

**Around Town Happenings**  
**January ~ February 2019**  
**Readsboro Community Library**  
**Bringing community together .....**

Library Hours

Tuesday 3:15 p.m. ~ 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday 3:15 p.m. ~ 7:15 p.m.

Thursday 3:15 p.m. ~ 7:15 p.m.

Thank you to all the people that knitted and crocheted for our Hospice patients to remind them how much they are cared about. People used their left over yarn from other projects. This "left over" yarn made beautiful, colorful, lap blankets. The lap blankets were delivered to the local Hospice representative. Anita Pratt, Donna Brewer and Normajean thank you!!!!

Thank you to all that donated snacks, candy, books, and toiletries to the Veterans over the holiday ~ these items were much appreciated.

Thank you also to all that participated in the remembrance tree this year. We celebrated 21 years. The list can be viewed at the post office, town office, general store, Facebook page or library. Tree donated in memory of John E Dix and Leo Braman.

Thank you to all that donated items for the Holiday Store that took place on December 1<sup>st</sup> the children were able to purchase gifts for a \$1 each and were assisted by Earlene Lefebvre, Mark Lowe and Charlene Candiloro in wrapping. 130 items were purchased and wrapped thanks to your generosity. The proceeds will be used for children activities at the library throughout the year. The children enjoy this experience immensely and without your donations this would not be possible.

The handmade quilts that were made and donated by Fawn Trumble were won by Chayton Bolte and Tronn Candiloro. Thank you to all that purchased tickets.

The winter months are a great time to stop by the library to check out one of the many museum passes that are available. Hildene, the Lincoln Family Home offers snowshoeing in addition to visiting the museum and the grounds.

Thursday, **February 7<sup>th</sup>** drop in for a Valentine making program all materials will be supplied.

The library continues to collect box tops for education ~ each box top is worth .10 cents they add up quickly, so please take the time to clip and save.

Do you have a collection or some history memorabilia of Readsboro that you would like to share? The library has a locked glass case that could display your collection. All items will be returned to you. Please let me know if you would prefer to have your newsletter emailed to you. Contact is [lovestoread2001@yahoo.com](mailto:lovestoread2001@yahoo.com) or 413-652-4512. Like us on Facebook and visit our website at [www.readsborocommunitylibrary.org](http://www.readsborocommunitylibrary.org)

## **An Important Message from the Town Office**

- Select board, 3 yr. (one seat)
- Select board, 1 yr. (one seat)
- Cemetery Commission, 5 yr. (one seat)
- Library Trustee, 5 yr. (one seat)

All of the above need 6 signatures and their papers need to be back before **January 28<sup>th</sup>**

Town Meeting is on **March 4<sup>th</sup>** and voting is the next day **March 5<sup>th</sup>**  
THANK YOU!!!

Karen Boisvert  
Town Administrator

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

Readsboro Hometown Redevelopment, Inc. Board of Directors wishes to “Thank You” to all the individuals and businesses that supported fundraising efforts for the Bullock Building Project. Your continued support is essential to our success and shows your commitment to the future of our community. We look forward to an even more productive New Year. Thank you!

## **Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Hoot Toot & Whistle Snowshoe Race & Hike  
Starts at 10:30 am  
Registration: 9:00 – 10:00 am at Readsboro Central School on Phelps Lane  
Info: [www.runwmac.com](http://www.runwmac.com) or Bob Dion 802-423-7537

## **Independence Day 2019**

Save the date ~ **Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>** for the Independence Day 2019 Celebration

The Fourth of July Committee will be publishing a sequel to the very successful cookbook, “Readsboro Recipes Cookbook”. This new cookbook will be filled with the best recipes from the best cooks in our community - YOU! We are asking for your favorite recipes (or your mom’s or grandmother’s) that you would like to share and included in the cookbook. Your name will be printed with your recipes. Please print your recipe, type it or write it carefully. We are anticipating a great demand for these cookbooks, so thank you so much for participating in our fundraising efforts. Recipes can be given to Cyndi or Earlene or mailed to 4th of July Cookbook, c/o Earlene, 27 Grinka Farm Drive, Readsboro, VT 05350.

## **BROC Offers Assistance with 3SquaresVT Applications**

Start the New Year with more food on your table! BROC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont offers information about the 3SquaresVT program and personalized application assistance. Staff is ready to help you sign up for this benefit and access healthful meals.

3SquaresVT is an important nutrition program that provides benefits based upon income, expenses and the number of people in each household. Many people are eligible for this benefit but have not yet applied, including senior citizens, students, families with children and singles –to make an appointment in Bennington, call 802-447-7515 or Rutland, call 802-775-0878.

### **Auxiliary Post #29 American Legion**

**Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>** ~ 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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

**Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>** ~ 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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

**Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>** 1 p.m.

Pitch Tournament in memory of Julia Holland \$5 to play all proceeds goes to Grace Cottage

### **Readsboro Historical Society**

The trustees of the Readsboro Historical Society once again send their best wishes for a happy holiday season and a healthy New Year. We also want to express our sincere appreciation for your continued support through membership, volunteerism and donations. Without it we would not be able to maintain our active role in the community.

We have many projects and exhibits that are in the works that we excited to share with you;

- Creating more space, storage and exhibits in the backroom. We hope to re-create the jail that was once housed there. If anyone has any pictures or re-collections, please let us know.
- Purchasing more display units
- Creating a “New Theme Exhibit” that we will change out with something different every year.

Preserving, Sharing, Connecting... Please check out our website

[www.readsborohistoricalsociety.org](http://www.readsborohistoricalsociety.org) for future Open Houses starting May 1, 2019 through October 2019. Want to become a member? Please print out the membership application on our website and fill it out and send to; Readsboro Historical Society, PO Box 16, Readsboro, VT 05350.

## Fire Department

The threat of winter fires is real. Use these statistics to help your community understand how severe these fires can be.

890 people die in winter home fires each year.

\$2 billion in property loss occurs each year from winter home fires.

Winter home fires account for only 8 percent of the total number of fires in the U.S., but result in 30 percent of all fire deaths.

Cooking is the leading cause of all winter home fires.

A heat source too close to combustibles is the leading factor contributing to the start of a winter home fire (15 percent).

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. is the most common time for winter home fires.

<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/winter.html> more information can be found at the website.

Remember to keep fire hydrants clear from snow and ice.

Remember snow may accumulate in front of exhaust/vents ~ High-efficiency furnaces pose a specific CO threat in winter. The manufacturer's use a unique venting and sealed combustion system that has a sidewall vent not seen with standard furnaces. If you make sure such sidewall venting is clear of snow or ice, it will continue to provide a secure way for CO to escape the house. That means you and your family should remain safe.

When it snows or ice forms on the vents, they can become clogged. When the CO is blocked from getting out, it can be pushed back into your home and could lead to carbon monoxide poisoning.

After a snowstorm or ice storm, or when the temperatures are extremely low, you should go out and visually inspect the vents. Keeping them clear will help avoid CO poisoning.

If there's a lot of snow, clear a path of 2 to 3 feet around each vent. If you see ice forming on the vents, gently knock it off without damaging the pipes.