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About Town:

D Acres of New Hampshire: 218 Streeter Woods Rd., Dorchester. 786-2366, info@dacres.org. Call or visit web site for many other workshops and events all year.

Community Events:

New Moon Reiki Shares: Free and open to the public! Join our circle of Reiki practitioners and community members to participate in this relaxing, restorative healing art. No prior experience with or knowledge of Reiki is necessary.

Yoga Nights: Wed., 6:30-7:45pm with Sarah Hall. Suggested donation is \$5-\$10, sliding scale.

Open Mic Nights: Sept. 25, Oct. 30, Nov. 27, Dec. 25. We welcome local musicians, poets and writers to share their talents on the last Fri. of each month, 8-10pm scheduled; 10pm-12am, open jam.

Writing Workshop with Ivy Page: Sept. 26, Oct. 31, Nov. 28, Dec. 26, 10am-12pm. \$15. Our writing group meets monthly. Regular participants work to discover or improve creative writing talents in a supportive, encouraging environment through the use of writing prompts, skills building and group critique. All levels and styles are welcome.

Volunteer Days: Sept. 27, Oct. 25, 10am-4pm. Get your hands dirty working in the gardens, on the trails, or building with earthen materials with the D Acres crew. A hearty lunch is included! Please call.

First Friday Pizza and a Movie: Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4, 5:30-7pm, pizza, \$10. All you can eat! Films start at 7pm and are free! Wood fired whole-wheat pizza followed by a film selected to raise social and environmental consciousness.

Farm Feast Breakfast & Open House/Open Trails: Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6, 10am-1pm. All-You-Should-Eat breakfast featuring pancakes made with local flour, NH maple syrup, local free-range eggs, meat potatoes, greens and fair-trade coffee from Café Monte Alto, Plymouth. Suggested donation is \$10 adults and \$5 kids. Work off your indulgence with a tour of the working, organic farm. Come by at 1pm for the Open House tour.

Community Potlucks: Nov. 1, Dec. 4, 20, 6-9pm. Join your neighbors in a monthly celebration of community and great food. Bring a dish to share.

Cathedral of the Pines Events: 10 Hale Hill Rd., Rindge. 899-3300, 866-229-4520, www.cathedralofthepines.org.

Sept. 27: 4pm. Blessing of the Animals-in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals.

Crafts at the Warner House Museum: 150 Daniel St., Portsmouth. Summer. The Warner House, an historic house museum circa 1716, offers free craft demonstrations in the garden during the season, mid-June through mid-Oct. Please check our web site for up to date information on all our programs. 436-5909, info@warnerhouse.org, www.warnerhouse.org.

School Tours: Carrier Orchards, 9 Peaslee Rd., Merrimack. Oct., 9am-3pm, Mon.-Fri. School tours via tractor and wagon ride of apple orchard during Sept. and Oct. Pick an apple and learn about farming apples. See how apple cider is made and how apples are graded. Enjoy a glass of cider! Tour takes about one hour and cost is \$1/person. 881-8864, currierstore@cs.com.

7th Annual Schnitzelfest: Downtown Hillsborough. Sat., Sept. 26, 11am-5pm. Enjoy the most authentic German food outside Germany: Schnitzel, Bratwurst, wieners, homemade German potato salad, sauerkraut, breads, desserts, beer and wine. Live Um-Pah music, crafters and souvenirs. Free admission. Under the tents, rain or shine. 464-5858, hcofc@conknet.com, www.hillsboroughnhchamber.com.

8th Annual McAlister Farm Show: Second NH Tnpk., off Rt. 202, Deering. Oct. 3, 9am-5pm, (set up on Fri.) Display and demonstration of antique gas and steam farm engines, old chain saws, old farm tractors, and antique autos and trucks. Food available on the grounds. Spectator fee \$3 each. 878-2845, evenings.

Marlow Harvest Festival: Marlow Village, Rt. 123. Oct. 4, 9am-3pm. Harvest festival and apple pie sale, art exhibit, entertainment, crafts, flea market, chicken barbecue, food concessions and historical exhibit. 446-7044.

Maxfield Parrish Vintage Print & Collectible Sale: Plainfield Town Hall, Rt. 12A. Oct. 10-11, 10am-5pm. Sale and exhibit of vintage and modern reproductions of art by American artist Maxfield Parrish. Related Parrish items also on sale: books, ephemera, etc. View the stage set and lighting designed by Parrish in 1916. 675-6866, plfdlib@mvgalaxy.com.

Giant Pumpkin Weigh-off and Regatta: Goffstown. Oct. 17-18. Goffstown Main Street hosts NH Giant Pumpkin Growers Association's state weigh-off followed by annual regatta. Pumpkin catapulting, cook-off, art exhibit, pumpkin drop, talent competition, games, food and more! Call for details, 497-9933, gmstp@verizon.net, www.goffstownmainstreet.org.

Annual Holiday Bazaar: Fellowship Hall, Rt. 63, Westmoreland, village common. Nov. 21, 9am-2pm. Offering home-made crafts, ornaments, baked goods, greenery, decorations, plants and luncheon from 11am-1pm. 399-4880,

www.westmorelandunitedchurch.org.

Friday Night Under the Lights: Goffstown. Dec. 4, 5-8pm. Goffstown Main Street celebrates the holidays with traditional tree-lighting, visits with Santa, hayride, open houses, caroling. 497-9933, gmsp@verizon.net, www.goffstownmainstreet.org.

Winter Carnival and Ice Harvesting: Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm, Tamworth. Feb. 13, 2010, 10am-12pm. Help cut ice on Remick Pond. Watch steers haul ice to the ice house. Take a horse drawn sleigh ride. There are dog sled rides for children. Try your hand in our snowball throwing contest or snowshoe obstacle course. See exhibits on ice harvesting and on local dog sled history. Winter fun for all! 323-7591, 800-686-6117, info@remickmuseum.org, www.remickmuseum.org.

Agricultural Fairs:

The Rochester Fair: Rochester. Sept. 18-27. Don't miss the 134th annual Rochester Fair! Livestock shows, motor sports, Demolition Derby, huge hall of exhibits and of course midway rides and the famous fair foods! 332-6585, www.rochesterfair.com.

Deerfield Fair: Deerfield. Oct. 1-4. The Deerfield Fair is an agricultural family fair. We feature exhibits, animal shows and events, varied entertainment, food, amusement rides and vendors selling a variety of goods. We have acres of free parking, so come visit us for a day or for all four days. 463-7421, deerfieldfair@deerfieldfair.com, www.deerfieldfair.com.

The Sandwich Fair: Center Sandwich. Oct. 10-12, 8am-dusk. The last fair of the season and one of the oldest three day agricultural fairs in NH. This fair is always held on Columbus Day weekend and is a wonderful family-friendly fair. This exciting country fair has something for everyone, young or old. Right at the peak of the foliage season it is a great way to spend a day or three! 284-7062, sfa@ttlc.net, www.thesandwichfair.com.

