

Newark Valley Historical Society 2026

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Bement-Billings Farmstead Museum: 9241 State Route 38

Newark Valley Depot: Depot St.

April 16 **Annual Meeting & Dinner**: 6 PM @ Fire Station. Bring a dish to pass. Entertainment: Greg Neff.

April 18 **Cooking/Guides Guild**: 10-1 @ Farmstead. Site cleaning prior to School Tours.

April 18 **Old Hickory Long Guns**: @ Bement-Billings Farmstead's Black Powder Range. Work party: prepare shooting range for the season. Bona Bunnell: 607-770-1152, bonabunnell22@gmail.com.

April 18... **Blacksmith Guild**: 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.

April 25 **Hike to Black Burial Ground**: 10 AM @ Farmstead; 11 AM-1 PM @ Oakley Corners State Forest. \$3. RSVP by 4/20/26. Ed Nizalowski: 607-642-8075 or trespirit441@gmail.com.

May 3 **Old Hickory Long Guns**: 10-4 @ Farmstead (east side of Rt. 38). "Fred's Frolic": knife & tomahawk throwing, muzzleloaders. Public welcome. Bona Bunnell: 607-770-1152, bonabunnell22@gmail.com or Jerry Rhodes: geraldrhodes@gmail.com.

May 6 - Sept. 30 **Old Hickory Long Guns**: 2 PM- dark @ Farmstead's BP Range. Wed. League Shoot, *each Wed. through Sept. 30*. Range Officer Bona Bunnell: 607-770-1152, bonabunnell22@gmail.com.

May 9 **Bluebell Day**: 10-1 @ Bement-Billings Farmstead. Free community event featuring: Guild demos, craft project, games, activities, displays, plants, and self-guided bluebell viewing walks. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Office: 607-642-5916.

May 9 **Shuttles & Spindles Guild**: 10-2 @ Farmstead. Bluebell Festival. Spin, weave, talk with visitors. BYO lunch. New members welcome! Denise: 607-642-5568.

May 16 **Blacksmith Guild**: 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.

June 5 **Depot Friday Nights**: *The Tarps*: 7 piece band playing classic rock & roll; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

June 6 **Benefit Auction**: @ NV Fire Hall: Preview 11-12; Auction from 12 pm until completed. Refreshments available. Bring donated items to Farmstead's Herrick Barn from 10-2 on Sat. May 30. If unable to deliver, contact office nvhistory@stny.rr.com or leave a message with your name & phone # at (607) 642-9516. We will *try* to arrange to pick up your items. (No used clothing or electronics.)

June 6 & 7 **Shuttles & Spindles Guild**: CNY Fiber Festival @ Herkimer County Fair Grounds, Frankfort, NY.

June 12 **Depot Friday Nights**: *Donna & the Country Mystics*: classic country by Dolly, Hank, Johnny; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

June 13 **Shuttles & Spindles Guild**: 10-2 @ Farmstead. Barb: Flax Spinning demo. You can bring flax to try. BYO lunch. New members welcome! Denise: 607-642-5568.

