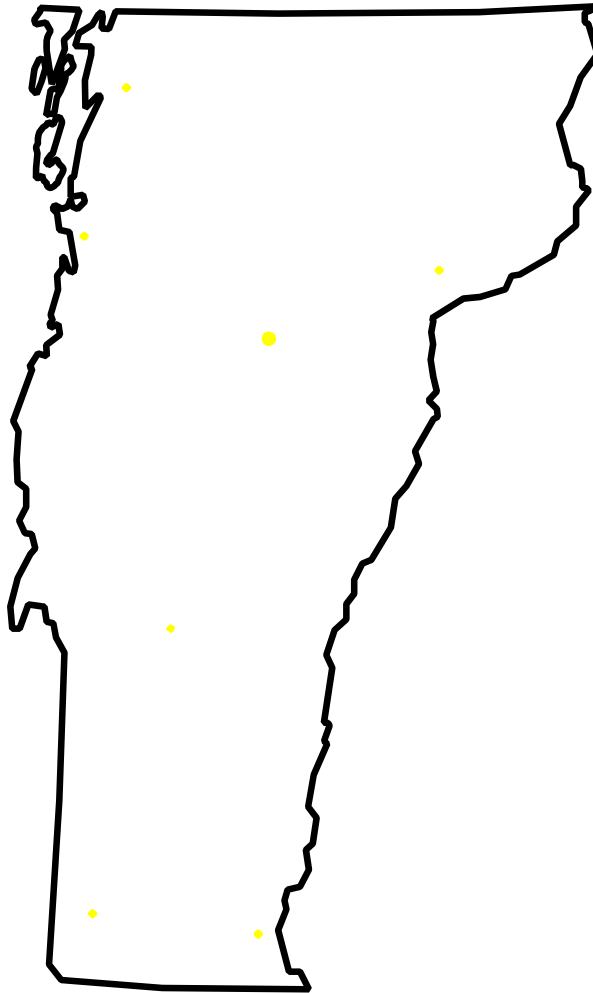


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The members of the Center for Research on Vermont who are listed below are interested in giving programs on the special topics they have indicated. Although the Center for Research on Vermont is happy to recommend speakers upon request, the Center is not responsible for financial or scheduling arrangements. An electronic version of this directory is posted on the Center's Web site at <www.uvm.edu/~crvt>, where it is updated periodically.

Please note: Speakers' fees and scheduling are to be discussed directly with the individual speakers.

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Program Topics:

“Grace Coolidge, First Lady”
“Calvin and Grace Coolidge's Vermont”
“Women's History in Vermont”
“Overview of Vermont History”
“Dorothy Thompson and Grace Coolidge:
Two Humanitarians”
“First Ladies”
“The 1920s”

Biographical Information:

Cyndy Bittinger recently retired as Executive Director of the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation. She has taught as an adjunct instructor at the Community College of Vermont for over seven years (Vermont history and U.S. women's history). She is a commentator for Vermont Public Radio and has written a number of opinion pieces for the *Rutland Daily Herald*. She is a member of the steering committee of the Vermont Women's History Project.

References:

Bill Jenney, President Coolidge State Historic Site
Dennis Devereux, Mt. Holly Historical Society
Laura Rebenis, Community College of Vermont
Charles Buell, Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation

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Program Topics:

“Everything You Need to Know About Vermont in
30 Minutes or Less”
“Town Meeting”
“Vermont Humor”
“Politics”

Biographical Information:

Frank Bryan is John G. McCullough Professor of Political Science at the University of Vermont where he has taught since 1976. He is the author or coauthor of a dozen books including *Real Democracy: The New England Town Meeting and How It Works*, *The Vermont Papers*; *Politics in the Rural States*; *Yankee Politics*; *Real Vermonters Don't Milk Goats*; *The Vermont Owner's Manual*; and *The Very Latest Vermont Quiz Book*.

References:

Lola Aiken
Lew Shattuck
Norm Messier, Green Mountain Boys State
Pittsford Library
Vermont Council on the Humanities

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Program Topics:

“A Time Before Vermont: The History of a Land and
Native Peoples”
“Fiddleheads, Lamb's Quarters, Nettles & Nuts:
Native American and Colonial Herbalism”
“Keepers of the Dawn: Abenakis and the Land”
“Native American Gardening”
“The Loon's Necklace: Science, Story, and Stewardship”

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“The Nature of Freshwater Life”

“Sex and the Single Maple: Vermont’s Blooming Trees and Shrubs”

Comments:

Available all year; no travel restrictions.

Biographical Information:

Michael J. Caduto is an author, ecologist, and storyteller. Much of his work explores the relationships of indigenous peoples and their environments, including the Abenaki of Vermont. His sixteen books include *A Time Before New Hampshire: The Story of a Land and Native Peoples*, *Keepers of the Earth*, *Native American Gardening*, *Everyday Herbs in Spiritual Life: A Guide to Many Practices*, *Earth Tales from Around the World*, *Remains Unknown: The Final Journey of a Human Spirit*, and *Pond and Brook*.

