

Readfield Messenger

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2017 Heritage Days August 11th & 12th

Readfield Heritage Days Making History Since 1791

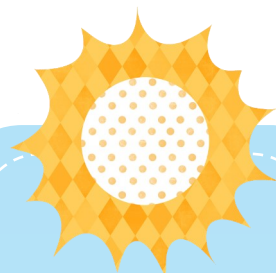


Gathering of residents for a ballgame on the Readfield Fairgrounds.

Thank you to Ron Simons for the reproduction of this picture.

**Enclosed you find the information
to-date as provided to us at the time of printing.
More events maybe planned and added.**

Please look for the Event Book coming out soon or on the Town's Web site.



Volunteers Needed!

We are still looking for volunteers to help set-up/ break-down and everything in between. If you would like to help please contact one of the 2017 Heritage Days Committee Members who are:

Debora Doten: 685-3536

Greg Durgin: 685-4481

Jeanne Harris: 377-2299

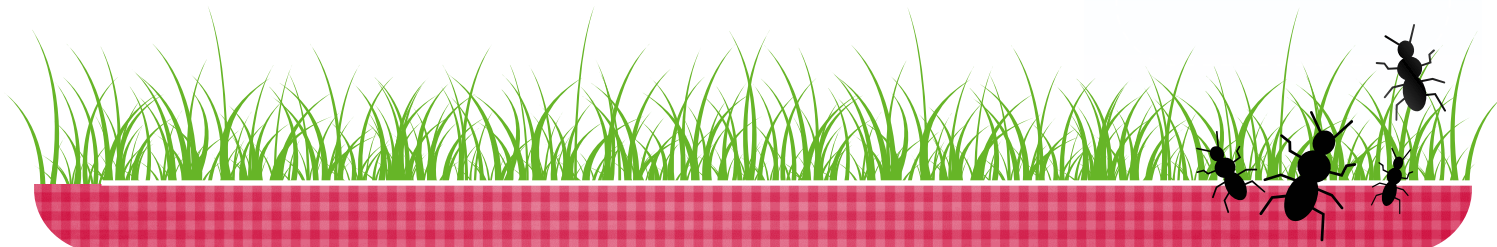
Robert Harris: 377-2299

Val Pomerleau: 458-2124

Thank you in advance!!

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Heritage Days Events being held on Friday, August 11th:

OPENNING DAY:

- **4:00pm Volley Ball Games with the Readfield Recreation Association**

at the Town Beach

Beach permits not required to attend

- **4-6:00pm Cook Out with the Read-Blizzard Busters Snowmobile Club** at

Beach (Menu and cost will be posted in the final schedule)

events being held on the Town beach!

field

the Town

- **5-6:30pm Wine & Cheese Social**



At the Readfield Historical Society. Guests will enjoy an assortment of cheeses, sausages, crackers, pickles, cookies and other delectable. Wine will be served as well as non-alcoholic beverages. Begin Readfield Heritage Days weekend by learning about our town's roots by wandering through the building to take in the museum displays and collections. At the same time you will meet and soiree with others who have like

interests.



- **7:00pm Michael Cooper's Marvel & Mask Show**

at Maranacook Performing Arts Center (This is a free event but limited seating, tickets available at the Town Office)

9:00pm Fireworks Show

over the Town Beach

(Parking available at Maranacook School)



Heritage Days Events on Saturday, August 12th:

- **7-9:00am Pancake Breakfast with the Masons**

The Readfield Masons will host a pancake breakfast at the Masonic Hall which is located above the Post Office in the center of town. Proceeds will be donated to a cause of their choice.

- **9am Bicycle Poker run**

Starting at the Fairgrounds property

- **9am Golden Guys & Gal's will hold a White Elephant Sale**

Craft Sale and Bake Sale! Come see us and find your treasures! We will be located at the Readfield Union Meeting House.

- **9am-1:00pm Annual Library Book Sale**

At the Readfield Fire Station

- **9am-2:00pm Lots of Events at the Union Meeting House on the Church Rd!**

Quilt Raffle! Try for a chance to win a beautiful family heirloom. The drawing will be at 2:00pm. Huge Yard Sale which will include vintage furniture! Be there early! Small Group Tours of the famous Readfield Union Meeting House. Fantastic Demos Featuring the Western Maine Blacksmith Association & the Maine Barn Co. Stop by to see how everyday items were made by hand a couple of centuries ago!

"Western Maine Blacksmith Association will demonstrate traditional metalworking skills, working out of their mobile "smithy". Stan Tilton, 2nd generation blacksmith and President of WMBA, will be at the forge and anvil, creating useful and decorative items from metal bars. The Maine Barn Co. will feature traditional timber framing.



- **9:30am-11:00am Old Fairgrounds Trail History Walk**

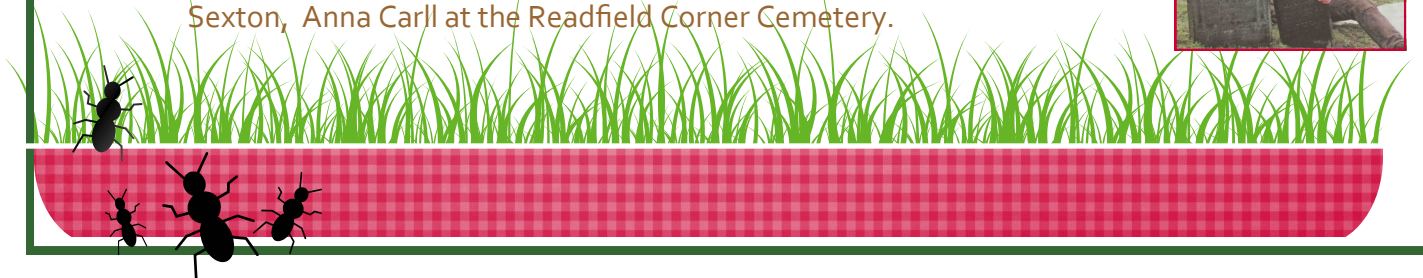
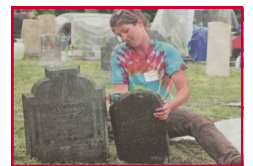


Dale Potter-Clark from RHS will share some history of the old Fairgrounds and Romaine Turyn from Readfield's *Age Friendly Committee* and *Trails Committee* will provide opportunities to appreciate the handicapped accessible trails within that system. Meet at the Fairgrounds parking lot by 9:30am.



- **9am-10:00am Cemetery Stone Leaning and Cleaning Work**

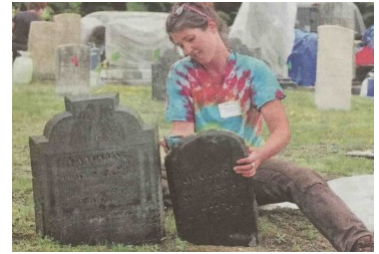
shop Back by popular demand! If you have a passion for history or want learn how to properly care for your loved one's headstones, join Sexton, Anna Carll at the Readfield Corner Cemetery.



Heritage Days Events cont. for Saturday, August 12th:

- **10:00pm Softball Game**

Kids and parents gather for a friendly game of softball on the new Keene Community Ballfield on the Fairgrounds property. Equipment provided, just bring your glove and come have fun.



- **10-2:00pm Bounce House,**

Face Painting, Balloon Toss, Sack Race etc. For young and old alike on the Town Beach (Sponsored by the Readfield Recreation Assoc.)

- **10-2:00pm Lunch at the Library!**

Hotdogs...Chili, Cheese & Chips...Drinks! Great prices! Sponsored by the Friends of the Readfield Community Library and all proceeds to support additional programs at the library.

