



Readfield Messenger

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Tis the Season!



End of the year is near and the holiday season is upon us. In past years the Town has had a “Giving Tree” set up for families in Readfield. Even though there will not be any specific tags on the tree; we still will be collecting gifts/donations for those in the town that may request help. Any new, unwrapped toys/books/stocking stuffers that one may want to donate can drop them off at the Town Office and we will deliver them to the local church in charge to distribute.



2022 Dog Registrations due December 31, 2021

Ways to register your dog:

- ⇒ In person at the Town Office during regular business hours
- ⇒ Online at www.readfieldmaine.org under online services
- ⇒ By mail: Town of Readfield, 8 Old Kents Hill Road, Readfield, ME
- ⇒ Over the phone by calling 207-685-4939



The cost is \$6.00 is spayed/neutered and \$11.00 if unaltered.

Dogs 6 months & older are required to be registered in the town they live in by state law.

Proof of rabies and spay/neuter (if applicable) are required to register

Christmas/New Years Holiday Closures



The Town Office will be closed on Friday, December 24 & Friday, December 31. The Transfer Station will be closed on Saturday, December 25 & Saturday, January 1, 2022
The Transfer Station will be open regular hours on Friday, December 24 & Friday, December 31.

Select Board Corner

Greetings from the Select Board,

Since our last Messenger, we've had quite a bit happen in our town.

First, we had an incredible turnout at our November special election. We learned that our voters are committed to finding ways to bring high-speed internet access to Readfield and surrounding towns. I appreciate everyone who participated in our democratic process and made it to the polls.

Secondly, I wanted to take a moment to thank Dale Potter-Clark and her efforts surrounding the Veteran's Day celebration and walk. In addition to learning about our past, we were also able to honor the present with many service people in attendance. Our community is blessed to have so many opportunities to learn about our history, and by honoring the past, we look towards the future.

Finally, we want to take a moment and reflect on the past year. We have seen so much together since March of 2020, and we have come so far. Volunteers checking on our most vulnerable citizens, heating assistance, food assistance, and other actions of compassion and kindness have become more important, now more than ever. We continue to see our town employees doing everything they can to make our town run smoothly. We see that, and we are grateful.

The Select Board is proud to continue our efforts in making Readfield a safe, wonderful place to live.

Happy Holidays and here's to a bright 2022!

Thank you for keeping #readfieldtogether,

Dennis Price



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From the Town Manager

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

I want to thank our municipal volunteers for their tremendous efforts this past year, throughout the pandemic, and moving forward. Their work is often times challenging and not without controversy and even criticism, but our town would not function without them.

Our volunteer departments, boards, committees and commissions are made up of our friends and neighbors. They donate their time and energy to improve our community. Many times their work goes unnoticed but they truly are an essential part of our local government. Some are skilled professionals in their fields and others are inexperienced but want to learn. Their primary motivation is to do the best they can for the people they serve. Working together they bring balance and flow to the things they create and contribute and make Readfield a better place to live.

I want to give special thanks to our volunteer firefighters who are continuing to serve our community. They have committed to maintaining the highest levels of safety and professionalism and put the needs of their community and those around us above other competing priorities. Volunteer firefighters are expected to not only train and learn a wide range of technical skills but to be available 24-7. They give up many hours on nights and weekends and at times take on heightened levels of risk. They truly go above and beyond on a regular basis and for that we say thank you! They have the benefit of exceptional leadership in Chief Mank, a newly expanded fire station, well managed and maintained equipment, and a supportive community. With nearly two dozen members expected to be on our roster at the start of the new-year, many of them seasoned and active, we have a strong, competent, and capable Fire Department. We will continue to be a regional leader because the Readfield Fire Department never stops adapting and improving. Our best are always getting better!

One of the most important roles of the Town Manager and Select Board is to provide resources and support to our volunteers. It's something we are constantly working on from updating our Board, Committee, and Commission (BCC) Guide to holding an annual meeting of the BCC Chairs and ensuring that our volunteers are actively engaged in the budgeting process. We welcome suggestions from our volunteers and members of the public about how we can do this better.

If you serve in a volunteer capacity - thank you for your dedication and sacrifices! If you have an interest in serving please reach out to someone you know who volunteers or contact the Town Clerk. Volunteering can be tremendously rewarding for you and your community.

*Eric Dyer,
Readfield Town Manager*



READFIELD RECREATION & MARANACOOK AREA
(Readfield, Mt. Vernon, Wayne, Manchester, Fayette)

REC BASKETBALL SIGN-UPS 2021

SIGNUP ONLINE OR AT THE READFIELD TOWN OFFICE NOW THROUGH NOV. 30TH

JOIN US SATURDAY DEC. 4TH

AT MARANACOOK MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR:

SKILLS & DRILLS

PRE K - K 8AM-9AM
GRADES 1-2 9AM-10AM

TEAM EVALUATIONS

BOYS GRADES 3-4 10AM-11AM
BOYS GRADES 5-6 11AM-12PM
GIRLS GRADES 3-4 12PM-1PM
GIRLS GRADE 5-6 1PM-2PM

**NOT AN RSU
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EVENT**

\$35 1ST CHILD
\$15 PER ADDED CHILD
MAX \$65 PER FAMILY



*Coaches are Volunteers
Consider helping if you are able
Training is available!*

*Questions?
Contact Tom Labrie
Phone: 207-240-3774
labriethomas@gmail.com*

2021 Readfield Recreation & Maranacook Area Basketball Registration (Readfield, Mt. Vernon, Wayne, Manchester, Fayette)

Player Name	Town	Grade	Gender	Shirt Size
			M / F	Youth / Adult S - M - L - XL
			M / F	Youth / Adult S - M - L - XL
			M / F	Youth / Adult S - M - L - XL
			M / F	Youth / Adult S - M - L - XL

Cost: \$35.00 first child - \$15.00 second child; \$15 each additional child

LATE FEE of \$10 after November 30th 2021

Please Make Checks Payable to: Town of Readfield

Parent/Guardian 1 Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian 2 Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent 1 Email: _____

Parent 2 Email: _____

The success of our program is dependent on our volunteers. Please indicate if you are able to assist as:

Team Coach

Assistant Coach

Your Shirt Size

Coaches are required to attend a pre-season coaches meeting and pass a background check

Please list any medical condition of your child (asthma, allergies, etc.) that must be brought to the coach's attention:

We will be following current school covid guidelines for all events

Release of Liability: The undersigned hereby releases and holds the Readfield Recreation Association, the Town of Readfield, it's agents, and volunteers, from any and all claims, suits, actions, and damages arising out of, connected with, or resulting from participation in this activity. I understand there are inherent risks and dangers in participation in these types of activities and I accept the responsibility of my child(ren).

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you are signing up and paying after Nov 5th, please bring this form with your payment to the Readfield Town Office.

