

RING in SPRING, Easter, and much more in April with our entertainment, adventures & vacation activities!

April 2017



Farmington Valley
Visitors Association

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**April Vacation and
Summer Camp
information is coming
out!**

**Keep reading our
newsletter for more
opportunities!**

April Vacation !

Community Farm of
Simsbury: Spring Fling-
4/10-4/14 - 1 to 5 days

New England Air
Museum: 4/10-4/21

Hill-Stead Museum:
4/10-4/13 8:30am-1pm

Stanley-Whitman House:
4/12-4/14 9am-4pm free

Easter is April 16th, so it's time to plan your celebrations. Check out our lodgings, restaurants and specialty shops for special menus, tasty treats and liquid refreshments.

Avon Prime Meats already has great ideas, and Metro Bis will be open from 11am to 4pm for Easter Dining!

We'll keep you posted as more Easter events and offerings come in!

See what surprises you'll find at **Avon Village Marketplace's Easter Egg Hunt on April 9th**. Don't forget to visit the Cake Gypsy to help the Easter Bunny decorate Cupcakes. To make a memory, schedule a photo session at MotoPhoto (470-7939) with chicks (4/4-4/8) and/or bunnies now through April 15th. For information, call 676-8878.

Twin Exhibitions are opening at **The Mark Twain House & Museum** on March 23rd. *Renewing the Royal Chamber: The Clemenses' Mahogany Suite Reborn* and *Twain's Temper: Top Ten Tantrums and Righteous Rages*, under the collective title of Beauty and the Beast, will run through January 21, 2018. For information, call 280-3152.

Visit **Abigail's** in Simsbury on Sundays & Mondays for half price bottles of wine. Check out their new discounts and deals tab at www.abigailsgrill.com.

The **Community Farm of Simsbury** is selling CSA shares. Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a way for you to buy local, seasonal produce directly from a Certified Organic Farm. For more information, visit www.giftsolovect.org.

Simsbury Culture, Parks and Rec has opened its registration for: summer explorers camp, awesome explorers camp, junior explorers camp, playground explorers camp, and summer tennis programs. Call 658-3836 or visit www.simsburyrec.com for information and registration.

REMEMBER, Simsbury Farms Season pool passes are already on sale!

Flamig Farm opens for the season on April 1st. You'll see their

Summer Camps!

Community Farm of
Simsbury: 6/19-8/11

Hill-Stead Museum:
Summer on the Hill:
7/10-7/13; 7/17-7/20;
7/25-7/28 - 8:30am-1pm
677-4787 x 140

Flamig Farm: for kids 5-
14. Session 1 is already
full. Visit
www.flamigfarm.com
for camp information
and registration.

Would you like to
participate in **Flamig
Farm's Eggs Around the
World Program?** They
invite you to take a
picture while away,
wearing a shirt, cap or
Flamig Farm logo. When
you share your photo, it
will be posted on their
website. In December,
newsletter readers will
vote for the best photo,
and the winner will
receive a \$100 gift
certificate. for more
information visit
www.famigfarm.com's
Eggs Around the World
page.

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amazing improvements and upgrades which include: a new paved pathway from the parking lot, the shiny EGGROOM floor, the renovated "Pig Palace," and insulated Party Room. Their redesigned website will be revealed soon!

Flamig Farm's Earth Day celebration on April 29th will include: food, music, a bounce house, pony rides, tractor hayrides, face painting, the petting zoo, green vendors and more. Call 658-5070 for more details.

LAST MINUTE MARCH EVENTS

- 24 Free Wine Tasting, Lally's Fine Wine & Spirits, Avon, 4-8pm, must be 21 or over, 404-5178
- 30 Movies Made in New England: Nosey Parker (Vermont), Avon Public Library, Avon, 1:30pm, 673-9712

APRIL EVENTS

- 1,8,22 Talcott Mountain Science Center & Academy's Prime Time K-3 Spectacular Saturdays 3 week sessions." Sun, Moon & Stars" will be explored from 9am to 3pm. As registration is required, call 677-8571 or visit www.tmsc.org
- 1 Frank Vignola & Vinny Raniola in Concert, Roaring Brook Nature Center, Canton, 7:30pm, \$22 adv / \$25 door, 693-0263
- 2 Spring Clean Like a Colonial, Stanley-Whitman House, Farmington, 1:30-2:30pm, 677-9222
- 1,2 Rooms in Bloom, Hill-Stead Museum, Farmington, 10am to 4pm, Museum admission, 677-4787
- 2 Engaged! A Wedding & Events Open House, Hill-stead Museum, Farmington, 1-4pm, 677-4787
- 2 First Sunday for Families, Hill-Stead Museum, Farmington, art projects, music, hiking, visiting the sheep farm, tours, museum admission, 677-4787
- 4 The Street of a Thousand Blossoms, Travel to Japan, Avon Public Library, Avon, 7pm, 673-9712
- 5 The Jewish Community of Hartford, Avon Public Library, Avon, 2pm, 673-9712
- 6 Medicare 101, Avon Public library, Avon, 6:30-8:00pm, call Avon Senior Center at 675-4355 to sign up.
- 6 "Why They Came:" Finnish Immigration, Canton Historical Museum, held at the Canton Library/Community Center, Canton, 6:30-7:30pm, \$5 non-members, \$4 members,

