

Vermont Country Calendar

KILLINGTON. Horse-Drawn Sleigh and Wagon Rides at the Cortina Inn. 6–8 pm, weather permitting. Fee. Cortina Inn and Resort, 103 Rt. 4. (800) 451-6108, (802) 773-3333. www.cortinainn.com. *Wednesdays and Saturdays through Apr 1.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

MIDDLEBURY. Xuefei Yang Guitar Concert. This young virtuoso plays works by J. S. Bach, Tarrega, Goff, Paganini, Barrios, and Brouwer. 7:30 pm at Mahaney Center for the Arts, 72 Porter Field Rd. Admission. (802) 443-6433. www.middlebury.edu/arts/performing/yang+08.htm.

RUTLAND. Performance. Vermont Actors' Repertory Theatre presents *White Liars/Black Comedy*, a play composed of two theme-related one-acts, by British playwright, Peter Shaffer. Tickets \$18. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0570. www.paramountvt.org. *Also Feb 15, 16.*

WAITSFIELD. St. Valentine's Day Kissing Special. Kiss Your Honey in the ticket booth and ski for just \$14 each. 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Mad River Glen Cooperative Base Area. (802) 496-3551. ski@madriverglen.com. www.madriverglen.com.

WILMINGTON. Valentine's Day Sleigh Ride! Bundle up with your sweetheart and join a sleigh ride to a log cabin in the woods to listen to love songs on the player piano. Call for tickets and to reserve. Adams Farm, 15 Higley Hill Rd. (802) 464-3762. www.adamsfamilyfarm.com.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

BARRE. Irish Fiddle Workshop. Led by Mairéad Ní Mhaonaigh and Ciarán Tourish. For intermediate to advanced players, focusing on Irish style and repertoire. Fee: \$20. 3:30–5 pm at City Hall. mrksustc@together.net. www.barreoperahouse.org.

BARRE. Concert. Altan performs at 8 pm. Barre Opera House. (802) 476-8188. www.barreoperahouse.org.

BELLOWS FALLS. Third Friday Art Walk. Stores and galleries in town and in the surrounding area host special exhibits and events. 5–8 pm. (802) 463-9404. www.villagesquarebooks.com.

BRATTLEBORO. Slide Talk: "Seeing Climate Change." Dr. Gavin Schmidt, of the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies, will present images that document climate change. 7:30 pm. Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

COLCHESTER. English Country Dance. Live music. 7–9:30 pm at the Elley-Long Music Center. For info contact Val Medve (802) 899-2378 or valandtom@together.net.

DANBY. Valentines Belly Dance Weekend. Romantic weekend getaway. Silas Griffith Inn, 178 South Main Street. For prices and reservations call (888) 509-4660. stay@silasgriffith.com. www.silasgriffith.com. *Through February 17.*

KILLINGTON. Ice Skating at the Cortina Inn. Join us for ice skating on the Cortina Pond. Admission. 1–9 pm at Cortina Inn and Resort, 103 US Rt. 4. (802) 773-3333 x 350. cortina1@aol.com. www.cortinainn.com. *Fri–Sun through March 15.*

POULTNEY. Torchlight Snowmobile Parade and Spaghetti Supper. Adult tickets are \$6, seniors \$5, children 6–12 \$3, and children 5 and under \$2. 5–7 pm at the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church, 108 Main St. Torchlight parade down Main St. at 6:30. (802) 287-2010. www.poultneysnowdevils.com.

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SOUTH BURLINGTON. Valentine's Latin Dance Party. Free Salsa and Merengue Dance Lesson. 8 pm at Higher Ground. (802) 862-5082. www.hermanosproductions.com.

WOODSTOCK. Contra Dance. Delia Clark, caller, with the Old Sam Peabody Band. 5:30 pm dinner, 6:30 pm family dance, 7:30 pm break and potluck dessert. 8–11 pm dance. Bring a pair of clean soft-soled shoes. At the Little Theater. For more info contact Steve Hoffman (802) 785-4039 or Jed Dickinson (802) 457-1807. *Continue on third Fridays.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

BENNINGTON. Art Workshop: Charles Burchfield, a "Sense-sational" Artist. Teacher Dr. Russell Housman focuses on the drawing and watercolor techniques of American master Charles Burchfield (1893-1967), who is famous for the way he attempted to render sound visually. Fee \$15 which includes materials. 2 pm at Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. sstrano@benningtonmuseum.org. www.benningtonmuseum.org.

BRANDON. French Roundtable. Meet and practice your French speaking. Everyone and any ability welcome. 9:30 am. Meets weekly. Briggs Carriage Bookstore, 16 Park St. (802) 247-0050. www.briggscarriage.com.

BRANDON. Concert. Local singer-songwriters Beth and Larry Welton perform a mixed bag of old and new folk-blues music. 7 pm. Briggs Carriage Bookstore, 16 Park St. (802) 247-0050. books@briggscarriage.com. www.briggscarriage.com.

BRATTLEBORO. Winter Farmer's Market. Local foods, eggs, locally-raised grass-fed meat, cider, baked goods, local preserves, hand-made soaps, jewelry, pottery, chair massage and much more. Shop, and enjoy lunch with live music by Andrew Donovan from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Fruit and vegetable carving demonstration by Tukta B. Long combining this traditional Thai art with the Japanese art of Ikebana. Sponsored by Post Oil Solutions. 10 am – 3 pm at the Robert H. Gibson River Garden. (802) 869-2141. www.postoilsolutions.org. *Also Mar 15.*

BURLINGTON. 2nd Annual King Street Youth Center Talent Extravaganza. An afternoon of music and fun. 2 pm. Contois Auditorium, Burlington City Hall. Admission. (802) 862-6736. kingstreetyouth.org.

CASTLETON. 30th Annual Lake Bomoseen Ice Fishing Derby. Sponsored by the Castleton Lions Club. Derby headquarters will be located at Crystal Beach, on Route 30 in Castleton. Four categories: northern pike, bass, trout and perch. Cash prizes and door prizes. Tickets for participants are \$15. For tickets call Tom's Bait and Tackle at (802) 265-8654.

CHESTER. Chester Winter Carnival. Breakfast 7–10 am at Masonic Temple. At Pinnacle: 11 am inner tube races, 12 noon snow shoe races, 1 pm rail jam competition. Winter Carnival Dinner 5–7 pm at American Legion. Taylor 2 Dance Troupe performance at 7:30 pm at GMUHS Auditorium. Fun for all ages. (802) 875-2693. cheshdwre@vermontel.net. *Also February 17*

EAST CHARLESTON. Winter Tracking in Victory Basin. Join NorthWoods and wildlife researcher, tracker and nature photographer Tim Sullivan as we look for wildlife tracks along the meandering rivers, wetlands, and forests of this fascinating ecosystem. Fee: \$10 suggested donation, snowshoe rentals \$5. 9 am – 2:30 pm. Meet at NorthWoods at 9 am or Victory Basin at 10 am. NorthWoods Stewardship Center, 154 Leadership Dr. (802) 723-6551. melissa@northwoodscenter.org. www.northwoodscenter.org.

ESSEX JUNCTION. Vermont Boat & Marine Show. This event is sure to turn your thoughts to warmer weather and conjure visions of Vermont's beautiful lakes. Admission. 10 am – 9 pm, Sun 10 am – 5 pm. The Robert E. Miller Expo Centre, Champlain Valley Exposition. (800) 542-6017. *Also February 17.*

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THE IRISH ROVERS

Saturday, March 15, 8pm

Tickets: \$25-\$30

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