- **10-2:00pm Fun Flush!**

The opposite of a Dunk Tank! Hit the target and get our volunteers soaked! Co-sponsored by the Readfield Community Library and the Friends of the Readfield Community Library. All proceeds to support additional programs at the library.

- **10-2:00pm Art Walk**

along the Community Pathway between the Readfield Library and the Union Meeting House. Come see the work of local artists!

- **3pm Kids Fishing Derby**

Our own Maine Game Warden, Ethan Buuck will judge and weigh in the catches. The derby is open for children 15 and younger who catch their fish from Readfield's lakes, ponds, streams or brooks. Weigh in by 3pm at the Readfield Fire Station.

Closing Event of the Day!!

- **4:30-6pm Readfield Firefighter's Annual Bean Hole Supper**

At the Readfield Fire Station.



Menu: Bean Hole baked beans

Pulled Pork & Hot Dogs

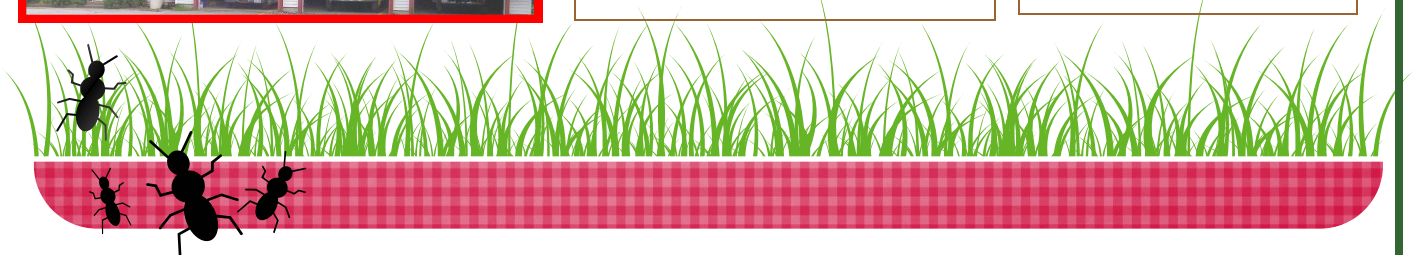
Coleslaw & Biscuits

Fresh fruit cups, Drinks and Dessert

Cost: Adults \$7.00

Kids: \$5.00

Family Cap \$20.00



To enter you have to be 15 years old or under!

Your fish must be caught from a Readfield lake or stream!

Bring your fish to the Readfield Fire Department **by 3:00 pm!**



Biggest fish by weight in the following classes wins a prize!

Brown Trout, Lake Trout, Pickerel, Pike, Perch, Small Mouth Bass and Large Mouth Bass.

PLEASE LEGAL CATCHES ONLY!!

Maine's Warmwater Fish



Black Crappie



Pumpkinseed Sunfish



Redbreast Sunfish



Chain Pickerel



Muskellunge



Northern Pike

Artwork by Joseph R. Tomelleri©

Maine's Warmwater Fish



Smallmouth Bass



Largemouth Bass



White Perch



Yellow Perch



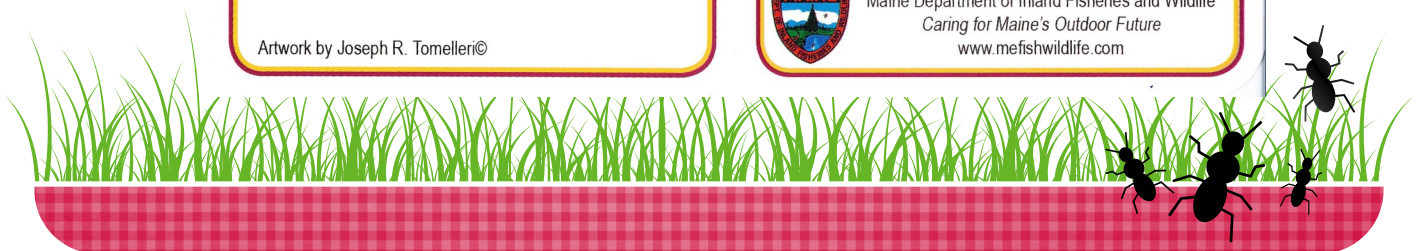
Brown Bullhead



Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
Caring for Maine's Outdoor Future
www.mefishwildlife.com

3pm weight in!!

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Looking for Local Artists



Do you paint or create some other form of art as a hobby or profession? Do you have interest in sharing your work and displaying it for others to enjoy?

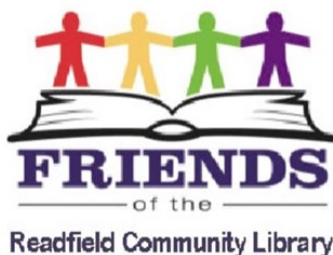
Readfield Heritage Days will have an art walk along the Community Pathway between the Library and the Readfield Union Meeting House on Saturday August 12th. Please contact ???? if you have interest. In the event of rain, the show will be moved to the second floor of the Town Office.

We know that Readfield is filled with talented people!



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***Come and Visit the Friends of the
Readfield Community Library
During Heritage Days!***

- ⇒ ***Try your best to splash Readfield residents with our Flush Tank!***
- ⇒ ***Hot Dogs, chips & drinks for sale!***
- ⇒ ***Try our Chili Cheese and Chip lunch special !***

All proceeds benefit programs for the Readfield Library!





Picture credit to Tim Sniffen who submitted a recent evening game between the younger boys' teams

**Ballfield Dedication
Boston Post Cane Holder
Spirit of America Award
&
Volunteer Appreciation Day!
Saturday, July 22nd at 4pm
On the new ballfield on the
Fairgrounds property**

How much of a difference does it make to separate your paper from the trash?

Recycling 2 bags of paper a week keeps 8 trees in the forest, saves 100 gallons of fuel, and keeps 4 tons of carbon dioxide out of the air each year.

Aside from wasting valuable resources, the undiverted trash costs our towns thousands of dollars each year.

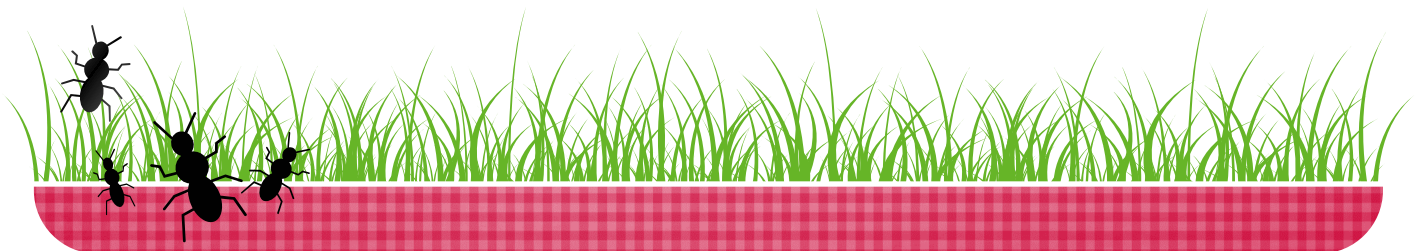
So the Readfield/Fayette/Wayne Solid Waste and Recycling Committee asks you to put a bag next to each trash can for all your paper and cardboard. A little effort makes a big difference.

**WASTE LESS
SAVE MORE**



**RECYCLE
COMPOST**

Readfield Solid Waste and Recycling Committee



Readfield United Methodist Church

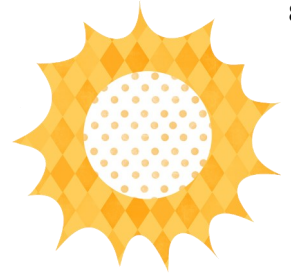
Route 17

Readfield, Me 04355

Invites you to Worship with us every Sunday 10:00 a.m. Nursery provided.

