

Fall Newsletter 2013

September 2013



Upcoming Meeting Dates:


- ◆ **Select Board:**
- ◆ 9-17 at 7:00pm
- ◆ 10-15 at 7:00pm
- ◆ **School Board:**
- ◆ 9-24 at 6:00pm
- ◆ 10-22 at 6:00pm
- ◆ **Planning:**
- ◆ 9-3 at 7:00pm
- ◆ 10-1 at 7:00pm

Be sure to "like" Town of Dorset, VT on :

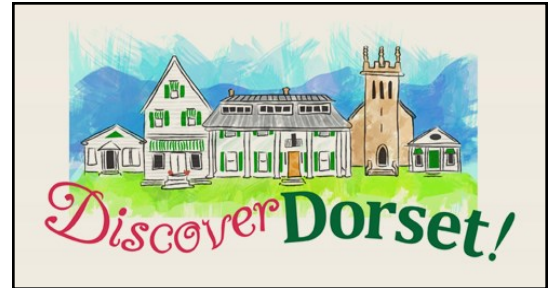


Did you know?

- ◆ Emerald Lake State Park is one of the few State Parks where the day use remains open through Columbus Day. Be sure to visit the Lake this fall when the colors on the mountains begin to change, you won't regret it!


2013 DORSET RESIDENT EMERALD LAKE PARK PASS
Resident Name: _____
Resident Physical Address: _____
Office Use Only:
Staff Initial: _____ Date: _____ Pass #: _____

Discover Dorset Weekend!



You are invited to southern Vermont's most beautiful small village for a fall festival weekend celebrating our arts, history and vibrant small-business community.

September 7 and 8, 2013

Guided walks, talks, craft demonstrations and more!



Stay in one of Dorset's elegant small inns, enjoy locally grown food in quiet surroundings, visit the studios of fine custom furniture makers and artists, learn about gardening, cheese making, pottery design, antique oriental rugs and cap off Saturday evening with music and a picnic (bring your own) on the Dorset Green! (see more on pages 5 & 6)

Dorset's Community Vision:

Interested in the future of Dorset?

Community Vision Meeting:

Tuesday September 3rd 2013

7:00 pm- 9:00 pm

At The Dorset School



Community Vision Meeting being held in conjunction with the 2013 Dorset Planning Grant Study.

Visit: www.dorsetvt.org for more information

The Dorset Village Library

Library Hours: M,W & Fri: 11am to 5pm T, Th & Sat: 10am to 3pm/
www.dorsetlibraryinfo.org 867-5774 dorsetlibrary@aol.com



Mark Tougias at Dorset Library in August

On Saturday, August 3rd, the Dorset Public Library will present artist Mark Tougias at a public reception to view his work and to meet the artist. The reception will be from 11 am to 1 pm with refreshments. All works will be for sale, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit the library. Receiving his first oil paint set at nine years old, artist Mark Tougias has had a love for painting and paintings as far back as he can remember. At about the same time, his father took him to the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts in Massachusetts, the city of his birth, where he saw his first real paintings.

Inspired by the beautiful landscapes of Vermont and upstate New York and by his frequent trips to Europe, Tougias is excited to paint almost any landscape where he can find (or make) a composition. "A strong composition, no matter how simple, real or made up, is of paramount importance to me. With a good composition you have half the battle won."

Tougias has exhibited in over forty galleries throughout New England and has had almost thirty one-man shows. His show at the library will extend through the month of August. For more information, you may contact the library at 867-5774 or visit their website at www.dorsetlibraryinfo.org



PACE IS HERE!



PACE Opening in Vermont - September 1

After years in development, Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) is finally becoming a reality in Vermont! PACE provides financing that help make residential efficiency and renewable projects pay for themselves, with annual energy savings higher than loan payments on qualifying projects. Efficiency Vermont recently announced that starting September 1, they will begin accepting PACE applications from homeowners in towns that have passed PACE at their town meetings – and that includes Dorset and Manchester. Part of the process requires working with a contractor to develop a scope of work for your energy improvement projects, so NOW is a good time to have an energy audit so you are ready to go. PACE financing will be available several times a year, and this first opening will be available for projects completed by December 31, 2013. People who plan to participate in PACE will also want to take advantage of the Home Performance with Energy Star program - you can be eligible for incentives of up to \$2,100 for home energy efficiency projects, and Efficiency Vermont is offering an additional \$500 bonus for all Home Performance projects **completed by December 31, 2013**. You can find all the details of the PACE program at http://www.encyvermont.com/for_my_home/financing_options/ including:

