#### **CHRONOLOGICALLY LISTED**

#### 1 VERMONT MAPLE FESTIVAL St. Albans, April 28-30

#### www.vtmaplefestival.org • 802-524-5800

Sugarhouse tours, entertainment, maple exhibits, beverage tasting, antique and craft shows, cooking demos, face painting, pancake breakfasts, fiddlers and youth talent shows, carnival, Sap Run, historical museum, delightful shops, vendor foods, maple treats, syrup sampling, and Grand Parade.

## 2 PEOPLE'S UNITED BANK VERMONT CITY MARATHON & RELAY

**Burlington, May 28** 

www.runvcm.org • 802-863-8412

The largest one-day sporting event in Vermont brings over 8,000 runners and 20,000 spectators together to celebrate running, fitness and community. The race begins at beautiful Battery Park, winds through historic streets of Burlington, with the final miles along scenic Lake Champlain.

#### **3** ROCKFIRE

#### Websterville, June 23-25 www.rockfirevt.com • 802-479-1000

A unique combination of art, music and fire celebrating Vermont's granite heritage, set in the abandoned quarries and granite ruins. Day and evening activities, including a FireWalk. A three-mile long procession, lit by thousands of luminaries and dozens of bonfires, all leads to fire-lit granite art installations and live performance stages.

## 4 CAPITAL CITY INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Montpelier, July 3

www.montpelieralive.org • 802-223-9604

Celebrate Montpelier's biggest and most popular annual event! This free and family-friendly day features foods from over 40 vendors. Under the grandeur of the State House, families are invited to enjoy Olympic Games, a music concert and spectacular fireworks. Around town, enter the Montpelier Mile Road Race and other fun festivities.

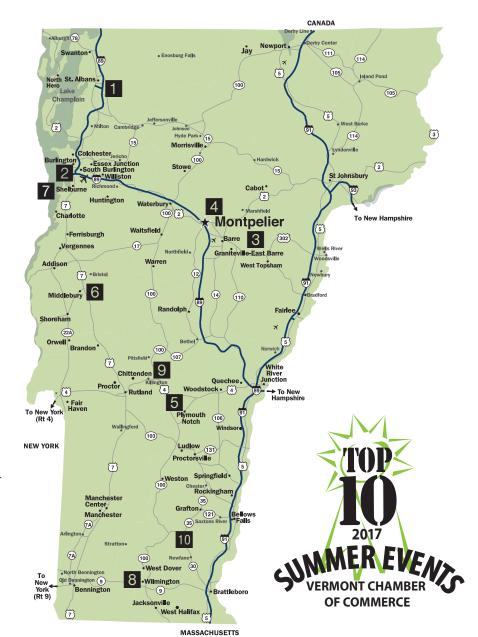
#### 5 PRESIDENT CALVIN COOLIDGE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION Plymouth Notch, July 4 • 802-672-3773 www.historicsites.vermont.gov

Commemorate the birthday of the only U.S. President born on Independence Day! March to the cemetery where a wreath from the White House is placed at the President's gravesite. Activities include tours of the historic village, chicken barbecue, wagon rides, demonstrations, and children's games.

#### 6 MIDDLEBURY SUMMER FESTIVAL ON-THE-GREEN Middlebury, July 9-15 • 802-462-3555

The Festival presents 17 acts over seven days under a tent in the unique natural amphitheater of Middlebury's Village Green. Music,

www.festivalonthegreen.org



magic, marionettes, and a street dance are some of the offerings; the finest way to spend a summer's afternoon or evening.

### 7 VT CHEESEMAKERS FESTIVAL

Shelburne, July 16 www.vtcheesefest.com and www.vtcheese.com • 866-261-8595

With 40 cheesemakers, hundreds of Vermont cheese, and 80 Vermont artisan food producers (including wineries, breweries, cideries and distilleries), this event is a "Top Ten Summer Food Festival in the US." Strolling musicians, cooking demos, and pairing seminars. On Lake Champlain at Shelburne Farms.

## 8 DEERFIELD VALLEY BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL

Dover, Wilmington, Jacksonville, Whitingham and Readsboro, July 28-August 6 www.vermontblueberry.com • 802-464-8092

A family fun frenzy (and substance free) to celebrate anything blueberry, including local restaurants creating special menu items.

Experience these Deerfield Valley communities being Bigger, Better and Blue!

## 9 COOLER IN THE MOUNTAIN CONCERT SERIES

Killington, Sat. afternoons July-September www.mountaintimes.info/cooler-in-themountain-concert • 802-773-4181

Top names from the national scene take the stage for this free outdoor concert series. Guests are invited to grab a lawn chair or blanket and head to Killington Resort for these family-friendly events.

# GRACE COTTAGE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY FAIR DAY Townshend, August 5 • 802-365-9109 www.gracecottage.org/events

This quintessentially Vermont fair boasts free admission and entertainment, including bagpipers, world-class circus performers, and local musicians. Enjoy food, all-day auction, Bingo, bargain booths, and pony rides. Proceeds benefit Grace Cottage Hospital.