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Henry Senesac, 16-months-old of Fairfax, goes in for a closer look as Jenn Foster of Fairfax prepares to read "I Like Pumpkins" at PJ Story Hour at the library in Fairfax. ANTHONY BOCCIO/

Franklin County Calendar of Events

Books/Authors

Pedal to the Sea, 6:30 p.m. Oct. 25, Fairfax Community Library, 75 Hunt St. Author Gilbert Newbury of Fairfield will speak about his remarkable journey with his family on a cross-country tandem bicycle trip. 849-2420.

Children and Teen Activities

Story Hour, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Fairfax Community Library, 75 Hunt St. Stories, crafts, and activities for ages 0-6. Oct. 23: The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything and Music with Christy. Oct. 30: A Dark, Dark Tale: Come in costume if you wish. 849-2420.

Fall Story Time, 10 a.m. Tuesdays and 11:15 a.m. Wednesdays, Highgate Public Library, 17 Mill Hill Rd., Highgate Center. Join Mrs. Liza and her story time friends for some wiggles and giggles. 868-3970.

Story Hour, 10-11 a.m. Wednesdays, Swanton Public Library, 1 First St. All ages can come enjoy songs, crafts, and a story. 868-7656 or Swanton.Library@gmail.com.

Story Hour, 10 a.m. Thursdays, Haston Library, 5167 Main St., Franklin. Stories, songs, and a craft. 285-6505.

Story Hour, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays and Thursdays, St. Albans Free Library, 11 Maiden Lane. Stories, songs and activities for children ages 0-6 and their caregivers. 524-1507.

Movie Matinee, 1 p.m. Oct. 19, St. Albans Free Library, 11 Maiden Lane. A Halloween style movie from the 80's. Rated PG. Popcorn and drinks provided, 524-1507.

Nature Adventure with Mr. K: Leaves, 10 a.m. Oct. 20, Haston Library, 5167 Main St., Franklin. All ages. 285-6505.

Halloween Crafts for Kids, 3 p.m. Oct. 23, Fairfax Community Library, 75 Hunt St. The after school craft program will be full of spooky fun. Age 6 and older. Register at 849-2420.

Yoga Tots: Highgate Public Library is interested in starting a Yoga Tots program for children ages 0-5

and their parents/caregivers. Programs would be free and held in the Community Room at the Town Office building one Saturday per month. Children must be accompanied and supervised by a parent or guardian in class. Call 868-3970 or e-mail Liza at highgatepublic@comcast.net if this program is one you would like to see in Highgate.

Food/Drink

Community Breakfast, 7-9 a.m. Oct. 17, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 38 Grand Ave., Swanton. \$2.50/person. Enjoy a fresh, hot morning meal and great conversation.

Baked Ham Supper, 5 p.m. Oct. 18, Binghamville Methodist Church, Fletcher. Baked ham, mashed potato and gravy, vegetables, cabbage salad, rolls, pickles, and homemade dessert. Adults \$10, children under 12 \$5, preschool free.

Harvest Dinner, 5-7 p.m. Oct. 20, St. Amadeus Parish Hall, Main St., Alburgh. Roast beef, variety of potatoes, veggies, cole slaw, pickles, beverages, and a variety of homemade desserts. \$8 adults, children under 12 \$4.

Breakfast, 8 a.m.-noon Oct. 21, Knights of Columbus Council 297, 244 So. Main St., St. Albans. Plain and blueberry pancakes, scrambled eggs, pan fries, sausage, ham, biscuits and gravy, Vermont maple syrup, fruit, coffee, tea and cocoa. \$7. All you can

Lectures/Seminars

Bearing Witness: Art as Social Commentary, Art as Propaganda, 11 a.m. Oct. 17, St. Albans Historical Museum, 9 Church St. Presenter Bob Manning, Art Historian and Artist. The Art and Posters of the WWII period and their historical influences will be the subject of this slide lecture. Part of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute series. \$40/person or \$70/couple for series subscription or \$5 at the door per lecture.

A Gnostic Path to Spiritual Awakening, 6-7:45 p.m. Oct. 18, St. Albans Free Library, 11 Maiden Lane. Examine the concept of the new mode of Life and how it is being experienced and expressed in this Aquarian era. Open to the public and free. 524-9706 or email vermont@goldenrosycross.org.

Start the Conversation: Health Care Planning, 6 p.m. Oct. 18, Enosburg Falls Ambulance Service, 83 Sampsonville Rd. Presentation by Franklin County Home Health Agency staff that will give information on end-of-life options and how to start what can be a difficult conversation with your loved ones. www.fchha.org or 527-7531.

