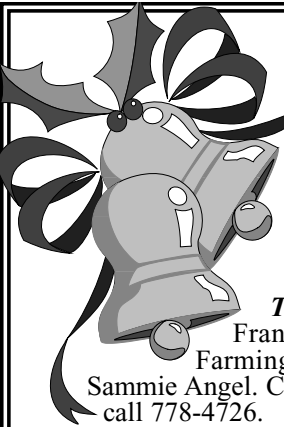


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Western Mountain Activities



The Christmas season is upon us and the ways to celebrate and enjoy are endless. Just check out some of what's being offered locally!

Wednesday, Dec 2

Tree Lighting And Caroling — 3 pm, Franklin Memorial Hospital Lobby, Farmington. Open to public. Caroling with Sammie Angel. Cookies and hot chocolate to follow. FMI call 778-4726.

Thursday, Dec 3

Holiday Concert — 6:30 pm, Mt. Abram High School, Salem. Full performance by Mt. Abram High School Band. Includes selections from Nutcracker, Messiah, familiar film themes, more. FMI: 678-2701.

Friday, Dec 4

Kingfield Christmas Tree Lighting — 5:30 pm, start Maple St. end Centennial Bridge, Kingfield. Live Nativity, choir, hot cocoa, cider, cookies and a Santa's Workshop, more. FMI/cook- ie donations: 265-4039.

Saturday, Dec 5

Breakfast With Santa — 8-11 am, Wilhelm Reich Museum, Rangeley. FMI: 864-3443.

Chester Greenwood Day — All day, downtown Farmington. Parade, food, music, store specials, more. Raising of the flag following parade. FMI: 778-4215.

Annual Festival Of Trees — All day, Granary, 147 Pleasant St, Farmington. Farmington Rotary Club. Viewing all day, auctioned off at evening event. FMI: 778-2500.

Christmas At Norlands: The Children's Hour — 11 am-4 pm, Washburn-Norlands Living History Center, Livermore. (\$) 19th century parlor games, storytelling & holiday readings, children's hands-on activities. FMI: 897-4366.

Saturday & Sunday, Dec 5 & 6

Music: UMF Community Chorus Winter Concert — 7:30 pm, Nordica Aud., UMaine Farmington Merrill Hall. (\$) Open to public. FMI: 778-7072.

Friday, Dec 11

Holiday Concert — 8:30 am, Phillips Elementary School. Dec. 3 Holiday Concert excerpt. Mt. Abram High School Band. Medleys include selections from Nutcracker, Messiah, familiar film themes. FMI: 678-2701.

Saturday, Dec 12

Christmas Dance — 6:30 pm, Kingfield Elementary School. Local children performing. Free, open to public.

EVERY TUESDAY

WORKSHOP: CAREERCENTER & JOB SEARCH ORIENTATION — 9 am-12 pm, CareerCenter, 865 U.S. Rt. 2E, Wilton. Reg. req'd.: 1-800-982-4311.

MOBILE HEALTH UNIT VISITS — noon-4 pm, Wal-Mart parking lot, Farmington. Free screenings & health ed., more. Healthy Comm. Coalition. FMI: 1-800-525-3136.

EVERY SATURDAY

SANDY RIVER FARMERS MARKET — 10 am-12 pm, Grange Hall, Bridge St., W. Farmington. 15+ members, veggies, plants, soaps, baked goods, crafts. Also online market pick-up day, location: www.westernmainemarket.com.

WEDNESDAY, DEC 2

LADIES'/COMMUNITY BREAKFAST — 7 am, Gingerbread House, Oquossoc. (\$) FMI: 864-3602.

TREE LIGHTING AND CAROLING — 3 pm, Franklin Memorial Hospital Lobby, Farmington. Open to public. Caroling with Sammie Angel. Cookies and hot chocolate to follow. FMI call 778-4726.

THURSDAY, DEC 3

BL&T BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP — 5:30 pm, Loon Lodge, Rangeley. Book: "The Omnivore's Dilemma" by Michael Pollan. Free & open to public. FMI: 864-4355.

