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August 2: First Friday Film Isn't It Romantic? 6:30 PM Bixby

August 3 and 17: Ferrisburgh Grange King Pede card parties 6:30 PM

August 4: Slate Carving Presentation and Demonstration 2:00 PM Rokeby

August 10-11: Wooden Spoon Carving Workshop and Demonstrations Rokeby

August 17: Ferrisburgh Fire Department Chicken BBQ at the Fire Station

August 17-18: Rabble in Arms and Revolution Lake Champlain Maritime Museum

August 18: Pie and Ice Cream Social 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Rokeby

August 24: Contemporary Art Exhibit Opening and Festival 3:00 PM Rokeby

August is here and that means it is time for Ferrisburgh Fire Department's Chicken BBQ Dinner complete with Jerry's Famous Sauce (the recipe being a carefully guarded secret.) The doors open late afternoon on Saturday, August 17 and will close only after all the chicken is devoured! Come and enjoy visiting with your friends and supporting our volunteer fire department.

The "King Pede" card parties as held by the Ferrisburgh Grange are scheduled for the Saturdays of August 3 and 17. 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 Pede 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!

Bixby Library continues with its summer offerings through August with a wide variety of programs for children, youth and adults. Visit their website and FB for information on writing workshops, First Friday Movies, and children's story hours: www.bixbylibrary.org. The Library also has passes for free and reduced costs for admission to many Vermont museums and state parks which is a great offering for the summertime. In addition, the Library is looking for teen and adult volunteers, especially to assist with the circulation desk. Stop in or email Rachel.plant@bixbylibrary.org if you are interested.

Rokeby has an August full of special events in addition to its ongoing offerings of house tours and the exhibit *Free and Safe: The Underground in Vermont*. On Sunday August 4, there will be a lecture and demonstration on slate and slate carving by artist Kerry O. Furlani, an accomplished sculptor who lives in Vermont's Slate Valley, and who trained at the Frink School of Figurative Sculpture, in Stoke-on-Trent, England. Furlani will present at 2:00 PM and give a slate carving demonstration at 3:00 PM. On the weekend of August 10 - 11, Randall Henson will hold a workshop on "green woodworking." Working with birch, Henson will teach participants how to carve spoons using hand tools, including an axe, a Swedish carving knife, and a bent knife. There is a \$150.00 fee for the woodworking sessions and a limit of five participants, so email info@rokeby.org to register. On August 24 at 3:00 PM, Rokeby will open its exhibit entitled *A Contemporary Art at Rokeby Museum*, presenting structures such as barns and houses as a part of the landscape in which we live. Associated with this exhibit, there will be a day

long festival featuring Rokeby Museum Artist Members' work, including an artist market, kids' art making, live demonstrations, and a food truck. For information on all these events, visit www.Rokeby.org.

Rokeby's most well-known event will be the 35th Pie and Ice Cream Social on August 18 from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Come enjoy home-baked fruit pies, Vermont ice-cream, live music, lawn games and special activities for the young and old alike. Raffle prizes and door prizes for best summer hat and best historic or retro apron. Pies have been made at Rokeby since 1793, so choose your special section of history for a costume and join in the fun. Live music from the Shelburne band, the Meat Packers, as well as fiddle music by Young Tradition Vermont.

The Lake Champlain Maritime Museum has a wide array of events and camps for the 2019 Summer-Fall season. Visit their website to learn what exhibitions and workshops are being offered, such as community rowing, wooden boat building, fishing, and bladesmithing. In addition, the full museum campus, with more than a dozen exhibit buildings, will be open to the public through the fall. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum has an incredible variety of special events and programs this summer, in addition to its ongoing exhibits that detail the many aspects of life on Lake Champlain throughout the centuries. The maritime history and nautical archaeology of the Champlain Valley can be experienced through hands-on interactive learning stations, video and audio displays, historical artifacts and images. A favorite offering is the Rabble in Arms weekend on August 17-19. This event recreates events on Lake Champlain during the American Revolution. Visitors can explore a mid-18th century military camp, meet the "crew" of the gunboat in Benedict Arnold's fleet, and see cooking and military drill demonstrations. Spend some time searching through the Museum's website to learn of all the events and opportunities: www.lcmm.org.

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. 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.