- List of towns that have passed PACE
- Project and homeowner eligibility criteria
- Steps to participate

For more information on PACE you can contact: pace@encyvermont.com or 1-888-921-5990. If you are a Dorset resident, your Town Manager and Energy Committee are also happy to assist you in determining whether PACE could work for you – contact Rob Gaiotti at townmanager@gmail.com, or Jim Salsgiver at jsalsgiver@hotmail.com.

Sign up now to play in the ice & snow!



Dorset residents receive discounts off programming at the **Riley Rink**, including camps and season's passes for skating. Hope to see you when the ice opens up!

JISP 2013: Dorset residents are eligible for a 25% discount off the JISP program and equipment rental fees. Simply sign up and pay for the program and the town will reimburse 25%. JISP is a great asset to our community and we hope all families will consider participating.



[Check out www.dorsetvt.org/recreation.php](http://www.dorsetvt.org/recreation.php) for more info

REMINDER: 2013 SUMMER RECREATION REIMBURSEMENTS
MUST BE SUBMITTED BY NOVEMBER 22nd!

The Dorset School

Welcome to our new classroom teachers!

Middle School Math--Mr. Ray Berumen has a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering from Colorado State University, an MBA in Technology Management from University of Phoenix and his teaching certification through the Vermont TAP program, where he interned at MEMS. He is very pleased to begin his teaching career with us here at The Dorset School.

Grade 5 Math and Science--Mrs. Jennifer Barry is moving this week from Durango Colorado, where she has been teaching fourth and fifth grade. She has her Bachelor's degree from Fort Lewis College in Colorado. Although she has spent time in Colorado, she is originally from New York State and is thrilled to be moving 'home.'

Grade 2--Mrs. Darcy Gibney has a Bachelor's Degree in Education from Colgate University, a Masters Degree in Teaching from Manhattanville College, and several years of experience teaching grades K-5. (Most recently second grade.) She is looking forward to working with our students!

The Dorset School—130 School Drive Dorset, VT 05251—Rosanna Moran, Principal

Volunteers Needed!

We need volunteers for the Hazardous Household Waste Day on **Sat. Oct. 12th from 8am to noon at the Dorset School**. Jobs include: traffic control, attendee registration, collecting donations etc. Call 362-4571 x 3 if interested.

Events & Activities—Saturday, September 7

Time	Map #	Who does it	What's happening	Address
9:00-9:00	1	Somerset Farm	Animals and farmstand open	1430 Route 30
9:00-5:30	20	Mad Tom Orchard	Apple picking	2615 Mad Tom Road, ED
10:00-4:00		Flower Brook Pottery	Decorate your own pottery (fee for pottery)	On the Dorset Green
10:00-4:00	14	Flower Brook Pottery	Jewelers and craftspersons	3210 Route 30
10:00-4:00		Dorset Scavenger Hunt	Dorset Scavenger Hunt	On the Dorset Green
10:00-4:00	2	Various artists	Dorset Artists Yesterday & Today	41 Church Street
10:00-4:00		No-name musicians	No-name musicians	On the Dorset Green
10:00-4:00		Mountain biking info	Mountain biking info	On the Dorset Green
10:00-4:00	3	Black Sheep Yarn	Open studio	25 Stonewall Lane
10:00-4:00	21	Mena Miller Antique Quilts	Open studio	1489 Route 30
10:00-4:00	1	J.K. Adams	"Ask the Chef" pie crust demo	1430 Route 30
10:00-12:00	25	Barrows House	Kids' games on the lawn	3156 Route 30
10:00	22	Mettowee Mill Nursey	Speaker	4977 Route 30
10:00-12:00	13	Dorset Union Store	Lunch & picnic specials	31 Church Street
10:00-5:00	8	Dorset Historical Society	Self-guided tours	Route 30 at Kent Hill Road
10:00	8	Dorset Historical Society	Antique cedar press demo	Route 30 at Kent Hill Road
10:00-4:00	6	Dorset Exchange	Fabulous finds @ reduced rates	3283 Route 30
10:00-6:00	34	Gallery on the Marsh	Open studio	2337 Route 30
10:00-4:00	21	Mena Miller Antique Quilts	Open studio	1489 Route 30
10:00-4:00	3	Black Sheep Yarns	Open studio	25 Stonewall Lane
10:00-4:00	17	In Stitches	Open studio	3041 Route 30
10:00-4:00	35	William Laberge Cabinetmaker	Open studio	5145 Route 30
10:00-4:00	15	Holman Studios	Open studio	171 Dog Patch Lane
11:00	18	Kara Finn	Oriental rug repair demo	3390 Route 30
11:30		Dorset Players	Skits on the green	On the Dorset Green
12:30			Pie contest judging	On the Dorset Green
1:00		Back Road Discovery Tours	Back Road Discovery Tours—\$8 fee for tours	On the Dorset Green
1:00	22	Mettowee Mill Nursey	Demonstration	4977 Route 30
3:00		Back Road Discovery Tours	Back Road Discovery Tours—\$8 fee for tours	On the Dorset Green
3:00		Mountain biking tour	Mountain biking tour from the Dorset Green	On the Dorset Green
3:00	18	Kara Finn	Oriental rug repair demo	3390 Route 30
3:30		Dorset Players	Skits on the green	On the Dorset Green
3:30-4:30	9	Dorset Inn	Cheese tasting	8 Church Street
7:00-10:00		Gold Town	Concert	On the Dorset Green