Mr. Caduto has written for all of Vermont’s major daily newspapers, plus the *Providence Journal*, *Albany Times Union*, and *Haaretz*. He currently writes a syndicated newspaper column, “The Outside Story.” His articles include “Keepers of the Earth: The Abenaki Nation of Northern New England” (*Proceedings of the North American Association for Environmental Education*), “Keepers of the Dawn Land: Teaching the Traditional Abenaki Life of Ecological Balance” (*Nature Study*), and “Invisible Nation: Native Americans of New Hampshire” (*New Hampshire Profiles*).

References:

Sterling College
Dartmouth College
Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum
Chelsea Public Library

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Program Topics:

“Vermont in Flood and Recovery: A New Look”

Biographical Information:

Nicholas Clifford earned a B.A. at Princeton University and a Ph.D. at Harvard University. He taught in the history department at Middlebury College from 1966 to 1995. He also served that institution in various administrative capacities, including as vice president for academic affairs. He is the author of a number of books and articles, including most recently *The Troubled Roar of the Waters: Vermont in Flood and Recovery, 1927–1931*, which he coauthored with his wife Deborah Clifford.

References:

Scott Needham, Elderly Services, Inc., Middlebury, Vt.

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Program Topics:

“Vermont in the Civil War”

“Calvin Coolidge the Writer”

“Military Sites in the Champlain Corridor”

“Civil War Sites in Vermont”

“Civil War Battlefield Preservation”

Biographical Information:

Howard Coffin is an author and a preservationist. His publications include four Vermont Civil War books. He has worked as a newspaper reporter, writing for the *Rutland Herald* and the *Christian Science Monitor*. He has also worked in the field of public relations at the University of Vermont, Dartmouth College, and as a consultant. He formerly served as press secretary for U.S. Sen. James Jeffords. He is Emeritus Trustee of the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation.

References:

Vermont Humanities Council
Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation
Woodstock Foundation
Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park

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Program Topics:

Relating to Financial and Management Consulting for Third World and Underdeveloped Countries

Biographical Information:

Ronald Crisman is a fiscal, management, and organizational advisor and trainer to foreign, national, and local governments for the US Treasury, US AID, and other agencies. He has served as the Chief Fiscal Officer for the Vermont Legislature; Secretary of the Transportation Agency, State of Vermont; and Commissioner of the Department of Budget and Management, State of Vermont. Before joining the government, he worked in private business and industry in a number of capacities. He has taught at the University of Vermont, Dartmouth College, Middlebury College, Norwich University, and the Vermont State Colleges on subjects that include computer technology, budgeting, capital budgeting, intergovernmental relations, plant management, labor relations, personnel management, management development, value engineering, fleet management, and planning.

References:

Jan Eastman,* Retired President, The Snelling Center for Government

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Program Topics:

“The Champlain Tercentenary, 1909” (S)
“The Universal Physician” (S) (+ music re: Charles Morris Cobb, 19th-century musician, band leader, composer, and poet)

Biographical Information:

Kevin Dann received a Ph.D. in American history from Rutgers University in 1995. A former Program Director of the Ethan Allen Homestead, he is the author of numerous writings on the natural history of Vermont. His books include *Across the Great Border Fault: The Naturalist Myth in America* (2000) and *Lewis Creek Lost and Found* (2001). He teaches courses on modern global history and the history of consciousness at the State University of New York at Plattsburgh.

References:

Lewis Creek Association
Lake Champlain Basin Program

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Program Topics:

“Weeding Your Attic: Getting Rid of the Junk Without Destroying History” (Talk on how to assess the historical value of documents)

Comments:

Available to lecture in Vermont in the summer. For dates, please contact Dr. Dow at LSU.

Biographical Information:

Elizabeth Dow is Associate Professor in the School of Library and Information Science at Louisiana State University. She was formerly Public Services Librarian in the Special Collections Department at the University of Vermont (1995–2000). She served as Project Archivist in the Vermont State Archives (1990) and at Sheldon Museum, Middlebury (1988–90). She has served on the Vermont Historical Records Advisory Board and is a member of the Society of American Archivists.

References:

Dorothy Seale-Brown
Colchester Historical Society
Ann Lawless
Fairbanks Museum

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Program Topics:

“Vermont History” (S)

Comments:

Presentation, which uses slides, is based on *Vermont: A Political Tradition* and can be given for different periods.

Biographical Information:

William Doyle is Professor of History and Political Science at Johnson State College, where he has taught since 1958. Since 1969, he has represented Washington County in the Vermont State Senate.

References:

John Duffy,* Johnson State College Professor Emeritus of English and Humanities
Samuel B. Hand,* University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History

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Program Topics:

“Role of Climate in Influencing Vermont’s Economic Activities”
“Droughts and Floods in Vermont”
“Impact of Severe Storms on the State’s Vegetation”
“Use of Geographic Information Systems with Climate in Decision-Making”

Comments:

Prefers to give presentations during the summer, academic breaks (including spring break in March), or on Fridays. However, can be flexible, depending on teaching schedule.

