2022 YEAR-IN-REVIEW

FARM & GARDEN

YOUTH EDUCATION

COMMUNITY & MISSION

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

Values into Action

- cultural heritage
- environmental stewardship
- civic engagement

FEBRUARY

- Horticulture presentation at Dorset Historical Society
- Seed starting for dene production gardens
- Bee room constructed in dene barn helps to increase efficacy of the pollinator program
- Annual wreath-laying at the Lincoln Memorial
- Annual Essay Competition entries received
- Sap begins to flow in the sugarbush
- South farmhouse maintenance and interior renovations begin

MARCH

- Home, exterior front plaster repairs & cleaning
- Spring arrives with more than 13,700 daffodil bulbs in bloom
- First-ever Guided Virtual Tour of the Pullman railcar Sunbeam
- Author Jason Emerson visits for research in the archives
- Hildene co-hosts Parasitic Mites program with Bennington Beekeepers Association
- First goat kids born of the season; A total of 40 kids born in 2022

APRIL

- Annual Donor Appreciation Garden Party at Hildene
- Annex building interior & exterior renovations complete
- Summer student farm crew begins at Hildene Farm in the dene
- ECO Americorps service members join forces to help maintain Hildene trails
- The Han. Madeleine M. Kunin, 77th Governor of Vermont, visits Hildene
- Hildene participates in Juneteenth program launches: "Sheep Sense"
- First of 2022’s Randall calves, Delilah and Noah become fast friends

MAY

- First Donor Golf Cart Tour of the season (of 62 total)
- Lincoln Essay Competition winners Awards Luncheon
- Piglets arrive to join matriarch Pesches in the dene
- Popular workshop returns: Wild Edibles Walk & Talk with Russ Cohen
- Peg Galloup returns to Hildene Farm as Cheesemaker & Creamery Manager
- Lincoln Memorial 100th Anniversary: The Hon. Madeleine M. Kunin, 77th Governor of Vermont, visits Hildene
- Edible Walks begin: Violet and Poppy harvest begins
- Farm Chores program extends to the foliage season

JUNE

- Hildene Youth Corps constructs 300’ boardwalk along woodland trail
- Hildene hosts 2022 Summer Festival equestrian events in formal garden
- 2022 honey harvest gleams 2,559 ounces
- Campers add to pollinator perennial beds
- Guided Nature Walks begin
- Greenhouse heirloom tomato harvest begins
- Farm Chores program extends to the foliage season

JULY

- Friends Walk induction of 7 volunteers
- “Success” Program Intensives workshop
- Annual Vegetable Canning workshop
- Volunteer Appreciation dinner
- Green cleaning initiatives program launches
- New youth education program: "Sheep Sense"
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AUGUST

- Hildene participates in Abenaki Land-Link Project, rematriating seeds
- Volunteer docents give 500 combined hours of service in the home and Pullman car
- President Brian Keefe speaks at the Annual 251 Club conference
- Last harvest of the season from Hildene’s Giving Garden

SEPTEMBER

- Harvest Moon Benefit raises over $500,000 for Lincoln Hall
- Two new female Angora rabbits join the farm: Violet and Poppy
- The Monument Society of Bennington Museum visits
- Record-setting, Hildene-grown, plant sales
- GMAIL panel discussion of Hildene/Grateful Hearts/BBA/Community Food Cupboard/Someday Farm collaboration
- Wagon Rides begin for the foliage season

OCTOBER

- First-ever Felted Holiday Ornaments workshop
- 1st Annual Sip & Shop for Hildene Members to kick off The Museum Store’s annual holiday sale
- Hildene decorates Robert & Mary’s home for “Christmas Eve, 1912”

NOVEMBER

- Soap Felting workshop
- Final Lincoln Tour & Reception for 2021 Annual Fund donors
- Breeding season begins at the goat dairy
- Last Member Walk of the season
- Hildene Reads! hosts 9th book discussion on Destiny of the Republic

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