Events & Activities—Sunday, September 8

Time	Map #	Who does it	What's happening	Address
8:00-11:00	7	Dorset Firehouse	Pancake breakfast	2788 Route 30
9:00-5:30	20	Mad Tom Orchard	Apple picking	2615 Mad Tom Road, ED
10:00-4:00	2	Various artists	Dorset Artists Yesterday & Today	41 Church Street
10:00-6:00	34	Gallery on the Marsh	Open studio	2237 Route 30
10:00-2:00	24	H.N. Williams Store	Farmers' market	2732 Route 30
10:00-5:00	8	Dorset Historical Society	Self-guided tours	Route 30 at Kent Hill Road
2:00-5:00	32	Wilson House	Tours and refreshments	378 Village Street, ED
3:00	12	Dorset Playhouse	"Men in Pumps"	104 Cheney Road
4:00	16	Inn at West View Farm	Meat smoking demo	2928 Route 30

Restaurants in Dorset

25	Barrows House D	3156 Route 30
33	Chanticleer D	8 Road Farm Lane
9	Dorset Inn L & D	8 Church Street
16	Inn at West View Farm L	2928 Route 30
26	Mis Bistro D	3239 Route 30
13	Dorset Union Store L & D to go	31 Church Street
24	H.N. Williams Store B, L, & D to go	2732 Route 30

Inns and B&Bs

25	Barrows House	3156 Route 30
27	Comucopia B&B	3228 Route 30
9	Dorset Inn	8 Church Street
28	Dovetail Inn	3370 Route 30
16	Inn at West View Farm	2928 Route 30
29	Marble Lodge	2123 Route 7
31	Squire House B&B	3395 Dorset West Road



Two September Days Filled with Fun Activities and Events!



DORSET ARTISTS THEN AND NOW

On Dorset Green

An exhibition of treasures from the Dorset Historical Society
and the work of current Dorset artists



Writing Desk-Henry Culver



Church Street-EB Child



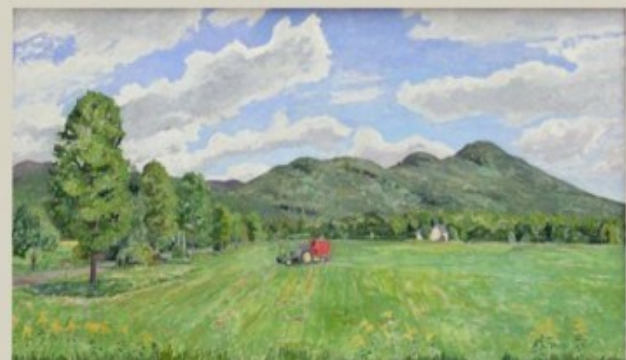
Blue Barn -David Humpreys



Ying Yang Desk-Steve Holman



Mettowee Valley-Georgine MacGarvey



Mt.Aeolus-Peter Salmon

August 1 - September 8 , 2013 Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Sunday 11-6

Opening Reception: Saturday August 10 from 4-6

Town Clerk's Corner

The Town Clerk's Office is responsible for the recording of all land records, maintaining all vital records, supervising elections, issuing fish & wildlife licenses, dog licenses, and renewal of motor vehicle registrations.

