

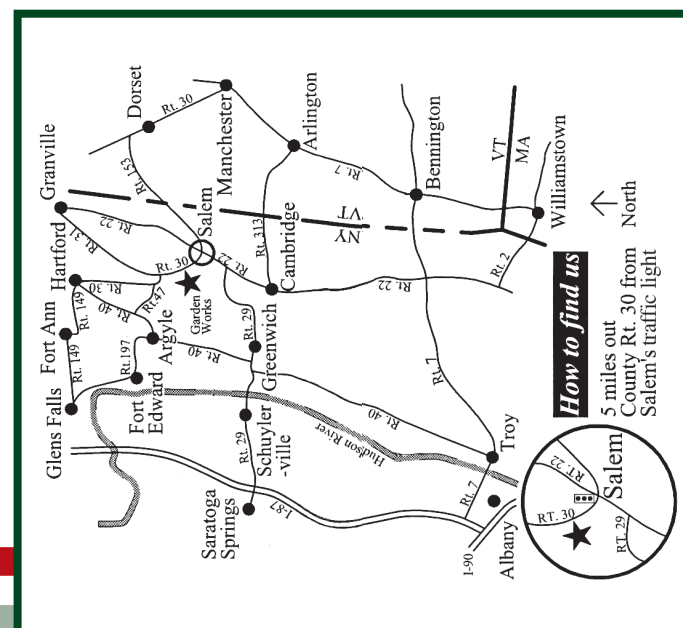
WHERE AGRICULTURE MEETS THE ARTS

Gardenworks is a century old farm with u-pick blueberries & raspberries, a greenhouse, a kitchen, a specialty grocery store, a Christmas parlor, an art gallery, a classroom, a café, a special events barn, & a flower garden. The active marketplace in the restored dairy barn celebrates the diversity of local agriculture & art. We represent a group of avid farmers, gardeners, designers, educators, bakers, artists, chefs, woodworkers, cheese-makers & authors. Our vision combines the talents of people & their wares in a vibrant farm environment.

We invite you to discover the best of local foods & artistic creations which give life great flavor.

Please come visit the farm,
Meg Southerland
& Family

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NEWSLETTER with CALENDAR

2017



YOU ARE INVITED

to absorb the beauty of the Black Creek Valley where our family has cultivated the land for generations. As farm-ers, we pour our hearts & souls into agricultural endeavors in this fertile valley. We invite you to discover the barn market place brimming with flowers, specialty foods, local arts & handicrafts.

Pick delicious **summer raspberries & blueberries** from mid-July to mid-August & **fall raspberries** from September to mid-October.

Take home local **vegetables, cheeses, specialty groceries, apples & maple products** from nearby farms.

Enjoy **cakes, cookies, fruit pies & treats** from our farm kitchen. Join us for a **Farm to Table Dinner**.

Choose unique handcrafted gifts... **bird-houses**, maple cutting boards & jewelry. Visit the **Market Place & Drying Barn** with thousands of dried flowers.

Enjoy lunch at **The Cheese + Café**, open from NOON – 4 PM both Saturday & Sunday, starting June 17 – October 15.

Contact us for **floral designs** for special occasions...weddings, reunions, anniversaries, – why not birthdays too?

Tour our **Holiday Barn** filled with **Santas, snowmen & fresh trees**.

OPEN Daily April 1 thru December 26
Monday thru Sunday 9 AM – 5 PM

CLOSED Easter, Thanksgiving & Christmas
CAFÉ Opens June 17: Saturdays & Sundays
NOON-4 PM until October 15

2018 WINTER MARKET January 5 & 6 – March 31
(Fridays & Saturdays 9 AM – 1 PM
Call for appointments.)

Join our email list:
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for Winter Market offerings

NEWSLETTER CALENDAR

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FAMILY NEWS

The Gardenworks farmhouse burst with family over the Holidays. Cousins created snowmen & read stories by the fire. Great Grandma & Grandpa would smile to have their home filled with family.

Now, daughter Elizabeth with her husband Brendan celebrate their son Hudson's first birthday. He is happy exploring & climbing. Their daughter Charlotte, 4, has signed up for blueberry picking & jewelry modeling, just like her Fancy Nancy books. She also excels at testing cookies at Gardenworks. This summer our son Hunter begins his residency in family medicine while his wife Kelsey is doing marketing for an organic farm. They are busy parents of Walker, 2 ½, & Joel, 10 months. Everyone spends time in the backyard garden where the boys pull carrots & pick cherry tomatoes for treats.

