

**Around Town Happenings**  
**November ~ December 2017**  
**Readsboro Community Library**  
**Bringing community together .....**

**Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>** .... Turn your clocks back 1 hour and check your smoke detectors.

**Starting November 1<sup>st</sup> ~ December 15<sup>th</sup>** the library is collecting items for the holidays that will be delivered to the Veterans Home in Bennington, VT. Cards for different occasions, snacks bars, beef jerky, Chex Mix, chips, cereal (small box) nuts/dried fruit/pudding and fruit cups, hard or non-melting candies, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, disposable razors, Q-tips, Baby wipes (refill packages are great bargains) , eye drops - non-prescription, moisturizing, paperback books and magazines, puzzle books and playing cards, batteries.

**November 17<sup>th</sup> ~ December 2<sup>nd</sup>** Scholastic Book Fair please stop by 3 p.m. ~ 7 p.m. or check the library Facebook page for the online access.

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>** the library will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving.

The remembrance tree will be at the bandstand "20<sup>th</sup> anniversary," the tree will be adorned with white lights and decorated with white, blue, red and green ribbons. You can "reserve" a ribbon for a loved one for \$3.00. White ribbons are for memorial, blue is prayers, red holiday joy and green for peace. There is no limit on the number or type of ribbons. Remembrances will be listed at the Readsboro Community Library. To reserve a ribbon write the name of the contributor, name of the person in honor of and the color of the ribbon. Mail or drop off to the library PO Box 140, Readsboro, VT 05350. Any questions please call Cyndi 413-652-4512. The tree will be lit on Friday, December 1st ~ please note there will be no celebration instead please join us on **Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** for a grand event.

**Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> Readsboro Central School/Community Library**

**7:30 a.m. ~ 10 a.m.** The eighth grade will be having a pancake breakfast fundraiser that includes pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee \$8 adults/\$5 children proceeds will be for their 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip.

**Santa** will be joining us sometime between **8 a.m. ~ noon** sorry I can't give a better time but as we all know Santa is very busy this time of year and we are very thankful that he is coming to Readsboro. Holiday music with **Mandy Comai 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.** A card making station and a craft station will be available for the families (all materials provided). The holiday shop will be open for the children to make purchases and then wrap their gifts. A quilt raffle for a handmade quilt donated by Fawn Trumble (only children can purchase tickets) the drawing will be the evening of the holiday concert. **All children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.** This is a drop in holiday program all come for an hour or stay the whole time!

**The library will be open on December 26<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

## **Readsboro Hometown Redevelopment, Inc.**

### **Wreath Sale**

Fresh, long lasting balsam wreaths will be offered again this year. Orders will be taken until **November 6<sup>th</sup>** and delivered November 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. For more info contact us at [info@readsborohometown.org](mailto:info@readsborohometown.org) or call Sue at 423-7050 or Cindy at 423-7004. Wreaths may also be seen online at: <https://ThreeRiversFundraising.com/fund/readsborohometown> where they can be ordered and we will pick up with the rest of our order and delivered to you, or you may have one shipped directly to a friend or relative. Enter group code **9K884B** help us meet our goals for repair of the Historic Bullock Building. Our restoration project for this beautiful building has many goals, some more important than others and the repair of our back wall is just one of our goals that has risen to the top of our priority list, as it is exposed to the weather causing severe damage to the interior of the building. With your purchase of a fresh balsam wreath you will help support our community building.

### **Readsboro Glassworks**

#### **34<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Open Studio Sale**

December 9<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> and December 16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Vermont glass artists Mary Angus and K. William LeQuier will open their Readsboro glass studio to the public for a Holiday Open Studio Sale. Visitors are invited to stop in to see Mary and Bill's beautiful hand blown glass, enjoy some hot mulled cider and join the artists in celebrating the holiday season. This year marks their 34<sup>th</sup> annual holiday open studio sale.

Studio visitors will find a unique collection of hand blown glass for sale, including perfume bottles and ring holders, bud vases in translucent jewel tones, and colorful handmade glass candy cane and icicle ornaments. Also available are Mary and Bill's beautiful glass snowflakes, intricately sandblast-carved in clear glass.

Readsboro Glassworks is located at 6954 Main Street, Route 100, (lower level) in Readsboro, Vermont. Call (802) 423-7706 or visit [www.maryangusglass.com](http://www.maryangusglass.com) for information. The studio is also open additional hours between now and Christmas by appointment.

