon meal will be provided instead of the regular snack, so any student may come to the cafeteria at 2:45 pm. The afterschool meal will be available Monday-Friday immediately after school ends and includes pizza or a variety of sandwiches, fruit, vegetables, and milk. This is a great way for all students, especially those getting on the bus or going to an afterschool activity, to fuel up at the end of a long school day.

The famous Treasures and Trinkets Rummage Sale is coming soon so bring your treasures on every Saturday in March (beginning Saturday, March 5) between 9:00 AM and 11:00 PM to Kennedy Brothers in Vergennes (in the big white part of the building at 11 Main Street). Suggested items for donation include: Household Goods, Books, Tools, Clothing, Furniture, and Jewelry - basically anything in great shape that no longer fits in your life but may be great for someone else. Please no car seats, old suitcases, TV's, computers or encyclopedias. Come on in to visit with friends and neighbors, and help create an amazing sale this spring for continuing support to enrichment opportunities for the students and teachers at VUHS. And mark your calendar for the actual rummage sale on Saturday, April 2 at VUHS.

Ferrisburgh Central School PTO is planning a Supermarket Bingo for Saturday, March 12 at 4:00 PM to be held at FCS. This is a major fundraiser with the goal of raising \$4,500 for student enrichment program at FCS. The PTO is inviting local businesses or organizations to contribute to this event with donations of items or gift certificates. If you would like to contribute, please email the PTO at [FSCPTO@gmail.com](mailto:FSCPTO@gmail.com). And also, be sure to attend for a lot fun for a worthy cause!

On Saturday, March 5, 2016, at 7:00 PM, the Ferrisburgh Children's Theater cast of 30 students will be presenting *Wagon Wheels a-Rollin* by Tim Kelly at the Vergennes Union High School auditorium. The story, a fast paced spoof of the Old West, is about the woes that fall upon Chuck's Wagon Train and the hilarious characters who live in tiny town of Vinegar Bottle. The Ferrisburgh Children's Theater, in its 16th year, is a twenty week after-school program for Ferrisburgh students in fifth and sixth grades. The public is warmly invited to come enjoy this well done production! Tickets are available at the door and are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children.

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).