Arts & Crafts:

Valley Artisans Open Houses 2009: 10 Goboro Rd., Epsom. Oct. 10-11, Dec. 5-6, 10am-6pm. Our two day open houses are highlighted with home baked confections, cold or hot mulled cider. Each month we have an "Artisan of the Month," who donates one of their fabulous creations for a free raffle. We have over 40 juried members and consignors. Come and shop! 736-8200, mail@valleyartisansnh.com, www.valleyartisansnh.com.

Farms of Distinction:

In 1997, the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food introduced a program recognizing those farms that make an extra effort to keep their busy farm stands neat and attractive. The New Hampshire Farms of Distinction program honors have been awarded to over 110 farms to date. Each farm displays an attractive Farms of Distinction sign. For more information about the NH Farms of Distinction program contact the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food at 271-3788.

To view a list of all of the NH Farms of Distinction visit: www.agriculture.nh.gov or call 271-3788 for a list.

Gardens:

UNH Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners: 200 Bedford St., Manchester. All year, Monday-Friday, 9am-2pm; Wednesday evenings, 5-7:30pm. The family, home and garden education center provides practical solutions to everyday questions for the citizens of NH. It is staffed by professionals and intensively trained volunteers who are available to answer your questions about gardens, lawns and landscapes, fruits and vegetables, pest problems, household food safety and food preservation, tree planting and care, backyard livestock and more. We offer written information, programs or referrals on family finances, nutrition, parenting and child development, and 4-H youth development. 1-877-398-4769, answers@unh.edu.

Amazing Flower Farm Events: 202 Poor Farm Rd., New Ipswich. 878-9876, lynn.ara@gmail.com, www.amazingflowerfarm.com.

Getting the Most Out of Your Garden: Putting Up Food: Jan. 23, 2010, 1:30pm. Forum for gardeners on harvesting and preserving food. Includes topics like how to deal with overabundance of tomatoes, recipes for yellow cucumbers, dilly beans, salsas, pestos, freezing fruits, storing onions, etc. Panelists include local gardeners with years of experience. Admission \$3. Handouts included.

Getting the Most Out of Your Garden: Labor Saving Techniques: Jan. 30, 2010, 1:30pm. Explore methods of cutting down on labor and increasing yields in environmentally friendly ways. Includes pros and cons of different mulches, companion planting, row covering, fertilizing, pest control. How to get results on a budget. Handouts including lists of resources. Admission \$3. Hosts include lifelong organic gardeners.

Getting the Most Out of Your Garden: Keep Vermin Out: Feb. 6, 2010, 1:30pm. How to deal with the animals

invading your garden. How to identify the damage caused by deer, woodchucks, chipmunks, mice and voles, birds; repellent and control techniques that work and that do not. Includes handouts. Admission \$3.

Pansy Party: Mar. 20, 2010, 1:30pm. Celebrate the first day of spring with our Pansy Party. Leave weary winter outside and join us in the greenhouse potting up pansy containers. Bring your container home or leave it at the greenhouse to grow on. Admission \$7, includes 6 inch container, plants, soil, fertilizer and how to and care tips.

Beans & Greens Farmstand: 245 Intervale Rd., Gilford. May 1-Oct. 30, 9am-6pm. Wander around the cut your own flower and herb gardens, through greenhouses and perennial plantings. Enjoy the water garden and koi pond. 293-2853, beansandgreensfarm@msn.com, www.beansandgreensfarm.com.

Pleasant View Gardens-Proven Winners Display Garden: 7316 Pleasant St., Loudon. Aug. 8-Oct. 18, 8am-dusk. Stroll our display gardens and discover over 100 new Proven Winners and Proven Selections varieties planted in baskets, containers and in the ground. Over 400 additional varieties are orchestrated in dramatic lush displays. We have grown hundreds of baskets, combination pots and window boxes for ideas and inspiration, so don't forget your camera. 435-8361, jims@pwpvpg.com, www.provenwinners.com.

Hay & Sleigh Rides:

Tractor Drawn Hay Ride: Huntoon Farm, Danbury. Summer-Fall, call for reservation. Tractor drawn hay ride through the woods and fields of our five generation family farm. 768-5579, PDSprague@nhvt.net.

Pumpkin Patch Hayrides: Emery Farm, 135 Piscataqua Rd., Durham. Mid-Sept.-end of Oct., 12-4pm, Sat. & Sun. Hayrides through the woods to a pumpkin patch where you can choose a pumpkin. Woods are decorated with many fun and spooky characters along the way. 742-8495.

Haunted Hay Rides: Thyme & Ewe Farm, 688 Chestnut St., Claremont. Oct. 16-18, 23-25, 29-31, 7pm, 7:30pm, 8pm, 8:30pm. Our famous haunted hay rides through the woods. This year's theme, "The Haunted Circus." Plenty of ghoulies and ghosties in the offering. Admission \$5 per person. Reservations strongly suggested. 542-1746, poisson-sheep1@aol.com, www.thymeandewefarm.com.

Livestock:

Beans & Greens Farmstand: 245 Intervale Rd., Gilford. Visit any day of the season! Farm animals to visit include pigs, goats, calves, chickens and ducks. Great for families and school groups. Free admission. 293-2853, beansandgreensfarm@msn.com, www.beansandgreensfarm.com.

Mirage Alpacas Free Saturday Farm Tours: 232 Lempster Mountain Rd., Washington. Every Sat., 10am-4pm, weather permitting. Pack your picnic lunch and dine with Mirage's Alpacas mini donkeys, horses, angora goats, sheep and poultry! Visit the spinning and weaving room and/or gift shop featuring natural fibers from our livestock, free farm tours, or treat yourself to a self-guided tour along numerous paths. School tours available. Wool Arts Tour participant, Columbus Day weekend (Oct. 10-12). 495-3435, miragealpacas@gsinet.net, www.miragealpacas.com.

Cicely Farm Llama Adventures: Concord. April-Nov., by appointment. Learn about llamas and alpacas through hands-on experience. Visit them in our barn or hike with them on our wooded trails. Barn visits, 1 hour, \$10/adult, \$5/child 5-16. Hikes, 3 hours, \$35/adult, \$15/child. Younger children free when accompanied by an adult. 783-9982, cicely.farmer@comcast.net, www.NHMade.com search for "Llama".

Farm Tours: Wonder Fall Farm, 144 Gingerbread Rd., Easton. Ongoing, May-Oct., 11am-6pm, or by appointment; Nov.-April, 11am-4pm; closed Mon. & Tues. Learn about Myotonic fainting goats, llamas, chickens, guinea hens, farm store. 823-8003, marlamoo@hughes.net, www.wonderfallfarm.com.

