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## TOWN OFFICE INFORMATION

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### Town Office Contact Information and Hours of Operation:

#### Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday..... 10am - 5pm  
Thursday..... 12pm - 6pm

#### Town Manager/CEO: Stacie Rundlett

Email..... [newportlandtownmanager@gmail.com](mailto:newportlandtownmanager@gmail.com)

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#### Town Clerk: Jacob Pinkham / Deputy Town Clerk: Brittany Rundlett

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#### LPI: Dan Gilbert - 207-938-3866

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#### Fire Department: Chief Kip Poulin

#### Animal Control Officer: Ryan Mulherin - 340-8137

## From the Editor

*Wishing You and Yours a very Merry Christmas  
and a most Wonderful New Year!*

As we think about the new year, I would like to mention the deadline for the January 2025 issue is the December 20 at 4:00 pm. This not unlike any other month. Due to the holidays and Bromar Printing closing from Christmas Eve through New Year's Day, there is a strong possibility that the *New Portlander* will be a little late in the mail for the January issue.

*Dallas Landry*

## Town Manager

The Town Office will be CLOSED on the following dates in December:

- Tuesday, December 24 in observance of Christmas
- Wednesday, December 25 in observance of Christmas
- Tuesday, December 31 to close the Town books for the 2024 year

The Annual Christmas Giving Tree is up at the Town Office. We will be taking gifts until Monday, December 23. There will be gift tags hanging on the tree at the Town Office; these tags will have an item listed on it. If you wish to participate with this annual event, stop by and grab a tag to fill or you can call Stacie or Lori at the Town Office. We are always trying to help or assist some of those in need during this time of year, and if you or someone you might know could use a little extra help, do not hesitate to contact us at the office as soon as possible.

If you would like to participate on the 2025 Budget Committee please contact the Town Manager at [newportlandtownmanager@gmail.com](mailto:newportlandtownmanager@gmail.com) or call the office and speak with the Town Manager. Any requests for funding for the 2025 year will need to be brought before the Board of Selectmen before December 30.

## Remember...

- **Selectmen's Meeting**  
1st Tuesday & 3rd Monday of each month .....6:30pm
- **New Portland Fire Department Meeting**  
2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month .....6:30pm
- **Library Board of Trustees Meeting**  
2nd Saturday of the month ..... 9am
- **Planning Board Meeting**  
1st Wednesday of the month .....6:30pm
- **New Portland Water District**  
2nd Wednesday of each month.....6:30pm
- **School Board Meeting**  
1st Wednesday of each month ..... 6pm
- **New Portland Community Library**  
Tuesday & Friday .....9:30am - 12pm  
Wednesday ..... 10am - 12pm & 3pm - 6pm  
Thursday .....3pm - 6pm  
Saturday.....9am - 12pm
- **Kingfield-New Portland Transfer Station**  
Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday..... 7:30am - 4:30pm
- **New Portland Post Office Customer Service Hours**  
Monday - Friday .....7am - 9am & 2pm - 4pm  
Saturday.....7am - 10:30 am

Nomination papers will be made available as of Wednesday, November 20. They are due back on Monday, December 30, 2024. The following seats are available: Board of Selectmen - three year term, School Board - three year term.

Now that the winter season is here, we would like to remind everyone that all complaints regarding road conditions should be called into the town office, where those complaints are logged and the Board of Selectmen and the snow plow contractor are notified. We also want to remind you that there is a state law (29A M.R.S.A. 2396) which prohibits the pushing of snow into the public way. This includes pushing snow across a public street. PLEASE TAKE NOTE: This is a huge safety issue, and we will report this to the proper authorities.

ATTENTION: Access to the Municipal Sand/Salt Shed is restricted to employees and contractors authorized to be there. We are prohibiting the general public from entering the Sand/Salt Shed. Winter sand is available for New Portland residents' personal use ONLY. Each residential dwelling is eligible for two (2) five gallon buckets of sand per storm, at the small building just after the playground area. Please DO NOT try to access the public sand during a storm, prepare ahead of time or wait until the storm has passed to ensure that there is less traffic in the Sand/Salt Shed Public area. The Town of New Portland prohibits the taking of pure rock salt without approval from the Town Manager. The use of municipal sand for the sanding of private roads is prohibited. (The Town of New Portland reserves the right to prosecute offenders.)

