

# **TOWN OF REIDVILLE**

# Community Newsletter

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# **Year in Review 2009**

Happy New Year to all! In keeping with tradition this is the annual "Year In Review" Newsletter.

On behalf of Council and Staff we wish you all a Safe, Happy and Healthy Year!!!!

#### **JANUARY**

The Reidville Volunteer Fire Department's Annual Santa Claus Parade was a fun and successful event again this year. The float's competition took place with the following winner being announced:

1st Place: Come Home Year Youth Committee

2nd Place: Carl Reid

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Reidville Recreation Committee

Congratulations to our winners and to all that made this event a great success

Congratulations to our Christmas Sparkle Winners for Christmas 2008. They were:

1<sup>st</sup> place: Keith Norris (\$50.00 & certificate)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Paul & Bonnie Reid (\$25.00 & certificate)

Honorable Mention: Leonard & Elizabeth Hiscock (certificate)

Thank you everyone for lighting up our town this Christmas. The community spirit and pride in our town are thriving more and more each year!

# FEBRUARY

The Reidville Recreation Committee would like to advise residents that they have started a walking program at the Community Hall . All residents are welcome...remember participate and keep active....part of a healthy lifestyle. For more information call the town office at 635-5232, Bonnie at 635-3462, or Jackie at 635-7728.

#### MARCH

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, with a heavy heart, the town of Reidville said goodbye to Florence Reid who passed away at the Western Memorial Hospital in her 87<sup>th</sup> year. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and a friend to all that knew her. She was a pioneer of this community and will truly be missed by all.

#### **APRIL**

Volunteer Appreciation Week is being honored in the province during the week of April 19 - 25, 2009. This is the perfect opportunity to thank those who give so much of their precious time to the betterment of our town and our region. If you see members of our Town Council, Reidville Volunteer Fire Department, Come Home Year Committee, Recreation Committee, or our Economic Development Committee please take a moment to say "thanks". It seems in these busy times, we are all so quick to say "you made a mistake" but we rarely stop to say "good job...thank you!". Those simple words make volunteering worthwhile.

#### MAY

The Come Home Year Genealogy events will be a display of family trees in the Community Hall basement for some of the first families to settle in Reidville. In addition, the Committee would like to display museum type local Reidville items that were used by parents & grandparents years ago. All residents are asked to dig out and make available your "keepsakes" for this display. As soon as the Community Hall basement is available and the committee is able to prepare it for these displays we'll place an announcement on the Community bulletin boards (near the mailboxes). At that time you will be asked to bring it in or give us instructions for picking it up. Your item(s) will be returned to you after the events are over on July 16th. Please identify the item and tell us any little story you may have concerning it. If anyone has an item that they would like to permanently donate and want to get rid of, please let a member know or contact to town office. Arrangements will be made for someone to pick it up or for you to drop it off at the Community Hall.

Council has some concerns about damages to Sandy's lookout and would like to remind residents that this is an area of enhancement to our community. This lookout was put there as a resting area and for the viewing pleasure of all residents and should not be used as a play area.

#### JUNE

The town of Reidville has to complete an integrated community sustainability plan within the next few months, the letter attached explains the details. A part of this plan will involve the input from community members, which will be used to evaluate the key issues to address in our community. It was decided that a survey would be the best way to include the community as a whole...please fill out the attached survey and return it to the town office as soon as possible. If you would like for someone to pick up your completed survey please call the office and arrangements will be made.

#### JULY

The long awaited week-long celebration is here and gone and it was an outstanding success. The Reidville town council would like to extend a huge congratulation to the organizing committee and the other countless volunteers for a job well done.

As of September 1, 2009 the rental prices for the community hall will be as listed:

- Weddings \$275.00
- Showers with kitchen \$75.00
- Showers without kitchen \$50.00
- Birthday parties with kitchen \$75.00
- Birthday parties without kitchen- \$50.00
- Basement \$50.00

There will be no refund as the cleaning will be done by the recreation committee after each function.

#### AUGUST

Council would like to inform residents that the town has been awarded

some funding from the Government to have some roads paved and some upgraded depending on pricing from the tenders which will close on August 24, 2009. Mark your calendars!! On September 19 at 7:00 p.m. the recreation committee will be having the official grand opening of the newly renovated community hall. The event will include a tour of the facilities, finger foods with a dance to follow. Please look for signs posted on the town bulletin boards a few days before the event for more details.

### SEPTEMBER

Mark your calendar- every resident, 18 years or older, is urged to get out and vote from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>.