Farm & Animals: Dimond Hill Farm, 314 Hopkinton Rd., Concord. June 15-Oct. 31, 10am-5pm, daily. Come see our healthy animals: llamas, pigs, horses, chickens and sheep. While visiting, shop our farm stand located in the 1800s barn, gorgeous view of Concord. Here you can purchase our own grown vegetables and New England's premiere products. 224-0602, Jane.Presby@dimondhillfarm.com, www.dimondhillfarm.com.

Someday Farm Events: 65 Pickard Rd., Canterbury. 783-9436, somedayfarm@aol.com, www.somedayfarm.com

National Alpaca Farm Day: Sept. 26-27, 10am-3pm. Come visit the farm, Governor Lynch has proclaimed this day in NH the National Alpaca Farm Day. Learn about alpacas, the alpaca lifestyle, small NH farming, fiber demonstrations, spinning, knitting, weaving, shop in our farm store, take our barn tour and new walking tour. A great family farm day!

Alpaca Holiday Tour: Nov. 27-29, Dec. 5-6, 10am-4pm. In the spirit of the holiday season, we invite you to visit our farm. Sip hot cider and homemade snacks, enjoy holiday shopping in our festive barn store. Feed dwarf goats, visit the alpacas, the beautiful creatures that provide this wonderful fiber. Peruvian-handmade hats, socks, gloves, fleece, yarns and more! NH made and homemade on our farm, products and gifts!

Wool Arts Tour: Monadnock Region of NH. Oct. 11-12, 9am-5pm. A guided tour of sheep farms in the Monadnock

Region, with demonstrations of fiber related activities at each farm. Many hand woven, hand spun and hank knit items for sale, as well as, fiber animals, sheep, goats and alpacas to watch and learn about. 588-6637.

Maze Fun:

Beech Hill Farm Corn Mazes: 107 Beech Hill Rd., Hopkinton. Aug. 1-Oct. 31, 11am-dusk. Three fabulous fun and entertaining mazes for the entire family. Three new themes each year. A great way to spend a day at our family farm. Check out web site for admission and themes. 223-0828, RMKimball@emailmv.com, www.beechhillfarm.com.

Museums & Historic Sites; Farm & Special Events:

New London Historical Society Events: Little Lake Sunapee Rd., New London. 526-6564, jtonner@msn.com, www.NewLondonhistoricalsociety.org.

Burying Ground Tour: New London. Sept. 26, 10:30am-1:30pm.

Sheridan House Museum Special Events & Exhibits on Sundays: Ashuelot. May-Oct., Sun. 2-4pm, Wed. 9am-12pm. The Sheridan House Museum is located across the covered bridge in Ashuelot. It is a 12 room Victorian "cottage" built by Charles Norton in 1810. The restored rooms include a parquet floored sitting room, kitchen with original tin ceiling, a reference room, exhibit rooms and the Persis Albee Room, dedicated to the world's first "Avon Lady". Winchester memorabilia is displayed throughout and special programs, such as band concerts and cider pressing, are offered on various Sundays. 239-4282, carollpoole@yahoo.com.

Sandown Historical Society & Museum: 1 Depot Rd., Sandown. May-Oct., 1-5pm, Sat. & Sun. Sandown Historical Society and Museum is both a railroad and local museum, housed in a restored railroad depot that is on the National Historical Registry. 887-6688, ahighbid@comcast.net, www.sandownnh.gov.

Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum: Kearsarge Mountain Rd., Warner. 456-2600, Mikim@conknet.com, www.indianmuseum.org. Medicine Woods nature walk and the Museum Store open.

Medicine Woods Nature Trail: Open year round, dawn-dusk. Two-and half acres of nature trails created onsite of former garbage dump. Medicine Woods honors the connection of Native Americans with nature with its focus on indigenous plants used for food, medicine, tools, dyes, clothing and more. Free admission.

Annual Winter Celebration: Nov. 28-29, 10am-5pm. This two-day event is a unique opportunity for the public to welcome in the new season and the holidays. The winter celebration will feature musical performers, craft demonstrations, demonstration of Native American survival skills, and activities for the entire family. The store also holds an end-of-the season clearance sale.

NH Farm Museum Events: 1305 White Mountain Hwy, Milton. Contact 652-7840, www.farmmuseum.org for more info.

Harvest Days: Oct. 3-4. It's the end of the season and the harvest is upon us! Hayrides, apple pressing, making cornhusk dolls, and pumpkin games are all part of the harvest fun on the farm.

Over the River and Through the Woods Thanksgiving Program: Nov. 21, 10am-3pm.

Annual NH Wine & Cheese Tasting Fundraiser: Nov. 22. This popular annual event includes tastings from NH wineries and NH and VT cheeses as well as a silent auction and our much-anticipated gift cheese sales just in time for the holidays. RSVP 652-7840.

Christmas on the Farm: Dec. 12, 10am-3pm. Tour the historic Jones Farmhouse dressed in its finest Christmas décor, make a Christmas candle, try some gingerbread and hot cider and enjoy a Victorian Christmas.

Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm: located at 58 Cleveland Hill Rd., Tamworth. Captain Enoch Remick House-located at 26 Great Hill Rd., Tamworth Village. 323-7591, 800-686-6117, info@remickmuseum.org, www.remickmuseum.org.

Harvest Festival: Sept. 26, 11am-3pm. Craft making, apple cider making, and live folk music. Horse drawn wagon ride, hay bale maze and round bale jump! The concession stand will offer fresh apple fritters and blooming apples. See traditional farm equipment in use, including a tractor operated corn chopper. Try your hand at harvesting corn, flax and mangelwurtzel using historic techniques. Come inside the Visitor's Center and tour the living quarters of Dr. Edwin Crafts Remick, Tamworth's most notable country doctor, and see exhibits on the agricultural way of life in New Hampshire from 1790 to the present. Admission is \$5 per person.

Blessing of the Animals: Oct. 3, 10am. Harkness Field on Remick Farm. A multi-denominational team of local clergy will lead a ceremony to bless you and your pet(s). After the ceremony, visitors are welcome to accompany the Clergy while blessing the livestock. Visitors can also take a guided farm tour at 11am, 1pm or 3pm, and view the exhibits at the museum's Visitors Center. Additionally, self-tour the living quarters of Dr. Edwin Crafts Remick, the museum's founder.

NH Plein Air Paint Out & Wet Paint Sale: Oct. 3, 10am-4pm. Open to members and non-members, artists will paint outdoors on the museum grounds and in Tamworth Village from 10am-2:30pm. They will assemble at the museum's Visitor Center to sell wet, unframed works of art to the public from 2:30-4pm. The artist will contribute

30% of the sale price of each painting to support the Remick Museum. Artists interested in participating should visit the NHPlain Air web site: www.nhplainair.com to download the registration form and return it to NHPlain Air with a \$5 registration fee. Registrations will be taken the day of the event, pre-registration is encouraged.

