

# The Woof!



February 2023

## One-Time Event in February

Albany Community School  
351 Main St, Albany, VT 05820

**February 21, 2023, Tuesday**

04:00PM to 05:00PM

Please contact: Donna Bousquet, Librarian

Tele: 802.755.6168 or email: [dbousquet@ocsu.org](mailto:dbousquet@ocsu.org)

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Cultural Crossroads - UVM  
633 Main St., Burlington, VT 05405

**February 7, 2023, Tuesday**

11:30AM to 01:00PM

Please contact: Noel Riby-Williams, Program Coordinator

Tele: 802.793.8827 or email: [mrribywil@uvm.edu](mailto:mrribywil@uvm.edu)

Hi! we are hosting a winter wellness fair for our students on February 7th from 11:30-1:00pm

We would love if one or two therapy dogs would be able to join us!!!

## Save the Date!! in March!!

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**Baird School – Howard Center**, 1138 Pine St., Burlington, VT 05401

**Contact:** Jennifer Uttecht, Clinical Director, 802.488.6662, [jenniferu@howardcenter.org](mailto:jenniferu@howardcenter.org)

Ongoing, Weekdays, Regular hours

"They would love to see a therapy dog for a few minutes to help them get through the day, and life .....

**Brewster Pierce Memorial**, 120 School St, Huntington, Vt 05462

**Contact:** Aimee Motta, Teacher, 802.434.7375, [aimee.motta@mmuvsd.org](mailto:aimee.motta@mmuvsd.org)

Ongoing, Weekdays, Regular Hours

"My first graders would benefit from reading with a dog, gaining calmness from being with a dog, benefitting from the smiles that a dog brings!!"

**Maple Ridge Lodge Assisted Living**, 2 Freeman Woods, Essex Junction, VT 05452

**Contact:** Jessie Clegg, Director of Community Life, 781.901.9506, [jclegg@mapleridgeessex.com](mailto:jclegg@mapleridgeessex.com)

Ongoing, Any day of week, regular hours

"Seeing those residents who tend to keep to themselves just brighten up around animals is so heartwarming, especially in the winter when they need a little extra pick-me-up. Hope to hear from you!"

**Bennington Elementary School**, 128 Park St., Bennington, VT 05201

**Contact:** Katie West, Public Information Coordinator, 802.753.5827, [katie.west@svsu.org](mailto:katie.west@svsu.org)

Ongoing, Weekday, Regular Hours

"Bennington Elementary School is looking for a therapy dog to visit groups of children during the school day. Students who would be participating have a variety of needs and experience levels with dogs. The volunteering team would have to be gentle and confident!"

**Addison Consortium Program**, 812 Exchange St, Middlebury, VT 05753

**Contact:** Claire Ewing, School Social Worker, 802.398.2229, [cewing@acsdvt.org](mailto:cewing@acsdvt.org)

Ongoing, Weekdays, 12:30pm to 2:00pm, but flexible with your opportunities

"All of our current students are huge animal lovers and are greatly soothed by animal contact, so I'd love to find an afternoon or morning where a therapy dog can come for a visit!"

**Champlaine College**, 95 Summit St., Burlington, VT 05401

**Contact:** Lauren Bruneau, Director, Academic Support & Coaching, 802.865.6422, [lbruneau@champlain.edu](mailto:lbruneau@champlain.edu)

Ongoing, weekdays, varying hours

"Our students are missing their pets from home and just LOVE to visit with you all!  
Thanks for your consideration,"

**Grafton Elementary School**, 58 School St., Grafton, VT 05146

**Contact:** Tracy Binet-Perrin, School Counselor, 802.843.2495, [tracy.binet-perrin@wnesu.com](mailto:tracy.binet-perrin@wnesu.com)

Ongoing, Weekdays, Regular Hours

"My goal is to help kids feel loved and have safe bodies and actions around the therapy dog. I am truly grateful for the opportunity to work with these amazing volunteers and their animals."

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**MT MANSFIELD UNION HIGH SCHOOL**, 211 BROWNS TRACE RD, JERICHO, VT 05465

**CONTACT:** REBECCA SULLIVAN, SCHOOL COUNSELOR, 802.858.1767, [REBECCA.SULLIVAN@MMUUSD.ORG](mailto:REBECCA.SULLIVAN@MMUUSD.ORG)

ONGOING, WEEKDAYS, REGULAR HOURS

"IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED, WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU!"

**PORTER MEDICAL CENTER**, SOUTH ST EXTENSION, MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753

**CONTACT:** KELLY WALTERS, DIRECTOR OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES, 802.388.7901, X290, [KHERRMANN@PORTERMEDICAL.ORG](mailto:KHERRMANN@PORTERMEDICAL.ORG)

ONGOING, ANY DAY, REGULAR HOURS

"WE ARE READY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS – IN A BIG WAY ☺ STAFF AND PATIENTS ARE VERY EAGER TO BRING PET THERAPY BACK TO PMC!!"