Recent Property Transfers (June 2013 to present)

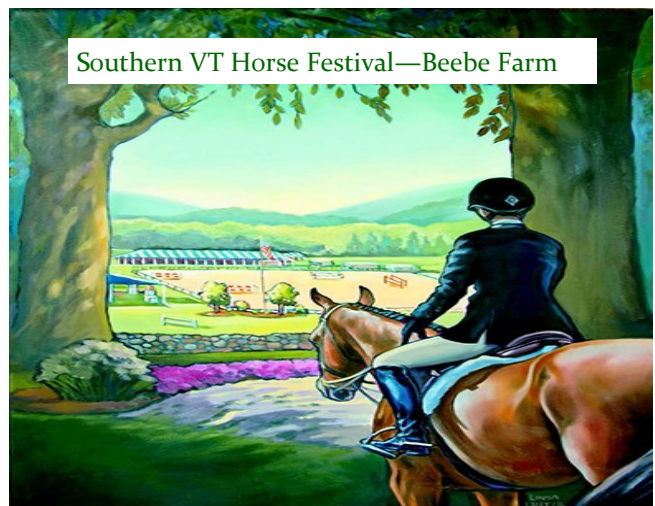
Seller	Buyer:	Address:	Price:	Assessed:
Fitzgerald	Dorset West LLC	1841 Dorset West Rd	\$487,500	\$701,300
Beckwith	McVicker	258 Old Orchard Ln	\$235,000	\$339,300
Rowles	McVicker	256 Old Orchard Ln	\$825,000	\$812,000
Bissell	Sullivan	932 McNamara Rd	\$650,000	\$889,600
Goodfriend	Edwards/Herrick	224 Mad Tom Rd	\$192,000	\$220,100
Hall	Lowberg	1097 Kirby Hollow Rd	\$175,000	\$185,200
Cameron/foreclose	Peoples Bank	35 Benedict Rd South	\$192,000	\$306,400
Altea	Milsom	1060 Upper Hollow Rd.	\$1,300,000	\$1,079,000
Little	Brand	149 Windward Hill	\$1,050,000	\$1,295,000
Riddell	Moody	117 Maple Hill	\$255,000	\$432,500
White	USDA	0 Dorset Hill Rd (land)	\$472,000	\$219,100
Waters	Garay	128 Pleasant Street	\$330,000	\$364,200
Fielding	Towsley	3276 Route 7	\$167,500	\$117,000

Questions? Call 362-4571 x 2 , Sandra Pinsonault, Town Clerk, CMC, CVC

Around Town.....We want your pictures!



Replacing a large culvert on Morse Hill Road



Southern VT Horse Festival—Beebe Farm


Throughout the year we'll be taking pictures to include in the 2012 Town Report, we invite residents to submit pictures to be included in the report & on the town website.

Email pictures to: townmanager@gmail.com or drop at the Town Offices.

Conservation Commission Update:


Recently the Conservation Commission received a \$600.00 grant to replace the signage at Cutler Memorial Forest.

Local stone mason and jack of all trades Greg Easton finished the restorative stone work on the Pinnacle Tower. The project involved removing & repointing much of the top tier of the tower to remediate the damage that freeze & thaw cycles have tolled over the years. Thanks Greg for the outstanding work!

Cutler Memorial Forest
 The property was donated to the Town in 1976 by Mrs. Isabella Cutler, in the early years walking trails were forged and a bridge was built over the Mettawee River. A hike around the park takes from 35-45 minutes and covers both hills and flat ground.
 Open dawn to dusk. Please keep the park clean!

Cutler Memorial Forest



DISCOVER DORSET TRAFFIC CHANGES

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7TH:

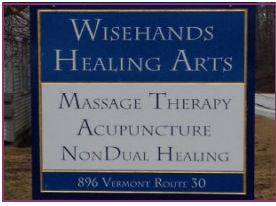


From 6:00pm to 10:15pm the a portion of Church Street along with the intersection of Church Street and Vermont Route 30 will be closed for the “Band & Picnic on the Green” event on Saturday September 7th.

