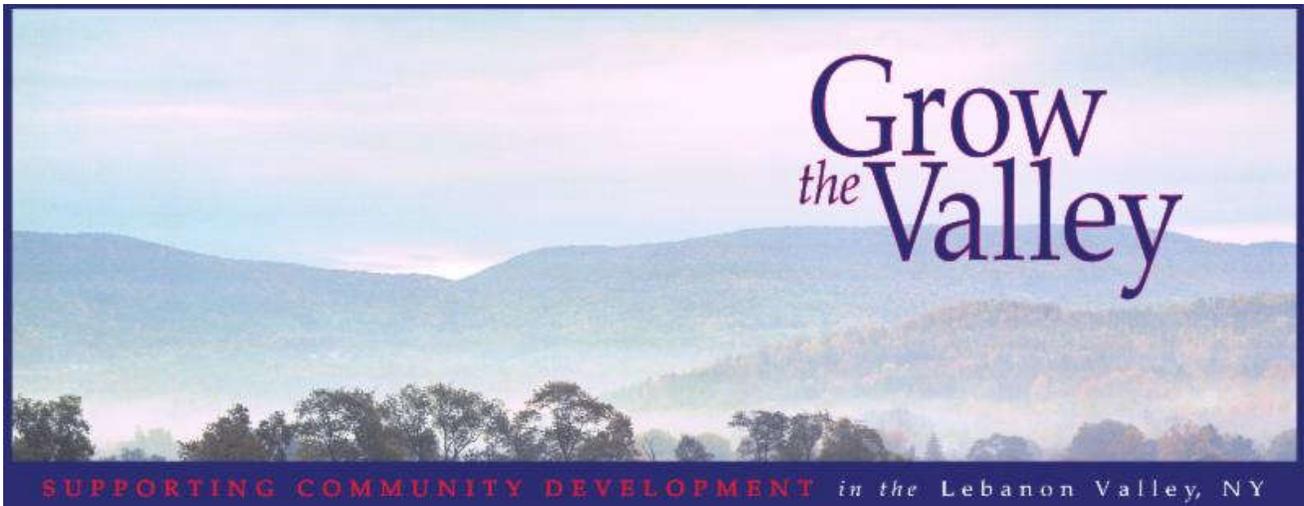


Shelley and Ted Salem

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**Shaker Museum
 | Mount
 Lebanon
 Closed for
 Season
 (but still active)**

Dear Ted & Shelley,

Snow in October! Sure, many of us dislike winter, but this area is just fabulous for outdoor activities such as skiing, snowshoeing, hiking and for indoor activities as well.

A few are noted herein at our local libraries and our newest arrival - the old Fisher Store at the bottom of West Street which will host our Winter Markets. Check it out! And read all about The Abode as an Eco-Sufi Village and the great things in store for us from those quarters. And have we run out of things that we love about New Lebanon? Oh!, we think not. Please take a moment to jot us an email to tell us yours.

On behalf of the Grow the Valley Board, please be sure to vote; all the very best to the Valley's veterans and Happy Thanksgiving. And as we approach the holiday season, please consider our local businesses while gift hunting.

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**Photo Exhibit
Shaker Bar
Saturday, November 19
at 5 PM**

Join museum staff and friends at the recently opened Shaker Bar in Hudson, New York on Saturday, November 19.

While there, view a show of new photographs taken at the North Family this year by New York City-based photographer Benjamin Swett titled "Shadows of the Shakers."

The Shaker Bar is located at 119 Warren Street, and opens at 5PM Saturday nights.

**Shake It Up Sunday
December 4
Other Details TBA**

Shake it up Sunday returns on December 4 with a brunch and discussion led by Rachel Urquhart, author of *The Visionist*. She will curate a selection of readings to frame the discussion. The

Winter Markets are a'comin'!

This year's Winter Markets will be sponsored by BEHOLD! New Lebanon and held in The Phoenix Project's newly restored old Fisher Store at the corner of Rtes 20/22 and West Street. Dry, warm, comfortable, and a sight to behold!



The November market will be held on **Sunday, November 13** and the December market on **Sunday, December 11**. Both markets will run from **11 AM to 3 PM**. The organizers (read Phoebe Young) are lining up vendors and looking for new vendors. Please contact Phoebe Young at Phoebe.Young@gmail.com with questions or comments. Look for banners on the store for more information.

The Phoenix Project of Eastern New York (PPENY), under the direction of Deb Gordon, aims to preserve local history through the re-purposing of abandoned buildings and sites, and ultimately return them to functioning, attractive and economically viable elements of their communities. The Fisher Store is the Project's first rehabilitation, a demonstration project financed by a private loan. The project encompasses two buildings purchased at a county foreclosure auction: a circa 1825 residence and a circa 1880 commercial building, adjacent to one another. Having the Winter Markets at the store will be the "public unveiling" of the first phase of the project and will give all those who attend the chance to see the fruits of what has been a monumental effort.

BEHOLD! New Lebanon, the nation's first living museum of contemporary rural American life, seeks to share with visitors the heritage, skills, techniques and know-how of generations past, building a bridge between a rich history and a sustainable future.

Lovable about



readings will be sent to program participants in advance.

Location and other details are to be determined, so check the [Museum website](#) and follow it on social media for announcements about this special program.