Biographical Information:

Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux is Associate Professor of Geography at the University of Vermont, where she has taught since 1997. She earned her doctorate at McGill University in Montreal. Her teaching responsibilities include climatology-related courses, as well as Geographic Information Systems and remote sensing. She is the Vermont State Climatologist and has served on a number of national and international committees, including the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

References:

Richard Downer, Civil Engineering Department, University of Vermont
Jeff Comstock, Vermont Department of Agriculture, Food & Markets

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Program Topics:

“Genealogy in the Internet Age” (LCD connection preferred)

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“Irish and French Canadian Immigration”
“Photography’s First Century: Identifying Historical Photographs”

Biographical Information:

Michael Dwyer is the English Department head at Otter Valley Union High School. In 2004 he was named Vermont Teacher of the Year. He is the President of the Rutland Historical Society.

References:

James Davidson,* Rutland Historical Society
Mary Fregosi*

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Program Topics:

“Cultural Landscape of the Connecticut River Valley” (S)

“Architecture That Flies: Bridges as Cultural Inheritance” (S)

“Reading the Built and Natural Landscape” (S)

Biographical Information:

Richard Ewald is a historic preservation consultant, architectural historian, and freelance journalist, author, editor, and photographer. He has been a contributing editor to *Vermont Magazine* and *Historic Vermont*. An interpreter in the field of cultural heritage tourism, he is also a researcher and expert witness on historic resources for Act 250 permit hearings and for the National Register of Historic Places.

References:

Brattleboro Museum & Art Center
Rockingham Historical Society
Westminster Historical Society
Connecticut River Education Initiative (Northfield, Mass.)

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Program Topics:

“History of the Irish in Vermont”

“Burlington History”

“Winooski History”

“The Allen Brothers as Developers in Early Vermont”

Biographical Information:

Vincent Feeney is Adjunct Professor of History at the University of Vermont. He received a Ph.D. from the University of Washington. A retired businessman, he is the author of *The Great Falls on Onion River: A History of Winooski, Vermont* (2002).

References:

Vermont Humanities Council

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Program Topics:

A Reading from and Discussion of *In Good Hands: The Keeping of a Family Farm*

Slides from and Discussion of *Blue Ribbons and Burlesque: A Book of Country Fairs* (S)

Discussion, with slides, of *In the Land of the Wild Onion: Travels Along Vermont’s Winooski River* (S)

Biographical Information:

Author Charles Fish received a Ph.D. in English from Princeton University. He is Western New England College Professor Emeritus of English. He has participated in Rhodes Scholar selection work in Vermont for a number of years. He has frequently appeared to discuss his books at bookstores, on the radio, and with various organizations.

References:

Robert Taylor, Political Science Department, University of Vermont

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Program Topics:

“Burlington & Lamoille Railroad”

“Vermont Railroad Car Manufacturers”

“Vermont Dairy Processing Industry”

“Vermont Transit”

Comments:

No late night driving.

Biographical Information:

Gerald Fox received a master’s degree in history from the University of Vermont. He is a Director of the Chittenden County Historical Society and the Central Vermont Railway Historical Society.

References:

Essex Community Historical Society

Samuel B. Hand,* University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History

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Program Topics:

“Carnivorous Plants” (PP)

“Atmospheric Pollution and Extinction Risk in Northern Vermont” (PP)

Biographical Information:

Nicholas Gotelli is Professor of Biology at the University of Vermont where he has taught since 1992. He is the author of *A Primer of Ecology* (3d ed.,

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2001), *A Primer of Ecological Statistics* (with A. M. Ellison, 2004), and *Null Models in Ecology* (with G. R. Graves, 1996).

References:

J. J. Schall, Department of Biology, University of Vermont

Aaron Ellison, Harvard Forest

Rob Colwell, University of Connecticut

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Program Topics:

“Vermont Politics”

“The Vermont Legislature”

“Twentieth-Century Vermont”

Biographical Information:

Chris Graff is Vice President of Communications at National Life. Previously he worked as a journalist, serving as Bureau Chief of the Vermont office of the Associated Press for more than 25 years. He also hosted *Vermont This Week* on Vermont Public Television and did news analysis for Vermont Public Radio. He has written extensively on Vermont politics, which he has covered since 1978. His most recent book is *Dateline Vermont* (North Pomfret, Vt.: Thistle Hill Publications), which was published in 2006.

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Program Topics:

“Out of the Shadows: The History of Lincoln Hill, A Black Farming Community in Hinesburgh (1790–1870)” (PP)

“Behind the White Veil: A History of Immigration to Vermont” (S)

“The Living Curriculum: Stories from Vermont Social Studies Classrooms, K–12” (VCR)

Biographical Information:

Elise Guyette (Ed.D. in educational leadership in history and policy studies, M.A. in history, and M.Ed. in curriculum development) is a writer and historian who works as a consultant on ethnohistory, social sciences, and curriculum development for schools, theaters, television, and museums. Her 2007 dissertation will be published in the fall of 2009 by the University Press of New England under the title *Out of the Shadows: An African American Farming Community in Hinesburgh, 1790–1870*. She is the author of a number of publications, including “The Working Lives of African Vermonters in Census and Literature, 1790–1870” in *Vermont History*, “Behind the White Veil: A History of Vermont’s Ethnic Groups” in *Many Cultures, One People: A Multicultural Hand-*

book for Teachers, and the history text *Vermont: A Cultural Patchwork*. She has produced a series of K–12 videotapes featuring exemplary social studies teachers from around the state. She has led educational workshops in places as varied as Yunnan Normal University in China, Durban in South Africa, Albuquerque, Boston, and throughout Vermont.

