

For the Week of November 6, 2023

Manager's Message

Aaron Frank, Town Manager



Thank You Veterans!

Veteran's Day is a time to honor those who have defended our nation to protect the life, liberty, equality, democracy and the justice we share. We thank our Veterans for their selfless acts of heroism and everyday efforts that contribute to the American story. In observance of Veteran's Day, the **Town Offices and Burnham Memorial Library will be closed on Friday, November 10th.**

Colchester Historical Society:

Harvest Festivals – Celebrations and Symbols presented by Michelle Penca

November 13, 7 p.m.

**Colchester Historical Society
828 Main Street, Colchester, Vermont
Free parking and admission**

Across time and from many places, people have celebrated the end of the growing season. The celebrations share similarities that highlight the multicultural nature of harvest festivals. Join the Colchester Historical Society to learn about the cultivation of thankfulness and gratitude from New England traditions and those of other places. Sample some old-fashioned treats, make a leaf for a gratitude tree, and take home some ideas that you can use in your family's next harvest celebration. Refreshments will follow the program.



Courtesy of Michelle Penca

If you'd like a free tour of our historic Parsonage building, please arrive at 6 p.m.

Help Fill a Boat with Food for Those in Need! Saba Marine is holding a food drive to support the Colchester Community Food Shelf. Help them fill up a boat with non-perishable foods by dropping donations off at 390 Prim Road, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays from now until November 17th. If you can't make it to their location, you can place your item(s) in the container located by the front door when you walk into the Colchester Town Offices. We will be accepting donations at the Town Offices, Monday through

Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until November 16th, as we will be bringing donations to Saba Marine's on November 17th.



ADDITIONAL DROP-OFF LOCATION: Colchester Town
Offices, 1st Floor, 781 Blakely Road, Colchester, VT (M-F
7:30 AM - 4:30 PM, until Nov. 16th)

Department Updates

Town Clerks Office:

The second installment of Property Tax Bill payments are **due November 15, 2023**. For more information, please visit <https://colchestervt.gov/329/Property-Taxes> or call the office at 802-264-5520.



Upcoming Town Meetings

Selectboard: Tuesday, November 14, 5:30 p.m. (public portion beginning at 6:30 p.m.) at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Alternatively, send a note, up to 1,000 words, to TownManager@colchestervt.gov with "Citizens to be Heard" in the Subject and your name. As with in-person Citizens to be Heard, we ask that you SHARE YOUR ADDRESS. The email will be shared with the entire Selectboard prior to the meeting and included in the information packet at the next meeting.

- Watch the Meeting Online via Live Stream: <http://lcatv.org/live-stream-2>
- Agenda: www.bit.ly/Colchester-SB-Agendas

Planning Commission: Tuesday, November 7, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road.

Recreation Advisory Board: Wednesday, November 8, 7:00 a.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd floor, Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road.

Development Review Board: Wednesday, November 8, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting or public comments can be submitted prior to the hearing by email to zmaia@colchestervt.gov or by mail to Town of Colchester, c/o Development Review Board, 781 Blakely Road, Colchester, VT 05446.

Library Board of Trustees: Thursday, November 16, 4:00 p.m., in the Burnham Room of the Burnham Memorial Library.

Agendas available: <http://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt>

Note: Agendas are posted at least 48 hours before the meeting, so you may find past agendas when clicking the link. Revisiting the link closer to the date of the meeting should provide you with the current agenda.

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