*Submitted: Stacie Rundlett, Town Manager*

## Kingfield Seniors Group

The weather has just been wonderful! So happy that we have been able to enjoy the last of warmer weather. But as we know, the weather can change quite quickly. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 2. As usual, we will start with a potluck at noon with music and games following. We will be singing Christmas carols in celebration of the season! All are welcome! We meet at the Western Mountains Baptist Church located on the New Portland/Kingfield border on Rte 27N. Should you want further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 207 628 4461.

*Submitted: Nanci Lehto Mahlmann*

## Selectmen

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for October 1

Roster: Selectmen - Raymond Poulin, Janet White, David Veilleux, Town Manager Stacie Rundlett, Lori Alyea, Garrett Oswald, James Reinhard, Lynn and David Cary, Kendall Knowles

1. Janet called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
2. The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Dave motioned to accept the minutes as written, Ray seconded and all were in favor.
3. Old Business: There was a brief discussion regarding road speed limit sign. Janet would follow up with sign companies, and the cost of them might need to be a separate line item on the 2025 budget. No decisions were made.
4. Items by the Public: There was a discussion regarding the Comprehensive Plan.
5. Department Heads:
6. Items by the Town Manager: a.) The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and A/P warrants. b.) The Board reviewed and signed the Treasurer's Report for August.
7. Items by the Board of Selectmen: a.) Raymond inquired with Janet how the site visit she had made with Audra to Mark Smith's house went. She stated it went well. Audra offered Mark her suggestions as to what would need to be done to have the second building go from a dwelling to a garage/storage. Janet stated that the assessor would do a site visit again next year to see the progress before taxes are committed. b.) The turn a round and easement for Gilman Pond Road were briefly discussed. The easement is not quite ready.

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

*These minutes were approved by the Board at the October 21 meeting. Smr*

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for October 21

Roster/ Selectmen: Raymond Poulin, Janet White, David Veilleux, Town Manager Stacie Rundlett, Lori Alyea, Philip and Mary Robinson, Ron Nunes

1. Janet called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
2. The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Ray motioned to accept the minutes as written, Dave seconded and all were in favor.
3. Old Business: None

**NEW PORTLANDER article submission deadline is December 20 by 4:00 pm.**

Any articles, submissions, information for publication should be received by:

**Dallas Landry • PO Box 34, North New Portland, ME 04961 • phone 628-4201 • email: alderswamp2@gmail.com**

If there are any questions or needs regarding the receiving of the *New Portlander*, those inquiries should be directed to the Town Manager.

4. Items by the Public: ACO complaints were discussed, and Dave would contact Ryan and invite him to the next meeting to discuss things.
5. Department Heads- Ron discussed with the Board the work he has done and the status of more funding coming from FEMA.
6. Items by the Town Manager: a.) The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and A/P warrants. b.) There was a discussion regarding storage space at the office and getting quotes to possibly budget for said space at the annual town meeting. c.) The Board reviewed and signed the September Treasurer's Report.
7. Items by the Board of Selectmen: a.) Janet discussed with everyone the information that she had found regarding the Municipal Advisory Committee Ordinance and the 1992 Comprehensive Plan. b.) The Board agreed upon an approximate number of speed limit signs for next year, Janet would research the best place to purchase them. c.) Raymond motioned to approve an abatement request from Norman Goff in the amount of 273.54, Janet seconded and all were in favor. d.) There was a brief discussion regarding a recent incident at the Town Office where the staff was harassed by an angry resident who wouldn't leave the property until the police were called. Stacie would follow up with the Sheriff's Department on the matter. The Board was supportive that the staff did not need to be subjected to customer's being disorderly and threatening.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

*These minutes were approved by the Board at the November 5 meeting. smr*

### **Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for November 5**

Roster/ Selectmen: Raymond Poulin, Janet White, David Veilleux, Town Manager Stacie Rundlett, Lori Alyea, Kip Poulin, Michelle Abbott, Wayne and Cynthia Coro, James Reinhard, Garrett Oswald, Ryan Mulherin, Lynn and David Cary, Kevin Roberts, Scott Robertson

1. Janet called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
2. The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Raymond motioned to accept them as written; David seconded and all were in favor.
3. Old Business: None
4. Items by the Public: Kevin Robert discussed with the Board that he was starting a new ATV Club for Embden, Lexington Twp, and New Portland. He and his guest, Scott shared with the Board the plan to get a club started. Kevin asked the Board to allow the new club to ride on some of New Portland's roads. The Board shared their thoughts on the matter and asked Kevin to attend a future meeting so that the information could be advertised for the public to attend.

