Greetings from José

Hello Everyone,

It is my sincere pleasure to greet you through this issue of the College and Main newsletter. April is here and along it brings many exciting programs, events and activities to the Poultney region! I encourage you to take advantage of the schedule I’ve compiled for you and learn about what is happening in the college and the town.

On this note, please make sure to mark your calendars on April 25 from 2-5 PM and join us to celebrate our community and environment at the six Annual Poultney Earth Fair. New this year is a “Scavenger Hunt”, an educational activity where participants are invited to visit five booths and then choose any of these prizes: (1) tie-dying their own T-shirts, (2) receiving a CD made by Tinmouth Elementary School students, or (3) getting a key chain made by Blu Bin, Inc., with lanyard from recycled blue jeans made by Poultney Middle School’s 7th grade.

Please stay tuned for more,
José & the GMC Sustainability Office Crew!

Be part of Poultney 2020, April 24

Poultney 2020 is an exciting new initiative between the town of Poultney and Green Mountain College to “create a vibrant future together.” The Poultney 2020 conference and workshop on Wednesday, April 24 will take place from 8:30 a.m.-5:15 p.m., starting at The Gorge, Withey Hall (GMC) and moving to St. Raphael’s hall downtown. The event is free and open to all Poultney area residents, business owners, and GMC community members. See the website at www.poultney2020.org to register.

The long-term goal is to create a more vibrant town that is highly attractive to residents, students, visitors, and business owners. The conference will be a day to celebrate Poultney’s progress and potential, and create a fresh new vision of our town’s future. Working together, we will identify the highest priority projects to be implemented.

Prior to the conference five focus groups (arts, food, place, sustainability, and goods and services) will work on identifying Poultney’s assets and revitalization priorities within each group. If you’re interested in joining one of these groups please attend one of the meetings listed on the schedule in the back of this newsletter.

GMC Launches Vermont Summer Academy

GMC Launches Vermont Summer Academy Green Mountain College is launching the Vermont Summer Academy, a co-ed academic program for rising eighth through 12th-grade students.

One-week courses are offered in Adventure Education; Creative Arts (painting, drawing and sculpture); Culinary Arts; Design & Build: EcoConstruction; Fiction Writing and Poetry; Environmental Studies; Forensic Science; Journalism and College Prep Writing and Veterinary Science. Students will take one course per week, but they will have the option to take multiple sessions of one course, or explore several different courses, during the weeks of July 7-12 and July 14-20 at the Green Mountain College Lodge at Killington Resort. VSA also offers opportunities for young people to live and study in a real collegiate atmosphere. Students stay in the residence halls with instructors and residence life staff who provide 24-hour supervision. Intensive classes during the day are balanced by a variety of fun indoor and outdoor activities using the College’s facilities including playing fields, a gymnasium and a swimming pool. For more information on the program and registration details, please visit www.vermontsummeracademy.org or call 1-866-928-2897.

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Poultney Area Events this Month

Schedule

Mon., April 1  Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Tues., April 2  Food, Energy, & Environmental Documentary, Tiny Theatre, 7 p.m.

Wed., April 3  Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Thr., April 4  Poultney Earth Fair Meeting, Poultney High School Lobby, 4 p.m.

Fri., April 5  Senior Art Exhibition Opening Reception: Marijoe Bineault, The Williams Feick Art Center (GMC), 6-8 p.m.
Photography Show: Graffiti Art in a Brazilian Street, Surdam Art Building, 6-8 p.m.
Music to Make a Difference, Journal Press Building (3rd Floor), 6-9 p.m.
All Jazzed up! by the GMC Choir and Jazz Combo, Ackley Hall (GMC), 7:30 p.m.

Kindermusik: Family Time with Heidi Brown (ages 0-7), Tiny Theatre, 10:30-11:15 a.m. ($12)
Movie: Les Misérables (2012; 158 min), Tiny Theatre, 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 6 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mon., April 8  Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Tue., April 9  Nutrient Workshop by PMNRCD & UVM Extention, Pawlet Library, 10-2 p.m.
Food, Energy, & Environmental Documentary, Tiny Theatre, 7 p.m.

Wed., April 10  Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Thr., April 11  Poultney Earth Fair Meeting, Poultney High School Lobby, 4 p.m.

Sat., April 13  Kindermusik: Family Time with Heidi Brown (ages 0-7), Tiny Theatre, 10:30-11:15 a.m. ($12)
Spotlight on Business, St. Raphael's Hall, 9-3 p.m.
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Movie: Les Misérables (2012; 158 min), Tiny Theatre, 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 6 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mon., April 15  Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Tue., April 16  Food, Energy, & Environmental Documentary, Tiny Theatre, 7 p.m.