Historic Thanksgiving: Nov. 14, 11am-3pm. Enjoy good food, a warm fire, country crafts, and a healthy dose of history. Museum interpreters will prepare traditional foods on the open hearth using historic recipes. The menu includes roasted turkey, bread sauce stuffing-dressing, hearth bread and butter, boiled cider pie, Indian pudding, pumpkin stuffed with apples and cranberry sauce. Take a horse drawn wagon ride. See a demonstration on how to properly "dress" a turkey from slaughtering the bird, to plucking feathers, to cleaning and storing poultry. This activity will take place outdoors on the farm, only those interested in turkey processing will see the activity. Admission is \$5 per person.

Victorian Christmas: Dec. 12, 11am-3pm. See both house and museum beautifully decorated for Christmas. Make Christmas crafts and sample delicious holiday treats. Take a horse drawn wagon or sleigh ride. The Captain Enoch Remick House will serve sugar cookies, warm from the Glenwood oven. See displays of vintage toys owned by the Remick Family. Admission is \$5 per person.

Old Baptist Meetinghouse/Hearse House Museum & Revolutionary Cemetery: Old Turnpike Rd., Salisbury. Memorial Day-Columbus Day, May 30-Oct. 10, Sat. 1-4pm, or by appointment. Museum featuring mid 1800s hearse, Daniel Webster memorabilia, early telephone switchboard, early guitar. Old Baptist meetinghouse displaying six generations of wedding gowns, all from the same family, mid-1800s-2005. Post cards, junior grange, unique needlepoint portrait of Daniel Webster. Genealogical assistance available. Revolutionary cemetery on premises. 648-2134, jphilips@tds.net.

The Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum: Rt. 145, Stewartstown. The museum is a historic homestead/settlement documenting one family's life from the 1830s to the 1980s. The house, barns and outbuildings are all in original condition and reflect their use and era. Step back in time, to a time that existed prior to rural electrification of the Northern most regions of NH. Pack a picnic basket and stay a spell. 237-5500/5313, johnsen@ncia.net, www.poorefamily.homestead.com.

Farm Museum: June 1-Sept. 30, 11am-1pm, Monday-Friday; 11am-3pm, Saturday-Sunday. \$5/adult, accompanied children under 12 are free.

Enfield Shaker Museum: 447 NH Rt. 4A. 632-4346, enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com, www.shakermuseum.org.

Culinary History Weekend: Oct. 24, all day. Imagine a weekend devoted to the history of food! At press time, this event was in the planning phase. 632-4346, enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com, www.shakermuseum.org.

The Little Nature Museum, Gould Hill Orchards: 656 Gould Hill Rd., Contoocook. 746-6181, info@littlenaturemuseum.org, www.littlenaturemuseum.org. A family museum with hands-on exhibits, children's nature activities, Ferns and Forest Trail, Everything Has a Home Discovery Area for children grades K-3, several new exhibits and activities annually, special programs listed on our web site. Suggested donation is \$1 per person. June 27-July 26, 1-4pm weekends & holidays; Aug. 1-Nov. 1, 11am-4pm weekends & holidays.

"Map & Compass": Oct. 17, rained Oct. 18, 9am-12pm, grades 6-8 ; 2-5pm, grade 9-adult. Learn the skills to keep you from getting lost in the woods including map reading, using a compass, and basic GPS. Pre-registration required. Registration limited. Admission \$7 museum members, \$10 nonmembers. A few adults are needed to help, no charge for helpers.

NH Farm to Restaurant Connection:

The New Hampshire Farm to Restaurant Connection (NHFRFC) links New Hampshire farms and food businesses with New Hampshire restaurants. NHFRFC sponsors several special dinner events at New Hampshire restaurants where the majority of the dinner courses are made of New Hampshire produced foods. Grower's Dinners highlight local farm and food producers and their products. Talented chefs create dishes that feature the products of selected farmers. Menus (and recipes) are created to not only promote and commemorate the event, but to use as on-going public relations for both the farms and participating restaurants. Both consumers and businesses are encouraged to purchase and enjoy New Hampshire's own whenever possible. For a complete list of official 2009 dinner events and other NHFRFC information, visit: www.nhfarmtorestaurant.com. Buy local foods online at the NH Virtual Farmers' Market: www.nhfarms.com.

New Hampshire Growers Dinner: The Inn at East Hill Farm, 460 Monadnock St., Troy. Nov. 8, 5-7:30pm. Enjoy live music while sampling hors d'oeuvres at 5pm. The sit down dinner will begin at 6pm and showcase a variety of locally grown foods. The price is \$18.95 per person age 16-adult, and \$10.95 per child age 2-15. Please add tax and gratuity to these rates. Reservations required. BYOB. 242-7709, info@east-hill-farm.com, www.east-hill-farm.com.

NH Farmers' Markets:

Barrington Farmers' Market: Int. Rts. 9 & 25. May-Oct., 9am-1pm, Sat. Produce, flowers, plants, fruit, eggs, heirloom poultry, beef jerky, possibly lobsters. Rain or shine, 749-0377.

Bedford Farmers' Market: Wallace Rd, Benedictine Park. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Tues. Certified organic products, flowers, maple products, vegetables, fish, jams, wine, fruits, baked goods, eggs, jellies, specialty foods. Musicians, July 4 celebration, pumpkin decorating, trick or treat at the market. Rain or shine, 435-6410, Romney@comcast.net, www.bedfordfarmersmarket.org.

Berlin-Gorham Farmers' Market: parking lot of Fred's Service Station, 215 Glen Ave., Rt. 16, Berlin. May 1-Oct. 31, Fri., 12-4pm & Sat., 9am-1pm; Sun., 9am-4pm Most all agriculture and related products, crafts, baskets, pot racks, flowers, wreathes, trees, wood, handmade art, fabric, non profits/green info tables, health and nutrition advice, organics, candles, aromatherapy, bread, maple syrup, open all legal NH/MA legal holidays. Demonstrations, music, samples, clowns, life size farm fun cutouts. Also open special times for Riverfire, Downtown, French, culture and heritage events. Rain or shine, 752-1592.

Local Works Farmers' Market: Main St., Bethlehem, May 23-Oct. 10, Wed., 3-6pm; Sat. 9am-1pm. Twice weekly farmers market and outdoor marketplace featuring local produce, baked goods, fresh bread, prepared foods, crafts, jewelry, wood working, live music and much more. Located at WREN on the corner of Rt. 302 and Park Ave. in the village of Bethlehem. Rain or shine, 869-9736, localworksnh@gmail.com, www.wrencommunity.org.

Bradford Community Farmers' Market: Bradford Community Center, 134 E. Main St. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Thurs. Locally grown and locally made products. Weekly entertainment and demonstrations weekly. Rain or shine, 938-6228, bacc@mcttelecom.com.

