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2009-2010
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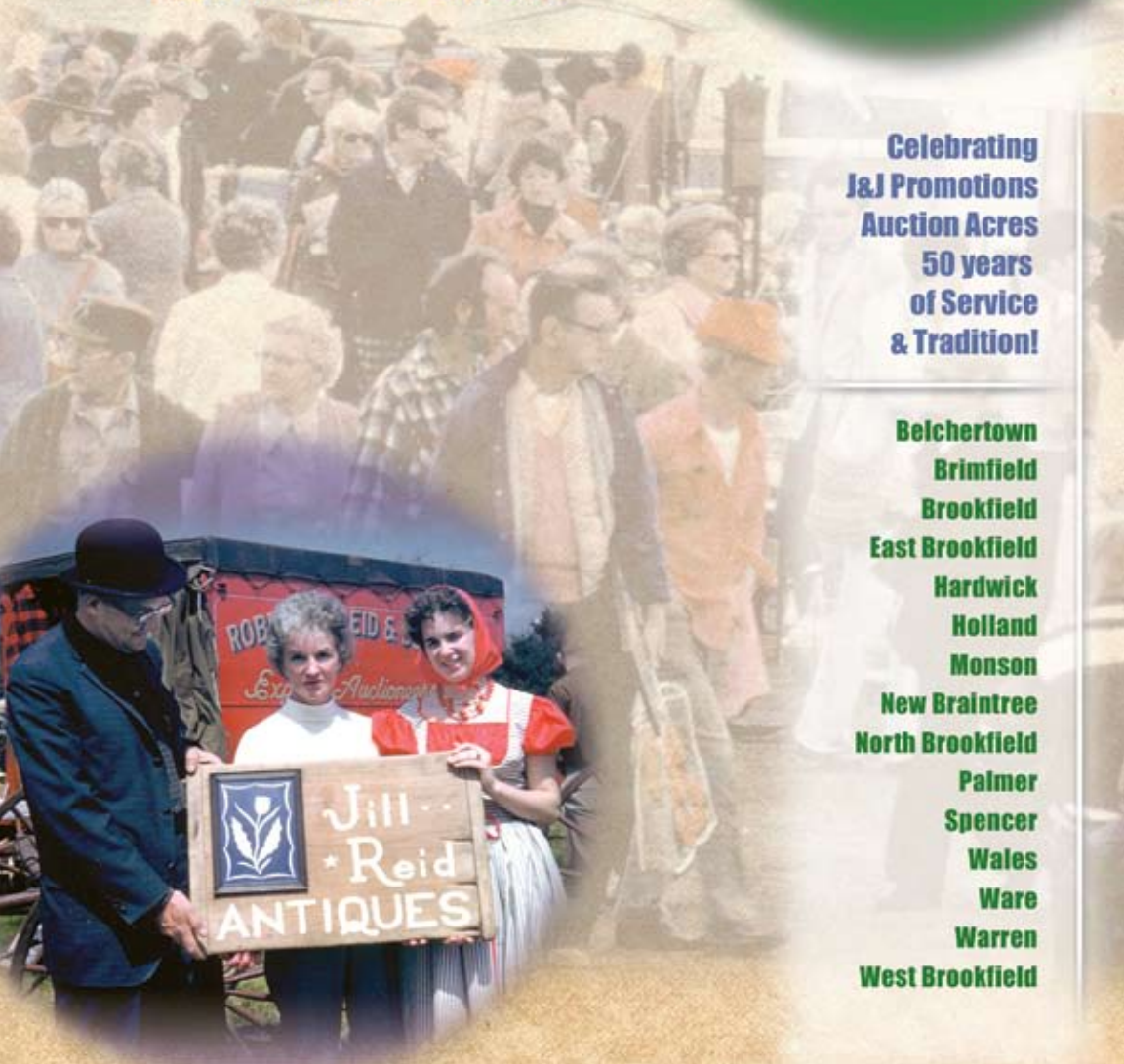
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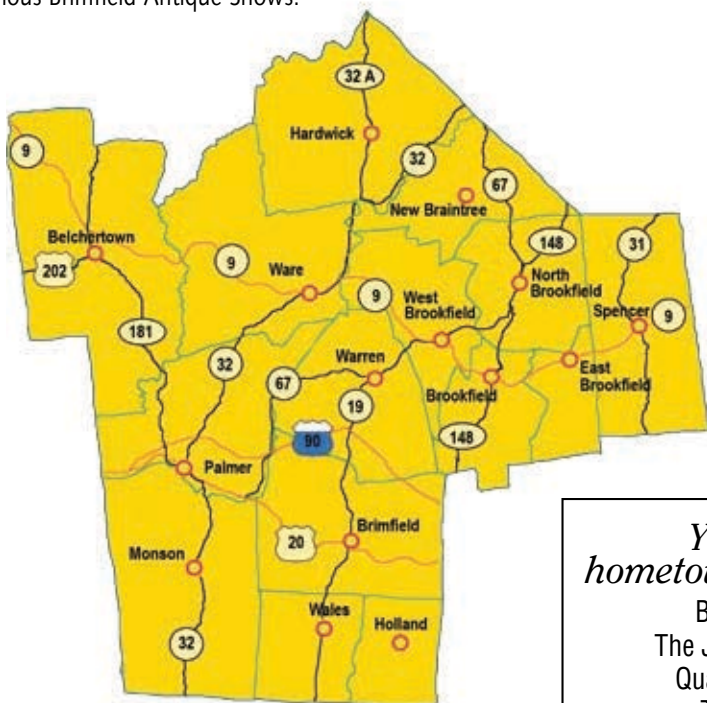
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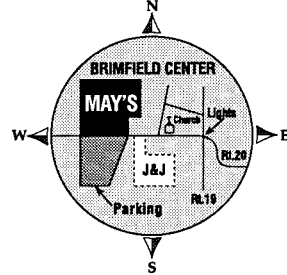