Wed., April 17  American Red Cross Blood Drive, The Gorge (GMC), 7 a.m.-7 p.m.
Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Thr., April 18  Farmer Outreach Workshop by PMNRCD, East Room, Withley Hall, & Cerridwen Farm (GMC), 1-3:30 p.m.
Poultney Earth Fair Meeting, Poultney High School Lobby, 4 p.m.

Fri., April 19  GMC/Community Concert Band, Ackley Hall (GMC), 7:30 p.m.
Special Event: Ryan Dubois’ Night of Art, Noise & Singing!, Tiny Theatre, 8-10:30 p.m.

Sat., April 20  Kindermusik: Family Time with Heidi Brown (ages 0-7), Tiny Theatre, 10:30-11:15 a.m. ($12)
Movie: Life of Pi (2012; 127 min), Tiny Theatre, 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mon., April 22  Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Tue., April 23  Dramatic Reading: David Budbill’s JUDEVINE, Tiny Theatre, 7-8:30 p.m. (free refreshments)

Wed., April 24  Poultney 2020 Conference/Workshop, Green Mountain College & St. Raphael’s Hall, 8a.m.-5 p.m.
Yoga with Cathy Ward, Tiny Theatre, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Thr., April 25  6th Annual Poultney Earth Fair, Poultney High School, 2-5 p.m.

Fri., April 26  Special Event: An Eclectic Mix of Music with Heidi Brown, Tiny Theatre, 7-9:30 p.m.

Sat., April 27  Community Breakfast, Methodist Church, 8-10 a.m.
Kindermusik: Family Time with Heidi Brown (ages 0-7), Tiny Theatre, 10:30-11:15 a.m. ($12)
Native Plant Nursery Spring Open House & Plant Sale, Behind Waldron Athletic Complex (GMC), 10-2 p.m.
Gala Piano Concert, Ackley Hall, 7:30 pm.
Movie: Promised Land (2012; 106 min), Tiny Theatre, 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9 p.m.

Sun., April 28  Poultney Historical Society Presents: Early Gravestone Carvers & Gravestone Symbolism, The Tiny Theatre, 2-4 p.m.

Mon., April 29  Yoga with Cathy Ward, The Tiny Theatre, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Wed., May 1  Yoga with Cathy Ward, The Tiny Theatre, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Poultney 2020 Focus Groups
Pick an area of interest to you, come join your neighbors and contribute your ideas at one of the focus group meetings before the conference:

Food: Tues., April 2, The Station, 8-9:30 a.m.
Sustainability: Sat., April 6, The Tiny Theatre, 12:30 -2 p.m
The Arts: Tues., April 9, The Tiny Theatre, 5:30-7 p.m.
Place: Tues., April 10, The Tiny Theatre, 5-6:30 p.m.
Goods & Services: Tues., April 11, The Tiny Theatre, 6-7:30 p.m.

Take Classes at GMC

Community Tuition Rate: $888 per three-credit course or $296 per credit hour; rate available to non-matriculating students who enroll for 6 credit hours or less per term, and who are permanent residents of the town of Poultney.
Senior Scholars: Available to persons 60 years of age and older – preference to Poultney residents. One course per semester may be audited without charge; courses taken for credit will be available at $520 per course.

Poultney High School Scholars Program: Available to gifted and talented Poultney High School students, subject to recommendation of the High School. The program is limited to two courses or up to 8 credit hours per semester if course(s) include a lab. Tuition is $200 for the first course plus applicable course fees (which are paid by the high school) and $250 for the second course plus applicable course fee payable by student/family prior to the start of the first class.

Wellness Programs at GMC
The Wellness Center offers a variety of activities including Yoga, massage therapy, Shakti tribal dance and energy healing. Take a look at our weekly schedule to see what is being offered today. Most of these activities are open to the public and are free of charge.

Monday
Yoga with Suzanne Denison
4 - 5:30 p.m., Ackley Chapel

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Guided Meditation with Shirley Oskamp
4 - 4:30 p.m., Ackley Chapel
Yoga with Suzanne Denison
5:15 - 6 p.m., Ackley Chapel

Wednesday
Shakti Tribal Dance (Beginner)
6 - 7:15 p.m., Bogue Movement Studio
Shakti Tribal Dance (Advanced)
7:30 - 9:15 p.m., Bogue Movement Studio

Thursday
Yoga with Suzanne Denison
12 - 1 p.m., Ackley Chapel
Massage therapy with Darya McNolty and Maureen Ryan is available at the Wellness Center on College Street every Wednesday and alternating Saturdays. Call 287-8376 to schedule an appointment.

Learn more about the GMC Wellness Center at greenmtn.edu/wellness.aspx