Brookline Farmers' Market: Brookline ball park, Rt. 130. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Tues. Vegetables, flowers, meats, fruits, seafood, dairy, baked goods. Rain or shine, 672-4229, www.brooklinefarmersmarket.org.

Canaan Farmers' Market: Rts. 4 & 188, on the park, downtown Canaan. May-Oct., 10am-1pm. Vendor grown and produced agricultural products and fine crafts. Rain or shine, 523-4337, canaanfarmmkt@valley.net, www.townofcanaannh.us (see "Events").

Canterbury Community Farmers' Market: Canterbury Center, Elkins Library parking lot. June-Oct., Wednesdays, 4-7pm. Fresh local fruits, vegetables, baked goods, cheese, milk, maple products, potted plants, meats, seafood, jams, jellies, cut flowers, herbs, crafts and more! Online shopping and purchasing will be available in 2008! Weekly musical entertainment. Rain or shine, 783-9649, farmer@ccfma.net, www.ccfma.net.

Claremont Farmers' Market: Broad Street Park. June 4-Oct. 1, 4-7pm, Thurs. Vegetables, fruits, honey, eggs, bread, spices, annuals, perennial plants, floral arrangements, baked goods, jams, jellies, preserves, pottery, glass, jewelry, ready to eat food, beef, etc. Children's Story Time, 4-5pm; weekly music and demonstrations. Assorted other children's programs. Rain or shine, 542-4321, www.claremontmarket.org.

Colebrook Farmers' Market: 84 Colby St., Colebrook. July-Oct., 8am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, fruits, baked goods, wool, yarn, crafts, maple, apples. Rain or shine, 237-4430.

Main Street Farmers' Market: North Main St., at Northern Tire parking lot, Colebrook. Last week of June-Oct., Thursday, 4-6pm; Saturday, 8-11am. Fresh eggs, baked goods, salad mixture, spinach, mesclun mix, Swiss chard, Romaine, lettuce, jams, jellies, squashes, radishes, corn, herbs, strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, blackberries, beans and more. Rain or shine, 237-4395.

Concord Farmers' Market: Capitol St. June-Oct., 8:30am-12pm, Sat. Fresh NH Fruits and vegetables, plants, baked goods, jams, maple, wines, meats, honey, crafts, worms for composting. Rain or shine, 224-8862.

Contoocook Farmers' Market: Main St., at Contoocook Train Depot. June-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, including organic, maple syrup, eggs, pies, jams, jellies, plants, meat, soaps, cut flowers, granola. Live music (bi-weekly), Railroad Museum on site. 746-2874, planetloft@comcast.net.

Davisville Farmers' Market: 909 E. Rt. 103, Warner. June-Oct., 10am-3pm, Fri., Sat. & Sun. Vegetables, potatoes, grain, crafts, baked goods, cheese, dried fruits & vegetables, flowers, plants. Rain or shine, 995-1345, happyazmy.com.

Deerfield Farmers' Market: Deerfield Fairgrounds. June-Oct., 3-7pm, Fri. Organic vegetables, plants, baked goods, and much more. Hayrides, music, petting zoo. Rain or shine, 463-8812, justforfunjj@yahoo.com, www.farmersmarket.deerfield-nh/us.

Enfield Farmers' Market: Enfield Shaker Museum, 447 NH Rt. 4A. July 1-Oct. 7, 4-7pm, Wed. The market offers a wide range of fresh locally-grown produce, meats, flowers, prepared foods, and crafts. Special activities for children. WIC accepted. Visit the museum and hike the trails as part of your visit. Rain or shine, 632-4346, enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com, www.shakermuseum.org.

Farmington Farmers' Market: Behind TD North, Central & Main Sts. May-Oct., 8:30am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, plants, homemade goods, pies, jams, jellies, handmade quilts, pillows, hats, doll clothes, pot holders. Hay Day last Sat. in Aug., 9am-4pm, Town Square. Rain or shine, 859-2551.

Gilmanton Farmers' Market: Academy at the 4 Corners. July-Oct., 3-6pm, Wed. Vegetables, eggs, lamb, cut flowers, wool, maple, fruits, bread, baked goods. Rain or shine, 267-7083, meadowviewfarm@metrocast.net.

Hancock Farmers' Market: horsesheds behind church in Hancock. May-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Fresh produce, flowers, plants, handicrafts, preserves, sweets and other local, seasonal, products. Weekly special events. 525-3172, kono- rei@hotmail.com.

Jackson Farmers' Market: next to Snowflake Inn Field. July-Oct., 9am-1pm, Sat. Fresh produce, vegetables, berries, fruits, plants, pottery, jewelry, hand loomed items, eggs, baked goods, artisan breads, maple, cut flowers, goat cheese, meat, honey, organic goods. Weekly entertainment. Rain or shine, 520-4974, chendr7108@aol.com.

The Farmers' Market of Keene: Commercial parking lot off Gilbo Ave. May-Oct., 9am-2pm, Tues. & Sat. Fruits, vegetables, herbs, plants, flowers, maple syrup, honey, baked goods, bread, jams, jellies, eggs, soap, wool products, lamb, pork, juried crafts. Rain or shine, 446-9474.

Laconia Farmers' Market: Beacon St. East. June-Oct., 8am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, fruits, baked goods, jams, jellies, flowers, crafts, maple syrup, beef, pork, chicken, organic vegetables. Rain or shine, 267-6522, BPRam- say1@aol.com.

Lancaster Farmers' Market: Centennial Park. June-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Jewelry, wool, herbalist, goats' milk soap, quilter, artist, certified organic produce, fresh, local produce, baked goods, pestos, jams, jellies, cut flowers, plants, honey, berries, photography, embroidered pillows, wood work, basketmaker, meats (beef, pork, lamb). Rain or shine, 788-3391, townmanager@lancasternh.org.

Lee Farmers' Market: Old Fire Station, Rt. 155. May-Oct., 3-6pm, Thurs. Produce, meat, soaps, wool, flowers, plants, baked goods. Various entertainment and education through season. Rain or shine, 659-9329, leemar- ket@comcast.net.

Littleton Farmers' Market: Cottage St., Senior Center parking lot. July-Oct., 10am-1pm, Sun. Fresh local produce, in season, meat, eggs, poultry, maple, preserves, baked goods, prepared foods, perennials, cut flowers, honey, crafts, wood products. Cooking & craft demonstrations. Rain or shine, 444-0248, cabinviewfarm@roadrunner.com.

Downtown Manchester Farmers' Market: Pine St. & Concord St. intersection. June-Oct., 3-6:30pm, Thurs.; month of October close at 6pm. Vegetables, herbs, flowers, melons, apples, wine, soaps, bread, cookies, baked goods, prepared foods, strawberries, certified organic products, maple syrup. Rain or shine, 679-8101, day of market telephone 205-1684, charliereid@ttlc.net.