Paid Check _____ Cash _____

Revised 11/16/21

*This is a NON RSU #38 Sponsored Event

Code Enforcement



FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED

As the end of 2021 approaches, if you started any building or plumbing projects, many things should be reviewed to start 2022 right. The first thing real estate or financial persons ask when they call the Code Officer office is “Are there any open permits or does the property have a Certificate of Occupancy?”

If you opened a building permit this past year know it is valid for one year from issuance. Readfield ordinance states: *“Following the issuance of a permit, if no substantial construction start is made, or use of the property is initiated for which such permit has been issued, within one year of the date of the permit, the permit lapses and becomes void. However, the permit may be renewed for one additional year if no material change in the proposed use or applicable Ordinance standards has occurred.”*

FINISH the task! All permits demand inspections to be valid. Sub-surface (septic) and internal plumbing permits involve two inspections. The first needs to occur when plumbing is roughed in (before covered) and the septic permit after the footprint of the field is roughed out and scarified. The second inspection occurs when the project is complete, the permit will be signed and dated after each inspection and will be held on file as proof of proper installation and permitting. The building permit is closed out when the project is inspected for its Certificate of Occupancy, CO. Once the CO inspection is successful you will be given a printed CO, keep it on file for future transactions. When you are looking to get land related legal matters or financial transactions in progress things are complicated if you have not finished inspections and CO granting, do it now so you don't have to stress later. I stand to answer your questions or requests quickly, just call me at Town Hall, Chip 207-685-2390. Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year to all.

Mount Vernon Food Bank Holiday Box Sign Up

Food bank customers and others struggling to put a nice holiday meal on the table are invited to sign up for Thanksgiving and Christmas boxes. To let us prepare the correct number of boxes, please sign up no later than November 13. You can do this in several ways:

- ⇒ Come to the food bank, located at the First Baptist Church, on Saturday between 9:30 and 11:30,
- ⇒ Call the food bank (293-2141) and leave a message including your name, telephone number and the number of people in your household,
- ⇒ E-mail the food bank (mountvernonfoodbank@gmail.com) and tell us your name, telephone number and the number of people in your household.

We look forward to seeing you on November 20 for Thanksgiving boxes
and December 18 for Christmas boxes.

People in Readfield who find they are in need at any time during the year do not have to go hungry. The Mt. Vernon Food Bank, located at the First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon, serves the people of Readfield, Vienna, Fayette and Mt. Vernon. It is supported by the schools, churches and individuals from the area.

FMI: Bob Peterson 685-7292 or Helen Wilkey 293-2351.

Readfield Recreation Round Up Dec. 2021

The past couple of months have been busy as we have embraced all the activities of Fall. Our soccer season wrapped up on October 23rd. Even with covid interruptions, quarantines and more, the season was a success. We had over 80 kids participate through seven different teams. Thank you to coaches and organizers and parents and kids- everyone who helped make it happen!

Our Halloween events were a huge success. With a sketchy weather prediction, we moved our showing of *Hocus Pocus* inside upstairs at the Town Hall. It was a fun time had by all, with candy and glow sticks and popcorn too!

On Halloween we had our Trunk or Treat with a dozen or so trunks decorated and lined up the path to the ball field. Pumpkins A Glow lined the trail walk from the end of the trunks around the trail back to the parking lot! It was amazing! We appreciate all who brought a trunk, carved a pumpkin, donated candy! We can't wait for an even bigger event next year!



Currently we have Basketball sign ups going. Our basketball program is our one sport that brings all towns together in the Maranacook district to play Saturday mornings at the Middle School gym. Sign-ups can be done at the town office or see the website or Readfield Recreation on Facebook for time and details for December 4th skills and evaluations.

You can also email to labriethomas@gmail.com include- parents name, players name, grade and t-shirt size (please specify if youth size, we don't like guessing) and then bring payment on December 4th at the Middle School.

On November 1st we had a group meeting with the Conservation Commission, Trails, Age Friendly and more during the Select Board meeting. This was to talk over the proposed development and future use of the Fairgrounds Field Complex. It was a thorough discussion with all views shared. A follow up meeting will be held at the Town Hall on November 30th with Trails Conservation and Recreation. Check the town website for more specifics on this meeting. We look forward to working through this process.

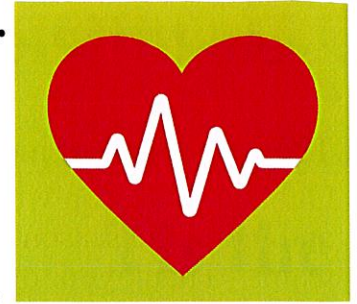
Hannah Flannery, Chair of Readfield Recreation Association



**Register before 11-30-21
to avoid a late fee!**

From the desk of your Local Health Officer

I hope all had a Happy Thanksgiving and are preparing for a great Christmas and holiday season coming up. Please get your COVID vaccinations and boosters so you can celebrate with family and friends without worry of giving the Virus for Christmas. Spread the cheer not the virus !!



On a different but particularly important note as we enter the beginning of winter – Brown Tail Moth, BTM, should be addressed now through mid-April. Last year the Readfield area had a documented increase of Brown Tail Moth infestation and, if you were like me, you may have experienced the toxic hair consequences from BTM. The State Department of Agriculture and Conservation has warned that the infestation could be worse next spring/summer depending on the winter, the natural evolution of the BTM outbreak and other factors. There is a wealth of information on the Maine Web State site: https://www.maine.gov/dacf/mfs/forest_health/invasive_threats/browntail_moth_faqs.htm#management or just do a google search on: MFS BTM.

There are suggestions on Brown Tail Moth elimination and answers like: Are pesticides safe for your family, pets, and other important insects such as pollinators and natural enemies of BTM? You will find suggestions on arborists that can be tasked to cut out nests, actions you can take on your own, and requests for gathering local BTM nest's locations to aid the State track infestations. Land areas here with predominate oak and fruit tree locations can result in heavy infestation which can be problematic for heavy BTM toxic hair exposure that can be akin to a bad poison ivy exposure, but also respiratory and other serious outcomes.

Those who remember the Gypsy moths' devastation in years past, those infestations ended by a natural fungus emergence and evolution that wiped out that pest. Hopefully, this will eventually be the end game for the BTM pest but until then we can have influence by dealing with BTM nests over the winter months. Learn how to safely eliminate or lessen this toxic pest. Find out how to look for, cut and burn nests, utilize proper and safe pesticides, or hire a professional to assist you and your family. Do not wait until next spring/summer when we all want to be outside doing the summer thing without the itch.

Thank you for your help. Have a wonderful Christmas or holiday celebration and lets all look forward to a Healthy Happy 2022.

R. Chip Stephens MS



MARANACOOK
AREA SCHOOLS

VICKY'S BOUTIQUE



We always welcome donations of gently used clothing.