Everyone is Welcome to join us.

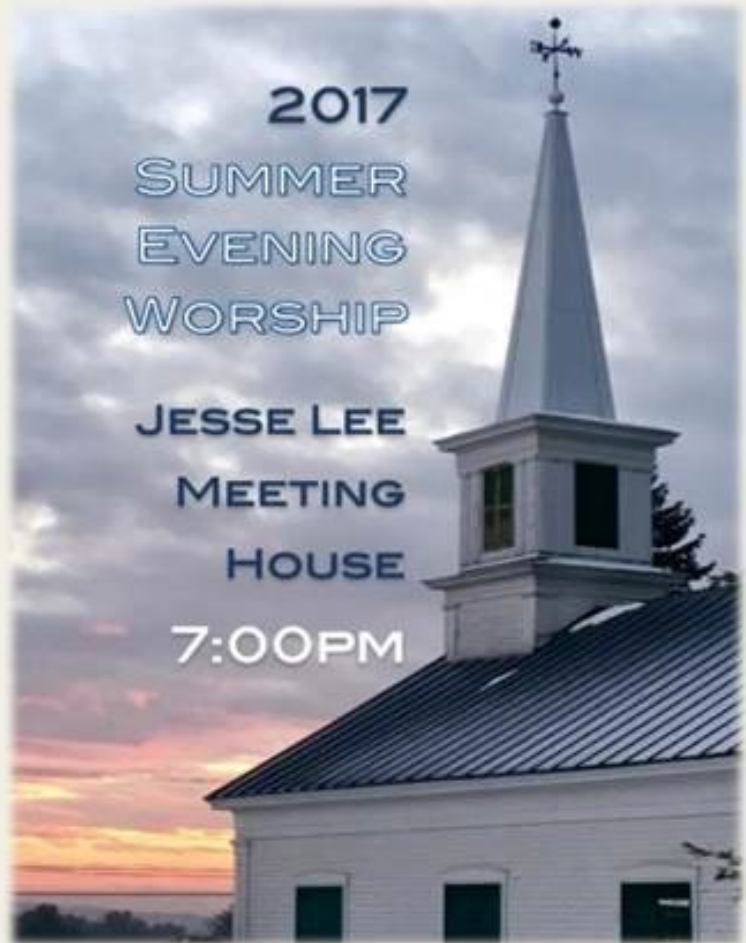
Come as you are.



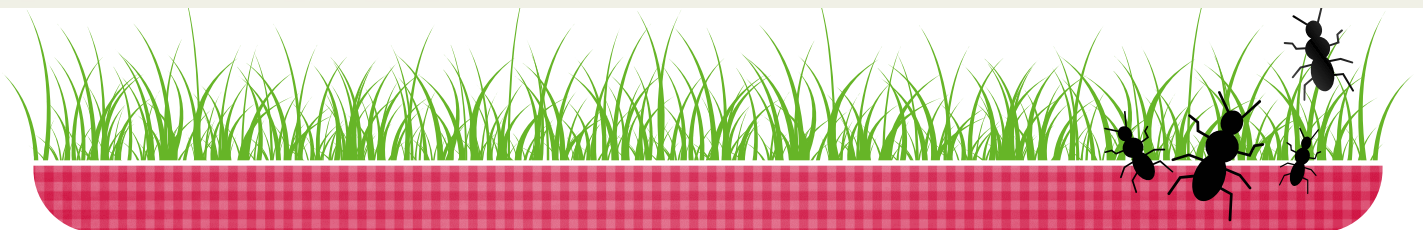
Worship Leaders

- 7/2** Readfield UMC
 9 Jeff Munson & Mitch Thomas
 16 DRUM Church
 23 Green Street UMC
 30 Highland Avenue UMC
- 8/6** Laura Church
 13 Readfield UMC
 20 Wayne UMC
 27 Cox Memorial UMC

All Welcome



Jesse Lee Meeting House is located in the corner of Rt. 17 in Plains Rd. East Readfield



READFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY (RHS)

READFIELD HERITAGE DAYS

RHS is planning to do our part to help make it another successful Readfield Heritage Days weekend.

FRIDAY, AUG. 11TH

5:00-6:30pm Annual Wine and Cheese

Guests will enjoy an assortment of cheeses, sausages, crackers, pickles, cookies and other delectables. Wine will be served as well as non-alcoholic beverages. Begin Readfield Heritage Days weekend by learning about our town's roots by wandering through the building to take in the museum displays and collections. At the same time you will meet and soiree with others who have like interests.

6:30-7:00pm Join members of the Dumaine family and RHS members at the RHS building for the dedication of the new "Holly Hock Dumaine Memorial Library and Archives".

SATURDAY, AUG. 12TH

9:30-11:00am Old Fairgrounds Trail History Walk

Dale Potter-Clark from RHS will share some history of the old Fairgrounds and Romaine Turyn from Readfield's *Age Friendly Committee* and *Trails Committee* will provide opportunities to appreciate the handicapped accessible trails within that system. Meet at the Old Fairgrounds parking lot by 9:30am.

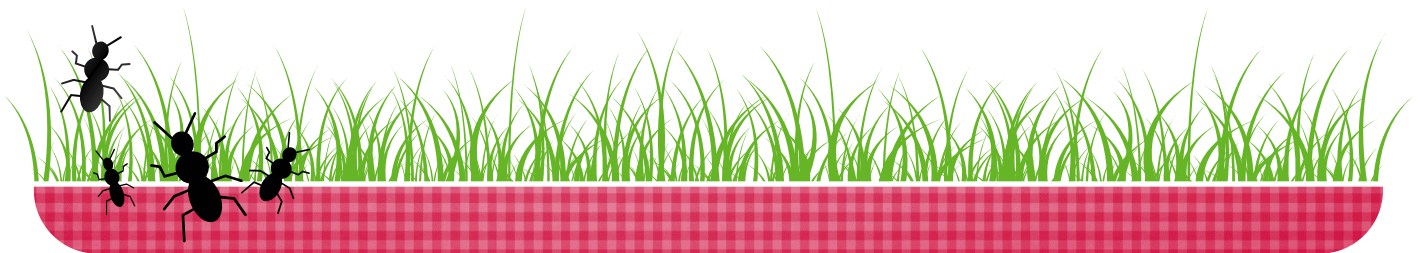
10:00am-2:00pm Visit the RHS Museum and the new "Holly Hock Dumaine Memorial Library and Archives":

Readfield historian Evelyn Potter and longtime Lake Maranacook summer resident Laurie Emmett will man the RHS building. Enjoy browsing the museum and chatting with Evelyn and Laurie who, in addition to summering in Readfield for decades, was a long time friend of the infamous Townsend sisters of Readfield Depot (see photo).

11:30am - 2:00pm Dale Potter-Clark at RHS for a book signing and to answer questions about her and Charles L. Day's book "*The Founders and Evolution of Summer Resorts and Kids' Camps on Four Lakes in Central Maine*". Included in the 356 page book are 220 photos and the histories of forty establishments and their founders that did or still do exist on the lakes Maranacook, Torsey, Lovejoy, Echo and "Lake Myra", including Townsend Farm. Also covered in the book is the coming of the railroad and trolley; the development of Readfield Depot into a village; and the evolution of this area into a fishing mecca and tourist destination point. FMI contact Dale at crossings4u@gmail.com or 441-9184.