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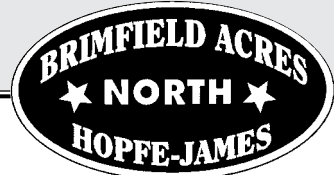
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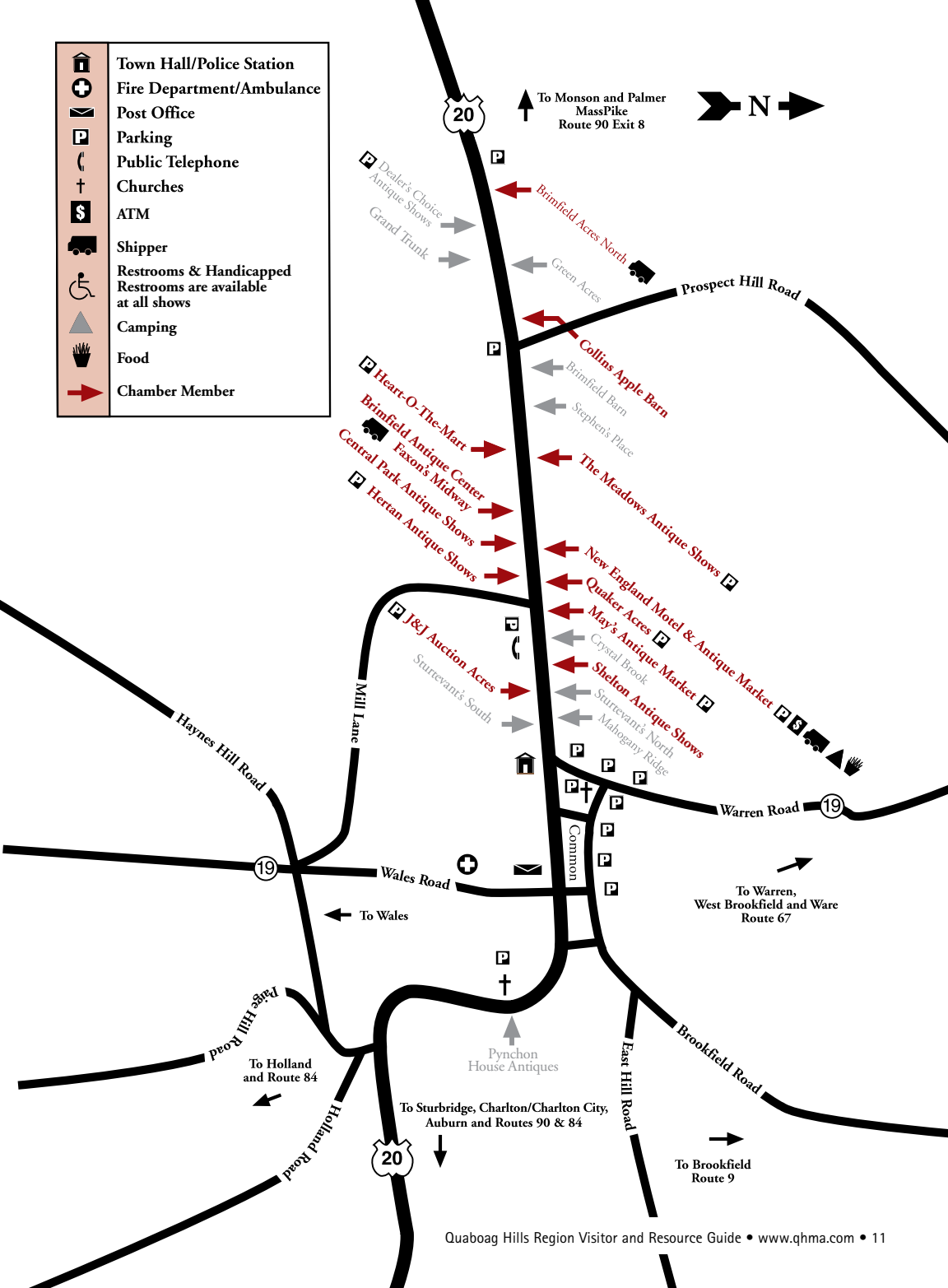
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Mahogany Ridge.....	daybreak	■	■	■	■	■	■
May's Antique Market	9 a.m.	□	□	■	■	■	□
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Quaker Acres	daybreak	■	■	■	■	■	■
(413) 245-6185							
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(413) 245-3591							
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From East and North: Take 495 south to the Mass Pike. Take the Mass Pike west to Exit 9 (Sturbridge). Turn right after the toll booth onto Route 20 West. Continue west about 7 miles to the shows.