Right now we're especially in need of:

- **Gloves/mittens**
- **Sweatshirts**
- **Winter coats**
- Long sleeved T-shirts
- Short sleeved T-shirts
- Gym shorts
- Sneakers

Thank you for supporting this worthy cause!

**Vicky's Boutique is located
at the Middle School**

**Please call 207-685-4923
FMI or to donate**

Tree Lighting

An all outdoor celebration at the
Readfield Community Library
holiday songs, cookies, cocoa
&
Santa



Friday December 3rd-6:30pm
Masks recommended

Sunday Dec. 5th-4:30pm snow/rain date

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Registration deadline is December 31, 2021 to avoid late fee!

Board/Committee Openings - Updated November 2021

Age Friendly Committee:	2 Vacancies (2023 & 2024)
Cobbossee Watershed District	1 Alt Member (2024)
Comprehensive Plan Committee	1 Vacancy (2022)
Conservation Commission	2 Alt Member (2023 & 2024)
Local School Board Advisory	2 Vacancies (2023)
Maranacook Outlet Dam Committee	1 Alt Member (2023)
Planning Board	2 Alts (2022, 2023)
Recreation Committee	1 Vacancy (2024)
Road Committee	3 Vacancies (all 2022)
Trails Committee	2 Vacancies (2024), 1 Alt (2023)

**BE THE
CHANGE**
VOLUNTEER &
MAKE THE DIFFERENCE



Volunteer forms can be on the Town website at www.readfieldmaine.org.

Forms can also be filled out at the Town Office.
FMI 207-685-4939.

READFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A warm thanks to all who helped plan and conduct the Veterans' Day event this year, and to the 80+ people who attended, to remember and honor the sacrifices our Veterans have made. Speakers included George Smith, Vietnam Veteran from the Readfield United Methodist Church (RUMC); Dennis Price, Selectboard Chair; Tavis Hasenfus, Maine State Legislator; and Dale Potter Clark, Readfield Historical Society. Special thanks to Eric Dyer, Town Manager; the Readfield Fire Department; Boy Scouts from Troop #622; the 3rd Maine Infantry Volunteer Civil War re-enactors; and Doug Gorden for sharing his 1968 U.S. Army "Deuce and a Half" military transport truck. The Readfield Corner Cemetery looked so nice as usual and we mustn't forget what it takes to keep it that way all year long. All enjoyed the free bag lunches that were assembled and passed out by members of the RUMC after the busy morning! See more photos of the event elsewhere in this newsletter, taken by Harvey Boatman, Andy Tolman and Carol Doorenbos.

Some comments we have received:

"Veteran's Day is one of my favorite public events in town as it truly is a community effort and celebrates some of the best people in our lives." ~ Eric Dyer, Readfield Town Manager

"...We were also blessed with wonderful and warm weather, so it was especially good to be outside. This was the first time I had seen the ceremony at the Town Office, and it was extremely emotional for me personally when I got to speak my father's name as a WWII veteran publicly for the first time. It was a truly memorable ceremony." ~ Nancy Perkins

"...As I was standing there at the cemetery overlooking the new section, which I have walked on several occasions, I thought about all my buddies' folks and a few friends that are now interred there... It all seems so long ago they were out and about, but at the same time it was just yesterday..." ~ Bill Adams



Bob Harris, Vietnam Veteran and RHS president rang the bell eleven times at 11:11 a.m

"We have been to several Veterans' Day events around here and enjoyed this one the most because it was so personal. Hearing the stories at the cemetery and being able to say the names of Veterans from our own family aloud was very moving." ~ a Sidney couple

RHS will open by appointment for as long as weather and temperatures allow. To make an appointment or if you have questions about any aspect of Readfield history please contact readfieldhistorical@gmail.com or (207) 377-2299.



Dale Potter-Clark told stories as attendees did a walkabout at Readfield Corner Cemetery

E-Alerts Subscription:

An easy way to keep up-to-date with Town Happenings!

Go to www.readfieldmaine.org and click on E-Alerts to sign up.

*Your email will be treated as confidential information.
Our privacy policy is available on our website*

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Join the volunteer family at the Travis Mills Foundation as we provide an all-inclusive, all-expenses paid, barrier-free experience for post 9/11 recalibrated veterans and their families. Year-round volunteer opportunities in beautiful Rome, Maine, include serving meals, housekeeping, yard work, family and children's activities, fishing, boating, snowshoeing and more! For more info or to fill out an application go to www.travismillsfoundation.org or contact John Romac at john@travismillsfoundation.org.

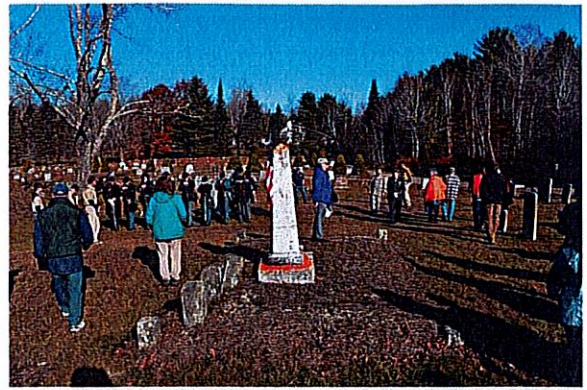


TRAVIS MILLS
FOUNDATION

Veterans Day Event ~ November 11, 2021



The 3rd Maine Infantry Volunteer re-enactors.



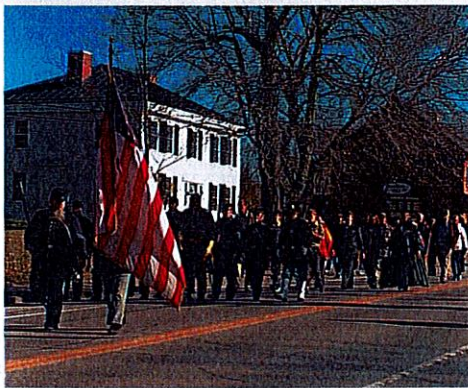
Attendees gather to hear a Civil War story.



Three generations of this military family attended.



These Boy Scouts from # 622 raised the American Flag



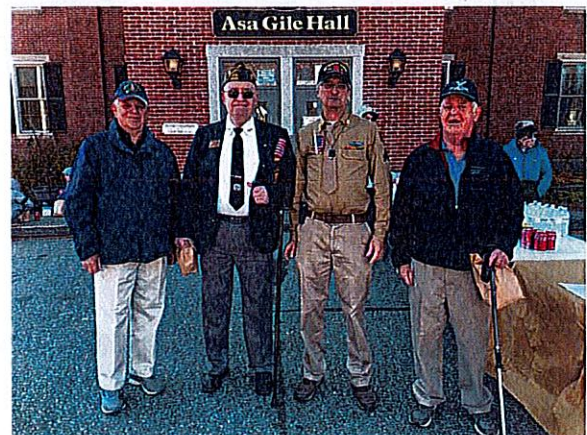
Marching down Main St. toward Gile Hall.