Shake It Up Sunday is a programs series that explores through group discussion some of the radical ideas developed by the Shakers in the early 19th century.

A New Chair of the Board

Paul Cassidy was unanimously elected by the Museum's Board of Trustees at its September 24, 2016 meeting. Mr. Cassidy replaces Jeff Daly, who had served as Chair since 2008.

and this and that

The museum store is always open online - browse books, gifts, and more by clicking here to [visit the store.](#)

Check for updates on news, upcoming programs and events, and more at <http://www.shakermil.org/>

**Use this link to send
Grow the Valley a
comment
or
some news.**

New Lebanon

You may recall that last month Grow the Valley provided a link to the Rural Intelligence email newsletter's article of September 21 entitled "10 Things to Love About New Lebanon."

[Click here](#) for the article.

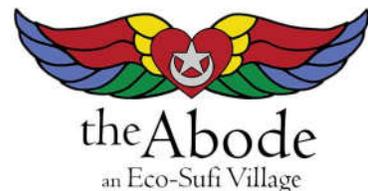
Well, a few of you let us know about other things about New Lebanon that you love and, as promised, we include them here.

- The Theater Barn - for 30 years, the Barn has entertained thousands with high quality productions. Keep an eye on the [Theater Barn's website](#) for an announcement of next year's program line-up.
- Melissa and Steve at our post office - the fonts of all wisdom and truth in the Valley; and pretty darn helpful in navigating the postal system.
- The New Lebanon Library - what Melissa and Steve don't know, you can find out at the Library; and enjoy great programs and concerts - FOR FREE! Check out the [Library's website](#) for more information.
- Bucky's Bagel's - Great eats, friendly staff and good company. Visit [Bucky's Facebook page](#) for daily specials and more information.

But there's gotta be more!! Let's hear from you. What do you think is lovable about New Lebanon that hasn't yet made the lists?

Let us know by sending us an email to growthevalley@gmail.com. We will continue the list in future GTV newsletters.

The Abode: An Eco-Sufi Village



At a recent Annual Abode Village Meeting, several announcements were made that the organization would like to share with the greater New Lebanon community.

First and foremost, the Abode will be clarifying its identity and mission as an Eco-Sufi Village - focusing on the harmony between spirituality and ecology. With hundreds of acres of land, a mountain, a pond, a farm, and a residential community, the Abode offers the perfect laboratory for learning what spirituality and ecology share and how each can mutually enhance the other.

Stephentown Memorial Library Halloween Events



Teen Halloween Dance
Saturday, November 5
7-9 PM

Berlin Jr/Sr High School

Teens can ride the haunted bus from Berlin Jr/Sr. High School and join the fun at the Library's Haunted House.

Dance with DJ at the school and enjoy the spooky Haunted House under the Library tent. Haunted bus will transport teens back to Berlin after the Haunted House.

Call the school for details.

Sponsored by TRACS,
Stephentown Memorial Library,
and the Town of Stephentown.

**Stephentown Youth Halloween
Party -**
Stephentown Fire Hall
Sunday, November 6
1 to 3 PM

Young children, Pre-K through 5th grade, and families are invited to the Stephentown Fire Hall on for the annual Halloween Party.

Sponsored by the Library and the Town of Stephentown, fun activities for all ages will include a Haunted House under the library tent, costume contest, crafts and activities, including special activities for

Distinguishing the Abode as an Eco-Sufi Village more clearly describes the diverse and energetic elements that encompass the campus. This description will allow the Abode to celebrate its individual components, while tying them together into a collective, cohesive modern identity. Overall, "The Abode: an Eco-Sufi Village" is an organic expression of what already exists there, and a call to the outside to come explore how the community lives, works, and worships.

The Eco-Sufi practice will be manifested in a four-week rhythm, exploring an individual element each day of the work-week, and encompassing activities within the Abode campus: farming, cooking, service, hospitality, etc.

The Abode will host an active calendar of activities in coming months, and will be rolling out elements of its Eco-Sufi and operational initiatives. Weekly activities include classes, meals, and Universal Worship services.

Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 PM, while Universal Worship takes place on Sundays at 11 AM, with brunch following the service. For more information on the Abode, or to subscribe to its mailing list, please visit www.theabode.org.

November Happenings at the New Lebanon Library

Concerts:

(Donations for the musicians are appreciated):

Friday, 11/4 at 6:30 PM -

Linda Worster Acoustic folk / rock and original tunes

Friday, 11/18 at 6:30 PM - **Bobby Sweet and Lara**

Tupper Two Berkshire favorites performing a mix of originals and folk/rock covers

Sunday, 11/20 at 2 PM -

David Grover & Linda Worster

Community:

Mondays, 11/7 & 21 at 7 PM

Study the Constitution

Bi-weekly discussion group focusing on the study of the Constitution. Interested participants should bring their questions and be ready to share their opinions.

toddlers/preschoolers. Price of admission - one bag of candy.

The public is invited to participate in "Trunk or Treating" - an opportunity for townspeople and organizations to give out candy to kids from the trunk of the car.

Contact the library at 733-5750 or email director@stephentownlibrary.org if you'd like to participate in this activity! Extra candy will be donated to troops overseas via Operation Gratitude.

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