To avoid traffic tie-ups at Mass Pike exits 8 and 9, you may exit sooner and take Route 19 or Route 32 from southerly directions, or consider Routes 32 or 67 from the north.

Tour Bus Accommodations:

Tour bus parking is available at several locations within the one-mile stretch of Route 20 where the shows are located.



SHOW INFORMATION

The Brimfield shows run three times a year – May, July and Sept. and are open for a six day period, Tuesday through Sunday. Some operators open all days and others are open for a few days during this period.

Admission: Some shows charge admission, the fee is around \$5.

Parking: There is plenty of off street parking available at costs ranging from \$3.00 – \$10.00. Parking is prohibited on the roadside and tow trucks do patrol the area, so park with caution.

Food: There are plenty of food vendors located on all of the fields offering a variety of food items. There are also a few local restaurants in town where you can sit and enjoy dining.

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Weather: The weather in New England is very unpredictable. The shows run rain or shine so come prepared.

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www.hmdb.org

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Located on East Main Street. In March 1778, Joshua Spooner, a farmer in Brookfield, was beaten to death and his body stuffed down a well. Four people were hanged for the crime: two British soldiers, a young Continental soldier, and Spooner's wife, Bathsheba, who was charged with instigating the murder.
www.brookfieldma.us

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HARDWICK

TOWN HALL

307 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031
(413) 477-6700
www.townofhardwick.com

WARE RIVER SNOWMOBILE CLUB www.wariversnowmobileclub.com

HOLLAND

TOWN HALL

27 Sturbridge Rd., Holland, MA 01521
(413) 245-7108 ext. 12
www.town.holland.ma.us

QUINEBAUG WOODS

Dug Hill Road
Holland, MA 01521
(978) 840-4446
www.thetrustees.org

A short loop trail heads north along the Quinebaug River before turning west and proceeding up and over a steep hillside with rocky outcrops. On the exposed ridge stand the stone chimney and foundation steps that remain from a cabin built in 1932. Visitors can take in views of Blake Hill to the east and Hamilton Reservoir to the south.