NEW HISTORIC CALENDARS AND NOTE CARDS Included in the calendar are brief histories and photos of various organizations in town, past and present, and dozens of photos. The calendars run from June 2017 – June 2018 but they will be keepsakes long after the last month has passed. The note cards depict six structures and mills once located on old Factory Square. On the back of each card there are brief histories of the respective buildings. Calendars are \$10 each; note cards are six for \$5 or \$1 each. 100% of proceeds benefit RHS. Get yours at RHS or by calling Evelyn at (207) 685-3812 or email etap30@roadrunner.com. S&H is \$5 regardless of how many are shipped.

RHS SUMMER OPEN HOURS are every Thurs. and Sat. 10am to 2pm (Memorial Day through Labor Day) and on some Sundays - if the American Flag is out, RHS is open. Arrangements can be made to open by appointment as well by contacting Bob & Jeanne Harris at (207) 377-2299 or readfieldhistorical@gmail.com. Volunteer docents and greeters for July through Labor Day weekend are listed below in case you see the name(s) of someone(s) you would like to stop by and visit. If you are interested in helping to cover RHS yourself, please give Bob & Jeanne a call or Evelyn Potter at 685-3812.



READFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY CONT. (RHS)

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7/1	Sat	Evelyn Potter and Doreen Crocker	8/5	Sat	Natalie Giles
7/6	Thurs	Doreen Crocker	8/10	Thurs	Doreen Crocker
7/8	Sat	Donna (McCormick) Page	8/12	Sat	Evelyn Potter
7/13	Thurs	Ralph & Marjorie Black	8/17	Thurs	Nancy Durgin
7/15	Sat	George Allen & son Bill	8/19	Sat	John Knox
7/20	Thurs	Nancy Durgin	8/24	Thurs	Bob & Dotty Bryant
7/22	Sat	John Knox	8/26	Sat	Andy Tolman
7/27	Thurs	Andy Tolman	8/31	Thurs	Nancy Durgin
7/29	Sat	Bob & Dotty Bryant	9/2	Sat	Natalie Giles
8/3	Thurs	Martha Whitcomb	9/7	Thurs	Doreen Crocker

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO ORDER A CIRCA SIGN FOR YOUR HOME OR BUSINESS...

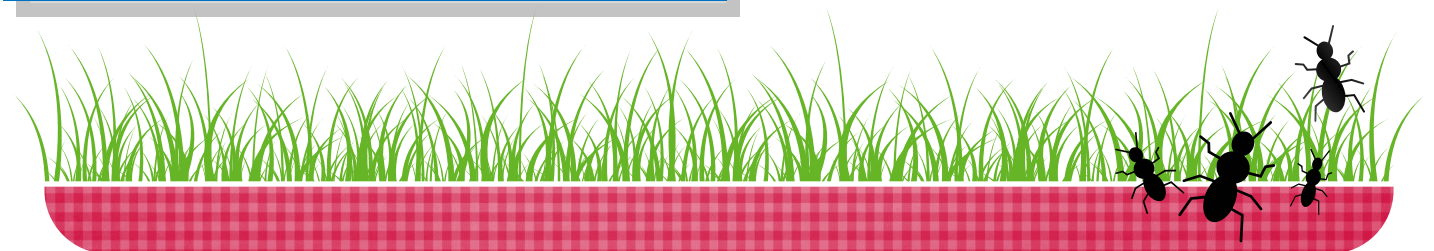
If you have not yet ordered a circa sign for your house or business now is the time. We will be placing the next order this month. In addition to the sign you will also receive a copy of the research completed on your house, including what has been discovered about the builder and previous owners. In some cases these signs display a brief history of that structure, such as the one at Readfield Corner that was the "Asa Gile Coffin Shop" before it was moved from Factory Square to its present location and converted to a residence. Profits from the sale of these circa signs will be applied towards the creation and installation of historical site markers in Readfield. Cost is \$75 for each sign, a copy of our research and delivery to your doorstep. Checks should be made payable to Readfield Historical Society. FMI contact Dale at 441-9184 or crossings4u@gmail.com. She will contact homeowners to discuss preferences for wording on the signs before orders are placed.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

If you are not yet an RHS member we would love to have you join us. Annual dues are \$10 for a family, \$5 for people over 65 years. Lifetime memberships are \$100. The RHS physical address is 759 Main Street, Readfield Depot. Mailing address is PO 354 Readfield, Me 04355. Since 1985, tax deductible donations have helped RHS in ongoing efforts to preserve the history of Readfield and its people. RHS is a 501 C3 and all donations are tax deductible as allowed by law. Be sure to visit and "Like us" on Facebook where interesting posts of a historical nature and photos and info about events are posted regularly.



Photo Caption: The four Townsend sisters at Townsend Farm in 1927. They were born and raised at Readfield Depot where their parents, Linwood & Myrtle (Adell) Townsend, and later their brother, Lee, ran the tourist home known as Townsend Farm on Tallwood peninsula. Pictured here in their youth are: (L) Alice, Ruth, Marion and Mary. Ruth and Marion remained single. Alice married Leo Couture. Mary wed George Hock and was mother to Holly Hock Dumaine. Ruth, Marion and Mary were very interested in Readfield history, especially that of "The Depot", and were key players in starting the Readfield Historical Society in 1985, as was Holly. *Photo courtesy of the Townsend-Dumaine family*





Summer Hours at the Readfield Community Library

Until the end of August, our hours will be:

Monday: 4-8, Wednesday: 2-8, Thursday: 10-2

Saturday: 10-4

Our regular hours will begin again in September.

Readfield Community Library

Cribbage Club is now a Regular Program!

Cribbage Club has now become a monthly program at the Readfield Community Library! Drop by on the first Wednesday of each month anytime between 2:30-4:30PM. Bring your own board. We have plenty of cards.

Wednesday July 5, 2017 Next cribbage club date

Children's Hour Returns

Children's Hour has returned to the Readfield Community Library! Stop by the library at 10:30 AM on Thursdays and enjoy a story time plus an accompanying craft or activity. Check out the events page on the library website for more details.

Would you Like to Volunteer at the Library?

Are you looking for a place to volunteer this summer? The Readfield Community Library is currently looking for a few volunteers to help work at the desk. This involves checking books in and out, as well as shelving and other small projects. This is a perfect position for anyone who wants to be more involved in their community. Being comfortable with simple computer tasks is a requirement.

Anyone fourteen and older can apply to be a volunteer. What we're really looking for is someone who is eighteen or older and is comfortable working at the desk alone for a span of 2-3 hours at a time.

Book Sale

Mark your calendars for August 12th. During the Heritage Day celebration don't forget to check out the gently used books for sale located at the Fire department from 9:00 to 1:00.

New Service! Check out the State Park Pass

Looking to spend a little more time outside? Maybe visit some of Maine's beautiful State Parks? Then why not check out the Readfield Community Library's very own State Park Pass!

The Readfield Community Library has recently acquired a vehicle pass, which will allow the pass holder, and the occupants of their vehicle (up to seventeen passengers total) access to the day-use facilities of the Maine State Parks. The park pass can be checked out just like a book. All you need is a library card. The pass can be checked out for up to one week. Once the due date arrives, it must be returned when the library is open. It cannot be left in the book drop. If you are planning a trip, you can reserve the pass in advance. Just check with the librarian so you can be sure of its availability.

For more information on the park pass- including a list of parks who will not accept the pass- please check out the [park pass section](#) on the State of Maine Website.

Thank you to the Harris family for making this wonderful new feature possible!





AGE FRIENDLY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Report

The Age Friendly Committee presented its report and recommendations to the Select Board at its September 26th meeting. The report includes both short and long term recommended actions. A copy of the report can be obtained by contacting the Town Office at 685- 4939.

