

Fridays

Historic Main St Jefferson

Kevin Berner

Fri Sept 10 10:30 – noon

221 Creamery Street, Jefferson NY

I will take the group on a walking tour of Main Street Jefferson describing the history of the area with an emphasis on the old-time businesses, schools, community organizations, churches, and homes. The changes that have taken place in the hamlet and why they took place will be discussed.

You may eat lunch at the historic Mill Pond Inn afterward if you choose. An email will be sent close to the date to see how many would take this option, so that Kevin can make reservations.

Meet at Maple Museum at 221 Creamery Street, Jefferson

Joseph Berner – Pioneer of Barnerville

Kevin Berner

Fri Nov 12 1-2

The Gathering Place

Joseph Berner was the first settler in the Barnerville hamlet within the Town of Cobleskill. During the Revolutionary War he served for two periods of time in the local militia. Independent of that service he and two Warner family members were attacked by Native Americans led by Seths Henry in Warnerville. After the war Joseph had 3 mills on or near Cobleskill Creek.

Max 30

Tesla Road Trip to Sunny Florida

Beth Brandel

Fri Oct 1 1 – 2:30

Zoom

Tag along on our February, 2020 Road Trip to Florida (right before Covid 19 hit and closed everything down). Visit Charleston, NC; Savannah, GA; St. Augustine, FL; Disney and southern Florida including Miami, the Everglades and Key West. Wear your suntan lotion!

Tesla Road Trip to the Canadian Rockies

Beth Brandel

Fri Oct 8 1 – 2:30

Zoom

Come journey with us from Cobleskill, NY to the Canadian Rockies. We'll visit Banff (Lake Louise) and Jasper National Parks in Alberta and Kootenay and Glacier National Parks in British Columbia. By the way, we'll end up in CA.

Fridays

The Adler Hotel – From Heyday to Present Day Ron Ketelsen

Friday Oct 29 at 1-2

Zoom

This presentation is about the Adler Hotel in Sharon Springs. It will cover the early days of the hotel, home movies from the '20s and '30s showing the hotel, and what it looks like now inside and out.

If The Streets Could Talk – Historical Overview of Sharon Springs

Ron Ketelsen

Friday Nov 5 1-2:15

Zoom

This is a presentation about the history of Sharon Springs and will focus on the many buildings that once existed in Sharon Springs that were either destroyed by fire or had to be torn down due to deterioration.

Beekeeping/Honey Harvest

Dean Haskins

Sat Sept 18, **Fri Sept 24**, and Sat Sept 25 3-5pm

205 Sitzer Rd, Warnerville NY

You will learn the fascinating life cycle of honeybees and see the fruits of all their labor as you watch the honey being harvested at Mickle Hollow Maple and Honey. Dress for the outdoors.

205 Sitzer Rd Warnerville, NY 12187. Rt 7 to blinker light in Warnerville, Turn onto West Fulton Road, bear left onto Mickle Hollow Road, and at long red building go straight thru to Mickle Hollow Maple and Honey, or I-88 exit 21, turn right onto Rt.7, continue as above.

Intro to Winter Sowing

Berenice (Berni) Dooley

Fri Oct 8 10-11

Cornell Cooperative Extension

Do you love to garden? But don't have the space or equipment to start seeds prior to the last frost date, as frequently recommended? Are you frugal, and dislike spending money on seed starting equipment? Are you environmentally conscious, and believe in reduce, reuse, recycle? If so, I will share my experiences as a neophyte winter sower and apprentice master gardener. Initially introduced to this process in the master gardener program, I utilized plastic milk jugs, soda bottles, fast food containers, berry containers to create miniature greenhouses to sow seeds that would normally survive winter as perennials, or reseeding annuals.

With this method, you can start sowing, any time after the first day of winter, outdoors. I will share my success, and failures. I may be joined by Liz Brown, Schoharie County Master gardener, and Carla Hegman Crim, PhD, Horticulture and natural resource educator, Delaware County Cooperative extension.

Fridays

Birding How-To

Chris Keefer

Fri Sept 17 at 10-noon, **Sat Sept 18** at 9am, **Sat Sept 25** at 9am 549 Crommie Rd, Carlisle

Birding is a fun and rewarding lifelong hobby. Learn some tips and ideas to help you identify birds through field marks, habitats, behavior and vocalizations. Learn how to best use binoculars, spotting scopes, birding apps and field guides. One in-house class and two bird walks will instruct and help you sharpen your skills. Binoculars are a must. Spotting scopes, field guides and tripods can be useful, but not necessary. Class 1: Carlisle Town Hall, 549 Crommie Road, Carlisle NY. Class 2: Same location. Class 3: TBD

Dr. Talk

Susan Emerson MD

Friday Nov 19 1-3

Zoom

Interactive discussion of audience-chosen medical topics. Discussion will follow participant questions, if no one asks questions I'll start off with head colds and preventive health. Please note I cannot give personalized medical advice in this venue, but am happy to address general topics such as diagnoses, medications, testing, etc. (and translate doctorspeak to plain English...)

Min 4 Max 15 students

Book Chat

Julia Walter

Fri Sept 24, **Thurs Oct 7**, **Fri Oct 22**, **Nov 5**, **Nov 19** 10-noon Cobleskill Library

We will meet every two weeks at The Community Library (TCL) to discuss books we have read and enjoyed (or not enjoyed) to recommend or not recommend. (Books, in this case, includes books read on e-readers, audio books, or books that have been made into movies.) Note: all are Fridays except for Thursday 10/07.

Who is Libby? (Learn how to download books, audiobooks and mags onto your device)

Kim Zimmer

Fri Oct 1 10:30-noon

Cobleskill Library

Are you interested in using your kindle, phone, or tablet to download books, audiobooks and magazines? Are you already downloading but paying for your books? I will introduce you to the Libby App and the Overdrive platform and show you how to get your books and magazines for free. All you need is your library card and a device.

Bring your laptop, tablet, e-reader, phone, power cords, passwords for Amazon and library card. Don't have a library card? Come early and Library staff will get you set up with a card.

Fridays

New Zealand, Bats, Hiking and Getting Home in a Time of Pandemic

Emily Davis/Mike Warner

Fri Oct 22 1-2

Zoom

Attending the Australasian Bat Research Symposium in March of 2020, we took time to hike two of New Zealand's great treks and found ourselves very far from home when the world changed. We netted bats, hiked over 70 miles and eventually found our way home.

Living with Renewable Energy

Russell/Amy Pokorny

Fri Oct 22 2-3:30

588 Middle Rd, Delanson NY

Are you put off by the thought of bringing renewable energy into your home? Do you think it is too expensive or that you would have to sacrifice too many things you love about your lifestyle? Come talk with experts who have first-hand life experience, who are NOT SELLING anything! Learn about solar hot water, solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity, wind energy, electric cars, geothermal heating and cooling and more! We will meet at the Octagon Barn which is at 588 Middle Rd, Delanson, NY, but GPS is unreliable - call Amy at 518-618-5376 if you have trouble.