Residents and business patrons will be able to access Church Street residences & businesses via a detour from Meadow Lane to Cheney Road, then back to Church Street.

The roads will be marked and traffic control will be provided by the Town. Questions? Contact the Town Manager’s Office at 362-4571 x 3 or email: townmanager@gmail.com

New Business in Town...



Certified Massage Therapists Carol Kane Neilson, Becky Lee Coleman, and Blake Moran, Brennan Healing Practitioner Dina Bronson, acupuncturist Molly Beverage Lic.Ac. and Shamanic Healer/Animal Communicator Lesley Nase welcome you to come in and experience our warm and relaxing space! We have a large library and regularly take advanced training courses. We are dedicated to our work and it shows.

896 Route 30 Dorset, VT 05251

802-362-3556

www.wisehandsvermont.com

Still time to visit DTF!



CLYBOURNE PARK

Winner of the 2011 Pulitzer Prize and London's Olivier Award for Best Play, *Clybourne Park* is a wickedly funny and fiercely provocative new play about the volatile combination of race and real estate. Act One opens in 1959, as a white couple sells their home to a black family (the Younger family in *A Raisin In the Sun*), causing an uproar in their middle-class neighborhood; Act Two finds the same house, in 2009, changing hands again. While the stakes have changed over the years, the debate remains strikingly similar as neighbors wage a hilarious and horrifying pitched battle over territory and legacy that reveals just how far our ideas about race and gentrification have evolved—or, have they?

"Critic's Pick: A spiky and damningly insightful new comedy" - Ben Brantley, The New York Times Evening Shows: Wednesday through Saturday at 8 pm. Matinees: Wednesdays, Sundays and some Saturdays at 3 pm.

CO-PRODUCTION WITH BARRINGTON STAGE COMPANY

Reminder to Dorset Taxpayers:



PSST!

First installment of property taxes is due:

Tuesday Sept. 10th

Mail payments to

Town Manager's Office:

PO Box 715 East Dorset, VT 05253

Or pay at the Town Offices:

112 Mad Tom Rd. East Dorset, VT

05253

Late payments are subject to interest

Call 362-4571 x 4 with questions.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY WORKSHOPS!

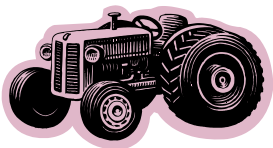
As the fall season approaches, the nonprofit utility Efficiency Vermont is offering several programs to encourage home weatherization, including a series of “skillshops” to teach the basics of home energy improvements. Making the commitment to weatherize your home pays off — the typical homeowner can recoup 10 percent to 15 percent on the initial investment every year. And buildings that are more energy efficient often have a higher value and are easier to sell.

To make home energy improvements easier, Efficiency Vermont now offers a “do-it-yourself” option. This allows homeowners to complete the work on their homes themselves, with proper guidance and checks by qualified contractors.

Here is how the do-it-yourself option works. First, the homeowner gets a professional energy audit performed on the home. Usually a two- to three-hour process, the audit involves a comprehensive evaluation of the energy fitness of the house by a contractor specially certified to do this kind of work. Air leaks are identified by sealing up the house and installing a blower door to depressurize the home. Reducing air leakage in a home is one of the cheapest and easiest ways to save energy. Other tests done as part of the audit include using infrared cameras to detect areas in the walls where there’s not enough insulation, heating system evaluations and other health and safety checks.

The homeowner then undertakes the energy improvements identified in the audit report, choosing to work with a contractor or not at any stage in the process. The contractor conducts a midpoint inspection to ensure quality and answer questions. When the work is done, the contractor does a final test-out to determine the energy savings. The contractor sends the final test-out information to Efficiency Vermont on behalf of homeowners. The do-it-yourself option not only provides the homeowner with the necessary help and training, it also entitles the homeowner to the same level of incentives that Efficiency Vermont offers when a certified contractor performs all of the work on the home. This can add up to \$2,600 in incentives per household to help pay for energy-efficient home improvements completed by Dec. 31.