HOLIDAY CONCERT — 6:30 pm, Mt. Abram High School, Salem. Full performance by Mt. Abram High School Band. Includes selections from Nutcracker, Messiah, familiar film themes, more. FMI: 678-2701.

FRIDAY, DEC 4

CRAFT & BAKE SALE — 8:30 am-2 pm, Franklin Memorial Hospital Lobby, Farmington. Homemade crafts, baked goods. FMI: 778-4726.

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY DEC 5 & 6

MUSIC: UMF COMMUNITY CHORUS WINTER CONCERT — 7:30 pm, Nordica Aud., UMaine Farmington Merrill Hall. (\$) Open to public. FMI: 778-7072.

SATURDAY, DEC 5

*CHRISTMAS FAIR — 9 am-2 pm, lunch 11 am, United Methodist Church Parish Hall, Strong. Wreaths, candy, food Rada knives, crafts, gifts, more.

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*FARMINGTON GRANGE EVENTS -- farmer's market 10 am-12 pm, gift sale 11 am- 3 pm, luncheon 12-2 pm, Farmington Grange. Benefits grange building fund. FMI: 778-6968. CHRISTMAS FAIR — 9 am-2 pm, Fairbanks School Meetinghouse, Farmington. Luncheon, music, crafts, food, jewelry wreaths, books, more. FMI: 778-4705.

CRAFT FAIR — 9 am-3 pm, American Legion building, corner High and Middle St's., Farmington. FMI: 778-2340, 9585.

CHRISTMAS AT NORLANDS: THE CHILDREN'S HOUR — 11 am-4 pm, Washburn-Norlands Living History Center, Livermore. (\$) 19th century parlor games, storytelling & holiday readings, children's hands-on activities. FMI: 897-4366.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE — 2-4 pm, Redington Memorial Home (assisted retirement living), 11 North Ave., Skowhegan. Music, refreshments. FMI: 474-2444.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY DEC 5 & 6

SUGARLOAF OPENER & DAX BROWN RACES — Sugarloaf, Carrabasset Valley. Maine Alpine Racing Association athletes GS races on Narrow Gauge. Dax Brown GS Sunday. FMI: 237-2000.

MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY DEC 7 TO 12

LOCALS WEEK — Sugarloaf, Carrabasset Valley. FREE lift tickets, rentals for local residents all week long from: Carrabasset Valley, Farmington, Freeman, Kingfield, New Portland, New Vineyard, Phillips, Rangeley, Stratton and Strong. Valid ID required as proof of residency. FMI: 237-2000.

TUESDAY, DEC 8

MOVIE: EXCLUSIVE TO AL-JAZEERA: MEDIA & DEMOCRACY IN THE MIDDLE EAST — 6:30 pm, Rm. 101, UMaine Farmington Roberts Learning Ctr. Free, open to public.

THURSDAY, DEC 10

USDA LOCAL WORK GROUP MEETING — 1 pm, conference rm., USDA Service Ctr., 107 Park St., Farmington. Signup by 12/7: 778-4279, fax 778-5785.

FRIDAY, DEC 11

HOLIDAY CONCERT — 8:30 am, Phillips Elementary School. Dec. 3 Holiday Concert excerpt. Mt. Abram High School Band. Medleys include selections from Nutcracker, Messiah, familiar film themes. FMI: 678-2701.

FRIDAY TO SUNDAY DEC 11 TO 13

MOUNTAIN HOLLY DAYS — Throughout Rangeley area. Most businesses participating. FMI: 864-5364.

SATURDAY, DEC 12

CHRISTMAS IN AVON CRAFT SALE — 9 am-1 pm, Avon Community Hall. Tables/space for rent (\$). Raffles, holiday cookie decorating contest, "Christmas Past" table, "Mrs. Claus' Kitchen" table. FMI, rentals, donations: 639-5811, 639-4408.

*CHILDREN'S TASK FORCE OPEN HOUSE — 10 am-1 pm, United Way office, Broadway, Farmington. Pictures w/Santa, sleigh ride, holiday cookies, hot cocoa, cider. All children receive hats, mittens, small gift.

*CHRISTMAS DANCE — 6:30 pm, Kingfield Elementary School. Local children performing. Free, open to public.