The Northern Forest Canoe Trail, 11 a.m. Oct. 24, St. Albans Historical Museum, 9 Church St. Join Executive Director Kate Williams for a visual through paddle of the Northern Forest Canoe Trail, extending 740 miles from the western edge of the Adirondacks to the northern tip of Maine. Part of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute series. \$40/ person or \$70/couple for series subscription or \$5 at the door per lecture.

On Stage

Cardiac Capers, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 24-27, Bellows Free Academy St. Albans. A musical variety show written, produced, directed and performed by local talent. The Northwestern Medical Center Auxiliary's biggest fundraiser. Wednesday \$8, Thursday-Saturday \$10. Patron: \$20. Tickets available at Food City, Hannaford Supermarket, Northwestern Medical Center, St. Albans Free Library and Swanton Rexall Drugs.

Count Dracula, 7 p.m. Oct. 25-27 and Oct. 30, Opera House at Enosburg Falls, Depot St. A Play in Three Acts directed by Bryant J. Reynolds. Black cloaks and fangs encouraged! \$10 adults, \$7 students and seniors. Tickets at Better Planet in St. Albans, Franklin County Chamber Office, Enosburg Pharmacy, Merchants Bank and Precious Things Jewelry or at www.enosburgoperahouse.org.

Special Events

Flu Clinics: Franklin County Home Health will hold a series of public flu clinics around the county. The Agency will bill Medicaid, Medicare Part B, as well as some private insurances. Please bring your insurance card. If you do not have coverage, the charge will be \$35. Oct. 17: Montgomery Library, 11 a.m.-noon. Oct. 23: St. Albans CarePartners, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Oct. 25: FCHHA office, 2-4:30 p.m. Oct. 26: St. Albans CarePartners, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Oct. 30: Fairfield Community Center, 10-11:30 a.m. Nov. 2: FCHHA office, 3-4:30 p.m. Nov. 5: Messenger Street Senior Center in St. Albans, 9 a.m.-noon. Nov. 7: Enosburg Ambulance Building, 9-11 a.m. Nov. 13: Swanton Senior

Apartments, 9-11 a.m. 527-7531.

Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Mixer, 5:30-7 p.m. Oct. 18, St. Albans Historical Museum, 9 Church St. Sponsored by Jay Peak Resort. Keynote Speaker is Bill Stenger, President and Co-owner of Jay Peak Resort. Great prizes: Waterpark passes, ski passes and Midweek Splash & Stay in the Hotel Jay. \$5 Chamber members, \$8 non-members. RSVP at info@fcrccvt.com or 524-2444.

Annual Haunted House, 7-10 p.m. Oct. 19-20 and Oct. 26-28, Back Inn Time Bed & Breakfast, 68 Fairfield St., St. Albans. \$5 adults, \$3 children. 309-4487.

Child Id Event, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 20, Masonic Hall, Main St., St. Albans. Photo/Fingerprints/DNA. This is free and sponsored by Woodman of America and F&AM lodge #4.

Open House at the Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 20, 29 Tabor Rd., Swanton. Hosted by the Friends of the Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge. Featuring a presentation by UVM graduate student Allison Gulka at 11 a.m. discussing the edge effects on nesting birds in agricultural landscapes. A guided birding walk (8-10 a.m.) at the Railroad Passage Trail will also be offered. Photographers and artists from the area will kick off an exhibit of their photographs and art work from the Refuge and local surrounds. 868-4781 or www.fws.gov/northeast/missisquoi.

Vermont Symphony Orchestra, 4 p.m. Oct. 20, BFA Performing Arts Center, 71 So. Main St., St. Albans. Symphony of Whales: A Halloween Family Concert. Costumes encouraged. \$7 adult, \$5 senior or child, \$15 family. Tickets available in St. Albans at the Chamber of Commerce and Bayberry Cottage or order at www.flynntix.org or 86-FLYNN.

20th Annual Talent Search, 7 p.m. Oct. 20, Opera House at Enosburg Falls, Depot St. Junior Division ages 5-14 and Adult Division ages 15-24. Presented by The Friends of the Opera House and The Optimist Newspaper. Awesome prize packages. For information and to register to perform visit www.enosburgoperahouse.org.

SOLO Support Group, 5 p.m. Oct. 22, Chow! Bella, 24 No. Main St., St. Albans. A warm, friendly and close group of people who have all suffered the loss of a spouse or partner. Dinners are Dutch treat and casual. Newcomers welcome. 309-4862 or 309-2656.