The successful nominees for council include (in alphabetical order):

BARRETT, Roger of 137 Reidville Road BURDEN, Rick of 10 Circular Road GARNIER, Glenda of 22 Rocky Brook Rd. REID, David of 24 Forest Road REID, Eric L. of 136 Reidville Road REID, Helen of 5 Circular Road Extension REID, Russell of 165 Reidville Road

Only five out of these seven nominations will be successful. NOTE: There is no separate election for Mayor in Reidville. The Mayor is chosen at the first meeting of the new council.

The integrated community sustainability plan for the town of Reidville is now completed. Anyone wishing to have a look at this plan please drop by the council office.

#### **OCTOBER**

October 4 - 10 is Fire Prevention Week. Check your smoke detectors, plan your escape route and clean your chimney! Should any resident wish to purchase Fire Safety Materials they are asked to contact any member of the Fire Department.

On Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> the new council as elected by the people on September 29<sup>th</sup> were sworn into office. Members include:

Mayor Helen Reid
Deputy Mayor David Reid
Councillors Roger Barrett
Glenda Garnier
Russell Reid

About 55% of the eligible residents of our town came out to vote on September 29th. The results in the polling station were as follows:

Glenda Garnier
Roger Barrett
129 votes
David Reid
Helen Reid
Russell Reid
97 votes
Eric L. Reid
94 votes
Rick Burden
133 votes
129 votes
125 votes
97 votes
97 votes
128 votes
129 votes
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Congratulations to all candidates for taking the opportunity to throw their hat in the ring. All candidates received at least 50% of the voters' approval.

Due to the time restraint of our maintenance man and the economical factors involved council has decided that the monthly newsletter starting in November will be distributed through the mail. If you do not receive your newsletter in your mailbox in November please contact the office.

#### NOVEMBER

The Reidville Council and staff would like to send out a huge congratulations to Carson Young on the arrival of his new wheel chair. Council would also like to ask motorist to keep this in mind while driving in the community.

The town of Reidville will be having a volunteer appreciation dance on December 12, 2009, at the community hall. An open invitation is extended to all residents to come out and help celebrate the numerous volunteers for 2009 and to commemorate our Come Home year success. All the details for this event are not finalized yet so please look for posters on the town bulletin boards in the coming weeks!

**Tree Lighting -** The recreation committee will be having an outdoor tree lighting, Christmas carols and hot chocolate at the community hall beginning at 6:30 on December  $4^{th}$ .

Anyone with out-door lights they would like to donated for this event would be greatly appreciated. Please drop them off at the town office before the end of November.

#### **DECEMBER**

Council has adopted the budget for the 2010 taxation year as such:

Property Tax	7.5 mils
Commercial Industrial Water	\$569
Commercial Other Water	\$375
Commercial Farmer Water	\$537
Residential Water	\$250

**Business Tax:** 

Farmers-wholesale(\$200min)3.5 mils

Farmers-Retail (\$200 min) 5.5 mils

Confectionary (\$200 min) 8.5 mils

Home Based Business (\$200 min) 85 mils

Logging/Contract/Trucking 8.5 mils
Accommodations (\$200 min)8.5 mils
Surveying (\$200 min) 8.5 mils
Meat Cutter (\$200 minimum)8.5 mils
Backhoe Hire (\$200 min) 8.5 mils

 Utilities
 2.5%

 Poll Tax
 \$250.00

#### Revenue anticipated:

Taxes	\$261,966
Grants in lieu of taxes	\$0.00
Sale of Goods & Services	\$34,200
Other Revenue from own	
sources	\$0.00

Government Transfers \$78,385
Other transfers \$0.00

Total: \$374,551

Santa is coming to town..... On **Saturday, December 19**<sup>th</sup> starting at 1:00 p.m. the Reidville Volunteer Fire Department will be holding their annual Santa Claus Parade. This event is a great time to bring family and friends together both to create floats, watch the parade and gather with Santa and residents at the Community Hall afterwards.

-New Years Eve Gala - The recreation committee would like to invite you to attend a Semi-Formal New Year's Eve Gala. This year the event will include a sit down dinner catered by Aroma's starting at 7:30 pm. The dance will follow at 9:00 with music by Reidville's own D.J. Express with the balloon drop at midnight (recreation would like to advise residents that there will be a balloon drop this year and would like to apologize for any inconvenience this may cause). The cost for this event will be \$20 per person for both the dinner and dance or \$10 per person for just the dance. The tickets are available from any member of recreation.

The Reidville Town Council and Staff would like to wish all residents a very Merry Christmas and Joyous New Year.