To learn proper air sealing and insulation techniques, people wishing to do their own home energy improvement work are encouraged to attend a weatherization “skillshop.” Several of these will be offered throughout the state on Saturdays during September and October: **Sept. 14, Burr and Burton Academy, 57 Seminary Ave., Manchester & Sept. 21, Brattleboro Union High School, Fairground Road, Brattleboro.** Each workshop will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The \$25 fee includes lunch. Geared toward individuals with basic skills, these workshops are designed to explain the basics of building science and teach the skills required for specific weatherization tasks. Topics include air-sealing, insulation, attics, basements and windows and doors. **To register, contact Efficiency Vermont at 888-921-5990.**



CALLING ALL TRACTOR ENTHUSIASTS !

3RD ANNUAL DORSET HOLIDAY TRACTOR PARADE

THE PARADE IS HELD IN EARLY DECEMBER, AND THE ROUTE STRETCHES FROM H.N. WILLIAMS STORE TO CHURCH STREET WITH A FEW LOOPS AROUND THE TOWN GREEN THEN BACK TO H.N. WILLIAMS STORE AGAIN. TRACTORS ARE DECORATED WITH HOLIDAY LIGHTS TO WOW THE CROWDS!

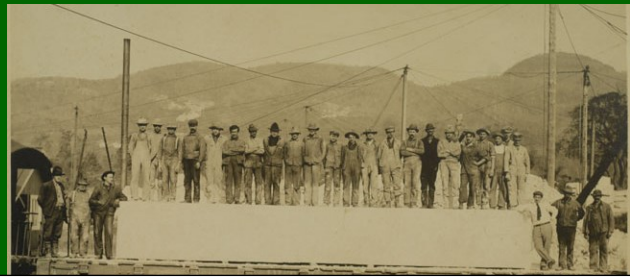
ANYONE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING CAN SEND AN EMAIL TO:

TOWNMANAGER@GMAIL.COM OR MCOOP@JKADAMS.COM OR CALL 362-4571 X 3.

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Quarriers in 1905, standing on a 43-ton block of white marble from the Plateau Quarry in S. Dorset. The block became one of thirteen columns of the D.A. R. Continental Hall building in Washington, D.C.

Fall Events in Dorset



The Dorset Farmers Market is a producer only market located in beautiful Dorset Vermont, we are committed to the following principles grow, create, buy and sell locally. **Be sure to visit the Dorset farmer's market website for more information**

www.dorsetfarmersmarket.com



The Maple Leaf Half Marathon and 5K Run and Fun Walk

The premier half-marathon in Manchester and the Mountains
Saturday September 7th at 8:00am.

The Maple Leaf Half Marathon and 5K will run on Saturday,

September 7, 2013, in beautiful Manchester, Vermont. The organization and amenities are top notch, and the course is scenic and wonderful. There is something for everyone in this rural Vermont classic tour. It is one of those "must do" end of summer races in New England. Manchester, Vermont is a year-round sports and recreation destination in the heart of the Green Mountain National Forest



1st Annual Southern VT Sprint Triathlon

The race begins with an 8 mile bike ride to Emerald Lake State Park followed by a 1/4 mile swim in Emerald Lake. Participants will then ride their bikes back to Hunter Park and finish the race with a 5K starting at Hunter Park, down route 30 and back through the Manchester Rec Park. Event to benefit the Riley Rink, visit www.rileyrink.com for more info.



Aug 1-Sept 8: "Dorset: Then & Now." - a major exhibit of past and present Dorset artists in the Bickford House on the Dorset Green. The "past" part of the exhibit has been installed by the Dorset Historical Society and features dozens of pieces from the DHS' permanent collection.

The "present" part of the exhibit is curated by Dorset artist, Georgine McGarvey, and includes the work of over twenty artists currently working in Dorset, spanning the disciplines of painting, sculpture, fabric art, and furniture. Nancy Howe, Brian Sweetland, Pam Marron, and John Pitcher -- among many others -- represent artists working now.

Sept 19: Archaeological Findings on the Southern Vermont Leg of the Long Trail. Dave Lacey, archaeologist of the Green Mountain National Forest Heritage Program, presenter. (Third Thursday Lunch Program) 12 p.m. Bley House.

Oct 17: The History of The Dorset Colony. Presented by John Nassivera, PhD, theatre producer, retired professor and founder and director of The Dorset Colony, a retreat for professional writers for 1979-2011. (Third Thursday Lunch Program) 12 p.m. Bley House.

Check out the gift shop at the Bely House Museum!

Our 50th Anniversary hand-painted mug for your coffee - only \$20