Contact Info:

Mary Angus / Readsboro Glassworks

PO Box 99, Readsboro, VT 05350

(802) 423-7706

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## Readsboro Historical Society

The Readsboro Historical Society would like to remind all new members that their membership will expire on January 1<sup>st</sup>. A new membership application will be sent out November 1<sup>st</sup> in our yearly newsletter. The membership application will also be available on our website at [www.readsborohistoricalsociety.org](http://www.readsborohistoricalsociety.org) or by calling Rhonda Smith at 802-423-7633.

As the holidays approach, keep in mind the great products that we have available for sale related to Readsboro. An awesome gift to give the next generation or for those older folks to reminisce.... Make a gift basket with the products below or give individually.

- Early Readsboro Picture CD's Vol #1 & Vol #2 \$10.00 each
- Frank Ross "Down Thru the Year's Book" \$ 5.00 each
- Readsboro Historical Society Picture Note Cards \$ 5.00 per 10
- Bicentennial Plate \$10.00 each
- Alfred Scaia CD's (129) (assorted) \$10.00 each
- Readsboro Early Picture Note Cards w/Envelopes (assorted) \$5.00 per 6
- North Wind Volume #2 \$5.00 each
- "The Coming of the Train" book by Brian Donelson \$40.00 each

**DHASH - "What's Happening at Dutch Hill"**, a public forum for locals who want to know more about the plans for the former ski area, will be held on Tuesday at 7 PM at Readsboro School. Representatives from the Forest Service, the Catamount Trail Association and DHASH will be there to pass along information about the project, what's already been done and our future plans, and to answer your questions.

Recently, on Sunday Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup> groups of volunteers worked on the mountain cutting and clearing brush on the old "Yankee Doodle" trail. A skiable line from top to bottom is finished. We also opened a 'glading area' which connects the Yankee trail to the Dyke.

As a CTA Chapter, we'll also be offering backcountry skiing tours of Dutch Hill to our members this winter on the first and third Sundays of Jan, Feb and March. This will not be a beginner tour; skiers will need climbing skins or good climbing skills and be able to control downhill speed. Typically we will have a less-than-one-hour climb, then lunch at the top, then pick our way down on trails or glades. Exact route will vary from day-to-day and will depend on conditions and participants.

Our next regular meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** at Readsboro Central School.

More information about DHASH and updates on our work at Dutch Hill can be found on our website at [www.dhash4vt.org](http://www.dhash4vt.org).

## **Readsboro Lions Club**

Readsboro Lions Club is holding their annual Thanksgiving Day turkey raffle, 5 turkeys (18-20 lbs.) will be raffled off on **Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets are available from Lions members or you can call Anna Bolognani at 423-5613.

### **Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> 12 p.m. ~ 3 p.m.**

The Readsboro Lions are planning their 39th annual Christmas party for seniors aged 62 or over from Readsboro, Monroe Bridge & Rowe. The party will be at the Readsboro Central School starting at noon with entertainment, followed by Santa & Mrs Claus distributing gifts from the Lions and then dinner around 1 PM.

## **Saint Joachim Christmas Bazaar**

### **Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. ~ 2 p.m.**

The Ladies of St Anne will host a Christmas bazaar at St Joachim's Parish Hall, 36 Tunnel St. The event will feature a pick-a-prize auction, dinner basket complete with turkey and wine, several basket raffles, handcrafted items, Boutique, silent auction, Christmas ornaments, tag sale items and holiday baked goods. Lunch items will include lasagna, quiche, soup, sandwiches, grinders and desserts.

## **First Baptist Church**

### **Saturday, December 2nd 10 a.m. ~ 3 p.m.**

Holiday Bazaar featuring baked goods, Chinese auction and luncheon.

### **Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m.**

Annual Christmas Sunday service will be held.

## **Class of 2018 Fundraiser**

### **November 13<sup>th</sup> ~ November 29<sup>th</sup>**

Butter Braid® pastries are only available through fundraisers, so please continue to support our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. These make great gifts ~ also a nice addition to your brunch menu. Your order will be in prior to the holiday.

## **South Readsboro Community Club**

**Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> 7 p.m.** Last monthly meeting until April 2018.

Thank you to all that supported our dinners throughout the year. A heartfelt thanks to the food preparers, pie makers, kitchen help, waitresses and any one that assisted in any way. The support and the help from the community is what makes these dinners possible.