Pickle Ball

The Age Friendly Committee and the Senior Café held an introductory session of Pickle Ball during a May meeting of the Senior Café. The demonstration was conducted by Margy Knight of Winthrop, where Pickle Ball for all ages has really taken off. Those who participated had fun and we are looking for opportunities to offer it on an ongoing basis.

Resource Guide

The Committee is in the final stages of developing a Resource List for Readfield residents. It will include a list of useful phone numbers that can be kept in a handy place. If you are interested in receiving the useful Resource list, please contact the Town Office at 685-4939.

In the meantime, if you have questions about services or if you need information the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is available to call at:

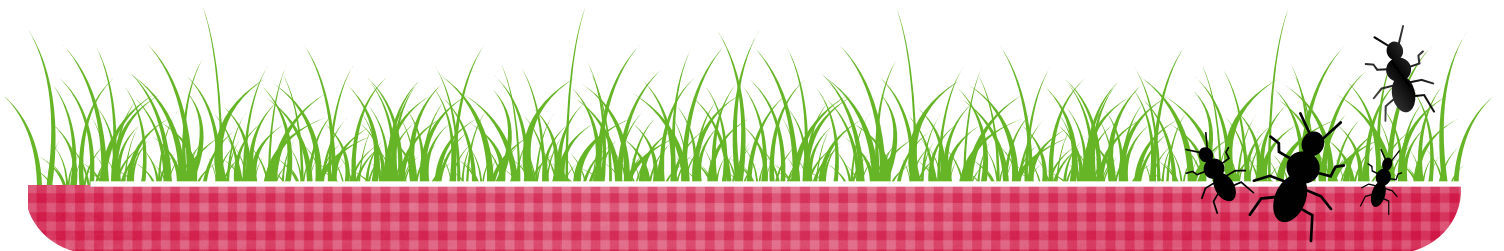
1-877-353-3771

Or by looking at the website www.adrcmaine.org

The ADRC's provide answers to questions about aging and disability resources in Maine. ADRC staff are knowledgeable on a wide range of issues and can help you find the resources you need. Give it a try!

Heritage Days Saturday 9:30 – 11:00 on August 12th

The Age Friendly Committee, Readfield Trails Committee and Readfield Historical Society will offer a History Walk on Saturday morning. Dale Potter-Clark will share some of the history while members of the Age Friendly Committee will showcase the user friendly and handicap accessible trails throughout the Old Fairgrounds system. Cookies and water will be provided! Meet at the Old Fairgrounds parking lot on Church Road by 9:30am. Come see how "walkable" our trails are and learn about the history of the Fairgrounds!



Cemetery update

The Town of Readfield and the Cemetery Committee have been working hard, and continue to work harder to preserve the history in our Cemeteries.

On June 17th a Stone Leaning & Cleaning workshop was held at Readfield Corner Cemetery. This was an event made possible through a grant from the Maine Old Cemetery Association in cooperation with the Town of Readfield. Fourteen people attended the workshop with many more stopping by including local folks, many from surrounding towns, and even a few from Sullivan Maine. We were able to clean and straighten about twenty stones in the "Extremely old section". This is the oldest part of the cemetery and is filled with history and beautiful stones. Unfortunately most of the families' decedents are no longer around leaving many of the stones in need of TLC and elbow grease.

If you missed this workshop, and have interest in caring for your loved ones stones, I would love to show or teach anyone with interest. It is most important that correct products and techniques are used on all headstones, both old and new alike. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments

Anna Carll, (207)622-6404, acarll@readfieldmaine.org

There will also be a Cemetery Stone Leaning and Cleaning Demonstration during Readfield Heritage Days on August 12th from 10-12:00! Hope you can join us then!

Select Board Letter

Dear Neighbors;

Thank you to everyone who came out to vote on June 13 or earlier by absentee ballot. Citizen participation in the budget process and town meeting article voting validates all the effort put into developing and refining of our budget. Our staff, volunteers serving on boards, committees, and commissions along with the budget committee who reviewed everything deserves a thank you for all the work involved.

No matter how you voted on articles and ordinances, we strove to provide good, accurate information about these items. I do know, we can always improve the process and our communications and we will continue to focus on doing so in the year ahead.

I do want to address one item about which there has been some misunderstanding. In our passed Administrative Ordinance, the procedure for signing spending warrants has changed to allow the Select Board to meet less frequently during the summer and off budget planning months. What has not changed however is crucial. All warrants will still be publically voted upon at Select Board meetings, discussed, and publically recorded. Financial transparency is an important goal for everyone involved in town finances.

In closing, I would like to welcome Dennis Price to the Select Board. I look forward to his perspective and the opportunity to work with him.

Good Summer Tidings;

Bruce Bourgoine, Select Board Chair





Hello Readfield,

My name is Dennis A. Price and I'm your newly elected member of the Select Board. First, I'd like to commend Mr. Dunham on his work and service to his town. I'm about to find out what a commitment that really is. I'm excited to work with the rest of the members of the Board, all of whom supported me during the election. I'm thankful for that and eager to start. Our summer work is scheduled and my first meeting is coming up. I'm ready.

The question most people asked when I told them that I was running for Select Board was generally some version of this — WHAT WOULD YOU DO THAT FOR? Sometimes it was a more colorful version and other times it was more like mumbling under their breath. I told them that I wanted to be involved in decisions affecting my town and my community. I told them that I was disillusioned from our November election (no matter who you were rooting for) and that process left me feeling disconnected. I told them that I felt like I could do one of two things — complain, or run. I chose to run, and I won. Now, I'm ready.

In June, a majority of Readfield voters decided they would support the schools. The majority of voters showed their support for the trails. They showed support for the cultivation of culture, and they showed support for continuing to add safety to our roads and downtown areas. The voters of Readfield showed what they support and what they want. I'm ready to continue in that direction.

I'm honored to serve and will do my best to be sensible, thoughtful, and responsible in my participation.

Thank you, Readfield...I'm ready!

Goodwill Public Supper

Sat. July 8

Readfield United Methodist Church

Route 17, Readfield (Kents Hill)

4:30-6:00 pm

**Baked beans, casseroles, salads
and desserts**

Donations to benefit Pastor's Fund

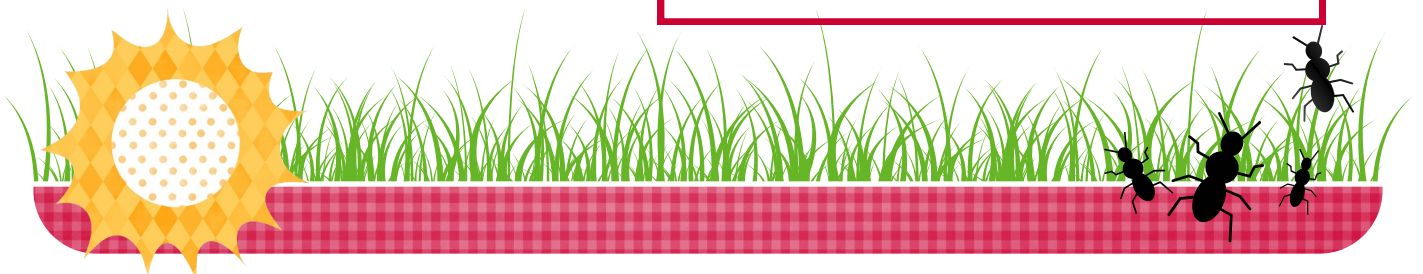
**Helping others with heating oil,
gas, etc.**

Mount Vernon Food Bank

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 in addition to Vienna, Fayette and Mt. Vernon. It is open every Saturday morning from 9:30am to 12pm and is supported by the schools, churches and individuals from the area.