References:

Sherwood Smith, University of Vermont

Gregory Sharrow,* Vermont Folklife Center

Scott Campitelli, Regional Educational Technology Network

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Program Topics:

“Reading Places: Art, Architecture, and Gravestones in Early Vermont” (S)

“Masterpieces of New England Regional Furniture” (S)

“Daily Life in Ethan Allen’s Vermont” (S)

“Asher Benjamin and the New Science of Architecture, 1775–1830” (S)

“A Celebration of Town Museums and Small Public Collections” (S)

“Making History/Making Place: New England’s Search for a Usable Past” (S)

“The Great River Revisited: Art and Society of the Connecticut Valley” (S)

“Colt’s Revolver and the Origins of Precision Manufacturing in the Connecticut Valley” (S)

Comments:

Single-projector slide presentations; host to supply AV. Prefers evenings or weekends.

Biographical Information:

Bill Hosley is Curator of American Decorative Arts at the Wadsworth Atheneum in Hartford, Conn., where he looks after the noted Wallace Nutting Collection of pilgrim furniture. He has organized several exhibitions, including “The Great River: Art and Society of the Connecticut Valley” and “The Japan Idea: Art and Life in Victorian America.” He is a graduate of Middlebury College and the Winterthur Program in Early American Culture. He recently organized “Colt: An American Saga,” an exhibition about Sam and Elizabeth Colt, Hartford’s most colorful Victorians.

References:

Bennington Museum

Sheldon Museum

Woodstock Historical Society

Battleboro Museum & Art Center

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Program Topics:

“The Vermont Farm Landscape” (S)

“The Evolution of Vermont Architecture” (S)

Biographical Information:

Curtis Johnson is Editor and Author of *The Historic Architecture of Rutland County* (1988), *The Historic Architecture of Addison County* (1990), and “Taking Care of Your Old Barn” (1995). His photographs have appeared in *Vermont Life* publications since 1989.

References:

Nancy Boone,* Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Elsa Gilbertson,* Chimney Point Historic Site
Glenn Andres,* Middlebury College

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Program Topics:

“Rural Vermont Writers”

“Women in Nineteenth-Century Vermont”

“Mourning and Identity in Nineteenth-Century Vermont” (S)

“Romanticism and Vermont”

Biographical Information:

Mary Louise Kete is Associate Professor of English at the University of Vermont, where she has taught since 1994. She received a Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1994 in English and American literature and culture. A UVM alumna, she is a member of the American Studies Association and Modern Language Association. She has published a number of articles and is the author of *Sentimental Collaboration: Mourning and Middle-Class Identity in Nineteenth-Century America* (Durham, N.C.: Duke University Press, 2000).

References:

Paul Eschholz,* Emeritus, English, University of Vermont

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Program Topics:

Organizational Psychology: Culture, Workforce Diversity, Leadership, Motivation, Decision Making, and Conflict Resolution

Comments:

Host to supply overhead projector and VHS-format VCR player. Anywhere in Vermont if expenses paid and modest honorarium provided.

Biographical Information:

Robert B. Lawson is Professor of Psychology at the University of Vermont, where he has taught since 1966. He is a former Director of the UVM Master’s in Public Administration Program, and continues to serve on its faculty.

References:

Thomas Salmon, former President, University of Vermont

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Program Topics:

“Cultural Policy” (national overview)

“Arts and Cultural Support in Vermont”

“Culture and Diplomacy”

“Liberal Arts Tradition in Higher Education”

“The Creative Campus” (the role of arts on college campuses)

“The Creative Economy”

“The Veterans History Project - Library of Congress” (over 40,000 firsthand accounts of war time)

“Save America’s Treasures” (a national preservation program with grants in Vermont)

Comments:

Speaker’s availability depends upon schedule.

Biographical Information:

Ellen McCulloch-Lovell worked from 1970 to 1983 at the Vermont Council on the Arts, eight of those years as Director. She served as Chief of Staff to U.S. Sen. Patrick Leahy from 1983 to 1994. In 1994–1997 she was Executive Director of the President’s Committee on the Arts and Humanities. From 1997 to 2001, she served as Deputy Assistant to the President and Advisor to the First Lady. In 2001–2004 she was Executive Director of the Center for Arts and Culture and also directed the Veterans History Project, Library of Congress. Since 2004, she has been President of Marlboro College in Marlboro, Vt.