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SUNDAY, DEC 13

WALK TO BETHLEHEM — 5:30 pm, Rangeley Inn; 6:15 pm, Church of the Good Shepherd, Rangeley. FMI: 864-3381.

SATURDAY, DEC 14

*CONTRA DANCE — 8-11 pm, Farmington Grange, Rte. 43, Bridge St., W.Farmington. (\$) Easy family dance 6:30-7:45. Free basics workshop w/admission, 7:30 pm. FMI: 397-2241.

WRIGHT BROTHERS DAY THURSDAY, DEC 17

HOLIDAY CONCERT — 8:30 am, Strong Elementary School. Dec. 3 Holiday Concert excerpt. Mt. Abram High School Band. Medleys include selections from Nutcracker, Messiah, familiar film themes. FMI: 678-2701.



Rangeley Townhouse Mealsite Menu

Meals are served from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

December 7 to 11

Monday

Smothered Beef Over Mashed Potato Peas

Tuesday

Yankee Pot Roast, Mashed Potato, Squash, Fruit

Wednesday

Salisbury Steak, Rice Pilaf, Brussels Sprouts, Jell-O w/Cool Whip

Thursday

Chicken Fingers, Mashed, Peas, Pineapple Whip

Friday

Baked Haddock, Boiled Potato, Beets, Tapioca

New Sodium-Reduced Menu
All Meals are Homemade & served with vegetable, beverage & dessert
Please call in deliveries before 10 am

864-3986

Menu subject to change

Calendar items: The Irregular, POB 616, Kingfield ME 04947; fax, 265-2775; e-mail, irregular.classifieds@tds.net or drop by our 239 Main St., Kingfield office.

BINGO — Fri. 6:30 pm, Legion Hall, Depot St., Phillips. All paper games

BINGO — Sat. 6:30 pm, Legion Hall, School St., Kingfield. All paper games

BOOK CLUB MEETING — 2nd, Thurs., 6:30 pm, New Portland Com. Library. Open to public. FMI: 628-6561.

CARRABASSETT VALLEY LIBRARY — Rte. 27, Carr. Valley. Summer hours: Mon. 9-5, Tue. 9-1, rainy days hit or miss.

CONTRA DANCE — 4th Sat. 7-10 pm, Forster Memorial Bldg., Main St., Strong. (\$) 684-3441, 265-4047.

CRIBBAGE GAMES — Wed. 6:30 pm, Am. Legion Hall, Depot St., Phillips. Public invited.

DEAD RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY — Main St., Stratton. Sat. & Sun. 11 am-3 pm.

EMBDEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY — 2nd Monday, 7 pm, Embden Town House.

FABA MEETING — Tranquillity Lodge, Stratton. 4th Mon., 7 pm. FMI: 246-2122.

FERNWOOD GRANGE — 3rd Tue. potluck 6:30 pm, meeting 7:30 pm, Old Church Bldg., E. New Portland. 265-2242.

FLAGSTAFF AREA ATV CLUB — Stratton-Eustis Comm. Bldg., Apr.-Nov. & White Wolf Inn Dec.-Mar., Stratton. 2nd Sun. 10 am. FMI: 246-5946, www.FlagstaffAreaATV.

IMPACT YOUTH GROUP — Thurs., 6:30 pm, Kingfield. Gr. 7-12. Games, refreshments, Bible, hang-time. FMI: 265-5707/4039/2698.

INFORMAL BRIDGE CLUB — Mon. 6:30 pm, Woodsman Rest., King., Rt. 27. Public invited.

KINGFIELD CHORUS — Sun. 4-5 pm, Kingfield Elementary School. FMI: 265-2408.

KINGFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY — Weds. 10 am-2 pm, Jun.-Sept. 2nd & 3rd Suns. 1-4 pm, Jul. & Aug. FMI: 265-2638, 678-2877; KHS house: 265-4032.

Station, Commercial Rd. FMI: 265-5753.

KINGFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS — First Baptist Church, Kingfield. 1st Tues., Sept.-May, potluck at noon.

LIONS CLUB MEETING — 1st & 3rd Mon., 6:30 pm, Eustis Town Office, Stratton.