Those who are not in need of the food service can become supporters of the Food Bank with tax-deductible checks made payable to the Mt. Vernon Food Bank.

If you are in need of help during off hours, please call: Betty White at 480-1525 or Helen Wilkey at 293-2351.





THE UNION MEETING HOUSE

On the National Register of Historic Places since 1982

22 Church Road
Readfield, Maine 04355

July 2017 Readfield Messenger

There are a number of exciting updates to report since the June Messenger article. This news begins with the UMH Board receiving a letter from the Windover Foundation that a grant for \$20,000. has been awarded to us to help with Phase II of the restoration of the sub-floor and related projects. This is a real boost in that it will count towards the \$50,000 matching pledge that a former board member has given.

Another update is that the town warrant article # 27 requesting \$5,000 for the UMH was approved by the Readfield voters. Please see the article by UMH President Marius Peladeau that was submitted to the KJ. At this time it has not been printed so we want to share his letter of thanks with you.

Dear Editor:

The entire Board of the Readfield Union Meeting House wants to thank all the voters in Readfield who voted this past Tuesday to appropriate \$5,000 to aid in the continued restoration of this historic landmark. The recognition by the town elected officials in putting this article on the warrant and then seeing it so well supported by the community shows a recognition that not only is the Meeting House the most beautiful building in town but that, once the restoration is completed, it can again become the most pleasing venue for all types of community events as it was in the past.

The enthusiasm shown by the Readfield 3rd Grade students during their recent visit demonstrates that even at an early age young boys and girls are interested in their local history and that they recognize that the Meeting House's beautiful murals place in a very different category than any other structure in town. To now see – by the recent vote – that others also feel the same way gives the Board the confidence to move forward. Thank you all.

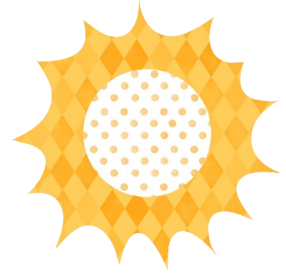
Marius B. Peladeau, president
The Readfield Union Meeting House

In the last Messenger we announced that we were reviving a Strawberry Festival. Here are some details. It will be held at the UMH 22 Church Road on July 15th from 1pm – 3pm. The Strawberry Festival was quite popular in the 1980's and we hope to make it an annual event.. Come indulge yourself with strawberry shortcake made with local Stevensons' berries and topped with freshly whipped cream, all for the price of \$5.00 (this includes a drink of iced tea, lemonade or water). There will be an extensive assortment of freshly baked pies for sale. Boxes will be provided to you to safely get your pie home. Jars of strawberry jam and some gift baskets will also be available to purchase. Festival goers will also be able to buy raffle tickets for the beautiful quilt donated by Joan Wiebe. Titled *Stained Glass*, it is a quilt that we feel anyone



THE UNION MEETING HOUSE Cont.

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would appreciate winning. The drawing for the quilt will be held at the UMH on Saturday August 12th during Readfield Heritage Days.

The Meeting House will extend its regular 10am to noon Saturday hours until 3pm during the festival.

Before moving on, the festival committee has a PLEA for HELP. If you have or know of someone that has a tent that we could borrow for the festival (10'x10' or bigger) please call or email Nancy Durgin at 685-4481 or durgie@roadrunner.com. This is a rain or shine event, so if it is really raining we have made arrangements to move to the second floor of the Readfield Town Office. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer feel free to give Nancy a call at the phone number above.

Keep in mind that during Heritage Days (HD) on August 12th the UMH will be sponsoring a huge lawn sale. We have collected many items and are looking for more. We can arrange picking up items or you can call to arrange dropping them off at the meeting house vestry. People to contact are Karen Peterson-685-9821, Marianne Perry- 685-3531, Jim Tukey- 685-9993, or Nancy Durgin-685-4481.

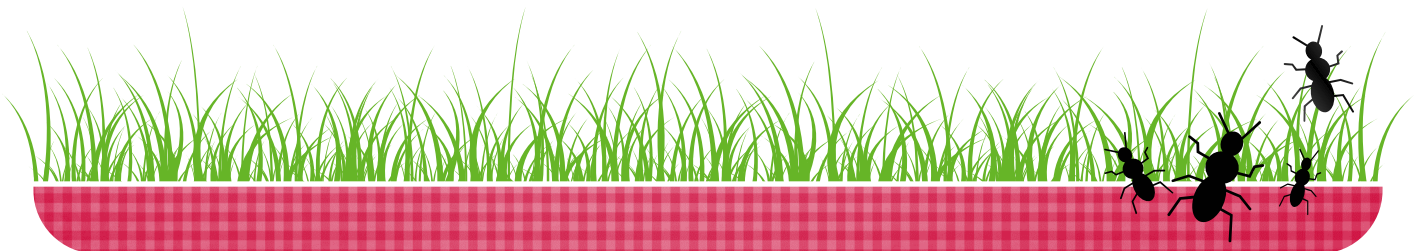
Items that we need to exclude as donations are clothes, puzzles, books and electronics.

We will also be hosting demonstrations on that day by Western Maine Blacksmith Association and Maine Barn Co. Please come and enjoy watching some traditional skills performed from earlier years.

An interesting last item to report on is the Fund-raising "Buy a Joist" campaign". June issue of the Messenger explained what a joist is and that you could become a part of history by purchasing a joist or honoring someone by buying a joist in their name. Well, of the 144 joists available, we are happy to announce that just about half have been sold. You don't want to miss out on this unusual gift idea.

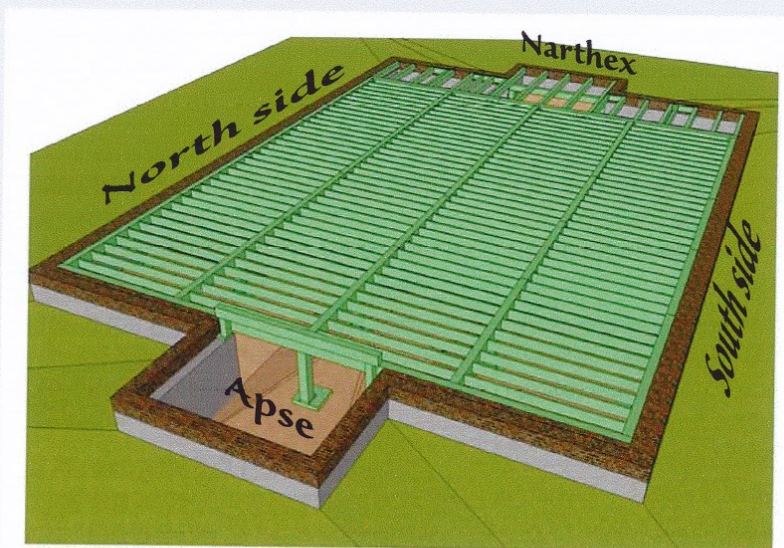
Complete and clip out the coupon and mail it today.

Nancy Durgin
UMH Board Member



Buy a Joist!

Support the Readfield Union Meeting House for centuries to come.



Purchase a 2 x10 joist plus support hardware for \$25.00 (or 5 joists for \$100.00).

You will be recorded as the "owner" of a joist of your choice.

Your gift will survive for 200 years or more!!