Rob & I enjoyed winter travel collecting new ideas for the café & marketplace. We are grateful for our family & the opportunity to make friends as we work on the farm.

Bridget & Shan are busy displaying new wreaths, candles, baskets while Sue & Lucille tackle the greenhouse jobs. Thank goodness Jose smiles & helps us all with his expert work.

Pumpernickel, our loving 18 yr. old cat, left us in November. Now Charlotte & I look for her star every night we're together. Maybe we'll find Pumpernickel Two?

We're excited about 2017!

FARM FOOD FESTIVITIES

Join us as we celebrate our 25th year at Gardenworks & our mission "to keep the farm an active, sustainable farm". Every season requires new ideas, energy & enthusiasm.

For 2017 our day-to-day goals include using a better tomato staking system, learning to make a healthful grain bowl & smoothie with kale, getting plenty of exercise as we cultivate vitamin rich vegetables and antioxidant-filled blueberries!

Our long range goals include finding balance, discovering ways to be mindful and continually collaborating with nearby farms, artisans and artists. Review the Gardenworks calendar of creative workshops and culinary demos & events, even art & theater. Life in Washington County offers so much!

CELEBRATE WITH FLOWERS

Over 25 years ago we planted our first flowers where corn & alfalfa once grew. Every season the abundance of fresh zinnias, snapdragons, daisies & black eyed Susans gives us beautiful bouquets for special events...weddings, receptions, anniversaries. If 2017 is a year for celebration, call us, 518-854-3250 to discuss flowers for any budget.

HENS & ROOSTERS A FLOCK OF ARTISTS

The Gardenworks farm was once a large poultry & dairy farm so this art show celebrates our agricultural roots with 5 area artists, **Leah McCloskey, Catherine Minnery, Tom Kerr, Bob Skinner & Rob Southerland**. Their art includes pastels, acrylics, water colors & wood/metal collages. Meet the 3 roosters & 2 hens in person at the Opening Reception on **Sunday, August 6** from 2-4 PM. The show continues until October 10.

WHAT'S NEW?

Art Show: Hens & Roosters A Flock of Artists August 6-October 10

Battenkill Conservancy Book-Signings *Untold Stories* Meet author & artist Elizabeth & Barton Cockey

Route 30 Arts & Agriculture Dinner & a Multi Media Celebration

Annette Nielsen returns for Spring & Fall **Food Demos**

Weddings on the Farm Use the beauty of the farm as a backdrop for your wedding or special event

Birthday Lunches or Special Private Dinners at Gardenworks. Always farm fresh & in season.

Private workshops/classes any time (for 8 people or more) or during your stay at the Farm House.

CHEESE + CAFE

Our Weekend Café opens **Saturday, June 17** with exceptional paninis, grilled pork tenderloin sandwich, quiche, organic salads, homemade soup & artisan cheese boards. Rob selects seasonal ingredients from our fields & nearby farms as well as local beers & wines. Each plate is individually prepared & served in a garden setting.

We're happy to host group lunches (10 or more people) & special dinners for private parties. Call 518-854-3250 to discuss delectable menus for your birthday, girls' day, rehearsal dinner or family reunion. Fresh, delicious & served with pride.

FARM STAY

Gardenworks Farm House

"Try new things" was a phrase we quoted to our shy, young children. In 2016 we took that advice & turned the Gardenworks Farmhouse into an Airbnb location.

We hosted appreciative guests who reminded us that Washington County stands out as a place of history, progressive agriculture, performing arts & recreational opportunities.

The Greek Revival farmhouse is newly renovated, sleeps 8, has 2 baths offering an open floor plan, large kitchen & patio.

Reserve it on **Airbnb.com** for a family vacation, reunion or get-away weekend. Ask us about workshops, farm to table meals during your stay.

APRIL



1 & 2 OPENING Weekend A new season filled with bright ideas, energy and a barn full of tempting foods, cheeses, handcrafts, jewelry & home décor. Tour the greenhouse. Enjoy samples of spring flavors. Watch out for April Fool Tricks!

8 9:30–NOON SPRING WREATH WORKSHOP Create your style as you design a beautiful 18" wreath with dried or almost real flowers in your choice of colors. All materials included. (\$44.) ♥

11 AM–2 PM Meet artisan Chris Michel, owner of **Heartfelt Designs**. See her beautiful, handmade felt table mats & runners in many colors & designs.