New Boston Farmers' Market: Town Common at the gazebo, Rt. 13. July-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Produce, fruit, eggs, bread, cakes, cookies, jams, granola and grain bars, hand spun wool, hand knit items, cider, herbal body products, meats (lamb, beef, pork), yarn. Rain or shine, 487-2480, pygarus@aol.com, www.newbostonfarmersmarket.org.

New Durham Farmers' Market: off Depot Rd., next to Post Office, on the lawn. Mid-May-early-Oct., 8am-1pm, Sat. Market offers vegetable and flowering plants, fruit and produce, baked goods, honey, maple syrup, wool yarns, fresh flowers, daylilies, perennials, pottery, eggs, soap, herbs, felted wool items, jams, jellies and chutneys, seasonal berries and other seasonal market goods. Rain or shine, 859-4251, davcrord@metrocast.net.

Newbury Farmers' & Artisans Market: Rt. 103, near Newbury Library & playground. July-Oct., 3-6pm, Fri. Locally grown and raised produce, meats, eggs, fruits, plants, homemade breads and pastries, jams and jellies, cookies and more; hand crafted baskets, furniture, pottery, jewelry, herbal crafts, soaps. Music every week. Rain or shine, 763-0181, crazyrussell@msn.com.

Newfound Farmers' Market: Dedication Park, Lake St. Bristol. May 16-Oct. 31, 10am-1pm, Sat. Local market offering NH raised meat and eggs, locally grown fruits and vegetables, bakery products and crafts. Rain or shine, 934-8146, gitcfarm02@yahoo.com.

Newport Farmers' Market: on the common, Newport. June 12-Oct. 19, 3-6pm, Fri. Area's largest farmers' market. Over 40 vendors of produce, meats, eggs, baked goods, and homespun crafts. Open rain or shine. Children's story time at 4pm each Fri. and musical entertainment during the markets. Rain or shine, 865-9841, newportfarmersmar- ket@comcast.net.

Nottingham Farmers' Market: Blaisdell Memorial Library, 129 Stage Rd. June-Oct., 1-4pm, Sun. Fresh fruits, vegetables in season, flowers, plants, honey, maple syrup, baked goods. Opening day celebration and Fall Harvest Celebration. Rain or shine, 679-8484, blaisdellml@comcast.net.

Piermont Farmers' Market: corner of Rt. 25 & River Rd. June 2-Oct. 13, 3-6pm. Support local farmers by shopping the Piermont Farmers' Market. We have everything from cheese and beef to plants, artwork, veggies and baked goods. Come see for yourself! Rain or shine, 802-505-0123, emilygtshipman@hotmail.com.

Pittsfield Farmers' Market: Main St., Dustin Park. June-Oct., 3-5:30pm, Thurs. Fresh produce, baked goods, agricultural crafts, organic produce, fruits in season, breads, jams, jellies, soaps, cut flowers, annuals, perennials, herbs, specialty products, eggs. Rain or shine, 435-5570, chapmans4.1@myfairpoint.net.

Sanbornton Farmers' Market: Sanbornton Historical Society's Lane Tavern, 520 Sanborn Rd., Rt. 132. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Fri. Agricultural crafts, baked goods, dairy, free range poultry, meat products, eggs, fiber goods, crafts, flowers, fresh fruits, berries, herbs, honey, jams, jellies, potted plants, processed foods, seeds, syrup, vegetables, wood crafts and products. Local entertainment, cooking demonstrations. Rain or shine, 286-8700, budgie@metrocast.net.

Sandwich Farmers' Market: Samuel H. Wentworth Library-'Pines'. June-Nov., 9am-12pm, Sat. Organic produce, maple syrup, vegetables, dog biscuits, fruits, and more! Rain or shine, 284-7163.

Seacoast Growers Association: Contact 659-5322, info@seacoastgrowers.org, www.seacoastgrowers.org.

Dover: 181 Silver St. June 3-Oct. 14, 2;15-6pm, Wed. Baked goods, vegetables, plants, cut flowers. Rain or shine, 692-4511.

Durham: Pettee Brook parking lot, Pettee Brook Rd. June 1-Oct. 12, 2:15-5:30pm, Mon. Fruits, vegetables, cut flowers, plants, baked goods, guest craft vendors. Rain or shine, 658-0280

Exeter: Swasey Parkway, off of Water St. June 4-Oct. 15, 2:15-6pm, Thurs. Baked goods, maple syrup, plants, vegetables, fruits, crafts, prepared foods, wine, cut flowers and more. Rain or shine, 658-0280/5322.

Hampton: Rt. 1, Sacred Heart Church parking lot, near the Hampton Cinemas. June 2-Oct. 13, 3-6pm, Tues. Fruits, vegetables, cut flowers, plants, baked goods, eggs, soaps, body products, prepared food. Rain or shine, 674-3990.

Kingston: on the "Plains", across from the Kingston Fire Station, near intersection of Church & Main Sts. June 2-Oct. 13, 2:15-5:30pm, Tues. Baked goods, meat, eggs, fresh vegetables, fruits, plants, flowers. Rain or shine, 658-0280/5322.

Portsmouth: 1 Junkins Ave. May 2-Nov. 7, 8am-1pm, Sat. Certified organic produce, vegetables, fruits, cut flowers, meat, baked goods, prepared foods, plants, crafts, wine, cheese, teas, maple syrup, honey, soap, personal care products. Rain or shine, 658-0280/5322.

Tamworth Farmers' Market: Unitarian Church, Rt. 113, Main St. June-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, maple syrup, honey, eggs, dairy products, meats, bread, goats' milk cheese, wool, coffee, cut flowers, baked goods (cookies, pies, etc.). Rain or shine, 323-2392, farmersmarket@sunnyfield.us.

Wakefield Farmers' Market: corner of Rt. 16 & Wakefield Rd, opposite Palmer's Market. May 23-Oct. 10, 9am-3pm, Sat. Local vegetables, fruits in season, baked goods, plants, wood, cut flowers, honey, eggs, fiber art, goat cheese, meats, and more! Demonstrations 10-11am. Rain or shine, 473-8762, www.wakefieldmarketplace.homestead.com.

Warner Area Farmers' Market: Town Hall lawn. Mid-June-mid-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Music, crafts, vegetables, concluding with Warner Fall Foliage Festival Columbus Day weekend. Rain or shine, 456-2319.

Washington Farmers' Market: Town Common. May 23-Oct. 10, 10am-12pm, Sat. Plants, flowers, baked goods, jams, jellies, eggs, vegetables, fruits, crafts, arts. Rain or shine, 345-8783, teaberrywolf@yahoo.com.

