

FEATURE #1:

RACIST IDEAS IN AMERICA

Friday, Nov. 16, 7:30-9 p.m.

Ira Allen Chapel, 26 University Place, Burlington

“Racist Ideas in America: From Slavery to Black Lives” is the keynote address for the Vermont Humanities Council Fall Conference 2018. Ibram X. Kendi, author of the National Book Award-winning “Stamped from the Beginning,” will trace the history of racist ideas through American history, including the “dueling dualities” of racial progress and the simultaneous progress of racism. He will consider the relationship between racist ideas and racial discrimination and offer reason for hope for the future. Kendi is professor and director, Antiracist Research and Policy Center, Department of History, American University. Free and open to the general public.

For more information: www.vermonthumanities.org. (PHOTO: courtesy VHC)

FEATURE #2:

EDUCATIONAL BIRD MONITORING WALK

Saturday, Nov. 17, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Macrae Farm Park, 1500 Macrae Rd., Colchester

The Winooski Valley Park District and the Green Mountain Club presents environmental educator Juli Tyson and walk around the Macrae Farm Park to document birds seen and heard for eBird.org and citizen science. Binoculars and field guides available to borrow. All are welcome – and everyone encouraged to come if they are interested to learn something new or share some knowledge with the group. Free. (PHOTO: credit Kyle Tansley)

THURSDAY, NOV. 15

NAMI SUPPORT GROUP: 3 p.m. Saint Paul’s Cathedral, 2 Cherry Street, Burlington. NAMI VT (National Alliance on Mental Illness) hosts a 90-minute recovery support group for people living with mental illness where people learn from one another’s experiences, share coping strategies, and offer mutual encouragement and understanding. The groups provide an ongoing opportunity to discuss the challenges of living with mental illness and the techniques for maintaining wellness. All meetings are facilitated by trained NAMI peers living in recovery. Group meets every Thursday. Free. For more information: namivt.org.

AROUND THE WORLD DINNER: 5:30-7 p.m. F. H. Tuttle Middle School cafeteria, 500 Dorset Street. The community is invited to attend Ethiopian/Eritrean Night with chef Alganesh Michael. Part of the Healthy Schools South Burlington School District’s Around-the-World Dinner series. Space is limited. Reservations are required. The event is free, although donations

are greatly appreciated. For more information and reservations: Susie Merrick at smerrick@sbschools.net or 652-7035.

SATURDAY, NOV. 17

MENTAL ILLNESS & RECOVERY WORKSHOP: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. NAMI VT, 600 Blair Park, Suite 301, Williston. The National Alliance on Mental Illness of Vermont hosts a free workshop open to the public entitled Mental Illness and Recovery. This opportunity is open to peers, family members, friends and any community members interested in learning more about mental illness. Workshop includes information about the incidence of mental illnesses worldwide; diagnosis, treatment and recovery techniques of mental illnesses including bipolar disorder, depression, obsessive compulsive disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, personality disorder, and dual diagnosis; as well as resources and treatment services available in Vermont. Pre-registrations are encouraged but walk-ins are also welcome. For more information: 802-876-7949, info@namivt.org.

SUNDAY, NOV. 18

TURBULENT SONS OF THE REVOLUTION: 2 p.m. Ethan Allen Homestead Museum, 1 Ethan Allen Homestead, Burlington. Former New York Times bureau chief and visiting professor at Dartmouth College Christopher Wren discusses his latest book on the Green Mountain Boys, focusing on the role they played during the Revolutionary War and in Vermont's formative years. Admission is free. Donations appreciated. For more information: www.ethanallenhomestead.org.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 28

MAMMA MIA KICKOFF: 7 p.m. Lyric's Creative Space, 7 Green Tree Drive. Lyric Theatre holds an auditions kickoff for their spring 2019 production of "Mamma Mia!" This kickoff informational meeting includes an introduction of the production team, vision of the artistic team, and information about auditions and backstage opportunities. Also, pre-registration for auditions, Dec. 2-4, will begin at the end of the meeting. For more information: www.lyrictheatrevt.org.

THURSDAY, NOV. 29

SOUTH BURLINGTON ROTARY CLUB: 7:30-8:30 a.m. DoubleTree Hotel. Program: Club assembly. For more information: southburlingtonrotary.org.

ONGOING

OPEN BIBLE STUDY: 7 p.m. Mondays. Panera Bread, 1340 Shelburne Road. Church of Christ open bible study. For more information: Clyde Mongeon, 802-343-4838.

RADIO AMATEURS OF NORTHERN VT: 7 p.m. Second Tuesday of each month. Wheeler House, 1100 Dorset Street. RANV is a club consisting of 100 radio enthusiasts. A mix of technical and light-hearted topics, with a refreshment break for meeting friends and making new ones. Anyone with an interest in ham radio is invited to join. For more information, call Mitch at 802-879-6589 or visit the club's website at www.ranv.org.

GREEN MOUNTAIN CHORUS: 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Saint Francis School, Winooski. Join men of all ages to sing a cappella, barbershop style. For more information: Dick Labreque, 802-864-5439.

CHITTENDEN COUNTY CHESS CLUB: 7 p.m. Thursdays. Lake Champlain Waldorf School, 122 Boswick Road, Shelburne. Novice and experts welcome. \$2. For more information: Dave Carter 802-324-1143.

CHITTENDEN COUNTY STAMP CLUB: 6:15 p.m. First Wednesday of each month. New location: Williston Fire House, 645 Talcott Road, Williston. For more information: 802-660-4817.

SUPPORT YOUR VETERANS: VFW Post 782, 176 South Winooski Avenue, Burlington. Open to the public. Line dancing 6-9 p.m., Thursdays – class at 6 p.m./dance at 7 p.m. Bar Bingo, Fridays, \$1 card. Dancing and live band: 7-11 p.m. Saturdays, \$6. For more information: 864-6532.

VT ADULT LEARNING: GED testing three times a month. For more information: 846-7245.