5. Department Heads: a.) Kip updated the Board about getting the cascade bottles back. New Portland is still training with Kingfield Fire Department. b.) Ryan Mulherin shared with the Board information dealing with a few complaints and stray cats. David said he spoke with manager at the shelter and all of the issues should be worked out now.
6. Items by the Town Manager: a.) The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and A/P warrants
7. Items by the Board of Selectmen: a.) The Board reviewed and signed the GA 2024-2025 Ordinance. b.) There was a brief discussion regarding having a local food cupboard. More information to come. c.) Janet asked the other Board members about the Food Governing Ordinance and briefly discussed adding verbiage to protect land owners to collect and store water on their property. The other members agreed. Stacie would present draft at next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.

*These minutes were approved by the Board at the November 18 meeting. smr*

*Submitted: Stacie Rundlett, Town Manager*

Selectmen's Notes: We hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Winter is coming soon, temperatures are falling. Please check on your neighbors well being. We are really getting busy now. We are all ready in Town Meeting mode, with budgets and things.

Many of you may have heard that there is a new ATV club trying to form. Embden, Lexington and New Portland are the areas the new club would cover. The officers of the club came to a selectmen's meeting asking for us to open many New Portland owned roads to ATV traffic. We (the Selectmen ) feel that everyone in town needs to make this decision. So this will be a question on the Town Warrant at the annual Town Meeting, on March 1, 2025. We all drive the roads and pay for the road maintenance. This is important to all New Portlanders. There will be a public hearing on this matter and other items held on January 11, 2025. We are holding this at 9:00 am at the Fire Station. Watch for more notices on the public hearing. A question on the warrant can not be changed at the Town Meeting. It can only be passed or defeated. So public hearings are where your input is needed.

There are three food pantries which are available to New Portlanders. We know it only takes a little financial set back to cause a money issue in a family. Please reach out if you need assistance. Madison – People Who Care Food Bank, 376 Lakewood Road, 399-0452; Salem – United Methodist Economic Ministry, 1458 Salem Road, Salem 678-2611; Fairbanks – Care & Share Food Closet, 508 Fairbanks Road, Farmington, 778-0508. They all have different times that they are open, so we provided the phone numbers.

We wish you all a safe and warm holiday season. Merry Christmas to all. Happy New Year. Thank you to all of the volunteers who put up Christmas trees and lights around town.

*Submitted: Janet White, Ray Poulin, Dave Veilleux – your selectmen.*

## Wire Bridge Sno-Travelers

The November meeting was called to order with nine members present.

The secretary and treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

Trail Master's Report: The trail master wanted to thank everyone who had volunteered their time or donated to the raffle for the New Portland Fair. Recent trail work includes blow downs being cleared from some trails, signs being placed at road crossings, field markers being set, and a bridge being dragged back into place. It was reported there is a bridge in need of replanking and the concrete blocks need to be purchased and installed at Tannery Bridge and signage needs to be put on the bridge.

Old Business: The treasurer reported both insurances have been paid for the year, and the fuel tanks for the groomers have been filled.

New Business: a.) A member would like to hold another club ride again this season. He will plan the ride and schedule it as soon as the snow allows. b.) The technology person the club has been working with for the last couple of years, spoke to members about an app he and his brother have developed. Some of the things the app will provide are allowing groomer operators to be able to keep track of trail grooming, where trail maintenance has been done and the hours spent doing this work. It will also include a map of the club's trails. Club members will be able to pin where they are on the trail and post any hazards which they may come across. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to purchase the app for the club's use. The club would like to thank the very generous member who has offered to pay for this subscription to the app.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Our next meeting will be held on Saturday December 14, starting at 6:30 pm at the fire station meeting room. A brief business meeting will be held, then after, we will hold our annual Yankee Swap Christmas Party. If you would like to participate in the celebration bring a wrapped gift for the swap and some refreshments to share with others.