References:

Association of Vermont Independent Colleges

Brattleboro Arts Initiative

Library of Congress/American Folklife Center

New England Board of Higher Education

Vermont Arts Council

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Program Topics:

“Forest Ecology and Silviculture” (PP)

“Forest Management” (PP)

“Legal Aspects of Owning Forests” (PP)

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“Intergenerational Transfer of Forests” (PP)

Biographical Information:

Thom J. McEvoy is a Professor of Extension Forester in the Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources at the University of Vermont. Among his accomplishments since arriving in Vermont in 1981 is the establishment of the Coverts Initiative, a project that teaches woodland owners how to manage forests for wildlife, which has since spread to more than 20 states. In Vermont, more than 400 woodland owners have completed the curriculum, and many now serve as leaders in our forestry community.

He also founded the Logger Education to Advance Professionalism (LEAP) program, a multi-day curriculum for logging contractors that covers a wide variety of topics from ecosystems to ethics and safety to liability. Since its inception, LEAP has served as a model for logger education in every major timber-type in the U.S., and more than half of Vermont loggers have completed the curriculum over the past 12 years.

Dr. McEvoy has authored or co-authored more than 250 Extension publications, popular articles, and technical bulletins on forestry subjects and 5 books, including *Positive Impact Forestry - A Sustainable Approach to Managing Woodlands* (Island Press, 2004), the recipient of 2 national book awards, and his most recent book, *Owning and Managing Forests - A Guide to Legal, Financial, and Practical Matters* (Island Press, 2005). His next book, entitled *Planning the Future Forest* (forthcoming from the University Press of New England in spring 2009), will tell the stories of forest-owning families in the U.S. who have developed strategies for passing lands intact within the family.

Professor McEvoy is a regular contributor to regional, national, and international trade journals for woodland owners, logging contractors, mill owners, and others in the forest products business. He teaches numerous workshops for forestry-related clients around the U.S., mostly on sustainable forestry practices and especially planning for the disposition of forests in the estate.

References:

Vermont Coverts
Society of American Foresters
Vermont Department of Forests

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Program Topics

“The History of Georgia, Vermont”
“Smith’s Green Mountain Renovator and the St. Albans Remedy Company”

Biographical Information:

Peter Mallett worked in the educational field for 41 years. He is an avid student of local history. He is the author of “Cemeteries of Georgia” and “The Dutcher Dynasty of St. Albans.”

References:

Georgia Historical Society

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Program Topics:

“What to Look for in a Cemetery Walk”

“Cemetery Preservation: Why Bother?”

Biographical Information:

Charles E. Marchant is the Secretary of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association (VOCA). He is a member of the Cemetery Commission of the Town of Townshend. A retired history teacher, he is the coauthor of “Stones and Bones: Using Tombstones as Textbooks,” a curriculum for Grades 4–12 published by VOCA in 1996 and updated in 2008. He is a contributor to *The Burial Grounds of Vermont*, ed. Arthur L. Hyde and Frances P. Hyde (Bradford: Vermont Old Cemetery Association, 1991).

References:

Castleton Women’s Club
Historical Society of Windham County (Newfane)
Manchester Historical Society

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Program Topics:

“‘Butler’s Rotten Breath of Calumny’: Ben Butler’s Censure of the Seventh Vermont Regiment in the Civil War” (S)

Biographical Information:

Jeffrey Marshall is Library Associate Professor at the University of Vermont, where he is Library Director for Research Collections. He is the author of *The Inquest* (2006) and the editor of *A War of the People: Vermont Civil War Letters* (1999).

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Program Topics:

“Education Productivity and Achievement”
“Vouchers and Privatization” (School Choice)
“Education Finance”

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“The Recent History of Vermont Education”

“Why Vermont Needs Public Schools”

“Educational Improvement”

Comments:

Advance scheduling is needed; most presentations require an overhead projector or PowerPoint.

Biographical Information:

William Mathis is the retired Superintendent of Schools for the Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union in Brandon, Vt., where he served from 1982 to 2009. He has also served as President of the Vermont Superintendents' Association as well as Chair of the state's Education Coalition. He was the first Chair of Vermont's Business/Education Partnership. Previously he served as Deputy Assistant Commissioner in the New Jersey Department of Education. He has taught full time and on an adjunct basis at several colleges and universities, including the University of Vermont, University of Texas, US Air Force Academy, and El Paso Community College. He received a Ph.D. in educational foundations/policy studies from the University of Texas and his master's degree in educational psychology from the University of Tennessee.

References:

Jeff Francis, Vermont Superintendents' Association
John Nelson, Vermont School Boards' Association
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Program Topics:

“Proverbs”

“Fairy Tales”

“Legends”

“Folklore”

Biographical Information:

Wolfgang Mieder is Professor of German and Folklore at the University of Vermont. A prolific author, he is an authority on proverbs and edits the international journal *Proverbium*. He has lectured widely both in the US and abroad.

References:

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Program Topics:

“Native American History and Traditions in Vermont and the Americas” (PP)

Biographical Information:

John S. Moody is an independent ethnohistorian. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College's Native Ameri-

can Studies Program and Anthropology Department. He has worked for 30 years with the Abenaki and other Native peoples in the Northeast on oral and documentary history, culture, language, and traditions. He has served as a consultant on Native history, culture, traditions, site protection, and repatriation with Native families, communities, and Nations; local, state, and federal governments and agencies; and a wide range of schools, museums, and other institutions.

