

Vernon Historical Museum

Opens for Season on Sunday, June 9



The Vernon Historical Museum, at 4201 Fort Bridgman Road, will be open from 2-4 p.m. on Sundays from June 9 through September 15. It will be closed on July 7 and September 1. The museum is open to the public and is free of charge.

The main building was formerly a schoolhouse. Built in 1825 with locally made bricks, the schoolhouse has interesting architectural features and an original slate roof. Inside, the museum houses a large archival collection waiting to be explored. The collection includes period posters, tools including woodworking, maple sugaring and farming, a display of different materials used for water pipes. Also included are clothing, photographs, school items, a farm kitchen and even a bathtub from a local inn.

The Annex building houses larger items, horse-drawn carriages and farm equipment, a 1780's loom, a period washing machine, the old Vernon Post office, farming and ice cutting equipment, and more.

On July 14, the Vernon Historians will host a lemonade and cookie social featuring vintage cookie recipes and tastings of *switchel*, a refreshing drink made with apple cider vinegar that quenched thirsts during haying.

The museum is operated by Vernon Historians, Inc., a non-profit organization formed in 1968. You may contact us at vermonthistorians@gmail.com