

The Phillips Area Vitalizer

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Phillips Gets a Jam Session

Want to enjoy a little old-fashioned pickin' and singin'? This past Sunday, Kathy Card brought her guitar and mandolin to the Little White Church for a little of both. Kathy expects to keep jammin' all summer and invites anyone who wants to join in to bring their instruments (string instruments only) and singing voices – or just their ears for listenin' – from 2 to 4 on Sundays.

Kathy is originally from Maine but lately has been living in Florida. This year, though, she's found a place to stay in Madrid (away from Florida's summer heat) and wants to play a little "newgrass, bluegrass, Americana, celtic, and classic country" tunes. On sunny afternoons the jammin' will be on the deck Todd Olson has newly refurbished and on hot or rainy days the music will be inside in the Eats & Treats Cafe.

All are welcome, she says, and people are definitely invited to bring their instruments and join the jam. There's no charge to show up, either for those pickin' or for those just a-listenin'. For more information call the LWC at 639-2885.

195th Army National Guard Band at the PACC

Phillips is becoming a musical town and on Sunday, July 2, the sound gets even bigger when some 30 musicians from the Army National Guard band play at the Phillips Area Community Center (PACC). Billed as a celebration of the birthday of our nation, the event is sponsored by the PACC and the American Legion Post 64.

The Bangor-based 195th Concert Band showcases a repertoire ranging from military marches to wind band works, Broadway medleys and popular tunes, as well as featuring soloists from within the band. Consisting of musicians from various backgrounds and hometowns across Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, all are part-time Army National Guard soldiers who have other full-time occupations, ranging from teachers and retail business managers to college students, a nurse, a physical therapist, and other occupations.

The pre-4th of July concert on Sunday begins at 1 pm and is free. Light snacks will be for sale.

Phillips Farmers Market Ramps up its Offerings

With each passing weekend the availability of produce at the Farmers Market grows. Island Farm, will add grass fed ground beef to its products beginning this coming Saturday, more local honey arrived this past week, and a new vendor, Anna Plog's Kitchen Garden Farm, has recently joined the market, adding several new offerings.

Anna brings a variety of products for market shoppers: vegetables throughout the season (currently herbs and an array of salad greens, with more to come as the season advances); flower bouquets; baskets, craft items, including knits; hand creams and a home-made remedy for bug bites; and more.

Vitalizer Gets New Sponsor

Many thanks to the town of Phillips for bearing the cost of printing this paper for the past five years.

**We now have a new sponsor,
the Sandy River Business**

The Market also sells Sandy River Garden perennials, eggs, pies, quiche, bread and other baked goods, jams, jellies, relishes, baked beans, maple syrup, and Winona's popular popovers. This and more can all be found at the Phillips Farmers Market at the American Legion building on Depot Street - open on Saturdays from 9 to 1 through September. New vendors are always welcome.

News Briefs & Updates . . .

Find Phill: Phillips Phill's Phildren will be hiding in several area businesses this coming weekend, July 1 & 2. For each little troll you find you become eligible to win 50 Phill bucks, good for \$50 real buck purchases at participating businesses. Look for participants on posters around town or call Becky at 639-2885 for more info.

Flea and Craft Markets at the Phillips Area Community Center will continue on the first Saturday of the month (July 1) through September. Note new hours: 9 to 1.

New Business: At its June meeting the Planning Board approved a business application for Dark Star Fabrics. The business will be at 30 Main Street and is expected to open in September.

The SRBA's Monthly Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 19, at the Shadagee Common Room. The Sandy River Business Association's meeting begins at 6 pm and is open to all.

The Annual Meeting of the Phillips Area Community Center will be held at the PACC on Sunday, July 9, beginning at noon. All are welcome to the meeting and potluck lunch; bring a dish to share.

Reeds Mill Church Begins Summer Services at 2 pm on July 2, ending on August 27 with Old Home Sunday. **A list of speakers for the summer:** July 2, Rev. David Smith; July 9 – Andrew Neal; July 16 – Rev. Doug Dunlap; July 23 – Russ Karvonen; July 30 – Carl Beu; Aug. 6 – Rev. Rick Dubuc; Aug. 13 – Rev. Susan Teirney; Aug. 20 – Mike Senecal; Aug. 27 – Rev. John Gensel. Also, on August 27 there will be an Old Home Day Picnic at noon, with the service at 1 pm.

The Phillips Historical Society's Vose House Museum is open the first and third Sundays of the month, throughout the summer, from 1 to 3. Come and visit the new displays.

Blood Drive: Mark your calendars for July 28. On that date the PACC will host a Red Cross Blood Drive. Appointments are encouraged, but no one will be turned away or have to wait very long.

Meeting and Event Schedule . . .

June 27 - Selectmen meet, Tuesday, 6 pm, Town Office

July 2 - Army Band Concert at the PACC, Sunday, 1 pm, free admission

July 10 - Phillips Planning Board meets Monday, 6 pm, at the Town Office

July 11 - Selectmen meet Tuesday, 6 pm, Town Office

July 13 - The Irish band Runa plays at the PACC, Thursday, 7 pm

July 13 - Chamber of Commerce meets, Thursday, 6 pm, Shadagee Common Room

July 19 - Sandy River Business Association meets, Wednesday, 6 pm, Shadagee Common Room



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