Speakers were L to R: George Smith, Dale Potter-Clark, Dennis Price and Tavis Hasenfus. See RHS article FMI.



Left: Among the attendees were Chris & Maeghan Maloney, Kennebec County District Attorney and Joanne & Ken Mason, Kennebec County Sheriff.



Right: Some of the Veterans who attended included Ed Dodge, George Smith, John Tyler (in tribute to his father, a WWII Veteran) and Larry Perkins.



Helping People. Changing Lives.



You can get help paying for your home energy bills and emergency home heating fuel delivery from the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

Fuel assistance

HEAP is a program that can help pay part of your annual home heating costs. Your benefit amount is based on several factors, including your household size, income, and home energy costs.

Emergency assistance

More help may be available if you have less than a three (3) day supply of heating fuel. We may also be able to help if you cannot pay your bill and your services may be disconnected.

Am I eligible?

Anyone who may need help paying for their home heating costs should apply for the program. Please apply even if your application has been denied before. Apply even if your income may be over the income limits because some expenses may be deducted. Homeowners and renters may apply. You can also apply even if heat is included in your rent. Find more information at mainehousing.org/heap.

How do I apply?

You apply through your local Community Action Agency (CAA). You can apply in person or over the phone. Ask your CAA what documentation you need to have when you apply. Find out more information at mainehousing.org/heap.

What to expect

Appointments fill up fast and it may take a while to get an appointment. It usually takes several weeks to process a HEAP application. If your HEAP application is denied, you can reapply if your circumstances change.

Other help available

If you are approved for HEAP, you may be able to get help with your electric bills through your electricity utility company's Low Income Assistance Plan (LIAP).

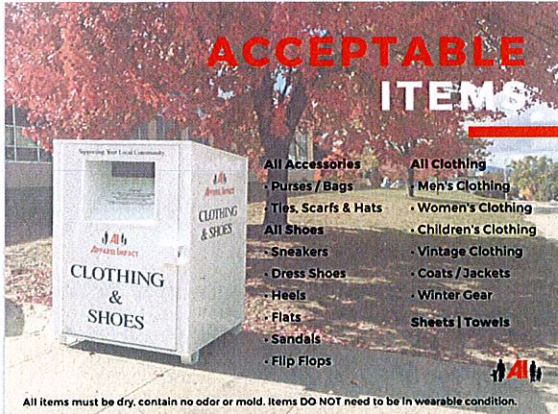
Help with home energy costs may also be available through your local General Assistance Program.

Call the Maine Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) at 1-800-442-6003, or dial 7-1-1 for Maine Relay for more information.

Find more info at mainehousing.org/heap

Kennebec Valley Community Action Program
207-859-1500

Solid Waste & Recycling



Apparel Impact is a textile recovery company that began as a small family operation in 2014 in New England. Their aim was to collect clothing, shoes, and textiles of all kinds to keep them out of landfills, provide resources to assist with local poverty and to create jobs. They wanted to change the way we all think about clothes. They have now grown into a nationwide company with the same goals. Readfield is glad to partner with this worthy company as their goals align with ours to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

Approximately 10% of trash placed in the MSW (Main Stream Waste) bin is textiles. By utilizing the Apparel Impact bin, we can reduce the amount of waste going into the local landfill in Norridgewock, allow for useable items to be given to those in need, and recover fibers to be used for new manufactured items. All of this also saves cost to the town in tipping and transportation fees.

The collection bin is located straight ahead as you pull past the attendant booth, next to where you can drop off electronics and light bulbs, all near the metal bin. Items placed in the bin do not have to be laundered, wearable or useable. Please see the list here for what can be placed in the bin. For more information visit www.appaelimpact.com on the Internet.

As daylight hours shorten, please take extra care while at the Transfer Station. Be mindful of folks walking to the bins as well as being careful where you walking, especially when leaving compost, brush or appliances.

General Operation Practices

All vehicles must stop at the Attendant Booth to speak with an employee about what materials you are bringing in, to receive directions on where to dispose of these materials, and to pay any required fee.

Please leave when you are finished to avoid making the space congested.

**Transfer Station
Fall/Winter/Spring Hours**

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
11 AM to 6 PM**

**Thursday (*Senior Hours*)
10 AM to 2 PM**

**Saturday
8AM to 4PM**

Change of Operation Practices due to Covid-19

We will continue to operate meeting standards from the Maine government including the following practices:

⇒ Unvaccinated Staff and residents are required to wear a face covering while at the Transfer Station.



TRANSFER STATION HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The Transfer Station will be **closed** Saturday, Dec. 25 & Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022 and **open** regular hours Friday, Dec. 24 & Friday, Dec. 31.

NEWS & NOTES FROM THE TRAILS

Hello trail enthusiasts.

The trails committee has been busy this fall with significant work accomplished on multiple trails. There are many community volunteers who contributed to this work. On October 28 two Readfield tractor owners supported trails committee members and a contingent of two teachers and eight students from Kents Hill School in spreading bluestone to repair worn areas of the Fairgrounds Trail system. In addition to this work three trails committee members spent a Sunday afternoon removing large stones that have been slowly poking up thru the trail in some cases pushing up the underlying geofabric.

I can also report progress on development of a trail along Carlton Pond. Although this area is still closed to the public due to its designation as a back-up water supply for the Greater Augusta Utility District (GAUD), access will soon be allowed for a walking trail along the pond. An inner gate has been installed which should eventually allow for parking between the inner gate and the outer gate which will then be opened. On November 20 two chain saw operators from the trails committee led four other members, 3 young women from the Readfield Girl Scout Troop (plus two younger brothers), and two adult leaders on the first trail clearing outing on the property. We made great progress and hopefully will be able to open the trail some time next year. For those with snowmobiles winter access is currently allowed through the Carlton Pond property but is limited to the snowmobile trail itself.

In late November additional bluestone was spread on the Fairgrounds Trail by a private contractor at the instigation of the Conservation Commission. This should further help stabilize the trail for the long term.

I would also like to thank Milt Wright for his continuing efforts in performing blazing and loper work on the Esker Trail.

I hope you will all take advantage of the many trail opportunities available in Readfield even when they are covered with snow. Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering for trail work or would consider joining the Readfield Trails Committee.


Our trail maps continue to be available at the town office and on-line (https://www.readfieldmaine.org/sites/readfieldme/files/uploads/readfield_trails_2019_map.pdf).

Please let us know if you encounter damage or other issues when on our town trails.

Dog owners please note: Dogs are required to be on leash or under voice control on all town properties including our trails.

