

The Phillips Area Vitalizer

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Busy Weekend on Tap in Phillips

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Looks like Spring is finally catching hold and this coming weekend, May 5 thru 7, looks to be a busy time, with no fewer than four local events set for Saturday, May 6.

Benefit for Marie Pillsbury

The Phillips Community Church and the Strong Church of the Nazarene will host a pot-luck lunch and live auction at the Avon Town House on Saturday, May 6, with lunch at 1 pm and the auction - with Tom Saviello as caller - to follow at 2. The event will help Marie with home modifications and medical needs as she works toward recovery. Marie had a complete knee replacement late last year and was recovering nicely when she broke her other leg a few weeks ago.

A food sale table will be open throughout the day. Auction items are still needed and can be dropped off at the Mt. Blue Water District office in Phillips. For more information, call Barb Gardiner at 684-3394 or Carol Rogers at 670-8527. You may also help Marie by contributing to the GoFundMe for Marie's Recovery at <https://www.gofundme.com/marie-pillsburys-recovery>.

Library Auction Drawing

The Phillips Public Library will hold its auction ticket drawing at the library on Saturday, May 6. Tickets for the auction (formerly called the "Penny Auction") can still be purchased through Friday this week during the hours the library is open.

Concert at the PACC

Matthew Byrne, a traditional singer and guitarist from Newfoundland, will perform at the Phillips Area Community Center on Saturday, May 6, beginning at 7 pm. His performance in Phillips will be Byrne's only appearance in Maine. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for children.

Outdoor Days at the Fox

Fox Carlton Pond Sporting Camps has set May 5, 6, and 7 as Outdoor Days, which includes a fly-fishing clinic, a "Hammock Hanging" weekend, a map and compass course, a Saturday Pickle Ball Clinic and other events. In addition, the event will feature a number of vendors. Local vendors – both businesses and non-profit organizations – are invited to set up, and host Jon Pound will offer two free tables to each participant. If you'd like to have a vendor presence, call Jon at 491-5865 or 639-2538. For more information, check out www.foxcarltonpond.com.

Historical Society Launches Season

The Phillips Historical Society will be open from 1 to 3 pm on the first and third Sundays of the month through October. The Opening Day for the 2017 season is this Sunday, May 7.

Golf at Justafield

Justafield's weekly Sunday Golf will begin at 10 on Sunday, May 7. All are welcome; clubs are not needed and can be provided.

A Quest for Cupolas Turns up 31 . . . and Counting

In case you missed it, this week's issue of the *Mountain Messenger* printed photos of four cupolas in Phillips on its front page – the first of an eight-week series that will print 31 photos in all.

The photos were taken by Mac Smith as part of a quest cooked up by him and Winona Davenport. Over a period of several weeks, the two of them searched out cupolas all over town (21 of them within walking distance of the downtown, they say), with Mac taking pictures of each one they found. When Winona showed them to an editor of the *Mountain Messenger*, the weekly paper asked if they could print them all – a few at a time.

But whose cupolas are they and where are they located? That suggested a guessing game and to that end, Mac and Winona placed large posters in Phillips Hardware and The Local Bull containing photos of all 31 roof toppers . . . and have challenged people to do two things: Guess the correct locations of the cupolas on the posters, and find any that they missed during their search. In the first instance, the top 10 people who find the most correct locations will get a free breakfast sandwich at The Local Bull; in the second instance, anyone who finds a cupola that isn't currently posted, and correctly identifies its location, will win \$5. (If more than one person finds the same cupola, the first person only will receive the prize.) As of this publication, two additional cupolas have been identified, both by Gunnar Olson, Jr.

Anyone who wants to participate should give their "guesses" or "finds" to either Mac Smith or Winona Davenport. If they wish to call, Mac's number is 639-2067 and Winona's is 639-4296.

News Briefs & Updates . . .

High End Sale: The Phillips Area Community Center (PACC) will host its first-ever "High End" sale on Saturday, May 13, from 9 to 3. Vendors will bring quality items to the PACC and prices will range from a minimum of \$10 to a maximum of \$1,000. Though a host of vendors have already signed up to take part, there's still room for a few more. Anyone interested in setting up a space should contact Winona Davenport at 639-4296. No shoppers will be admitted before 9 am. Photos of some of the items for sale are posted on the PACC's web site. Check www.phillipspacc.org.

Star Barn Yoga: Ginni Robie is offering Beginner/Continuing Beginner level Hatha classes, focusing on increasing flexibility, strength & balance through gentle stretching. Yoga classes began on Tuesday, April 4, and attendance at all classes not required. The class runs through May 23 so it's not too late to take part. Cost of attendance is by donation. For more info: www.Starbarnyoga.com, or call Ginni at 207-639-2713.

A Winnie the Pooh Teddy Bear Picnic will be held at the library on Saturday, May 6, starting at 10:30 a.m. Bring your favorite stuffed animal. The picnic will include stories, games, refreshments and a Winnie the Pooh movie.

Field Trip: On Saturday, May 20, the Historical Society will sponsor a field trip to Daggett Rock. The trip will be led by Andrea Nurse, paleoecologist at the University of Maine's Climate Change Institute. Participants will meet at the Historical Society Museum at 1 pm to car pool to Daggett Rock. The group will view glacial landscape features and discuss land use changes since the late 1800's. The trip is free to PHS members and students, with a \$5 requested donation for non-members.

Library Meeting: The Phillips Public Library will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, May 13, at 10 a.m. The meeting is open to the public. For more upcoming events, check out the library's newsletter, available at the library's front desk.

Community Fiber Gatherings begin May 9 and will continue on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, from 1 to 3 pm, at the Community House on Main St. Do you knit, crochet, spin, weave, sew, make lace, or engage in other handcrafts? All are welcome. For more information call Kate Dunham at 639-2012 or Susan Randow at 500-1418.

Poker Tourney: Texas Hold-em poker tournaments are held at the American Legion on the first and third Fridays of each month. Play begins at 6pm "sharp." Hot dogs and cookies will be available.

Sammie Angel will present a "Dance to your Favorites" show at the PACC on Saturday, May 20, at 7 pm. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students.

Book Discussion: Among the Shadows, a novel by Bruce Coffin, will be the subject of a book discussion at the library on Saturday, May 27, at 10 am. Coffin will also discuss his book in the library conference room on Saturday, June 3, at 11:15, following the 5K race.

Welcome to Summer: Mark your calendars. The SRBA's fifth annual Welcome to Summer event will be held on June 3 & 4. Watch the *Vitalizer* for a listing of events.

Openings: Little White Church Antiques will open its 2017 season on May 17. Creative Collections will launch its season opening during Welcome to Summer, June 3 & 4.

Meeting and Event Schedule . . .

- May 2** - The PACC board will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, 4:30 pm, at the PACC
- May 6** - Matthew Byrne from Newfoundland will present music at the PACC, Saturday at 7 pm
- May 8** - Phillips Planning Board meets, second Monday of the month, 6 pm, Town Office
- May 9** - Selectmen meet, Tuesday, 6 pm, Town Office
- May 11** - Chamber of Commerce meets, Thursday, 6 pm, Shadagee Common Room
- May 13** - High End Sale at the PACC, Saturday, 9 to 3
- May 17** - Sandy River Business Association meets, Wednesday, 6 pm, Shadagee Common Room
- May 20** - Sammie Angel will play at the PACC on Saturday, 7 pm
- May 23** - Selectmen meet, Tuesday, 6 pm, Town Office

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