YES, I want to purchase ____ joists. Register these joists for the following persons:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

4. _____
5. _____

Your name and contact information:

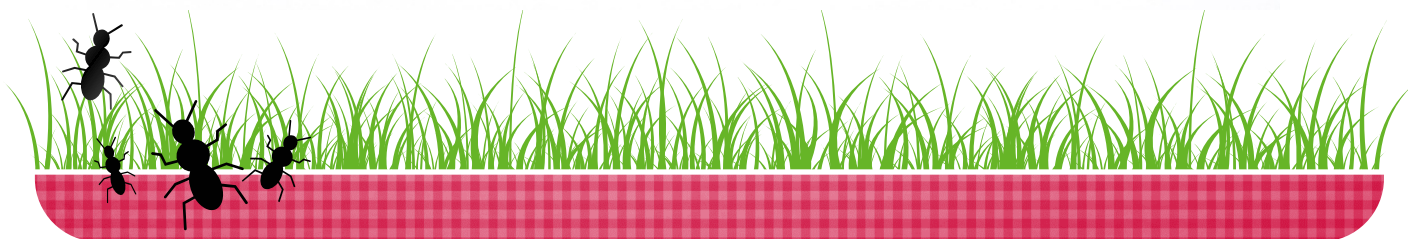
Name: _____
Mailing _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
E-mail: _____

Payment enclosed (\$25 each or all 5 for \$100): \$ _____

Mail this form with your payment (check only, please) to
Readfield Union Meeting House, 158 Thorp Shores Road, Readfield Maine 04355
You will receive an acknowledgement and joist assignment(s) by return mail.

Readfield Union Meeting House is a 501(c)(3) organization, and all donations, including this purchase, are tax-deductible.





Kennebec Land Trust Upcoming Programs



Mushroom Workshop in 2011

Mushroom Walk

Thursday, July 13, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Michaeline Mulvey,

President of the Maine Mycological Association

Let's wander, rain or shine, looking for mushrooms, talking about habitat requirements, collection techniques, identification methods, book and website resources, cooking and preservation, toxicity cautions, and, always, answering your questions. Bring collections from home that you're curious about, gear for the weather, a basket and knife, small bags to separate collections. Location is in Litchfield-exact meeting spot will be shared when you register.



Loons, Eagles, and Osprey Program in 2013.

Loons, Eagles, and Osprey on Cobbossee Lake

Thursday, July 20, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Join Lisa Kane, MDIFW Education Coordinator, and Tamara Whitmore, Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed Executive Director, and learn about the loons, eagles, and osprey of Cobbossee Lake.

Save the Date

First Hike on New Pisgah Trails

Saturday, August 12

A hike to celebrate our 2017 Mount Pisgah Campaign



Your ideas for Adult Enrichment classes are wanted!!

Would you or someone you know like to share a skill or a hobby with local residents through the Adult Ed Program? We are currently looking for classes for Fall 2017.

Please let us know!! Email us at : adulted@maranacook.org

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207-685-4923 x 1065
Fax: 685-9597
adulted@maranacook.org
maranacook.maineadulted.org

RSU 38 Maranacook Adult Ed News

Kids' summer sports' camps starting soon!!

Lakers Track Club (Boys & Girls Ages 6-15)

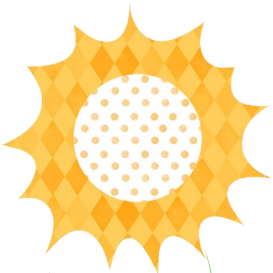
June 26 thru August 12

Boys & Girls Soccer Camp (Grades 3-8)

July 10 thru July 14

Little Kickers Soccer (Boys & Girls Ages 5-8)

August 14 thru August 17



To register, or for more details and to view all classes, go to:

<http://maranacook.maineadulted.org>

Or call the Adult Ed office at 685-4923 x1065 for more info



Boards and Committees openings are as follows:

Age Friendly Committee: 1 member (2020)

Cobbossee Watershed Dist.: 1 alt. Representative

Conservation Commission: 1 Alt. member (2019), 1 Assoc and 1 members (2020)

Heritage Days Committee members: 1 representative RSU, 1 rep. from a non profit

Maranacook Outlet Dam Committee: 1 representative

Library Building Committee: Looking for any volunteers

Local School Board: 1 member (2018), 1 member (2019), 1 member (2020)

Parks Commission Adhoc Com.: year terms 2 from Conservation and 1 from Recreation

Planning Board: 3 alt. members (2017)(2018)(2019)

Readfield Enterprise Committee: 1 Select Board Member, 1 CPA or finance specialist, 1 attorney of legal professional, 1 Readfield Resident (suggested composition)

Road Committee: 1 member (2018) 1 member (2020)

Solid Waste & Recycling Committee: 1 member (2020)

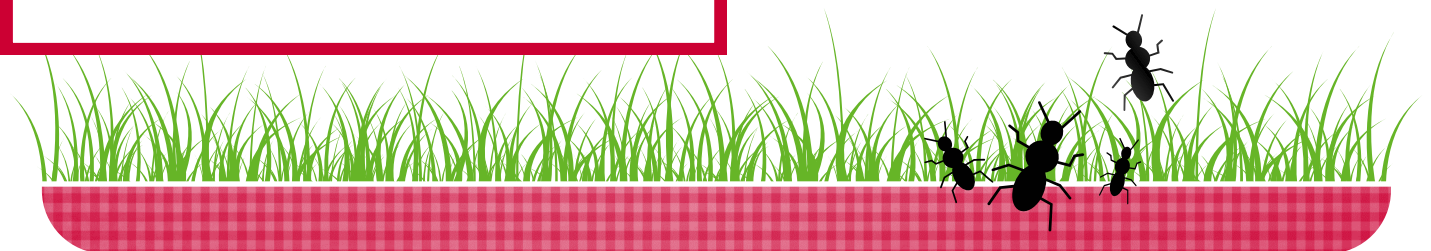
Trails Committee: 2 members (2019), 1 Alt. (2020)

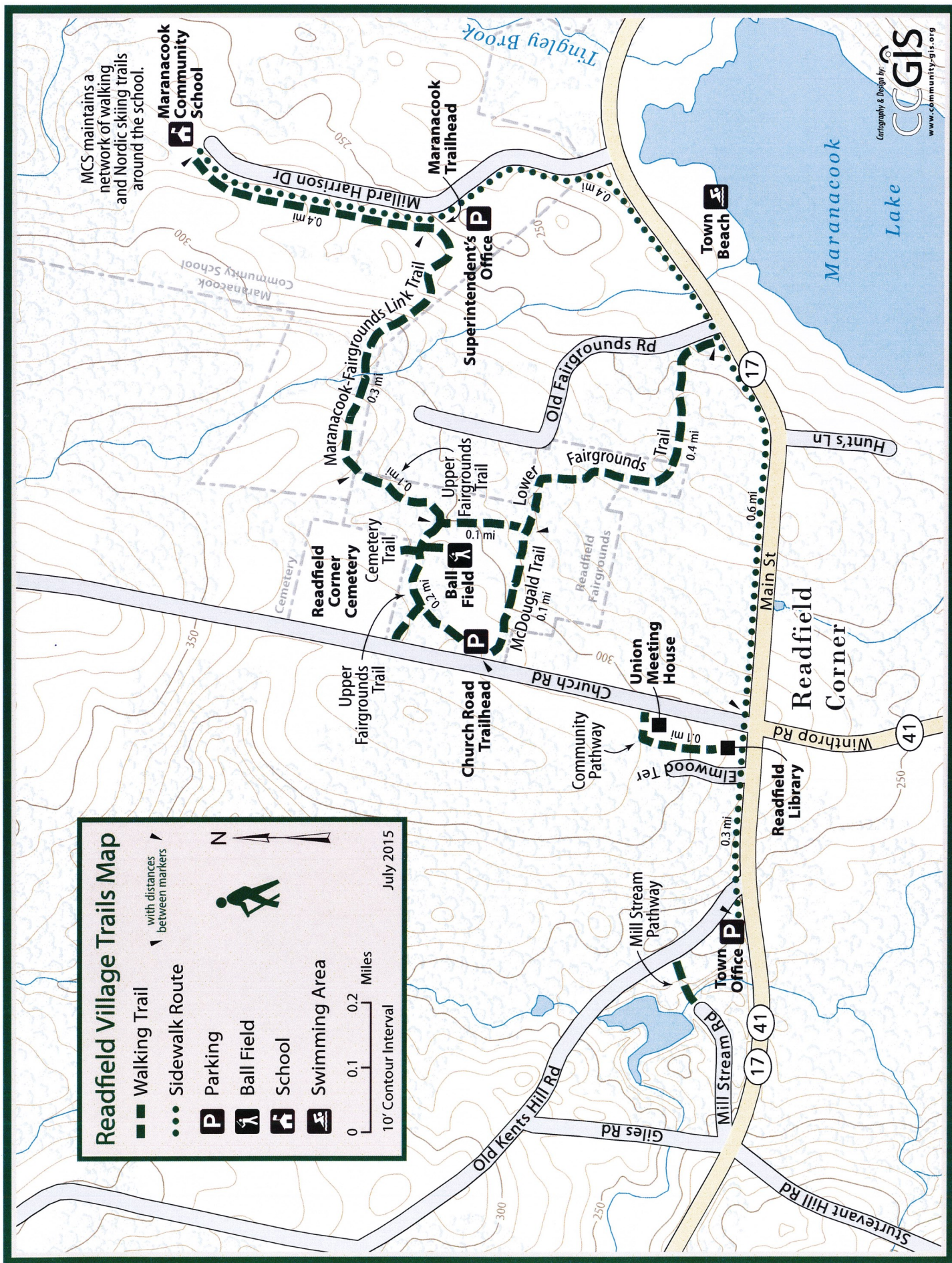
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685-7348