Respectfully submitted by Rob Peale, Chair, Readfield Trails Committee



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Used Auto and Truck Parts • Auto Repair Used Cars and Trucks • Buying Junk Cars		
Ken Edgecomb		Mark Edgecomb

Readfield Union Meeting House



Thanksgiving has passed, we are now headed to the end of 2021. This is a time of celebration and giving thanks to all from us at the RUMH. This past month we received a five thousand dollar check, from a warrant article that voters approved in June, 2021. Through a generous \$50,000 matching grant by Jack and Anita Smart, this will now become \$10,000 that will be put into the tower/spire restoration fund. All donations, whether general or for a specific restoration project, will be matched.

Thank you to those individuals who notified us that they'd like to receive information and newsletters by emails. If you'd like to switch to receiving electronic delivery of our newsletters, please email us at unionmeetinghouse@gmail.com

There will probably be several town committee Messenger articles that mention how successful the "Pumpkins Aglow" and "Trunk-A-Treat" were on Sunday Oct. 31st. Mother nature tried to throw a curve ball for holding the activity on Saturday, so planners changed activities to the actual Halloween day. It was a very successful event with over 450 people taking part. Thank you to all who had a part in the organization of this spooky, fun Halloween at the Fairgrounds.

The following RUMH committees still have openings for volunteers: fundraising, membership, building, and events planning. Please consider joining us as we continue our "Push to the Top Campaign". For more information on these committees send an email: unionmeetinghouse@gmail.com

Coming soon will be more news on the publication and sale of a history book of the Readfield Union Meeting House authored by Marius B. Peladeau.

Thank you to our board and community members that helped to close up the Meeting House for the winter. The leaves on the lawn were removed and the water was turned off in the Meeting House. Visitors may still request a tour by calling Jim Tukey- 215-5180 or Nancy Durgin- 685-4481.

Have a happy and safe holiday season. May 2022 be a kind year to all.

Nancy Durgin Vice President



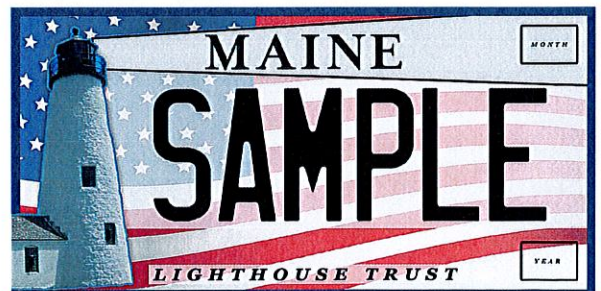
Maine Lighthouse Trust Plate

Special Plate Fee: \$20.00

\$10.00 of the specialty plate fee is credited to the Maine

Lighthouse Trust to support lighthouse restoration and preservation efforts; \$9.00 is credited to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

\$1.00 is credited to the Specialty License Plate Fund.





Readfield Church

A Place For All

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Readfield United Methodist Church meets on Sundays at 10 am in person and on zoom – you can find the link and more info on our website
Readfieldchurch.org

RUMC is handicap accessible with a parking lot across the street. We are located near Kents Hill School at 1564 Main Street in Readfield, Maine.
Church Office
207-685-4211



November 21 – Hanging of the Greens & England's Queens
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus "born a child and yet a King"

November 28 – Prophecies Fulfilled by the King of the Jews
Advent 1 - Hope
Sing We Now of Christmas "Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!"

December 5 – Queen of Heaven & The Patron of Refugees
Advent 2 – Peace
What Child Is This "This, this is Christ the King"

December 12 – The Snow Queen: a live radio show
Advent 3 – Joy
There's a Song in the Air "for the Manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!"

December 19 – King of Angels & Shepherds
Advent 4 – Love
O Come, All Ye Faithful "Come and behold him, born the King of Angels"

December 24 – Anointed Incarnation – A Newborn King
Christmas Eve 7 pm
Joy to the World "Let earth receive her King"

December 24 – All creatures of our God and King – a Scepter in a Stable
Christmas Eve 11 pm at the Jesse Lee Meeting House
Silent Night, Holy Night "with the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King"

December 26 – Good King Wenceslaus – The true "Duke of Bohemia"
The First Noel "Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel"

January 2 – Wesley's Covenant Renewal Service – King Eternal
It Came upon the Midnight Clear "Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heaven's all-gracious King"

January 9 – Epiphany – King of Kings
We Three Kings – "King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign"



DECEMBER 2021—LIBRARY NEWS and EVENTS

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION on Tuesday, November 30th at 6:00pm

Enjoy books and activities related to the celebration of Hanukkah on Tuesday November 30th at 6:00pm. Please dress warmly, as we will gather outdoors behind the Library. Some treats as well!



ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING on Friday, December 3rd at 6:30pm



Please join the Readfield community as we gather together outdoors in front of the Library to light the community tree, enjoy cookies and cocoa, and visit with Santa. Masks are recommended. This event will take place on Friday, December 3rd at 6:30pm, with a rain/snow date of Sunday December 5th at 4:30pm. Please dress warmly for this ALL-OUTDOOR event!

"DE-STRESS the HOLIDAYS" EVENT with DR. JENN on Wednesday, December 8th at 6:30pm

The Library invites you to "De-Stress the Holidays" with Dr. Jenn Cotone of Cotone Family Chiropractic (which is located at The Big White Barn right here in Readfield) by attending this FREE Zoom event to learn tips and tricks to keep your holiday stress level down. Learn about how stress affects our bodies and what we can do to optimize our ability to deal with our daily life stresses. Come "meet" Dr. Jenn and ask her your stress/health-related questions! This Zoom event will be held on Wednesday December 8th at 6:30pm. Please contact the Librarian for the Zoom meeting ID (librarian@readfieldmaine.org or 207-685-4089).

Jennifer Cotone, D.C. is originally from Winthrop/Readfield Maine. She graduated from UMaine in 2011, then from Logan University in St. Louis, Missouri in 2015. Through her studies she has earned degrees in multiple disciplines: Bachelor's degrees in Kinesiology & Life Science, Master's degree in Nutrition & Human Performance and her Doctorate degree in Chiropractic. Dr. Jenn has always had a passion for helping people and is happy to be back in her hometown with the opportunity to combine all of the knowledge that she has gained to help her patients achieve natural health and wellness.

BACKYARD COMPOSTING WORKSHOP (by Zoom) on Monday, December 13th at 6:30pm—includes a FREE Backyard Compost Bin for residents of Readfield, Wayne, and Fayette

Have you ever wanted to set up your own home compost operation, but were afraid it was too difficult to do? If so, then this FREE Zoom class is for you! During this program, participants will be introduced to the world of backyard composting while learning how easy it really is! Topics covered will include: an introduction to compost biology, review of various compost systems, a discussion of compost feedstocks and their challenges, how to setup and manage your compost pile/bin, how to trouble-shoot compost problems and finally, what to do with the finished product. This class is designed to appeal to both novice and experienced composters alike, and will be facilitated by Mark King, Organics Management Specialist of the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. Participants in this workshop will receive a FREE high-quality backyard compost bin! Please contact the Librarian at the Readfield Community Library at librarian@readfieldmaine.org or 207-685-4089 to register for the Zoom event and to arrange pickup of your free compost bin after the workshop.