White Oaks Market at Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center: Prescott Farm, Weir's Beach/Laconia. June 25-Oct. 1, 4-7pm, Thurs. Produce, some organic, jams, jellies, honey, flowers, meats, ice cream, body products, herbs, wool. Primavera Plant Sale, May 28; End of Season Harvest Barn Dance, Oct. 3. Rain or shine, 366-5695, DRosato@PrescottFarm.org.

Winter Farmers' Market: Dover, Exeter, Newington, Rye, Stratham. Nov.-April, 9am-2pm, Sat. Fresh vegetables, storage vegetables, meats, baked goods, cheese, packaged foods, honey, maple syrup, eggs, milk, dairy. Holiday markets for Thanksgiving and Christmas, cooking demonstrations, food donations for pantries and soup kitchens. Rain or shine, 498-6934, info@seacoasteatlocal.org, www.seacoasteatlocal.org.

Seasonal Festivals:

Beans & Greens Farmstand: 245 Intervale Rd., Gilford. 293-2853, beansandgreensfarm@msn.com, www.beansandgreens.com. Visit our web site for event details.

Fall Harvest Festival: Oct. 10-12.

Heritage Arts Festival: Gilford Community Church/Gilford Public Library. Sept. 26, 10am-2pm. The festival includes demonstrators showcasing arts of yesteryear, including, quilting, rughooking, needlework, candle making, blacksmithing, beeswax and honey products, stenciling. An appraiser will be on hand for items 100+ years old, performances throughout day including square dancing and storytelling, harvest luncheon served by Gilford Community Church. Local produce

and products for sale. 387-8433, thomames@worldpath.net, www.gilfordhistoricalsociety.org.

7th Annual Somersworth Pumpkin Festival: Somersworth Plaza, Main St. Sat., Oct. 10, 11am-5pm. A family oriented day filled with all things pumpkin. This includes pumpkin carving and painting, catapult, hay rides, bowling, scarecrow making, games, food court, stage entertainment, parade, and photo area. Admission, \$10/child for all, adults free! 692-5828, dauchor@somersworth.com.

McToberfest: McKenzie's Farm, 71 NE Pond Rd., Milton. Sat., Oct. 10, 9am-6pm. A fall festival offering pick your own apples and pumpkins, trailer rides, live band, face and pumpkin painting, straw maze, pulled pork and fried dough, country store. Come enjoy the fun! 652-9400, fruit@metrocast.net, www.mckenziefarm.com.

26th Annual Harvest Festival: Meadow Ledge Farm, 612 Rt. 129, Loudon. Oct. 10-12, 9am-6pm. Apple picking, weekend tractor rides, live entertainment, apple bobbing, contests, kids games, our famous homemade cider donuts, gift shop, pies, picnic tables. Free admission. Rain or shine. 798-5860, NHapples@aol.com, www.MeadowLedgeFarm.com.

Harvest Festival: Enfield Shaker Museum, 447 NH Rt. 4A, Enfield. Oct. 10, 11am-4pm. Take a horse drawn wagon ride and hunt for pennies in a haystack! Make your own cider, churn butter and make ice cream. Dip handmade candles. The basic admission is \$7.50/adults, children ages 6-18 \$3 and free for members and children under age 6 free. 632-4346, enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com, www.shakermuseum.org.

Fall Festival: Moulton Farm, 18 Quarry Rd., Meredith. Oct. 18, 11am-4pm. The Fall Festival is for the entire family, featuring a live band, tractor and horse drawn wagon rides, magic show, petting farm, displays, children activities, including pedal tractor pull, pumpkin carving and painting, cookie decorating, hay and corn maze and plenty of food! 279-3915, moultonfarm@metrocast.net.

Courser Farm Pumpkin Carving & Lighting: Courser Farm, 374 Schoodac Rd., Warner. Oct. 25, 12pm (carvings); Oct. 29-31, 5pm, (lighting). For over 10 years the Courser Family has held an open pumpkin carving the Sunday before Halloween. The pumpkins are displayed and lit for three nights. Event is free. Between 900-1,000 pumpkins are carved. 456-3356/3997, vcourser@hotmail.com.

Fall Family Farm Day: The Inn at East Hill Farm, 460 Monadnock St., Troy. Nov. 11, 9am-4pm. A day of fun activities including cow milking, making butter, egg collecting, hay jumping in the hay loft, grooming the ponies, patting the bunnies, making s'mores by the fire, arts and crafts. Bring your towels and swimsuits in the indoor pool. Lunch included. 1-800-242-6495, info@east-hill-farm.com, www.east-hill-farm.com.

Dickens Victorian Christmas Tea: Thyme & Ewe Farm, 688 Chestnut St., Claremont. Dec. 5, 12, 19, 10am, 12pm, 2pm. Enjoy a traditional high English tea with a Dickens theme for \$5 per person. Reservations are required. 542-1746, poissonsheep1@aol.com, www.thymeandewefarm.com.

Winter Family Farm Day: The Inn at East Hill Farm, 460 Monadnock St., Troy. Feb. 22, 2010, 9am-4pm. Break up the long winter with a trip to the farm! Activities including cow and goat milking, patting bunnies, making butter, hay jumping, egg collecting, sheep shearing, supervised sledding, arts and crafts. Bring your towels and swimsuits in the indoor pool. Lunch included. 1-800-242-6495, info@east-hill-farm.com, www.east-hill-farm.com.

Song, Dance & Theater:

Wentworth Olde Tyme Square Dance: Old Town Hall, Wentworth. first Friday of the month, Sept.-June, 8-10:30pm. Square dance, live caller and band, refreshments, waltzes and polkas too. All levels welcome. For all ages. Admission: \$7 person, \$15 family. Return to a New England event of the past and have some fun! 764-9993, pkoelb@earthlink.net.

Unusual & Special Events:

Winnepesaukee River Trail: Franklin, Tilton & Northfield. Ongoing. The Winnepesaukee River Trail is a 3.1 mile trail along the Winnepesaukee River connecting Franklin and Northfield. This packed stone dust trail is open to all non-motorized users. Perfect for biking, walking and running in the summer and during the winter snowshoeing and cross country skiing. 934-5236, winnitrailnh@aol.com.

Farm Tours & Traditional Craft Workshops: Owen Farm, 580 Brockway Rd, Hopkinton. Ongoing, call for more information. A small organic family farm specializing in hand-milked dairy, gardens, chickens, horses, sheep, and pigs. Educational workshops offered on a variety of topics from wool crafts and soap making to dousing and stonewall construction. Lots of trails, open year round throughout the 170 acre farm. Tours available. 225-2252, owens13@juno.com, www.owenfarm.org.

Stonewall Farm: 242 Chesterfield Rd., Keene. 357-7278, www.stonewallfarm.org. Stonewall Farm is a nonprofit working farm and educational center whose mission is to connect people to the land and to the role of local agriculture in their lives.

Fall Fun on the Farm: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, 11am-2pm. Experience the farm at its most beautiful! Horse drawn hayrides to the pumpkin patch, pumpkins for purchase, fall treats and Stonewall Farm products will all be available, in addition to barnyard tours and other activities.