- June 19 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Tom & Marie:* acoustic tunes from 60's & 70's; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- June 17 **Cooking/Guides Guild:** *Wednesday Day Trip* to Liverpool, NY. Willow Museum: history of local willow basket cottage industry, mid 1800's to early 1900's. Gleason Museum: restored mid-1800's Italianate architectural style home. (Possibly also a visit to the Salt Museum.) Reservations: Office: 607-642-9516; or Ginnie Wood 607-642-9974.
- June 20 **Blacksmith Guild:** 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.
- June 26 **Depot Friday Nights:** *The Stoutmen:* toe tapping Irish ballads and rebel songs; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- July 3 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Greg Neff:* music of the '60's & '70's; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- July 4-Sept. 27 **Bement-Billings House OPEN FOR TOURS** & Gift Shop, each Sat. and Sun., 12- 4 PM.
- July 10 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Little Big Band:* 7-piece band plays swing, doo wop, rock & roll, pop; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- July 11 **"Shady Strong" Fundraiser @** Bement-Billings Farmstead. ALS Awareness, BBQ Competition & Music Festival. Details at www.shadystrong.org.
- July 11 **Shuttles & Spindles Guild:** 10-2 @ Farmstead. Denise: Indigo Dyeing (the modern stuff). Bring small samples. BYO lunch. New members welcome! Denise: 607-642-5568.
- July 17 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Rick Pedro:* astonishing ragtime piano, patriotic, & modern classics; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- July 18 **Blacksmith Guild:** 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.
- July 18 **Cooking/Guides Guild:** See us at the Berkshire Blueberry & Book Festival.
- July 18 **Berkshire Blueberry & Book Festival:** 7 am-4 pm @ 12519 Route 38, at the corner of Jewett Hill Road. Pancakes, art show, live music, local authors, vendors, chicken BBQ, desserts, and blueberries!
- July 24 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Pat Kane & West o'Clare:* traditional, toe-tapping, Irish music; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- July 25 **Summerfest Car Show:** 10-4 @ Depot. *Antique & Classic Cars and Trucks.* Free admission; refreshments available. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in both cars and trucks. Come show your vehicle, or come for the fun of it! Register your vehicle: M. Kiechle, 607-642-8967.
- July 25 **Summerfest Concert:** 6-8 PM @ Depot: *Randy Meritello & the Hop City Hellcats:* vintage country, honky tonk, blues. Free admission; refreshments available. Doors open 5 PM.
- July 31 **Depot Friday Nights:** *JazzHappensBand:* Dixieland, blues, jazz; 7-9 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 6 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.

- Aug. 7 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Ryan Wilson*: sings Elvis, Dean Martin, Johnny Cash, Zac Brown Band, CCR, & more; 6:30-8:30 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 5:30. Refreshments available. nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- Aug. 8 **Shuttles & Spindles Guild:** 10-2 @ Farmstead. Jean and/or Sue: Cardboard Weaving. BYO lunch. New members welcome! Denise: 607-642-5568.
- Aug. 14 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Randy Meritello & the Hop City Hellcats*: vintage country, honky tonk, blues; 6:30-8:30 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 5:30. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- Aug. 15 **Blacksmith Guild:** 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.
- Aug. 15 **Cooking/Guides Guild:** Agenda TBA.
- Aug. 21 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Dean Goble Band*: classic country, bluegrass, Southern rock, swing; 6:30-8:30 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 5:30 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. (607) 642-9516.
- Aug. 28 **Depot Friday Nights:** *Friday at Fred's*: acoustic guitar duo; 6:30-8:30 PM @ NV Depot. Free. Doors open 5:30 PM. Refreshments available. Schedule: nvhistory.org. 642-9516.
- Sept. 12 **Shuttles & Spindles Guild:** Endless Mountains Fiber Festival. No meeting, field trip to event.
- Sept. 19 **Cooking/Guides Guild:** 10-2 @ Welcome Center. AF plans & preparations, reserve costumes for AF. BYO beverage and a dish to share.
- Sept. 19 **Blacksmith Guild:** 10-4 @ Farmstead. Every 3rd Sat. of the month through October. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.
- Oct. 3 & 4 **45th Annual Apple Festival:** 10-5 @ Farmstead. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors (60+), \$5 students & NVHS members, \$20 family (2 adults, 3+ kids). Music, great food, history, tours, crafts, vendors, costumed demonstrators, spinning & weaving demo, kids' activities, gift shop, black powder muzzleloaders, primitive archery. (607) 642-9516.
- Oct. 17 **Blacksmith Guild:** 10-4 @ Farmstead. Last of the year. \$10/ year dues. Visitors and new members welcome! Doug Dayger: (607) 669-4489.
- Oct. 22? **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner:** 6 PM @ NV Fire Station. Bring a dish to pass. Entertainment: TBA
- Nov. 14 **Shuttles & Spindles Guild** @ Noble Room at NV P.O. Guild Christmas Party. Denise: 607-642-5568.
- Nov. 11 **Veterans' Dinner:** 4 PM @ NV Fire Station; for veterans of Berkshire, Newark Valley, & Richford. RSVP (607) 642-9516.