

For the Week of August 4, 2025

4th Annual Colchester Fall Market

We are gearing up for this year's Fall Market!

This year's event will be held on **Saturday, October 11, from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM.**

Please note that this event is being held at a new location. We are excited to hold this event at the new **Colchester Recreation Center** (80 Dick Mazza Drive).

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COLCHESTER RECREATION CENTER

We are also now accepting vendor applications for the 4th Annual Colchester Fall Market!

To obtain an application or with any questions, please contact Ruby Tetrick, Communications Coordinator at: rtetrick@colchestervt.gov

Historical Society selected for Shaw's Give Back Where It Counts Program

Here's a great way to support the Colchester Historical Society and the environment. In honor of its 50th anniversary, the Colchester Historical Society has been selected as a nonprofit partner in the Shaw's GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS Reusable Bag Program for the **entire month of August**.

Your local Historical Society will receive \$1 for each \$3.00 GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS Reusable Bag sold during this month at Shaw's in Colchester. The bags are durable and reusable. Look for them when you shop at Shaw's in Colchester. If you don't see them, please be sure to ask your check-out clerk or a staff member at the store's office.



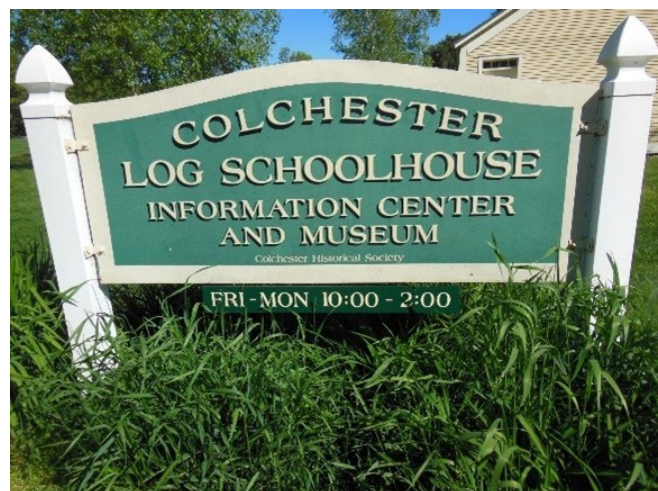
Thanks for supporting the Colchester Historical Society!

Only a Few Weekends Left to Visit the Log Schoolhouse

Summer is flying by at a fast pace, and there are only a few weekends left before the Colchester Log Schoolhouse will close its doors for the season. Be sure to visit in August to enjoy a lovely step back in time to the days of one-room schoolhouses and simple learning equipment. Bring your family and friends. Kids can participate in crafting a vintage-era toy or a fun "find-it" game.

The Colchester Log Schoolhouse is open to visitors Fridays - Mondays, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. It's located within Airport Park at 500 Colchester Point Road. Parking and admission are free, although donations are always appreciated.

Anyone interested in becoming a part-time volunteer host at the Schoolhouse next summer is encouraged to contact Carol Reichard at winchris65@comcast.net for more information.



Learn more about the Colchester Historical Society at <https://colchestervt.gov/422/Colchester-Historical-Society>, and be sure to stay tuned for announcements about upcoming programs this

fall. Meanwhile, please join in supporting the preservation and sharing of Colchester's wonderful local history. Become a new or renewing member of the Colchester Historical Society.

See https://colchestervt.gov/DocumentCenter/View/11456/CHSNewMember_MemberRenewalApplication.

Book Discussion with Dr. Jay Jinsing Falk

The Burnham Memorial Library will host an online talk with Dr. Jay Jinsing Falk a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute at the University of Colorado. He is an evolutionary biologist and behavioral ecologist.

Dr. Falk will be discussing *The Bird Book: The Stories, Science, and History of Birds*.

The book and discussion will explore the natural history of birds and their connection to their ancient relatives: dinosaurs.

The Bird Book is a must-have for nature enthusiasts. Register for this book discussion to learn more about our backyard neighbors!

The talk will be held on: **Tuesday, August 5, at 2:00 p.m.**

Follow this link to register for the talk and browse other events being held by the Burnham Memorial Library: <https://libraryc.org/colchestervt/83621>

Blood Drive Hosted by the Colchester-Milton Rotary Club

Thinking about donating blood? The Colchester-Milton Rotary Club is gearing up to host another blood drive.

Organizers are encouraging eligible donors to consider signing up to donate blood. The event aims to help provide local hospitals with an adequate blood supply to aid in emergency responses.

Appointments can be made at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/>. Donors will be entered to win a night at Sunset Drive-In.

The drive will take place **August 12, 2025, from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.** at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 784 Main Street



Department Updates

Department of Parks and Recreation Summer Concert Series – Bailey's Mistake

This week's concert will feature music from **Bailey's Mistake**.

Bailey's Mistake is a Celtic-inspired folk band playing music powered by guitar, bagpipes, and brass. Join us this **Thursday, August 7, at 6:30 PM** to enjoy some music!

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and picnic dinner to Lower Bayside Park for our concert series on Thursday evenings.

Admission is free and parking is available at Bayside Park.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Upcoming Town Meetings & Agendas

Selectboard Meeting: Tuesday, August 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road.

Residents are welcome to attend the meeting. 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, September 2, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docid=PLANAGENDA>

Recreation Advisory Board: Wednesday, August 13, 7:00 a.m. at the Colchester Recreation Center, 80 Dick Mazza Drive. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docId=RecAdv&path=BOARDS%2CRecAdv%2C>

Development Review Board: Wednesday, August 13, 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. Agenda: https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docid=DRBAGENDA&path=DRB%2CDRB_Agendas%2CDRBAGENDA%2C

Library Board of Trustees: Thursday, August 21, 4:00 p.m., in the Burnham Room of the Burnham Memorial Library. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docId=LibBoard&path=BOARDS%2CLibBoard%2C>

Colchester Conservation Commission: Sunday, August 17, 10:00 a.m.,
https://clerkshq.com/Content/Colchester-vt/Boards/ConservCommsn.htm#_CPA1

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