## **Walter Case Post #29**

**Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**

Pork Roast Dinner, 5-7 pm. \$12

Everyone is invited.

**Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> - 6 p.m.**

Veterans Program at the Honor Roll, 6pm. Immediately following, please bring any old flags to the Legion so they can be burned. Coffee and refreshments served.

## **Auxiliary Post #29**

**Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>** - Legion Breakfast, 8-11am. \$6.

French toast or pancake, eggs, sausage, home fries, coffee and juice. Everyone welcome.

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>** - Legion Breakfast, 8-11am. \$6.

French toast or pancake, eggs, sausage, home fries, coffee and juice. Everyone welcome.

**American Legion Deer Pool - Jeremy Green - \$5 to register by November 10<sup>th</sup> weigh in with the heart, liver and lungs at the Legion.**

## **Sons of the American Legion (S.A.L.)**

Raffle tickets for scratch tickets. \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Drawing prior to Christmas. Tickets available at the Legion or any SAL member.

## Readsboro Fire Department

Please check out our tips below for a safe and happy home this holiday season!

- 1) Cook safely! Please be aware of what surrounds your stove such as oven mitts, towels and wooden utensils. These materials could easily catch on fire. Be careful when cooking with oil or high temperatures. Never leave the stove unattended.
- 2) Check your extension cords and decorations for **ETL, UL, & CSA labels**. They are important and show that they have been tested for fire safety.
- 3) Make sure cords are not frayed or cracked. Do not overload extension cords and keep them cleared of snow or standing water.
- 4) Decorations (especially Christmas trees) should be at least 3 feet from all heat sources and should never block exits.
- 5) Keep your Christmas tree properly hydrated.
- 6) Keep matches and lighters out of sight and reach from children.
- 7) Be sure to keep candle away from anything that can burn such as upholstery, curtains and decorations. Blow out candles when leaving or going to bed.
- 8) Make sure smoke/CO detectors are functioning properly at all times.
- 9) Make sure everyone knows where fire exits and meeting places are located.

If you'd like to learn more, please stop by the fire house during one of our meetings and or drills. Every Monday of the month we are at the fire house for a meeting or drill. Rescue meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

IF WE CAN'T FIND YOU WE CAN'T HELP YOU

**ONLY \$20**

**REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS**

Auxiliary to the Readsboro Fire Dept.

FEATURES:  
- Highly visible day or night  
- Reflective adhesive for easy application  
- No glue required - just peel and stick  
- Easy to install

DRIVING SAFETY:  
- For use on fire trucks, ambulances, and other emergency vehicles  
- For use on private vehicles  
- For use on commercial vehicles

**PLEASE CALL**  
802-423-7000  
802-423-5503

## **WIC**

Got Medicaid Or Dr. Dynasaur? Get WIC ..... you qualify for WIC. WIC is the Federal "Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children". WIC offers nutrition information, breastfeeding support, and nutritious foods to pregnant women, women who have recently given birth, infants and children under the age of 5. Call today for a free appointment. (802)447-6408

AHS.VDHOLHBennington@vermont.gov or visit <http://healthvermont.gov/wic/>

**BROC ~ Bennington Office:332 Orchard Road • Bennington, VT 05201 802.447.7515**

## **Community Services & Outreach**

### **Emergency Assistance Heat, Power and Food**

The food shelves together provided 4,220 assists and issued 5,403 USDA commodities last year.

Certified Navigators enrolled 104 clients into qualified health plans, and provided health insurance information to 7,681 people.

BROC staff and interns provided free tax services for 551 clients, saving each household up to \$200 in preparation fees. We recouped \$320,561 in refunds, rebates and credits for our clients.

BROC served 2,493 people benefitted from fuel assistance.

We were awarded Housing Opportunity Program funds to serve Bennington and Rutland counties, which supports case management and direct services. BROC, a designated HUD Local Housing Counseling Agency, received grant funds to support housing counseling.

## **Relay For Life**

Phil's Fighters would like to thank all of our 2017 sponsors, friends, donors and supporters. We could not do this without you. Each and every year you come through for us in a big way and we are very appreciative. Thank you for helping those with cancer celebrate more birthdays, and helping to make the world cancer free.