MONSON

JACOB THOMPSON HOUSE

Main and Thompson Streets, Monson
(413) 267-4292

Jacob Thompson House (c. 1811), at Main and Thompson Streets, is the house museum of the Monson Historical Society. It is decorated with beautiful antiques from the Federal to the Victorian Period. www.monsonhistoricalsociety.org

KEEP HOMESTEAD MUSEUM

35 Ely Rd., Monson, MA

(413) 267-4137

www.keeptomesteadmuseum.org

Email: khm@keeptomesteadmuseum.org

Open 1st Sunday of the month, 1:00-3:30pm, April through December. The museum features an extensive **Button collection** (one of the largest in the US), special exhibits and programs. It is also a house museum with the belongings of a family who lived in the home for over 150 years. Nature trails are open year-round (maps in parking lot) for hiking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. No admission charge. Special tours by appointment.

MEMORIAL HALL

Located on main Street (c. 1884) a Romanesque Style building erected of Monson granite that contains an original G.A.R. Hall (Civil War) on its second floor, the original Town jail in the basement and the main hall used for theater, concerts and other events. www.monsonhistoricalsociety.org

MONSON FREE LIBRARY

2 High Street Monson, MA 01057

(413) 267-3866

www.monsonlibrary.com

TOWN HALL

110 Main Street

Monson, MA 01057

(413) 267-4115

www.monson-ma.gov

NORCROSS FAMILY CEMETERY

Across the street from Norcross House (next to the Town Office Building) is the Norcross Family cemetery. Both Joel Norcross and his first wife, Betsey Fay (Emily Dickinson's grandmother) are buried here, along with other family members.

PEAKED MOUNTAIN

43 Butler Rd., Monson, MA 01057

(413) 532-1631

www.thetrustees.org

From the 1,227-foot summit of Peaked ("pea-kid") Mountain, a panoramic view unfolds taking in Connecticut's Shenipsit State Forest to the south, Mount Monadnock to the north, and Mount Wachusett to the northeast. In between lies a sweep of rolling New England countryside. The valley overlook provides views of nearby Boulder Hill and the City of Springfield to the west.

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www.quaboagcountryclub.com

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NEW BRAINTREE

TOWN HALL

20 Memorial Drive

New Braintree, MA 01531

(508) 867-4952

www.newbraintree.net

NORTH BROOKFIELD

TOWN HALL

185 North Main Street

North Brookfield, MA 01535

(508) 867-0203

www.northbrookfield.net

PALMER

PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY RAILROAD RESEARCH CENTER

1455 North Main Street

Palmer, MA 01069

(413) 283-3330

www.palmer.lib.ma.us

TOWN HALL

4417 Main Street

Palmer, MA 01069

(413) 283-2608

www.townofpalmer.com

TRAIN STATION

The 19th century Romanesque style train station "Steaming Tender" Restaurant which has been authentically restored. Dine in the original 1884 Waiting Room as the trains rumble by. See the 1915 Porter Steam Locomotive and its Tender that is on display at the historic railroad station. The Palmer Railroad Station was the 3rd largest station in Massachusetts and was designed by the world-renowned architect, Henry Hobson Richardson. Many famous people have passed through Palmer on the Boston and Albany train, dignitaries including: James K. Polk, Al Smith, Jenny Lind, Andrew Johnson (Vice President), Teddy Roosevelt, Ulysses S. Grant, Abe Lincoln and Mark Twain. Some stopped for just a few minutes others such as Jenny Lind had lunch at the hotel and others such as Al Smith got lost and missed his train. Take a stroll to Main Street and continue to the Palmer Library Railroad Research Center and learn more about:

The Town of Seven Railroads The Boston and Albany Railroad, The Central Vermont Railway, The Ware River Railroad, The Old Rabbit Line, The Central Mass Railroad, The Hampden Railroad (never operated), The Southern New England Railroad (never operated). www.sevenrailroads.com

GENERAL HENRY KNOX TRAIL MARKER

Through this place passed General Henry Knox in the winter of 1775 - 1776 to deliver to General George Washington at Cambridge the train of artillery from Fort Ticonderoga used to force the British Army to evacuate Boston. North side of Rt. 20, west of junction of Rt. 181. www.hmdb.org

SPENCER

GENERAL HENRY KNOX TRAIL MARKER

Through this place passed General Henry Knox in the winter of 1775 - 1776 to deliver to General George Washington at Cambridge the train of artillery from Fort Ticonderoga used to force the British Army to evacuate Boston. On north side of Rt. 9, town center. www.hmdb.org