Comments:

PowerPoint projector is needed (optional) as are exhibit tables and easels/blackboards.

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Program Topics:

“Outdoor Lighting” (S)

“Growth Centers”

“Downtown Revitalization”

Biographical Information:

Michael J. Munson is the former Town Planner of Williston, Vt., having retired in 2004. He was formerly President of RESV, Inc., a town planning consulting firm in Essex Junction, Vt., which he directed for more than ten years. Previously he was Regional Planner with the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission. He has taught in Princeton University's Graduate Program in Urban Planning.

References:

Center for Research on Vermont

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Program Topics:

“Restorative Justice in Vermont” (S) (Program discusses the evolution of justice and shows the theory and practical outcome of a citizen-led justice movement originating in Vermont)

Biographical Information:

John Perry has been with the Vermont Department of Corrections for more than 20 years. He has served as Director of Research and Planning there since 1983. He has taught at the University of Vermont, Lyndon State College, and Community College of Vermont.

References:

National Institute of Corrections
International Community Corrections Association
American Probation and Parole Association

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Program Topics:

“One-Room Schools in Addison County” (S)

(Talk is given from an architectural point of view focusing on how the buildings evolved [1790–Civil War] and what they reveal, e.g., about early attitudes toward education)

Biographical Information:

Natalie Peters is a practicing architect. She has many associations with local service organizations, including school boards, parent/child centers, town planning boards.

References:

Shoreham Historical Society
Sheldon Museum

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Program Topics:

“Dialect”

“Vermont Dialect”

“Intercultural Communication”

“Late Talking Children”

Comments:

Most programs utilize overheads; sometimes audio and/or videotapes are used.

Biographical Information:

Julie Roberts is Professor of Linguistics at the University of Vermont. She received a Ph.D. in linguistics from the University of Pennsylvania in 1994.

References:

Center for Research on Vermont

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Program Topics:

“Why Northern New Englanders Seldom Commit Murder”

“History of Capital Punishment”

(Also spouse murder, infanticide, general trends in violence, or other specific topics)

Comments:

Professor Roth travels to Vermont most summers to conduct research, and he would be happy to speak during the evenings and weekends when the archives close. Although he would be willing to speak at other times of the year, the summer is the most convenient.

Biographical Information:

Randolph Roth is Associate Professor of History at Ohio State University, where he has taught

since 1985. He received his Ph.D. from Yale University. He is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Clio Award for Distinguished Teaching in History at Ohio State University; the E. Harold Hugo Memorial Book Prize, Old Sturbridge Village Research Society; and the Theron Rockwell Field Prize, Yale University. He has received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, National Endowment for the Humanities, American Council of Learned Societies, and American Antiquarian Society. He is the author of *The Democratic Dilemma: Religion, Reform, and the Social Order in the Connecticut River Valley of Vermont, 1791–1850* (1987), as well as numerous articles.

References:

P. Jeffrey Potash,* Historian, Burlington, Vt.
Gregory Sanford,* Vermont State Archivist
Michael Sherman,* Editor, *Vermont History*

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Program Topics:

“Census 2000”

“Community Demographic, Economic, and Political Structure”

“Local Planning and Community Organization”

“Economic Development and Agricultural Policy”

Biographical Information:

Frederick Schmidt is University of Vermont Associate Professor Emeritus of Community Development and Applied Economics. He founded and served as Co-Director of the Center for Rural Studies at UVM.

References:

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Program Topics:

“Ethnic Vermonters’ Contributions”

“Franco-Americans in Vermont”

Biographical Information:

Professor of French Joseph-André Senécal has taught French and Canadian Studies at the University of Vermont since 1978. He is Director of the Franco-American Bibliographic File/Inventaire Franco-Américain (INFA) Project which seeks to document and preserve the Franco-American heritage of New England and New York.

References:

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Program Topics:

“Art by the Yard: Vermont’s Painted Theatre Curtains”

“France in the New World”

“Travelers and Travel Literature”

“Town Bands”

“Community Music”

“Vermont’s Civil War Hospitals”

“The Influenza Epidemic of 1918–1919”

“The Vermont Homefront during the Civil War”

“Work of National Importance: Civilian Public Service and Conscientious Objectors in Vermont during World War II”

Biographical Information:

Michael Sherman is Editor of *Vermont History* for the Vermont Historical Society (VHS). He was formerly Academic Dean at Burlington College. From 1996 to 2006, he was Professor of Liberal Studies at Vermont College. He served as Director of the VHS from 1985 to 1995.

References:

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Vermont Historical Society

Samuel B. Hand,* University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History

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Program Topics:

“History of *Vermont Life Magazine*” (S) (Program touches on the history of Vermont since 1946)

Comments:

Advance scheduling is needed.