GIRL SCOUTS INFORMATION/ACTIVITY TABLE on Monday, December 13th from 5:30-6:30pm

Karen Hayes, Community Engagement Specialist of Girl Scouts of Maine will host a Girl Scouts Information/Activity table set up at the Library on Monday December 13th from 5:30-6:30pm.

A note from Karen..."You are invited to see what Girl Scouts has to offer! Come check out a free Girl Scout activity from one of our many badges. With Girl Scouts she can be herself, have fun with friends, and change the world—all in an inclusive, girl-led environment. When we say Girl Scouts is girl-led, we mean it right from the start! Having girls help decide what badges and activities they are interested in exploring, they are shaping their experience and learning to collaborate with others."



December STORY WALK® at the Library—From Head to Toe by Eric Carle



The Library StoryWalk® is always open for all to enjoy! The walk begins on the trail behind the Library and goes about ¼ mile to the Readfield Union Meeting House. The picture book featured for DECEMBER is *From Head to Toe* by Eric Carle, sponsored by Pam and John Mitchell. Please feel free to walk the StoryWalk® at any time that works for your family, regardless of whether the Library is open. And, be sure to stop by the Library during open hours to pick up the take-home craft/activity that goes along with the story.

"COMICS PLUS"—NEW FREE SERVICE for Digital Graphic Novels, Comics, and Manga!!



ComicsPlus provides access to a digital collection of over 20,000 comics and graphic novels, which are all available all the time, and there is no check out limit (no HOLD queues!). ComicsPlus works on the web and through an app available for Apple or

Android. If you would like to access this new digital collection, you will need your Readfield Community Library bar code number to sign up by following the instructions at this link: <https://www.maineinfonet.org/comicsplus/> Please contact the Librarian if you need help accessing the site, using the app, or if you forget your card number! We hope you enjoy this new, free digital collection!

TEEN "Fall Into Reading" CHALLENGE—last day is December 4th!

Wow! So far, local teens have read over 100 hours for the "Fall Into Reading Challenge," earning tickets towards great raffle prizes—a \$50 Dunkin Gift Card and a \$50 Amazon Gift Card! All teen participants should be sure to **stop by the library sometime before 3:00pm on Saturday, December 4th to turn in any final reading logs and complete raffle tickets. All participants will receive a treat on December 4th from Dany's Cakes, a new business in Readfield.** The raffle prizes for this teen program have been made possible by a generous donation of the Friends of the Readfield Community Library, and the Dany's Cakes treats have been donated by an anonymous donor!



STORY TIME, Tuesdays at 9:30am



Please join us for our weekly **STORY TIME** each Tuesday at 9:30am. Perfect for children 0-5 (older is fine too!) and their parents, grandparents, caregivers.

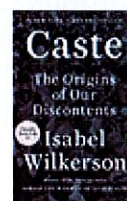
We will meet as follows:

December 7—We will meet **OUTSIDE**, in person, behind the Library to enjoy the StoryWalk and other books and activities, weather permitting.

December 14, 21, and 28 —We will meet by ZOOM. Zoom meeting ID is available from the Librarian.

Upcoming LIBRARY BOOK GROUP MEETING (for Adults)

Our monthly Library Adult Book Group is open to all! The Book Group generally meets on the last Monday of the month at 6:30pm. For the winter months, we will be meeting by Zoom rather than in person. To attend by Zoom, please call 207-685-4089 or email librarian@readfieldmaine.org for the Zoom meeting ID. Note that we will **NOT** meet in December. Our next book group meeting will be **Monday, January 31st at 6:30pm** to discuss the nonfiction selection *Caste: The Origins of our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson.



LIBRARY CLOSURES

The Library will be **CLOSED** on **Saturday December 25th** in observance of the Christmas holiday and on **Saturday January 1st** in observance of New Year's Day.

PUMPKIN Wrap-up!

Thanks to Nancy Durgin; volunteers from the Library, Readfield Union Meeting House, and Rec Committee; and to all our pumpkin-carving participants for all the work you did to help decorate the Pumpkins Aglow Trail and the Fairgrounds on Halloween! Also, Greg D. was the winner of the Library pumpkin with a closest guess of 18 pounds 3 ounces. The actual weight of the pumpkin was 18 pounds even.



Discover savings on your monthly electric bill with Kill-A-Watt ELECTRICITY MONITORS from ELECTRICITY MAINE!



Curious about the efficiency of your household appliances, which items cost you the most in terms of your electric bill, and how you might save on your monthly bill? Simply check out an easy-to-use Kill-A-Watt Electricity Monitor from the Library to see how you might start saving!

WiFi ISSUES

We appreciate your patience with our continued WiFi issues. We have ordered new equipment and will post to Facebook and on our Website when the WiFi is up and running again.

UPDATED COVID-related LIBRARY INFO

As of September 2, 2021 (and until further notice) we respectfully REQUIRE that ALL individuals over age 2 (vaccinated or unvaccinated) wear face coverings **INSIDE** the Library, per Board of Trustees vote. Please see the library website's "COVID-19 Response/Info" page for the most updated information: <https://readfieldlibrary.wordpress.com/covid-19-response-info/>

Library Hours

Mondays	3pm - 7pm
Tuesdays	10am - 4pm
Wednesdays	1pm - 7pm
Saturdays	10am - 4pm



Fraud Watch
Network

December 2021 State Scam Alerts

Week 1 – Holiday Shopping Tip – Pick the Right Plastic



If you heed only one tip this holiday shopping season, make it this one: pick the right plastic. A recent AARP survey found that nearly 70% of people shopping online this holiday season plan to pay with a debit card. Choosing this form of payment can make you more vulnerable to fraud losses.

Debit cards deduct money directly from the account it's connected to. If your card is compromised and the thief goes on a spending spree, the money drained from your account is YOUR money. When you use a credit card and it's compromised, the thief isn't spending money from your account but rather from the credit your bank has provided.

Both cards are governed by consumer protections – but there's a 'but'. When your credit card is used fraudulently, the issuing credit company will absorb the losses from the shopping spree the thief enjoys. Your costs may be limited to \$50, but most issuers waive that.

When your debit card is compromised, your money is gone until you report it and the bank completes an investigation, which could take several weeks. If you're relying on that account to pay your rent or mortgage, that delay can put you in a real bind. And if you fail to report the fraud within 60 days, you may not have any recourse to recover your losses at all. In other words, it's usually harder to get your money back from the scammer with a debit account.

When shopping online this holiday season do yourself, and your bank account, a favor and leave the debit card in your wallet.

Be a fraud fighter! If you can spot a scam, you can stop a scam.