MT. BIGELOW LODGE #202 AM&FM — 1st Tues., 6:30 pm, Masonic Lodge, School St. Stratton.

NEW PORTLAND COM. LIBRARY — Weds. 10 am-noon, 628-6561.

N. FRANKLIN SNOWMOBILE CLUB — Nov-Mar, 1st Sun, 5 pm potluck, Phillips Community House, Main St.

NOWETAH'S INDIAN MUSEUM — 365 days/yr 10 am-5 pm, New Portland, Rte. 27. Free. 628-4981.

OCCASIONAL BRIDGE — Mondays, 6:30 pm, Kingfield Woodsman Restaurant, Main St., Kingfield.

PHILLIPS HISTORICAL SOC. & SANDY RIVER RAILROAD — 1st & 3rd Sun.- Soc.: 1-3 pm, Jul. & Aug.; Mus.: 11 am-4 pm, Jun.-Oct. Pleasant St., Phillips. 639-3352.

PHILLIPS MEN'S CLUB — 1st Thu. 6 pm, Phillips Community Ctr. 639-2894, 639-2012.

PHILLIPS PUBLIC LIBRARY — Wed. 10 am-7 pm, Thu. & Fri. 10 am-5 pm, Sat. 10 am-2 pm. 639-2665.

PHILLIPS AREA SENIOR CITIZENS — 2nd & 4th Wednesdays (2nd Wed. only Nov. & Dec.) noon (potluck), Shadgee Apts. 684-3338, 684-3315.

PIECEFUL PINE QUILT GUILD — 1st & 3rd Thurs., 6:30-8:30 pm, Congregational Church Barn, High St., Rangeley. 864-5752.

RANGELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY — Tues.-Fri. 10 am-4:30 pm, Sat. 10 am-2 pm, 864-5529.

RRG&SA MEETINGS — 3rd Thurs., 5:30 pm potluck, Rangeley Region Guides' & Sportsmen's Clubhouse, Oquossoc. Speaker.

FMI: 864-5647.

RANGELEY REGION LOGGING MUSEUM — Jul & Aug, Sat & Sun 11 am-2 pm & by appt. (864-5595), Rte. 16, Rangeley. 864-3939.

SNO WANDERERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB — 1st Sun. 5 pm, Pot-luck. Open to public. William Oswald, 265-4523.

SOMERSET CHAPT. ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR — 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm, Masonic Loge, School St., Stratton.

STITCHERS IN THE SNOW QUILT CLUB — 1st & 3rd Tues. 6:30 pm, Webster Hall, Kingfield.

STANLEY MUSEUM — School St., Kingfield. 1-4 pm; Apr-Oct, Tue-Sun & Nov-Mar, Tue-Fri. 265-2729.

STRATTON-EUSTIS FOOD PANTRY — 3rd or 4th Thu. 9 am-1 pm, Community Building, Main St., Stratton. FMI: 246-6231.

STRATTON PUBLIC LIBRARY — Mon., Wed. & Fri., 10 am-5 pm; Tue. & Thu., 1-5 pm; Sat. 9 am-1 pm. 246-4401.

STRONG HISTORICAL SOCIETY — 1st Wed. 6 pm potluck, 7 pm meeting. Mar-Nov.

THRIFT SHOPPE — Church of the Good Shepherd, Rangeley. Tues. & Wed. 10 am-noon, except last Tues. 4:30-6 pm.

U.M. ECONOMIC MINISTRY FOOD CLOSET — Tue. & Thu., 1-4 pm, & Sat. 10-11, serving Kingfield, Strong, Freeman, Salem & C.V.

UMF ART GALLERY — Tues.-Sun., 12-4 pm or by appt. Free, open to public. 778-7002.

WAYFARERS' CLUB OF MAINE — 2nd Wed., 7 pm, Masonic Lodge, School St. Stratton.

WEBSTER FREE LIBRARY IN KINGFIELD — Wed., 10 am-8 pm, Closed, 12-1 pm; Sat. 9 am-noon, 265-2052.

WILHELM REICH MUSEUM — Jul-Aug, Wed-Sun, 1-5. Sep, Sun, 1-5. Free nature programs, Jul-Aug, Sun, 2-4. 846-3443.

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