SNOWBIRDS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

www.spencersnowbirds.com

TOWN HALL

157 Main Street
Spencer, MA 01562
(508) 885-7500
www.spencerma.gov

SPENCER STATE FOREST

Howe Pond Rd., Spencer

Monument to Howe Family:

Elias Howe Jr 1819-1867 *Inventor of Sewing Machine 1846*
William Howe 1808-1852 *Inventor of Truss Bridge 1840*
Tyler Howe 1800-1880 *Inventor of Spring Bed 1855*

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167 North Spencer Road
Spencer, MA 01562
(508) 885-8700
www.spencerabbey.org

The monastery features a Retreat House with 11 private rooms and private bath. Retreats for clergy and laypeople offered mid-week; Mon. to Fri. morning, weekends; Fri. to Sun. afternoon.

WALES

TOWN HALL

3 Hollow Road
Wales, MA 01081
(413) 245-7571

On Main and Church Street look for a plaque commemorating Civil War veteran Private Joseph Reed of the African-American 54th Massachusetts 'Glory' Regiment.

WARE

WARE RIVER SNOWMOBILE CLUB

www.wareriversnowmobileclub.com

TOWN HALL

126 Main Street
Ware, MA 01082
(413) 967-4471
www.townofware.com

WARE-HARDWICK COVERED BRIDGE

The bridge was built in 1886 and added to the National Historic Register in 1986. The Gilbertville Covered Bridge spans the Ware River and joins the Massachusetts towns of Ware and Hardwick (in Gilbertville village). The bridge also joins the Massachusetts Hampshire (Ware) and Worcester (Hardwick) counties.
www.warehistoricalsociety.wetpaint.com

WARE CENTER MEETING HOUSE

(413) 967-7136

The First Congregational Church, also known as the Ware Center Church and Meeting House, is the oldest church in Ware. It originally served as both a church and a seat of town government for Ware Parish. Behind the church is a burial ground reserved for ministers and deacons and their families. Ware Center was the center of the town, the town green and a meeting place where one could find a tavern, the blacksmith, the animal pound. www.warehistoricalsociety.wetpaint.com



WARREN

TOWN HALL

48 High Street
Warren, MA 01083
(413) 436-5701

GENERAL HENRY KNOX TRAIL MARKER

Through this place passed General Henry Knox in the winter of 1775 – 1776 to deliver to General George Washington at Cambridge the train of artillery from Fort Ticonderoga used to force the British Army to evacuate Boston. On south side of Rt. 67, ¾ mile east of Warren Center. www.hmdb.org

WEST BROOKFIELD

FORT GILBERT MEMORIAL

North Main Street
Route 67 Just North of School Street
www.westbrookfield.org

HISTORIC FOSTER HILL

A driving or walking tour highlights five historic sites associated with the 1665 Quaboag Plantation, King Philip War, and the place where in 1779 Jedediah Foster wrote the Massachusetts State Constitution. www.westbrookfield.org

LUCY STONE HOMESITE HOMESTEAD

Destroyed by fire, with stone marker outlining accomplishments of Lucy Stone, early champion of women's rights.
www.westbrookfield.org

OLD INDIAN CEMETERY

Cottage Street, North of Route 9 this cemetery keeps a silent vigil to much of West Brookfield's history. It is the resting place of 16 French and Indian War soldiers, 11 Revolutionary War soldiers, and 6 men who were killed in 1710 by Indians and became known as the Haymakers. It is also the resting place for Jedediah Foster, his wife and daughter, and the Honorable Diederick Leertouwer. This cemetery was used from 1710 to 1849. Enjoy some of the spelling and wording used in old times. The cemetery has a rectangular shape and is surrounded by stone walls on all sides. There is one walk-in entrance on Cottage Street. The landscape remains rough and unadorned. It has the plainness of an old graveyard. www.westbrookfield.org

ROCK HOUSE RESERVATION

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Route 9, West Brookfield, MA
www.thetrustees.org