The AARP Fraud Watch Network is a free resource for all. Learn how to proactively spot scams or get guidance if you've been targeted at www.aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork.

Week 2 – Gift Card Shopping Tips

Most US consumers will purchase a gift card for someone this holiday season. While these gifts are easy to give and popular to get, they are also open to fraud. A 2021 AARP survey found that one in five people have either given or received a gift card with no funds on it.

Your best bet is to buy gift cards online directly from the issuer. Cards on store racks are easy prey for criminals, who can grab the cards, secretly record the numbers off the back and return the cards to the rack. Carefully inspect cards from the rack to look for signs the PIN has been exposed or manipulated.

And remember, if anyone asks you to pay a debt or obligation with a gift card, it's a scam.

December 2021 State Scam Alerts Continued

Week 3 – When the Charity is a Con

It's the season of giving, and for those in the spirit, telling the difference between a real charity and a con can be a challenge. Legitimate charities make a big push at year-end for last minute annual donations. Scammers know this and make their own end-of-year push to line their pockets.

If a charity solicits you for a donation, even if your first instinct is to contribute, be careful. Check the charity out before donating. A couple of useful sites for this are charitynavigator.org or give.org. A little research can help make sure you're supporting a legitimate charity – and that the fundraisers aren't keeping most of the money they raise for themselves.

Week 4 – When Elder Financial Abuse is in the Family

Federal data suggest that losses from elder financial abuse perpetrated by a known person are greater than when the fraud is perpetrated by anonymous scammers. With the holiday family visits upon us, it could be a good time to broach the subject. You might bring up the topic of financial exploitation and segue into asking what they are doing to protect themselves and their money. Above all, respect their right to make their own decisions while they are cognitively able, but leave the lines of communication open.

Week 5 – Stress Can Lead to Scams

As we wrap up a second year of pandemic-induced uncertainty and stress, it's important to recognize that in addition to making life harder, these factors actually can make us more susceptible to fraud. A recent AARP study found that victims of fraud experienced more than twice as many stressful events as those who avoided attempted scams.

Stressful events consume valuable cognitive capacity that otherwise might be employed to spot and resist fraud. Knowing this, criminals specifically look for ways to target people who may have lost a job, or recently became a widow, for example. Being aware that you or a loved one's stressful situation may make you or them susceptible to fraud may be the difference between staying safe or being victimized.

Be a fraud fighter! If you can spot a scam, you can stop a scam.



For More Information go to:
www.readfieldmaine.org
and click on Employment Opportunities or stop in at the Town Office!



Town Meeting Questions on Broadband

On November 2nd voters in Readfield spoke loud and clear by approving three articles concerning bringing Internet service to all locations in our town. There were 1015 residents who voted out of approximately 2300 registered voters. Of those who filled in a choice the results ranged from 70% to 78% approval.

Article 2: Shall the Select Board of the Town be authorized to negotiate one or more agreements for the provision of high-speed internet service to all Readfield residents through one or more third party service providers, with any final agreement(s) and funding requiring voter approval? **78% in favor**

Article 3: Shall the Select Board of the Town be authorized to enter into one or more agreements, at one time or from time to time, and apply for, accept and expend revenues from Federal, State, and private grant sources, either on behalf of the Town of Readfield or the Western Kennebec Lakes Community Broadband Association to offset the cost design, acquisition, construction and equipping of a broadband fiber optic network to be owned by the Town of Readfield and operated by a third party to serve all of the residents of the Town of Readfield? **73% in favor**

Article 4: Shall the Select Board of the Town be authorized to (a) enter into, at one time or from time to time, one or more agreements providing for the design, acquisition, construction and equipping of a broadband fiber optic network to be owned by the Town of Readfield and operated by a third party to serve all of the residents of the Town of Readfield, (b) appropriate a sum not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the foregoing, and (c) fund the foregoing appropriation by borrowing, on behalf of the Town, a sum not to exceed \$5,000,000 on such terms as the Select Board determines are necessary and proper pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. §5772 and other applicable Maine law, including the issuance, at one time or from time to time, of general obligation bonds (and notes in anticipation thereof) of the Town of Readfield in a sum not to exceed \$5,000,000, including fixing the dates, maturities, denominations, interest rates, places of payment, premiums, calls for redemption with or without premium, forms and other details of said bonds and notes, and to provide for the sale thereof, for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs of the foregoing broadband fiber optic network? Select Board recommends: Yes Budget Committee recommends: Yes **70% in favor**

These votes have provided a clear direction to the Select Board and Broadband Committee. Both groups are committed to a prompt follow-through by assessing the available solutions and choosing the best and most equitable one to be presented at a Town Meeting in 2022.

News From the Broadband Committee

The committee met on November 10th and discussed many topics. The results of the Town Meeting vote have provided necessary direction for us to follow. Updates were provided on grant and funding opportunities, vendor contacts, and legislative actions.

The recently passed federal infrastructure bill will provide funding for Broadband but it will go first to unserved areas, then to underserved areas, and lastly to served areas, all over a period of five years. Service is defined at a level that already exists for 92% of Readfield. We know that the stated level of service is not what our residents want or need, but that is what the bill is for. Some of our neighboring towns who are in the WKLCBA (see below) meet these criteria and should be able to secure some grant funding. Basically, Readfield will not qualify for much grant funding as we are considered a town that is served, meaning that Internet services are available to purchase from a provider. There is no metric for the level of service provided nor the quality of that service. We have a very small portion of roads that are unserved, meaning there is no cable run on the road. This is why we asked the voters if we should plan on borrowing to meet the needs of the town

The committee is meeting next in January 2022; a date will be announced in advance. We will be discussing the results of RFP issued by the WKLCBA and what direction to recommend we proceed in. All meetings are public and will be held in person at the Town Office along with remote access. Look for links on the town website and for email alerts if you have signed up for them. Signup for email alerts is available on the town website. We publish monthly updates. www.readfieldmaine.org

WKLCBA Information Readfield is a member of the Western Kennebec Lakes Community Broadband Association along with five other towns: Fayette, Leeds, Mt. Vernon, Vienna, and Wayne. We are working together to find solutions for the affordable delivery of high speed, reliable broadband internet access to all locations in our towns that have electric service. Please see their website to find the studies we have completed, the RFP (Request For Proposals) just issued, and many articles pertinent to this effort.

Maranacook Food Pantry

Thursdays 3:30-4:30 PM
Maranacook Middle School
Lower Parking Lot
FMI Call 685-4923

MARANACOOK FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

In November's *Messenger*, there appeared an update on the pantry's status with a "subtle" request / plea for help either monetarily or by donating food supplies. The businesses and residents of not only Readfield, but our surrounding towns, rose to the occasion. The Maranacook Food Pantry Committee humbly extends our appreciation all.