Thanksgiving Farm Fare: Nov. 20-21, Fri. 5-8pm; Sat. 9am-3pm. Everything you will need for your Thanksgiving feast. Farm-fresh products from over 30 vendors including organic meats, vegetables, breads, jams, coffee, cheeses, herbs, honey and more! Decorate your table and get a jump-start on holiday shopping with work from local artisans like centerpieces, pottery, soap, quilted items, wreaths and more.

Herbal Luncheons: Thyme & Ewe Farm, 688 Chestnut St., Claremont. 542-1746, poissonsheep1@aol.com, www.thymeandewefarm.com.

Sept. 26, 12pm & 2pm: Menu for the month, tossed green salad with raspberry vinaigrette dressing, herb bread, sweet potato casserole, tomato and leek quiche, shaker fruit cobbler, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, 12pm & 2pm: Menu for the month, hot green bean and bacon salad, dill bread, spinach pie, beef bourguignon, streusel topped pumpkin pie, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

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School Tours: Currier Orchards, 9 Peaslee Rd., Merrimack. Oct., 9am-3pm, Mon.-Fri. School tours via tractor and wagon ride of apple orchard during September and October. Pick an apple and learn about farming apples. See how apple cider is made and how apples are graded. Enjoy a glass of cider! Tour takes about an hour and cost is \$1/ person. 881-8864, currierstore@cs.com.

Choose & Cut Your Own Christmas Tree: Tonry Farm, 314 Exeter Rd., Rt. 88, Hampton. Mid-Sept.-Thanksgiving, 9am-4pm, weekends. Choose your Christmas tree for cutting. 772-6213, abbytonry@hotmail.com, www.tonryfarm.com.

Harvest Thyme Herbs Gift Barn: 91 Dooe Rd., Dublin. Oct.-Dec., 10am-5pm, daily. Our post-and-beam gift barn is brimming with locally-made soaps, candles, pottery, fine art, handbags, and more! Harvest Thyme's full line of products and gift baskets galore. Holiday accents and ornaments are bountiful and hot mulled cider is served for a relaxing shopping experience. 563-7032, hthyme@yahoo.com, www.harvestthyme.com.

Storytelling Dinner: Corner House Inn, 22 Main St., Ctr. Sandwich. Late Oct.-May, except Thanksgiving, 6:30pm, Thurs. evenings. A complete dinner including salad, entrée, dessert, coffee and glass of wine, along with great storytelling entertainment by professional storytellers. For information and reservations. 284-6219, info@cornerhouseinn.com, www.cornerhouseinn.com.

Farm Day: Old Ciderpress Farm, 119 Thompson Rd., Westmoreland. Oct. 6, 10am-6pm. Exhibit of old farm tools, their use and how they work. Also, watch cider being pressed by hand with one of the oldest beam presses built in 1870. It stands 11 feet tall and in its original condition. Taste cider right off the press. 399-7210, oldciderpress-farm@yahoo.com.

Bike for Books: North Conway. Oct. 10, 8am-3pm. Fall foliage mountain bike tour of the Mount Washington Valley to benefit the North Conway Library. Various route options for different abilities. Water and snack stops, pizza lunch and ice cream, giveaways, free books and bike bottles for all. 356-2961, ncpl@verizon.net, www.northconwaylibrary.com.

Christmas Tree Tagging: Indian Hill Christmas Tree Farm, 161 Main Ave., Rt. 107A, S. Hampton. Oct. 17-18, 24-25, 12-4pm. Come tag your annual Christmas tree and browse our gift shop to start your holiday season. Enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers and refreshments at our picnic tables and take a hayride through our fields. We now sell our own grown pumpkins, gourds and squash. Bring your family and spend the day! 394-7520, trees@indianhillfarm.com, www.indianhillfarm.com.

NH Open Doors: Apple Hill Farm, 580 Mountain Rd., Concord. Nov. 11-15, 8:30am-5:30pm. Celebrate New Hampshire and buy local. Find NH made specialty and products. Free samples and recipes. 224-8862, info@applehillfarmnh.com, www.applehillfarmnh.com.

"Choose & Cut" Christmas Trees: 95 Rollercoaster Rd., Laconia. Sat. & Sun. beginning Thanksgiving weekend, 8am-5pm. Choose and cut Christmas trees as well as "tagging" your tree for early selection and later pick up. Tagging begins Oct. 1. 366-4115, drhook1@verizon.net.

Christmas at the Farm: Moulton Farm, 18 Quarry Rd., Meredith. Dec. 13, 11am-3pm. An event for the entire family, featuring activities for the children; storytelling, caroling, wagon rides, demonstrations and displays and plenty of food! 279-3915, moultonfarm@metrocast.net, www.moultonfarm.com.

Winery Tastings & Tours:

Many New Hampshire wineries offer tours, tastings and other special events. Find a complete list of wineries and cheese makers offering special activities in our 2009 NH Wine & Cheese Trails. Make a day trip, creating your own itinerary, or follow one of several "trails" around New Hampshire for a unique way to see the state. Visit www.agriculture.nh.gov or call 271-3788.

Tour and Taste at New Hampshire's Oldest Farm Winery and Vineyard: Jewell Towne, 65 Jewell St., South Hampton. Weds.-Fri., 11am-4pm, Sat.-Sun., 12-5pm, year round. See a functioning New Hampshire winery and vineyard in action! Learn the winemaking process of New Hampshire grown grapes from vine to bottle on our complimentary guided tours. Family friendly and for newbie and wine aficionado alike, we provide a brief history of the vineyard and the basics of grape growing and winemaking in New Hampshire. 394-0600, info@jewelltownevineyards.com, www.jewelltownevineyards.com.

Tastings & Tours: Candia Vineyards, 702 High St., Candia. Year round. Open for tastings and tours by appointment. Featuring unique varieties on NH's First Diamond, LaCrosse, Frontenac, and Noiret grapes and wine. All our wines are made from 100 percent US grapes. 867-9751, bob@candiavineyards.com, www.candiavineyards.com.

Zorvino Vineyards: 226 Main St., Sandown. Open daily, 12-5pm. A picturesque winery is located on 80 beautiful acres in the middle of a New England hardwood forest. We produce quality wines from local New England grapes carefully tended on our property, as well as interesting varietals from grapes grown in premier winemaking regions of the world, including Tuscany, Chile and Northern California. We also produce award winning fruit wines. Not just a winery, but a destination, with a beautiful rustic central manor house where we can accommodate events of all types and sizes. Come join us for a monthly themed wine and food pairing or a themed Wine Dinner. Come for a complimentary wine tasting at the winery or spend a day enjoying our post and beam facility in the New England countryside. 887-8463, tzack@zorvino.com, www.zorvino.com.