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TOWN HALL

P.O. Box 372
West Brookfield, MA 01585
(508) 867-1415

WHITEFIELD ROCK UPON FOSTER HILL

On the sixteenth of October in the year 1740 the touring evangelist preacher Reverend George Whitefield gave one of his rousing sermons from a large rock upon Foster Hill to at least four to five hundred people. Considering that this pasture was located in the heart of a still thinly settled region, this eighteenth century gathering must indeed have been a notable event.
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Calendar of Events

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MAY 2009

May thru October Farmers Markets

BELCHERTOWN

Farmers Market Every Thursday
On the Town Common
2pm-7pm

BRIMFIELD

Farmers Market Every Saturday
at Hitchcock Academy
9am-1pm

HARDWICK

Farmers Market Every Sunday
On the Common
11am-2pm

WARE

Farmers Market Every Saturday
at Old Meeting House Rt.9
9am-1pm

May 9

BELCHERTOWN

Stone House Museum Opening day
Plant Sale & Old Bag Sale, Tours of the house & print shop and
Carriage house. Admission \$5.00, Seniors \$4.00, Children \$2.00
www.stonehousemuseum.org

May 12-17

BRIMFIELD

Brimfield Antique Shows
Rain or shine! See pages 10 & 11 for details. www.qhma.com

May 15 - Monthly

WEST BROOKFIELD

Murder Mystery Interactive Dinner Theater
at Salem Cross Inn
Friday evenings beginning at 6:30pm.
www.salemcrossinn.com

May 16

WEST BROOKFIELD

Asparagus & Flower Heritage Festival
10am-4pm on the Town Common (Rain Date May 17). Free to
the public. Over 60 local growers, artisans, businesses and
organizations are expected. Live music, A Kids Parade, Frog
Jumping Contest and Maypole Dance. Enjoy lunch in "Asparagus
Alley" where a variety of asparagus dishes will be available. And
don't forget to say hello to Deiderick Leertouwer, the man who
brought asparagus to West Brookfield in 1790 - he'll be strolling
the Common. For more information call **(508) 867-9400**.

JUNE 2009

June 5, 2009

PALMER

Comedy Night 9:15pm
Steaming Tender Restaurant
www.steamingtender.com

June 13

BELCHERTOWN

Craft Fair Hosted by the Teen Center
9am-4pm on the common

June 13

NEW BRAINTREE

A Reenactment of the Wheelers Surprise 1675
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3pm FREE Buses take you to battle site
www.newbraintreehistoricalsociety.org/12.html



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June 20

WEST BROOKFIELD

*Congressional Church Flea Market
on the Common*
9am-4pm

June 20

WEST BROOKFIELD

Drover's Roast at Salem Cross Inn
Festivities begin at 2pm. www.salemcrossinn.com

June 24 – August 5 – FREE

WEST BROOKFIELD

**37th Concerts on the Common
by Friends of The Bandstand**

- June 24 Flamingo Band
- July 3 Rick Larrimore & Band
Rod Stewart Tribute
Raindate – July 4
- July 8 Premier Swing Band
- July 15 Bennie & the Jets
Elton John Tribute Band
- July 22 Eddie Forman Orchestra
- July 29 Union Jack British Invasion Band
- Aug 5 Cornerstone Band

7pm-9pm • www.wbconcertsonthecommon.com

June 27

MONSON

Fire Works at Quarry Hill School
43 Margaret St., Monson
Rain Date June 28, 2009
www.monsonsummerfestinc.com

JULY 2009

July 4

MONSON

Monson Summer Fest
Enjoy a parade and fireworks, along with booths,
bands and various rides/activities. 8:30am-5:30pm
www.monsonsummerfestinc.com

July 11 Rain Date July 12

EAST BROOKFIELD

Fourth of July Celebration
Pancake Breakfast • (8:30am). Parade on Wheels, Bicycle & Doll
carriage & Wagons • (11:30am) Parade with floats, old cars
Fire apparatus from all the area Fire Departments • (Noon time)
Firemen's Muster from surrounding towns • (2pm)

Crafters, Face Painting Food Vendors & Games Softball Game
Between the town office and Baptist Church.
Fire Works • (9:30pm) Open house Hodgkins Building.

East Brookfield Historical museum (1pm-5pm)
Above Events happen at Connie Mack Field.

July 11 & 12th

BELCHERTOWN

*Annual Living History Day & Western Mass
Antiques Tractor and Engine Collectors*
9am-5pm both days on the town common.