We have been awed by our local businesses as well as the individuals and families who responded to the needs of those facing food insecurity. Maranacook High School and Middle School had their MAKE a DIFFERENCE WEEK and students and staff overloaded the pantry with non-perishable food and personal care items in addition to raising over \$1,000 for our pantry account at the RSU #38 Central Office. Phenomenal generosity and caring by our communities.

Our pantry collaborates with several organizations in helping provide food for those who need it. With several holidays approaching, we are pleased to be able to relay to you the efforts of our partners. Manchester Lions Club is providing meals to Manchester residents. Highbrow of Manchester has once again donated 20 Thanksgiving boxes including turkeys or hams for Maranacook families. The Augusta Food Bank is supplying vegetables; the Wayne Community Church and Mt. Vernon Food Bank are both providing assistance for families. Readfield United Methodist Church continues to provide goods to our pantry. Amazing organizations and people working behind the scenes to provide support for those who need it. Thank you all.

Additionally local residents have anonymously donated turkeys and hams for the holidays. With the generosity of those involved, our pantry's efforts will provide 11 complete meals for delivery. Close to 40 local families will have a bountiful Thanksgiving due to the efforts of the aforementioned partners.

With winter approaching, we anticipate an increase in requests for assistance. Thanks to the efforts of so many, we feel we are in a positive position to continue our mission of feeding the hungry. In reading this, if you or someone you know needs food assistance, either short or long term, a single confidential phone call to any district school nurse (amazing staff who go above and beyond everyday trying to keep everyone healthy) will get the wheels in motion. No forms etc. are necessary to receive our assistance.

We can't say it enough, so in closing once again... Thank You!!!! to all who assist us in feeding our friends and neighbors. Our wish for you all is a safe and healthy holiday season.

Respectfully submitted, Greg Durgin for the Maranacook Food Panty



Feeding the Community

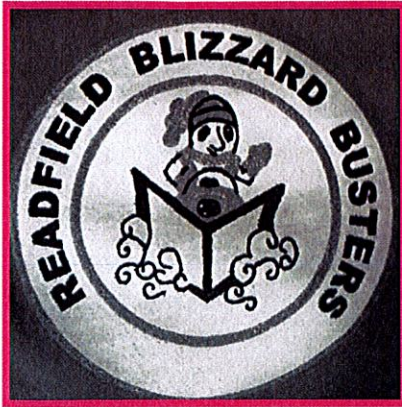
IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to supply chain issues, there is a shortage of aluminum. Since this is what our license plates are made of we are asking customers to reuse their old plates, rather than obtaining new plates, whenever possible.

Also, please note: due to the supply issue some plates may not always be readily available when registering your vehicle.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.





To all snow worshipers,

Recently the picture to the right popped up in my memories and then immediately afterward I saw a few, I mean few, flurries falling from the Readfield skies. The flurries were short lived, but to snowmobilers it was a promise of things to come. Last winter was virtually snowless and way too warm. We were only able to use local



trails for a short time. Depending on who you listen to, this year may replicate last year or be just the opposite. We can project, but what will be will be! All local riders are still hoping for a good winter with lots of snow. In preparation, trail work continued through October and November. Trails had to be cut back, some rerouted and as always bridges needed to be repaired and/or re-decked. Plenty of signage marking the trails were posted over this past weekend. After just a few more work parties the trails will be ready and waiting for snow.

As always, we ask that you respect our landowners and stay on the trails. Bring out whatever you bring in. So many trails throughout the state of Maine are being shut down due to landowner disrespect. Just a few incidents of bad behavior can spoil access for everyone else. Ethan Buuck, our local Game Warden, attended our last Club meeting and reiterated the delicate issue.

Wishing happy and healthy holidays to everyone.
Marge Livingston, Secretary
Readfield Blizzard Busters Snowmobile Club



Snowmobile Registration Price Increased October 18th

- \$56 Resident
- \$75 Non Resident 3 Day Registration
- \$100 Non Resident 10 Day Registration
- \$120 Non Resident Full Season

For more information and for rules & regulations visit the
Maine Department of Island Fisheries & Wildlife Website at:
www.maine.gov/ifw

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Accessible version: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/this-holiday-season.pdf>

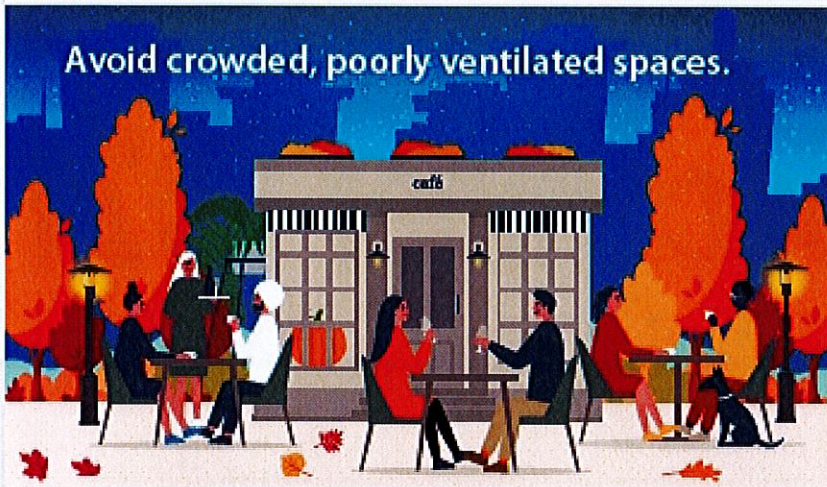
The best way to keep your family and friends safe is to get vaccinated.



Wear a mask in public indoor settings if you are not fully vaccinated, have a weakened immune system, are in an area of high transmission.



Avoid crowded, poorly ventilated spaces.



If you are sick or have symptoms, don't host or attend gatherings.



Delay travel until you are fully vaccinated.



www.cdc.gov/coronavirus



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December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Library Board of Trustees 6:30 PM	2	3 Assessor In (By Appointment) Annual Tree Lighting 6:30 PM	4
5 Annual Tree Lighting Snow/ Rain Date 4:30 PM	6	7 Trails Committee 6:00 PM	8 Age Friendly 9:00 AM Broadband Committee 6:30 PM	9 Road Committee Meeting 6:00 PM	10	11
12	13 Select Board 6:30 PM	14 Planning Board 6:30 PM Conservation Comm 6:00 PM	15 Comprehensive Plan Com 6:00 PM	16 Readfield Union Meeting House 6:00 PM	17 Assessor In (By Appointment)	18
19	20 Cemetery Comm. 10:30 AM	21	22	23	31 Town Office Closed Transfer Station Open 11-6 Christmas Eve	25 Merry Christmas Transfer Station Closed
26	27	28 Planning Board 6:30 PM	29	30	31 Town Office Closed Transfer Station Open 11-6 New Years Eve 2022 Dog Registrations Due	1 Happy New Year! Transfer Station Closed