



NEWSLETTER

Let's Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary!

Friday, July 3, 4pm-5pm—Defend Democracy Protest in South Hero

<https://www.mobilize.us/indivisiblechamplainislands/event/982416/>

Let's kick off the 4th of July weekend by defending the democracy we love and cherish at our weekly "Honk & Wave"!

Join us as we wave our flags and signs and sing and chat on the sidewalk between the Worthen Library and Two Heroes Brewery in South Hero.



Saturday, July 4, 11am—Independence Day Parade in South Hero

<https://www.mobilize.us/indivisiblechamplainislands/event/974615/>

Nothing like a parade to celebrate the 4th of July!
And you can be part of it!

COME MARCH WITH US in the South Hero parade!

We'll organize at South St and Landon Rd between 10:30-10:45am. Bring a water for the march and come ready to have fun!

Let us know of your interest or questions!
Find out More! Contact:
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Get off the sidelines!
Join the community!
Celebrate Democracy!
Bring the family!

YOU CAN MARCH WITH US

STAND FOR THE CONSTITUTION

SOUTH HERO 4TH OF JULY PARADE

Join the Indivisible Champlain Islands group to celebrate the 250th Birthday of the USA!
Saturday, July 4 • Meet at South Street and Landon Road at 10:45am for an 11am start
We will have signs but if you wish to bring your own, please keep wording respectful.



Learn more at:
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Other Ways To Celebrate Our 250th Anniversary!

Tune into Heather Cox Richardson's "250 to 250" Project

From the time of our country's founding 250 years ago, the story of America has been one of the constant efforts of Americans—from all races, ethnicities, genders, and abilities—to make real the belief that we are all created equal and have a right to have a say in our democracy.

The Project tells their stories because now, as ever, "We Are America."

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL2dS6uX1RkUzLppeUrqtvApwnR6wh07I>

Visit the Vermont Historical Society's "50 for 250" Exhibit, Montpelier

This is a special exhibit at the Vermont History Museum (109 State St in Montpelier) featuring 50 items that symbolize themes, trends and moments from Vermont's long and proud history. The exhibit runs from July 3 through June 2027. Watch also for future programming based on the exhibit at libraries throughout the state.

<https://vermonthistory.org/50-for-250>



More Protests!

De-ICE Citizens Bank—at Bank Locations in S. Burlington and Williston

Protesting of Citizens Bank financing of private prisons that hold ICE detainees in abysmal conditions. See <https://www.de-icecitizensbank.org/>

Saturday, July 11, 11am-12pm—1117 Shelburne Rd, S. Burlington

<https://www.mobilize.us/champlainvalleyindivisible/event/959942/>

Saturday, July 18, 11am-12pm—68 Helena Dr., Williston

<https://www.mobilize.us/champlainvalleyindivisible/event/977069/>

Weekly Protest in Milton—Every Saturday 11am-12pm

Milton-Westford-Georgia Weekly Honk & Wave for Democracy

<https://www.mobilize.us/mobilize/event/892881/>

in front of Hannaford Milton, 259 US 7, Milton VT

Weekly Protest in Williston—Every Wednesday 12pm-1pm

Stand Up Against ICE at White Cap Business Park, Williston

<https://www.mobilize.us/mobilize/event/896871/>

in front of ICE surveillance center, White Cap Business Park

426 Industrial Ave, Williston VT

Voting And Election Protection News!

August 11 Primary in Vermont—Mail in Ballot is By Request

If you want to vote by mail in the August 11 primary, **you must request the Vote by Mail Ballot from your town clerk.** You can make this request (and check your voter registration status and information) at the Vermont Voter Portal: <https://vote.vermont.gov/public/dashboard>

Election Protection—What's Going On?

As we heard confirmed by Vermont Secretary of State, Sarah Copeland Hanzas, at our member meeting on June 14, **election protection is an extremely critical issue this year.** *Protect Democracy*, which describes itself as a nonpartisan, anti-authoritarianism group, provides a helpful explanation on its website about **how the Trump administration plans to interfere with the 2026 elections:**

<https://protectdemocracy.org/executive-override/>

Reminders!

Postcard Warriors—July 12 Postage Increase Reminder

Postage for postcards increases from 61 cents to 65 cents on July 12.

The good news is that **postcards are still available.** Email Doug now as to how many you want or for more information about getting involved!

Find out More! Contact: dougkiser2199@gmail.com

Pro-Democracy Book Club—Thursday, August 6 is the Next Meeting

The Book Club is not meeting in July. The next meeting is Thursday, August 6 from 5:30pm-6:30pm in the basement of the Worthen Library in S Hero. The **August book is *Abundance*** by Ezra Klein and Derek Thompson. **Join the Club for great discussions** of current events, informed and inspired by books that aid our understanding of how we got here and what we should do. Find out More! Contact:
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United We Stitch—Creating Unity Through Art

Quilters and artists in Vermont are invited to participate in a **nationwide community art project**. On **Sunday, September 20, 2026**, in honor of the International Day of Peace, there will be a **display, in all 50 states, in unison across time zones, of textile panels** reflecting the hopes and dreams of the American people for this unique country of ours. Indivisible Mad River Valley is hosting the project in Vermont—an **exhibit of 50+, flag-sized cloth panels on the VT State House lawn on September 20th**. Learn more about the project at www.unitedwestitch.com. **All Vermonters are invited to create panels**. If even thinking about doing this, you're encouraged to **sign up now** (can put in "Maybe") at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeEsvhkBIZiA-eBlhftutqv2TO6SHnA_ZS8V038-7oV4LaRow/viewform. Find out More!
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