Reynolds Homestead Calendar of Events
January/February 2016

More information about our programs and events is available at our website:
www.reynoldshomestead.vt.edu

January:

1—Friday—New Year’s Day Holiday. The Reynolds Homestead will be closed.

3—Sunday—Hook-in-Hand Exchange. Join our rug hooker’s exchange in their monthly meeting and learn more about this popular art that has its roots in ancient times. 2:00 p.m.

4—Monday—Patrick Henry Photography Club. Open to anyone interested in learning more about photography. Each month’s meeting includes a photography lesson and a photo contest. 6:30 p.m.

6—Wednesday—Monthly Volunteer Meeting. Learn more about how you can assist the staff in fulfilling its mission to the community. All gifts and talents are welcome! Lunch provided. 1:00 p.m.

10—Sunday—American Music Series presents Youth Concert. This year’s Youth Concert will highlight several exceptionally talented young musicians from famous musical families. Included are Madison Williams, Colt Coates, and Mason Via and friends. $12.00 for adults, $6.00 for students. 2:30 p.m.

13—Wednesday—Homestead Postcard and Collectibles Club. This month’s meeting will feature a Show and Tell by members. Bring a covered dish. 6:30 p.m.

15—Friday—“Women’s Work: Through the Lens of Women Photographers” Opening Reception. Join us in honoring 4 terrific photographers with this opening reception (drop in) for the exhibition which will run through February 26. 3:00-6:00 p.m.

17—Sunday—Homestead Weavers Exchange. The bi-monthly meeting will host Mary Kay Washington instructing on card weaving. Open to anyone interested in this aspect of the fiber arts. 2:00 p.m.

18—Monday—Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. The Reynolds Homestead will be closed to the public.
18—Monday—Homestead Decorative Painters Exchange. The club will have a yard sale and its annual business meeting. Becki Turner will review different strokes. Bring your usual painting supplies and a bag lunch. 9:30 a.m. (The group will meet even though the center is closed.

21—Thursday—Dinner & A Movie Night: “Pride” (2015) Rated R. In an unlikely alliance, striking Welsh mineworkers draw support from a coalition of gay and lesbian activists who solicit donations to help tide over the miners’ families during the 1984 standoff with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher’s government. More information about the dinner menu will be posted on the website closer to the time of the event. Dinner is $18.00 per person and reservations are required for the 6:00 seating. The movie is FREE and begins promptly at 7:00 p.m.

24—Sunday—David Oliver Presents: Blessed Lives in Times of Crisis. This fascinating new series by physicist and Meadows of Dan resident David Oliver explores the biographies of important figures who emerged during critical crises of science, politics and religion. Many of these figures have gone unnoticed in traditional historical texts. Explorations include the lives of Teilhard de Chardin, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Etty Hillesum and others. Learn how the ways they responded to the world in times of crisis and perhaps gain lessons on how we confront our own wild times today. Refreshments served. FREE. 3:00 p.m.

26—Tuesday—The Successful Gardener Series: From the Windowsill to the Garden: Starting Plants from Seeds. Instructor Jeffrey Rieves will show you how growing your own plants from seed is easy and can save you money. He will discuss seed selection, setting up your own growing area, looking after your plants, and much more. This is the first in a 10-part monthly series on how to become a Successful Gardener. Each class is only $10.00, or you can take all 10 for only $80.00, a savings of $20.00! Plus, you’ll earn a Certificate in Home Gardening from Virginia Tech and the Reynolds Homestead. Light refreshments served and participants are welcome to bring their own dinner. 6:00-8:00 p.m.

29—Friday—Chamber of Commerce Banquet. The Reynolds Homestead will host the Chamber Awards Banquet. For more information contact Tim Collins at 276-694-6012.

31—Sunday—Volunteer Appreciation Tea. Each year we honor all of our volunteers with a tea and good fellowship. The Volunteer of the Year will be awarded as well. Anyone who has volunteered his or her time at the Reynolds Homestead is invited to attend. RSVP to Lisa Martin at martinlm@vt.edu.

February

Call for Artists: The Reynolds Homestead will host the first annual Student Art Show in March and April. Students in grades 8-12 in Patrick, Henry, Franklin, Floyd, Carroll, Stokes and Surry counties are eligible to enter. For a $10 entry fee, a student may submit 2 works of art of any medium for this judged show. In addition, a Developing Artist Exhibition, which will be
unjudged, will be held for beginning artists in grades 6-7 from the same areas. More information is available on our website, www.reynoldshomestead.vt.edu, including rules and entry forms. Art will be accepted for this show on the following days and times: Wednesday, February 24, 2:00-6:00 p.m.; Thursday, February 25, 2:00-6:00 p.m.; Friday, February 26, noon-4:00 p.m., and Sunday, February 28, noon – 2:00 p.m.

1—Monday—Patrick Henry Photography Club. Open to anyone interested in learning more about photography. Each month’s meeting includes a photography lesson and a photo context. 6:30 p.m.

3—Wednesday—The History Around Us: Marvin Keene presents “Patrick County Then and Now II.” This one hour program will feature Marvin Keene, local historian and collector. Marvin will be presenting a slide show on "Patrick County, Then and Now", with an array of photographs from long ago and in the present day. These photographs are from all areas of Patrick County. Due to public response and popularity, this is the second collection Marvin has shared with the public. Learn about the changes that have taken place in Patrick County over several decades. An excellent introduction to the area for younger or new residents and a wonderful lookback for those who grew up here. Bring a bag lunch. Noon.

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10—Wednesday—Homestead Postcard and Collectibles Club. Marvin Keene will present his “Patrick County Then and Now, Part III.” Bring a covered dish. Open to anyone interested in collectibles and antique postcards. 6:30 p.m.

14—Sunday—American Music Series presents Gospel Concert in Celebration of Black History Month. The Reverend Burgie Penn and the Trinity Choir will lead this program of emotionally moving gospel music. Regional choirs and singers will join this rousing and inspirational program. FREE. 3:00 p.m.

15—Monday—Homestead Decorative Painters Exchange. Shirley Jasinski will lead the group in creating an ornament with a horse design. Bring your usual painting supplies and a bag lunch. 9:30 a.m.

18—Thursday—Dinner & A Movie Night: “Belle” (2014) This period drama based on fact traces the life of Dido Elizabeth Belle, a biracial girl born in 1761 to a British admiral father and an African mother. Raised by her great-uncle, Dido finds her place in society despite her mixed ethnicity. More information about the dinner menu will be posted on the website closer to the
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23—Tuesday—The Successful Gardener Series: A Cut Above—Pruning Fruit Trees for Better Health and Production. This second session in the Successful Gardener series emphasizes that pruning is one of the most important things you can do for the health of your fruit trees. This session will cover the basic types of cuts, why to make a pruning cut, and the right tools and how to maintain them. Light refreshments served and participants are welcome to bring their own dinner. $10.00. Please call to register. 6:00-8:00 p.m.

27—Saturday—Dr. Seuss Birthday Party. Reynolds Homestead’s 3rd annual Dr. Seuss Birthday celebration is a family event that celebrates the wonderful work of beloved author Dr. Seuss and includes read alouds, crafts, games, Seuss inspired snacks and a photo booth. The event is $5 per person and reservations are required, contact Reynolds Homestead for more information, 276-694-7181 ex.27 or via email wrayse88@vt.edu. 2:00-4:00 p.m.

27—Saturday—Bus Trip to the American Shakespeare Theater in Staunton. Director Julie Walters-Steele is planning a trip to the Shakespeare Theater to view “The Tempest.” More information will be forthcoming, so check back on the website for times and pricing.

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