If you are interested in joining any of the above committees please contact the Town Office at 685-4939 or readfield@roadrunner.com for an application for appointment.

Last updated 06/29/2017





Revenue and Expense Reports for May 2017

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Revenue Summary Report

Department(s): ALL
May

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Account	Budget Net	- C U R R Debits	M O N T H - Credits	YTD Net	Uncollected Balance	Percent Collected
10 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT	5,706,026.00	131.84	80,268.65	5,265,921.20	440,104.80	92.29
15 - BOARDS & COMMISSIONS	0.00	0.00	3.00	4,058.71	-4,058.71	----
25 - COMMUNITY SERVICES	29,875.00	0.00	214.58	41,910.46	-12,035.46	140.29
30 - RECREATION, PARKS,& ACTIVITIES	19,201.00	35.00	1,005.00	11,904.83	7,296.17	62.00
40 - PROTECTION	5,580.00	0.00	5,000.00	16,146.57	-10,566.57	289.37
50 - CEMETERIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.63	-70.63	----
60 - Roads & Drainage	41,435.00	0.00	0.00	44,254.61	-2,819.61	106.80
65 - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.00	-7.00	----
70 - SOLID WASTE	183,308.00	473.00	19,787.03	171,988.05	11,319.95	93.82
90 - UNCLASSIFIED	21,489.00	0.00	111.30	28,495.97	-7,006.97	132.61
95 - GENERAL ASSISTANCE	2,355.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,355.00	0.00
Final Totals	6,009,269.00	639.84	106,389.56	5,584,758.03	424,510.97	92.94

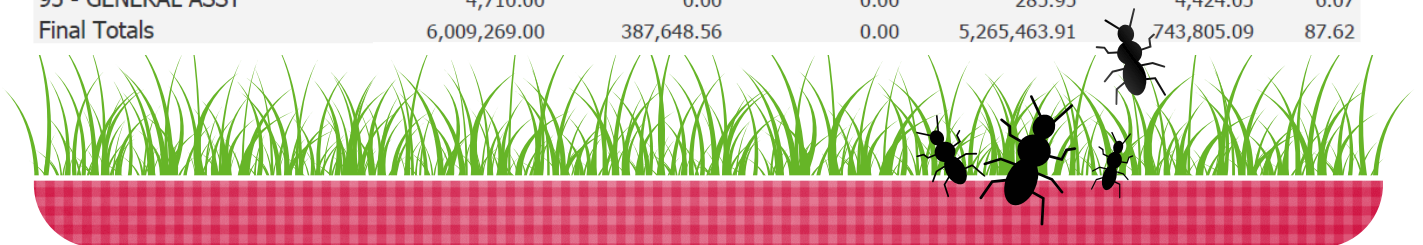
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Expense Summary Report

ALL Departments
May

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Account	Budget Net	- C U R R Debits	M O N T H - Credits	YTD Net	Unexpended Balance	Percent Spent
10 - GENERAL GOVT	473,471.00	24,225.53	0.00	392,020.18	81,450.82	82.80
15 - BOARDS & COM	5,360.00	256.19	0.00	2,208.79	3,151.21	41.21
20 - TOWN BLDG	34,674.00	1,273.96	0.00	24,126.78	10,547.22	69.58
25 - COMM SERVICE	59,621.00	3,861.61	0.00	55,215.71	4,405.29	92.61
30 - REC,PARKS/AT	26,668.00	1,489.00	0.00	18,690.31	7,977.69	70.09
40 - PROTECTION	137,690.00	536.12	0.00	108,519.48	29,170.52	78.81
50 - CEMETERIES	31,906.00	509.18	0.00	24,790.39	7,115.61	77.70
60 - Rds & Drain	630,085.00	43,615.85	0.00	545,330.04	84,754.96	86.55
65 - CAPITAL IMPR	140,131.00	10,660.00	0.00	29,204.43	110,926.57	20.84
70 - SOLID WASTE	296,016.00	14,358.54	0.00	214,675.03	81,340.97	72.52
75 - EDUCATION	3,442,351.00	286,862.58	0.00	3,155,488.42	286,862.58	91.67
80 - REGIONAL ORG	316,346.00	0.00	0.00	294,533.12	21,812.88	93.10
85 - DEBT SERVICE	346,302.00	0.00	0.00	346,250.01	51.99	99.98
90 - UNCLASSIFIED	63,938.00	0.00	0.00	54,125.27	9,812.73	84.65
95 - GENERAL ASST	4,710.00	0.00	0.00	285.95	4,424.05	6.07
Final Totals	6,009,269.00	387,648.56	0.00	5,265,463.91	743,805.09	87.62



July 2017

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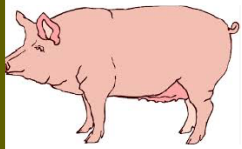
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9	10	11 <i>6:30 Conserva- tion Com.</i>	12 <i>6:30 Plan. Brd.</i>	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 <i>Assessor in Of- fice Today!</i>	22 <i>Volunteer Ap- preciation Cele- bration 4pm</i>
23	24 <i>6:30 Select Brd.</i>	25 <i>6:30 Trails Com.</i>	26 <i>6:30 Plan. Brd.</i>	27	28	29
30	31	Aug. 1	Aug. 2 <i>6:45-Lib. Brd.</i>	Aug. 3	Aug. 4 <i>Assessor in Of- fice Today! Summer Resi- dent Mtg. at the Town Office at 5pm.</i>	Aug. 5





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Thank You!

Judy and I want to thank everyone who helped with this year's road side clean up in May. Many people showed up on Saturday May 13th, and many others put in the time to clean their road side where they live. Thanks again to everyone who participated in the clean up.

A big thank you to my wife Judy for supplying us with lunch that day.

John Parent



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