- registration appreciated, 693-2793
- 6,13,20,27 Walk Talk & Gawk - Adult Nature Walks Winding Trails, Farmington, <http://windingtrails.org/programs.php?id=716> to register
- 7 Lunchtime Lecture: The Death of the Smith Boys, 1729, Stanley-Whitman House Farmington, 121pm, \$3 per person, bring a bag lunch, 677-9222
- 8 70th Annual Children's Fishing Derby, Winding Trails, Farmington, 8-11am, free, 677-8458
- 8 Benefit Concert for The Pete Huttlinger Fund with Stephen Bennett, Mark Sganga, Glenn Roth & Stan Sullivan, Roaring Brook Nature Center, Canton, 7:30pm, \$22 adv / \$25 door, 693-0263
- 8 Winding Trails Saturday walks: Vernal Pools
Morning - families with small children
<http://windingtrails.org/programs.php?id=685>
Afternoon- family walk
<http://windingtrails.org/programs.php?id=686>
Evening- night walk
<http://windingtrails.org/programs.php?id=687>
- 9 An Easter Event not to be missed, Avon Village Marketplace, Avon, 1-3pm, Decorate cupcakes find hidden Easter Eggs, have pictures taken with Bunnies, 676-8878 for general information, photo appointments: 470-7939
- 9 Stone by Stone: The Stone Wall Restoration Project, Stanley-Whitman House, Farmington, 1-2:30pm, free, registration required, 677-9222
- 10 Meet The Lowells of Massachusetts: An American Family, Avon Public Library, Avon, 2pm, 673-9712
- 10 The History of the Heubleins & Their Tower, Avon Public Library, held at the Avon Senior Center Avon, 7-8pm, 678-7621
- 13 Why They Came - German Immigration, Canton Historical Museum, held at Canton Library/Community Center, 6:30-7:30pm, registration appreciated, 63-2793
- 14 Talk and movie on flintlock rifles and their production, Barkhamsted Historical Society, held at the Barkhamsted Senior Center, 7pm, 738-2456
- 14 Annual Easter Egg Hunt, New England Air museum, Windsor Locks, museum admission, 623-3305
- 19, 26 Winding Trails, Farmington
Mommy & Me at Nature for 2's & 3's --register child only
<http://windingtraips.org/prgrams.php?id=684>

Nature Rangers for 4's & 5's

<http://windingtrails.org/progras.php?id=709>

- 20 Why They Came - French Canadian Immigration, Canton Historical Museum, held at Canton Library/Community Center, 6:30-730pm, registration appreciated, 693-2793
- 21 John Gorka in Concert, Roaring Brook Nature Center Canton, 7:30pm, \$25 adv / \$30 door, 693-0263
- 22, 29, May 6,13,20, June 3 Talcott Mountain Science Center & Academy's The Sky's the Limit - grades 4-8, Spectacular Saturdays 6 week sessions." Meteorology, Green Energy, Astronomy & Ecology will be explored from 9am to 3pm. As registration is required, call 677-8571 or visit www.tmsc.org
- 23 International Film Series: Paradise Now, Avon Public Library, Avon, 6:20pm, 673-9712
- 23 Springtime Afternoon Tea, Simsbury Historical Society in their Simsbury Tea Room at Phelps Tavern, 3pm, reservations, 658-2500
- 26 Storytime @ Theo's, Hill-Stead Museum, 9-10am, children ages 2-4, \$8 each child, caregivers free, register at www.hillstead.org
- 29 Earth Day Celebration at Flamig Farm, Simsbury, 9-5pm (rain date 4/20)
- 29 Harvey Reid & Joyce Anderson in Concert, Roaring Brook Nature Center, Canton, 7:30pm, \$20 adv / \$25 door, 693-0263

41 Bridge Street - Bridge Street Live
693-9702 www.41bridgestreet.com

8:00 performance unless otherwise noted

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| 7 | Plywood Cowboy | \$18, \$24 |
| 8 | Comedy Night: Tony V | \$15, \$25 |
| 14 | Kinky Friedman: The Resurrected Tour | \$25, \$35 |
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| 21 | Back to the Garden 1969 | \$25, \$35 |
| 22 | Comedy Night: Eddie Brill | \$15, \$25 |
| 27 | Tommy Castro & Mile Zito:
Six Strings Down | \$25, \$35 |
| 28 | The Mighty Soul Drivers w/Vitamin B3 | \$15, \$25 |

Sincerely,

Nancy Anstey and the Farmington Valley Visitors Association