15 10–11 AM BLUEBERRY PRUNING WORKSHOP FREE! Wear your garden boots & bring your pruner/loppers to learn step by step recommendations from Cornell Cooperative Extension, Soil & Water Conservation & Gardenworks experts.

22 11–NOON SPRING CHEESE SAMPLING FREE samples & lots of information! Rob invites you to sample favorite cheeses as he creates a cheeseboard with spring accents.

2 PM DEPENDABLE PLANTS FOR SUN & SHADE

Join a garden tour with Meg to identify great perennials & annuals for specific locations. Take home a free perennial for Earth Day!



MAY

6 9:30–NOON SPRING WALL BASKET or TABLE CENTERPIECE WORKSHOP Join Meg to create a colorful arrangement for a wall or table using dried or almost-real flowers in your choice of colors. All materials included (\$45) ♥

2 PM HORTICULTURE HEALS with Megan Aesch, horticulturist & author of *Today I Tied My Shoes*. Learn about the healing effect of horticulture & Megan's amazing story. Read her book, a journal of recovery & her family navigating the medical landscape. Inspiring!

13 9:30–10:30 AM MOTHER'S DAY WORKSHOP Create a container herb garden. Invite Mom or a friend for this hands-on workshop. Select favorite herbs or flowers to plant for summer enjoyment. (\$35) ♥

11 AM–NOON SPRING CULINARY CELEBRATION Meet **Annette Nielsen** as she prepares asparagus soup, a frittata with ramps & fresh greens for salad & a blueberry/kale smoothie! Delicious, healthy & **FREE!**

27-29 9 AM–5 PM MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND OPEN daily for robust plants, seasoned advice & creative garden ideas. Grab some high energy foods for gardening!



JUNE

17 & 18 NOON–4 PM CHEESE + CAFÉ OPENS for the SEASON! Enjoy delicious seasonal fare & exceptional artisan cheeses complemented by local wines & beers in a garden setting. An experience!

NOON–4 PM FATHER'S DAY Surprise Dad with an invitation for lunch at the Cheese + Café. He'll love the 3-Cheese & Oscar's Bacon Panini! Complimentary cheesecake for Dad!

24 5:30 PM FARM TO TABLE DINNER & CABARET After a cheese buffet join dinner guests under the arbor for a sumptuous 3-course dinner of chicken cordon bleu, roasted potatoes with early summer salad & a fresh strawberry dessert. Then enjoy seeing *Rip Van Winkle* at the Fort Salem Theater. \$65/person. ♥

JULY

4 OPEN 9 AM–3 PM Vigorous garden plants & find delicious picnic supplies!

10 BLUEBERRY & Summer RASPBERRY SEASON Call 518-854-3250 for up to date picking conditions. Get ready for summer berries!

22 5:30 PM FARM TO TABLE DINNER & CABARET After a cheese buffet, join dinner guests under the arbor for a sumptuous 3-course dinner of mesclun salad, grilled beef tenderloin, mashed potatoes & sweet corn followed by a special blueberry dessert. Then enjoy *Happy If, Happy When* performed by the LaMothe-Gee Family at The Fort Salem Theater. \$65/person. ♥

29 Alfresco Dinner A spectacular summer event at the Salem Historic Courthouse & Community Center. Call 518-854-7053, for details & tickets.



AUGUST

6 2-4 PM ART SHOW Hens & Roosters: A Flock of Artists

Opening Reception Meet the artists & admire the beautiful collection of pastels, acrylics & water colors along with wood/metal collages. Celebrate the local talent & beautiful scenery. **FREE** refreshments.

12 5:30 PM FARM TO TABLE DINNER & CABARET After a cheese buffet, join dinner guests under the arbor for a sumptuous 3-course dinner starting with a organic salad, grilled pork, mashed sweet potatoes, summer vegetables followed by Nuns of New Skete cheesecake. Enjoy *The Pack is Back* with Gerry Gretzinger at Fort Salem Theater. (\$65) ♥

21-27 WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR

This is my favorite destination for an overdose of agriculture, a bloomin' onion & a visit with friends & neighbors. See our booth in The County Bounty Building.



SEPTEMBER

2 RASPBERRIES are RIPE! The summer harvest continues with these big, sweet & delicious berries. Pick all during September until mid-October! We have the buckets. Please bring boxes to carry berries home.

9 & 10 WASHINGTON COUNTY CHEESE TOUR Discover farms where great cheeses are produced & visit Taylor's Brewery & Victory View Vineyards. Stop by for a free cheese talk & sampling on Sunday, **September 10 at 2 PM**. Delicious.