Biographical Information:

Tom Slayton is Editor Emeritus of *Vermont Life Magazine*. He edited the magazine for more than 18 years. He has been a Vermont journalist for more than 30 years, serving as Vermont Press Bureau Chief and Editorial Page Editor of the *Rutland Herald* and the *Times Argus*. He is the author of *Finding Vermont* (1986) and *Sabra Field, The Art of Place* (1993), as well as numerous articles and reviews. A past President of the International Regional Publishers Association, he is a member of the adjunct faculty of St. Michael’s College’s Journalism Program, where he teaches feature writing for magazines and newspapers. He received a B.A. in English and history from the University of Vermont.

References:

Bobbe Maynes, Shelburne
Windsor Historical Society
Leadership Champion

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Program Topics:

“George D. Aiken and the Vietnam War”

“George D. Aiken and American Foreign Policy”

Biographical Information:

Mark A. Stoler is University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History. He taught at the University of Vermont from 1970 to 2007. He has been a Visiting Professor at the US Naval War College, University of Haifa (on a Fulbright Fellowship), US Military Academy-West Point, and Williams College.

References:

Samuel B. Hand,* University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History
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Program Topics:

“Isaac Barré and the American Revolution” (S)

“Henry Adams, John Temple, and the United States, Circa 1800”

“Pen, Pistol, and Sword: The Temple-Whately Duel” (and various other topics dealing with the career of Sir John Temple, 1731–1798)

“The Americanization of American Culture”

“Impressment in the English and American Lore of the Sea”

“The Birth of the United States Navy” (The naval building race before the Battle of Valcour Island) (S)

“1874 Baseball Tour Not Cricket to British”

“The Essential Ingredient in American Independence” (Molasses)

Biographical Information:

Neil R. Stout is University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History. He taught at UVM from 1964 to 2000, after teaching at Texas A&M (1961–64) and Wisconsin (1958–60). He has served as President of the New England Historical Association (1979–80), as Editor of *Vermont History* (1993–94), and as a member of the Vermont State Historic Preservation Advisory Council (1990–94). He received the A.B. degree from Harvard (1954), and, after two years in the army, the M.S. (1958) and Ph.D. (1961) degrees from Wisconsin. His academic specialty is colonial and revolutionary America, but he has taught in many areas, including interdisciplinary courses in biography. His publications include: *Getting the Most Out of Your U.S. History Course: The History Student’s Vade Mecum* (Lexington: D.C. Heath, 1990; 2d ed., 1992; 2d rev. ed., 1994; 3rd ed., 1996), *The Perfect Crisis: The Beginning of the Revolutionary War* (New York: New York University Press, 1976), *The*

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Royal Navy in America, 1760–1775 (Annapolis, Md.: Naval Institute Press, 1973), and many articles and book reviews. His current project is a biography of Sir John Temple (1731–98), an important figure in the American Revolution and the first British Consul-General to the United States.

References:

Samuel B. Hand,* University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History
Arthur B. Cohn,* Director, Lake Champlain Maritime Museum
James Overfield, University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History
Patricia E. Mardeusz, Bailey/Howe Library, University of Vermont

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Program Topics:

“The Vermont Constitution”
“Vermont Legal History”
“The U.S. Constitution”
“American Legal History”
“Feminist Legal Theory”
“Critical Legal Theory”
“The University of Vermont (1896–1900)”
“Law and Literature”

Biographical Information:

Peter Teachout is Professor of Law at the Vermont Law School, where he has taught since 1975. He has twice been named a Humanities Fellow: at Dartmouth College in 1992, and at Harvard College in 1974–75.

References:

Sally Anderson, Vermont Reading Project
Virginia Foose, Tracy Memorial Library, New London, N.H.

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Program Topics:

“Philip Hoff Years as Governor”
“George D. Aiken and Vermont”
“Electric Utilities and Vermont Politics”
“Vermont Media and Its Reporters on Vermont Politics, 1966–1996”

Biographical Information:

Stephen Terry recently retired as Senior Vice President for Corporate Development of Green Mountain Power Corporation. Formerly a Vermont State House reporter, he was Managing Editor of the *Rutland Herald* (1975–85) and Sunday Editor of the *Rutland*

Herald and the *Barre-Montpelier Times Argus*. He is past Chair of the Vermont Community Foundation.

References:

Samuel B. Hand,* University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History
Michael Sherman,* Editor, *Vermont History*
R. V. Daniels,* University of Vermont Professor Emeritus of History

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Program Topics:

“Champlain: The Lake Between” (Filmmaker
Thompson shares her research process, behind-the-scenes stories, and footage not included in the film)

Comments:

Fee and mileage reimbursement required.

Biographical Information:

Caro Thompson is an independent filmmaker, television producer, and communications professional. She is a trustee of the Vermont Arts Council and a member of the steering committee of the Connecticut River Scenic Byway. Her film “Champlain: The Lake Between” is a documentary broadcast on Vermont Public Television that reclaims the Champlain Valley’s rightful place in the founding of the U.S. and Canada. It explores the legacy of Samuel de Champlain—who in 1609 was the first European to travel the waters of the lake called Bitawbakw by the Abenaki and Kaniatarakonte by the Kahnienkaheka (Mohawk)—and the commerce and diplomacy among many Native and European nations that took place over the next 150 years.