July 11

BRIMFIELD

Special Event Farms Market
Something for everyone! In Parking Lot Hitchcock Rain or Shine.

July 14-19

BRIMFIELD

Brimfield Antique Shows
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July 21

BRIMFIELD

Concerts on the Common – Radio Ranch

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July 29

BRIMFIELD

Concerts on the Common – Swingtime

Come enjoy the popular music from the big band era. This quartet consists of vocals/saxophone/flute, keyboard, bass and drums. 6:30-8:30pm. (In case of rain, concerts will be held at Hitchcock)

July 30

BELCHERTOWN

Community Band Concerts on the Common

Being at 7pm.

AUGUST 2009

August 4

BRIMFIELD

Concerts on the Common – Fiske and Herrera

6:30-8:30pm. (In case of rain, concerts will be held at Hitchcock)

Aug 6, 13 & 20

BELCHERTOWN

Community Band Concerts on the Common

Beginning at 7pm.

Aug 15

BELCHERTOWN

*Quabbin Valley Twirlers
Craft Fair on the Common*

9am-4pm

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Calendar listings visit www.qhma.com*

August 21 & 22

HARDWICK

247th Hardwick Community Fair

The oldest fair in the United States, originated in 1762.

Fair supper, exhibitions, art show, lumberjack contest, hay rides, road race, sheep show, barbecue, horse show, blacksmith, stone cutting. Call Hardwick Farmers Coop (413) 477-6429.

www.hardwickfair.com

Aug 29

BELCHERTOWN

St. Francis Parish Tag sale on the common

9am-3pm

SEPTEMBER 2009

September 4, 5, 6 & 7

SPENCER

121st Annual Spencer Fair

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www.spencerfair.org

September 8-13

BRIMFIELD

Brimfield Antique Shows

Rain or shine! See pages 10 & 11 for details. www.qhma.com

September 13

WEST BROOKFIELD

Drover's Roast at Salem Cross Inn

Festivities begin at 2pm www.salemcrossinn.com

Sept 24-27

BELCHERTOWN

152nd Belchertown Fair & Parade

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OCTOBER 2009

October 10

BROOKFIELD

31th annual Apple Country Fair

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October 26 (rain date Oct 27)

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NOVEMBER 2009

Nov thru April

WEST BROOKFIELD

Fireplace Feasts at Salem Cross Inn

Dinner, Pie making, mulling and chowder demonstrations. Horsedrawn wagon or sleigh ride, weather permitting.

Begins at 6:30pm. www.salemcrossinn.com

Nov 1

WEST BROOKFIELD

Handcraft & Collectibles Show at Salem Cross Inn

10am - 3pm • Indoor Exhibits www.salemcrossinn.com

Nov 27, 28 & 29

BELCHERTOWN

Boy Scouts Christmas wreaths for sale on the common

8am-4pm

DECEMBER 2009

Dec - weekends

WEST BROOKFIELD

Christmas Memories at Salem Cross Inn

Enjoy dinner and a play based on Dylan Thomas' A Child's Christmas in Wales. Saturday's and Sunday's in December.

www.salemcrossinn.com

Dec 5, 6

BELCHERTOWN

Boy Scouts Christmas wreaths for sale on the common

8am-4pm

Dec 5-6

BRIMFIELD

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Dec 6

WEST BROOKFIELD

White Christmas

Horsedrawn Hayrides, Crafts and Shops open house. A tree lighting celebration followed by a Free Concert in the Town Hall. Noon, 6pm

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PALMER

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Horticultural Department

240 Sykes Street, Palmer, MA 01069

(413) 283-9701

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Saturday - 5:00-9:00pm

Sunday - 12:00 - 8:00pm

Early Dinners served until 5:30pm Tuesday thru Friday



Hexmark Tavern Hours

Tuesday *thru* Friday 4:00 - 9:00pm

Just 15 minutes from Sturbridge

Take route 20 west to route 148.

Follow approximately 7 miles to route 9.

Turn left onto route 9 west

Salem Cross Inn is approximately 5 miles on your left.

Just 15 minutes from Brimfield

Take route 19 north for 7 miles, go under the railroad overpass to Warren Center. Turn right onto Route 67 north to West Brookfield. Turn left at intersection of Route 9 west.

Salem Cross Inn is less than one mile on your left.



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