**ST JOHNSBURY HEALTH AND REHAB**, 1248 HOSPITAL DR., ST JOHNSBURY, VT 05819

**CONTACT:** RIVER STERN-CARNEY, RECREATION DIRECTOR, 802.748.8757, [RIVER.STERN-CARNEY@GENESISHC.COM](mailto:RIVER.STERN-CARNEY@GENESISHC.COM)

ONGOING, ANY DAY OF WEEK, REGULAR HOURS

"FOR MANY OF THE RESIDENTS, HAVING ANIMALS AS A PART OF THEIR LIFE IS NORMAL AND HOPEFULLY BRINGING DOGS INTO THE FACILITY ON A REGULAR BASIS, THEY WILL FEEL MORE AT HOME"

**MANSFIELD PLACE**, 18 CARMICHAEL ST., ESSEX, VT 05452

**CONTACT:** MARY READ, DAUGHTER, 571.216.5586, [READRCM@GMAIL.COM](mailto:READRCM@GMAIL.COM)

ONGOING, ANY DAY, REGULAR HOURS

MARY'S PARENTS LIVE AT MANSFIELD PLACE, AND SHE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM A THERAPY DOG TEAM WHO MAY BE ABLE TO VISIT WITH HER PARENTS, IN THE COMMON AREA AT MANSFIELD PLACE. PLEASE REACH OUT TO HER TO DISCUSS ANY OPTIONS.

**THOMAS FLEMING SCHOOL**, 21 PROSPECT ST., ESSEX JCT., VT 05452

**CONTACT:** BRIANA YOUNG, 802.878.1381, [BYOUNG@EWS.D.ORG](mailto:BYOUNG@EWS.D.ORG)

ONGOING, WEEKDAY, REGULAR HOURS

"OUR STAFF AND STUDENTS ARE THRILLED TO WELCOME THERAPY DOGS BACK INTO THE BUILDING. IDEALLY WE WOULD HAVE A SET DAY OF THE WEEK FOR VISITS, BUT WOULD LOVE TO TALK ABOUT ALL OPTIONS."

**CHESTNUT PLACE**, 430 BERLIN MALL RD, BERLIN, VERMONT 05602

**CONTACT:** KAY NUISSL, LIFE ENRICHMENT DIRECTOR, 720.273.6066, [KNUISSL@CHESTNUTPLACEVT.COM](mailto:KNUISSL@CHESTNUTPLACEVT.COM)

ONGOING, WEEKDAY, REGULAR HOURS

"EVERYONE LOVES AND BENEFITS FROM ANIMAL VISITS BUT I AM PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN HAVING REGULAR VISITS TO OUR MEMORY CARE AREA. MOST OF OUR RESIDENTS ARE FROM VT, AND HAVE FREQUENT FAMILY VISITS. OUR STAFF IS VERY DEVOTED TO THE CARE OF RESIDENTS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU."

**GIFFORD HEALTH CARE, INC.**, 44 SOUTH MAIN ST., RANDOLPH, VERMONT 05060

**CONTACT:** CRYSTAL WHITAKER, BENEFITS MANAGER/HUMAN RESOURCES, 802.728.2297,

[CWHITAKER@GIFFORDHEALTHCARE.ORG](mailto:CWHITAKER@GIFFORDHEALTHCARE.ORG)

ONGOING, WEEKDAYS, REGULAR HOURS

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**Hartford Memorial Middle School, 245 Barnes Ave, White River Jct., VT 05001**

Contact: Justin Bouvier, 802.295.8640, [bouvierj@hartfordschools.net](mailto:bouvierj@hartfordschools.net)

Ongoing, Weekdays, Regular hours

"These students thrive when therapeutic interventions are in place, such as a weekly visit by a therapy dog."

**Orwell Village School, 494 Main St., Orwell, Vermont, 05760**

Contact: Melissa Rosato, Classroom Teacher, 802.948.2871, [mrosato@svvvt.org](mailto:mrosato@svvvt.org)

Ongoing, Weekdays, Regular hours

"They (students) haven't experienced a "normal" school year. They would benefit from having a therapy dog come into the classroom."

**Northern Vermont University – Lyndon, 1001 College Rd, Lyndonville, Vermont 05819**

Contact: Jonathan Davis, Dean of Students, 802.274.4110, [jonathan.davis@northernvermont.edu](mailto:jonathan.davis@northernvermont.edu)

Ongoing, Weekdays, Regular hours

"with the hope that we could invite you for some ongoing visits to our campus"

**Memory Care at Allen Brook, 99 Allen Brook Ln, Williston, Vermont, 05495**

Contact: Tori Green, Program Coordinator, 203.240.5626, [green@cathedralsquare.org](mailto:green@cathedralsquare.org)

Ongoing, weekdays, Any Time

"Many of them have lived their whole lives owning dogs and miss them very much."

**Equinox Terrace, 324 Equinox Terrace Rd, Manchester Ctr, Vermont 05255**

Contact: Kathy Clary, Life Enrichment Director, 802.362.5141, [Kclary@terracecommunities.com](mailto:Kclary@terracecommunities.com)

Ongoing, Weekdays, Regular hours

"Equinox Terrace is an assisted living facility. Our residents would love regular visit by your therapy dog"

**Berlin Elementary School, 372 Paine Turnpike Rd North, Berlin, Vermont 05602**

Contact: Jessica Heinz, School Counselor, 802.223.2796, [jheinz@u32.org](mailto:jheinz@u32.org)

Ongoing, weekday, regular hours

"We have had a therapy dog active in our school many years ago. We are looking to set something up for this school year."

**NFI Vermont – Shelburne House, 4292 Brownell Rd, Williston, Vermont 05495**

Contact: Brooke Bartels, Program Coordinator, 802.859.9112, [brookebartels@nafi.com](mailto:brookebartels@nafi.com)

Ongoing, weekdays or weekends, evening hours

"Our hope is to have a therapy dog come visit twice a week so each kiddo could have their own visit. We understand this is a big ask and are more than willing to figure something else out."

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