References:

Rachel Plant, Bixby Memorial Free Library
Elsa Gilbertson,* Chimney Point State Historic Site

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Program Topics:

“Historic Barns and Farm Buildings of Vermont” (S)
“Historic Barns and Farm Buildings of New England” (S)
“Historic Architecture Around Lake Champlain” (S)
“Preserving Vermont’s Historic Architecture” (S)
“Lead Paint Hazards and Historic Preservation”

Biographical Information:

Thomas Visser is Associate Professor of History at the University of Vermont where he directs the UVM Historic Preservation Program.

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References:

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Historic Windsor
Lake Champlain Maritime Museum
Shelburne Farms
Sheldon Museum
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Program Topics:

“Sickness and Suffering at Mount Independence”
“Life in Camp on Mount Independence”
“The Vermont Brigade in the Battle of the Wilderness, 5–6 May 1864” (S)
“Vermont Blacks in the Civil War” (S)
“Vermont Civil War Flags”

Comments:

More limited travel in winter.

Biographical Information:

Donald Wickman is Archivist/Librarian at the Woodstock Historical Society in Woodstock, Vt. He has an M.A. in American history from the University of Vermont, where he wrote his thesis on Mount Independence, 1776–77. He has taught American history at the college level. He has presented numerous programs on Mount Independence and the American Civil War. He is a member of the Green Mountain Civil War Roundtable.

References:

Center for Research on Vermont
Green Mountain Civil War Roundtable
Lake Champlain Maritime Museum
Rutland Historical Society
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

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Program Topics:

“What People Wore When Vermont Was New—Clothing in the 1790s” (S)
“The Farmer’s Frock and Other Work Clothes of Rural New England” (S)
“Clothing in New England, 1790–1930” (S)

Comments:

Evening presentations are preferred.

Biographical Information:

Merideth Wright has served as Environmental Judge for the State of Vermont Environmental Court since 1990. She is the author of *Everyday Dress of Rural America, 1783–1800* (Dover Publications, 1992), which was previously published as *Put On Thy Beau-*

tiful Garments: Rural New England Clothing, 1783–1800 (1990).

References:

Vermont Historical Society
Shelburne Museum

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Program Topics:

“Haying in Vermont, 1789–1990”
“E. & T. Fairbanks & Co. in the Nineteenth Century”
“Weighing the World” (Fairbanks develops an international market)
“Whatsits” (identification of artifacts of bygone days)
“Vermont’s 1830s Hemp Craze”
“Vermont’s Rural Industrial Villages”

Comments:

Slides/PowerPoint for all presentations.

Biographical Information:

Allen Yale, Jr., recently retired as Associate Professor of History at Lyndon State College. He received a B.A. in anthropology from Yale University in 1964, an M.A. in history from the University of Vermont in 1983, and a Ph.D. in history from the University of Connecticut in 1995.

References:

Ruth Willard, International Society of Antique Scale Collectors
Michael Sherman,* Editor, *Vermont History*

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Program Topics:

“Fair, Foul, or Folk? Rural Design in American Furniture” (S)
“The Influence of British Design on American Furniture” (S)
“Furniture for ‘the Ladies and Gentlemen of This Town and Country’: Vermont Cabinetmakers and Their Wares, 1760–1860” (S)
“‘Cabinet Furniture in All Its Variety’: Furniture-Making in the Upper Connecticut River Valley” (S)
“‘For Farmers’ Daughters and Fishermen’s Wives’: Furniture-Making in the Granite State, 1680–1840” (S)
“Gentility in Wood: Regional Standards of Excellence in 18th-Century Architecture and Furniture” (S)
“At Home in the Mansion House: Eighteenth-Century Furniture in Context” (S)
“From Craft to Trade: Clockmaking in New England to 1825” (S)
“The Architecture of Furniture: The Design and Construction of New England Clock Cases” (S)

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“An Alloy of Trades: The Whitesmith in Early New England” (S)

Biographical Information:

Philip Zea is President of Historic Deerfield, Inc., in Deerfield, Mass. Formerly he served as Vice President for Museums and Collections at the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities and as Curator of Furniture for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation in Virginia. He has contributed to many major exhibitions and book projects, including “The Great River: Art and Society in the Connecticut Valley,” “Portsmouth Furniture: Masterworks from the New Hampshire Seacoast,” and “The Best the Country Affords: Vermont Furniture, 1765–1850.”

References:

Shelburne Museum
Vermont Historical Society
Bennington Museum
Woodstock Historical Society

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Program Topics:

“The Underground Railroad in Vermont”
“Black Lives in Colonial and Antebellum Vermont”
“Vermont Architecture”
“Spiritualism”

Comments:

Central and northern sections of the state.

Biographical Information:

Ray Zirblis received an M.S. from the Historic Preservation Program at the University of Vermont in 1986. He is a past Editor of *The Green Mountaineer* and was Education Coordinator at the Vermont Historical Society, 1989–92. He served as a Field Architectural Historian at the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, 1986–89. He was awarded state research grants (1996, 1997) to investigate the Underground Railroad. He teaches history as an adjunct faculty member at Norwich University.

References:

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