16 2 PM BOOK SIGNING of *Untold Stories* with artist & authors, **Elizabeth & Barton Cockey**. Their book shares tales along the Battenkill. We'll treat you to a free Battenkill Valley Creamery sundae with our raspberries to celebrate.

5:30 PM FARM TO TABLE DINNER at the MOVIES, Rte 30:

ARTS & AGRICULTURE After a cheese buffet, join us for a 3-course dinner including organic salad, grilled sausages, roasted fall vegetables & raspberry shortcake. Then enjoy Jay Kerr's multi-media production of farms, landscapes, & artists along Route 30. (\$65/person) ♥

30 11 AM THE TASTE OF FALL: EATING WELL This food demo by **Annette Nielsen**, a chef who celebrates fall harvest with great flavors & healthy choices. Annette will share recipes & samples for soups as well as autumn grain-bowl ideas. **FREE**



OCTOBER

1 RASPBERRY REWARDS BEGINS! For every pound of raspberries you pick for us in October, you take home a free pound for you. Call for picking conditions & information, 518-854-3250.

7-9 COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND CELEBRATION Share in our harvest celebration with **FREE** samples of savory soup & autumn fare. See scarecrows, mounds of pumpkins & squashes. Take home a fall wreath, colorful dried flowers & some Indian corn.

14 9:30 AM BIRDHOUSE GOURD WORKSHOP Choose your favorite big gourd from our collection & make a birdhouse with expert help. Then you'll have step-by-step painting instructions from Chris Michel, an art teacher who will share designs to follow or you may create your own! All materials provided. (\$35) ♥

15 4 PM CHEESE + CAFÉ CLOSES for the season.

NOVEMBER

4 OPEN HOUSE Sip warm spiced cider, amble & meet artisans. See great decorating ideas for Thanksgiving & Christmas. Peruse new jewelry, handmade soaps, scarves & warm socks. Sample appetizers & cheeses, all perfect for entertaining.

2 PM DARE TO DECORATE Colorful Ideas

11 OPEN HOUSE Beautifully Natural Inspired new colors & trimmings as well as great gift ideas. 'Tis the season for excitement & festivities!

2 PM BOOK SIGNING Meet artist & author **Elizabeth Cockey** who will be signing her book, *Untold Stories*, a book about people & places along the Battenkill. What a perfect holiday gift.

23 THANKSGIVING CLOSED Enjoy yours!

24-25 CATCH THE SPIRIT HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Gather family & friends to visit the big barn brimming with seasonal trimmings & temptations, ornaments, ribbons & garlands. Enjoy warm spiced cider & samples of local cheeses & savory appetizers.

25 2 PM HOLIDAY CONCERT Hear the talented La Mothe-Gee Family singing carols of the season. Their music & smiles will warm your heart!



DECEMBER

2 & 3 9:30 AM–NOON HOLIDAY WREATH, KISSING BALL or TABLETOP TREE WORKSHOP Join the fun & make a 22" evergreen wreath OR 14" kissing ball OR 15" table top tree. Velvet ribbons, cones & German statice provided. Choose Saturday OR Sunday (\$45) ♥

2 & 3 11 AM–4 PM PHOTOS with SANTA Visit this jolly guy for photos & a chat. All profits will be donated to Salem's Lunch, Learn & Play Summer Program (\$700 donated in 2016)!

7 4-8 PM SHOPPING NIGHT Eat! Drink! Shop! Amble through the Christmas Barn filled with beautiful gifts, handcrafts & treats. Meet Tim Shea, jewelry designer & metal smith as well as Heather Bellanca, illustrator of *A Hound's Holiday*, a great gift book! **FREE** gift wrapping, chili & beverages. Share holiday cheer!

9 9–10:30 AM OR 11 AM–12:30 PM TABLETOP TREE or CENTERPIECE WORKSHOP Make a 15" tabletop tree or a 16" centerpiece using mixed evergreens, velvet ribbons, cones, German statice & berries. All materials provided (\$45) ♥

24 9 AM–2 PM OPEN CHRISTMAS EVE We are ready to help with your last minute gifts. No FRENZY at Gardenworks!

25 CLOSED Merry Christmas!

26 9 AM–5 PM BIG SALE! ONE DAY

50% OFF ALL

Christmas

& Most Inventory

JANUARY 5 & 6, 2018 WINTER MARKET OPENS 9 AM -1 PM