

# Vermont Fresh Network Events & Opportunities

**October 2006**

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## Greetings!

We are pleased to announce a wonderful addition to our VFN staff! Kim Cleary has joined us as our new Network Administrator. Kim will be assisting Meghan in all aspects of making the Vermont Fresh Network run efficiently. Kim's voice may sound familiar to many of you, as she was most recently the office manager for NOFA-VT. Kim just had a baby boy, Sawyer, so working part-time for VFN fits right into her busy life.

## • Farmer's Dinners



## Remaining Dinners

10/25/06 Michaels on the Hill, Waterbury,  
[www.michaelsonthehill.com](http://www.michaelsonthehill.com)

11/10/06 Putney Inn, Putney,  
[www.putneyinn.com](http://www.putneyinn.com)

11/11/06 Middlebury Inn, Middlebury,  
[www.middleburyinn.com](http://www.middleburyinn.com)

## 2006 Farmers' Dinner Series

The next event in the 2006 Vermont Fresh Network Farmers' Dinner series will be held at Michael's on the Hill on October 25th at 7:00 p.m. Farmers' Dinners are scheduled at various restaurants and farms around the state throughout the year as a way to celebrate the partnerships between farmers, chefs and consumers. These dinners offer a unique opportunity to taste a special menu highlighting local foods and to join the farmers and food producers at the table. For information on the scheduled dinners in the Vermont Fresh Network Farmers' Dinner Series, consult [www.vermontfresh.net](http://www.vermontfresh.net).

**[RSVP for these events at host restaurants](#)**

## • Vermont Frost Heaves



### Vermont Frost Heaves - Call for Food Vendors

The Vermont Frost Heaves, the Green Mountain State's own pro basketball team, will begin play in November. Before, during and after their 18 home games (nine each in Barre and Burlington), the team wants to offer fans a sporting-event food experience, but with a fresh and local twist. Producers and suppliers of appropriate offerings, who are interested in participating as either "famer's market"-style vendors of their own products, or as suppliers of food that the team itself would vend, are encouraged to contact the Frost Heaves at [info@vermontfrostheaves.com](mailto:info@vermontfrostheaves.com).

**[Contact the Frost Heaves](#)**

## • DINING CHALLENGE



### The Big Questions

1. What VFN Partner restaurant did you dine at?
2. What product did you order that was raised/grown in Vermont?
3. What was the name of the Vermont farm that raised/grew the product?

### TAKE THE DINING CHALLENGE!!

We would like to invite you and/or your customers to join us in a celebration of Vermont's bounty! This network is full of exceptional farmers and chefs working together in the pursuit of culinary excellence with the finest, freshest, local ingredients! Today more restaurants are buying local products than in years past. We know that thoughtful diners asking the right questions can enjoy something grown or raised by a nearby farmer.

We all want to insure that Vermont's landscape will always include farms and restaurants working together to provide fresh, flavorful, high quality food to citizens and visitors.

**[Take the Challenge!](#)**

## • Annual Forum



### 2007 Annual Forum

**August 5, 2007**

Coach Barn,  
Shelburne Farms

We are currently planning the 2007 Annual Forum. Mark your calendar - the Forum will be held on Aug. 5th, 2007. Tickets will be available June 1st 2007.

If you are a farmer or chef and would like to be involved with the Forum, please email us at [info@vermontfresh.net](mailto:info@vermontfresh.net).

[Click here for more details](#)

## • Call for Recipes



Send recipes by Nov 22nd to [info@vermontfresh.net](mailto:info@vermontfresh.net) or the address below. Be sure to include your phone number and web info.

### Call for Recipes

It's time for Vermont Public Television's pledge drive. As part of the drive, they are assembling a cookbook featuring Vermont dairy products. In the past, they have received some wonderful recipes from VFN member chefs & are looking forward to continuing this partnership. VPT is in need of recipes that contain any Vermont dairy product as an ingredient.

If you would like to be include in this cookbook, please forward 1 or 2 recipes by **November 22nd**. Full credit will be given to you and your restaurant or farm.

Recipes should include:

- Recipe Name
- Restaurant/Farm Name & Address
- Chef's Name
- List of Ingredients
- Serving Size & Instructions

The program airs December 2nd at 2pm and will repeat on December 10th & 17th. For more information, call Neil Hilt at 802-655-8071.

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*The VFN builds innovative partnerships among farmers,  
restaurants and consumers to strengthen Vermont's agriculture.*