Just a reminder: If you are interested in joining the Wire Bridge Sno-Travelers for the 2024-25 season and haven't already done so, you can go to [www.wirebridgesnotravelers.com](http://www.wirebridgesnotravelers.com)

and follow the instructions for joining the club, or you can email me [knowlesjoyce57@gmail.com](mailto:knowlesjoyce57@gmail.com) and I will send you a form.

*Submitted: Joyce Knowles*

## Superintendent of Schools

November 18, 2024

Dear New Portland residents,

Seems like I was just saying that our school year had gotten off to a smooth start and now we are over a quarter through the year. Work by your Board is focused on reviewing/updating policies, and continuing to build a 5-10 year improvement plan for buildings and grounds.

The Policy Committee reviewed four policies this month and will be sending two of the policies for full reviews after minor changes to both. Both Policy GCI - Professional Staff Development Opportunities and Policy GCOC - Evaluation of Administrative Staff were not changed. Policy GBEC - Drug-Free Workplace and Policy GCOA - Supervision and Evaluation of Professional Staff had minor changes and will be on the Board agenda for a first reading on December 4. As well, the committee continued discussing the new policy that will require employees whose primary responsibility is van driving to be subjected to the same drug and alcohol testing policy we require of school bus drivers. Questions at Board level centered on any employee who may be asked to drive a van when a regular driver is unavailable to need to be part of the district drug testing pool. That discussion will continue after data is collected on how often that actually happens and for what reasons it happens.

The Buildings and Grounds committee finished reviewing the needed work/repair lists for Carrabec Community School and Carrabec High School. Both schools need updates to the camera systems. Both have a blend of systems and at least half are outdated in both schools. In order to provide more effective coverage, the system is on the update list. As well, a swipe-in system for the high school to lessen the number of keys to the building needing to be out in the community is another security measure we are looking at. The chimney at CCS will need some repairs as some of the bricks are mortar free while others are broken. Without getting up there, the issue is likely weakened mortar at the top which has allowed water to get in and freeze. Short-term plan is to get up on the roof to replace missing/damaged mortar and seal the top again. Long-term would be to hire a mason to re-brick the chimney from the lowest damage portion to the top. You may have heard from your student(s) at CCS that we have had a couple backups in the sewer pipes. Using camera's Foss out of Solon was able to determine that some of the piping had settled causing water to remain in the pipe slowing overall drainage and eventually plugging. This is a matter that will need to be addressed during a school break as the floor will need to be cut and the fill will need to be properly compacted to ensure we do not have problems in the future with this pipe.

Within a couple months, we will no longer be purchasing our electricity from CMP. We are switching over to a company that generates electricity through solar panels. The immediate impact is roughly a 15% reduction in our purchase cost of the electricity. We will still be paying CMP for

delivery for the electricity (roughly \$220 savings could have been realized for October 2024). A next step is to take a look at replacing our fluorescent light fixtures with LED fixtures to help reduce our consumption. Our rates with Madison Electric for Garret Schenck remain very competitive which is why we did not include that building in this process.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely,

*Submitted: Mark L. Campbell, Superintendent of Schools*

## School Board

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The board meeting was held at CCS. Karen Pease provided the refreshments, and while she felt bad when she realized that there were no fruit or veggie options, I was quite pleased. I had several cookies and the pumpkin cupcakes were outstanding.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to the Agenda: One agenda item was removed, as it was not needed. Another item, an executive session to discuss the superintendent evaluation, was added.

*Minutes: The minutes of the October 2 board meeting were approved.*

Presentation: Teachers Karen Pease, Tanya Carey, Melody Rich, and Tammy Long discussed the Intro Reading/ Into Literature Program and the English Language Arts Curriculum with the board. Superintendent Report: Mr. Campbell thanked Karen, Tanya, Melody and Tammy for their presentation. He will be sharing all of the district curriculums (curricula?) in an online folder with board members.

Additions to Superintendent's report: 1.) A letter has gone out to families inviting them to an ALICE Training presentation on November 12. 2.) The district continues to advertise for several open positions. A job fair is under consideration as a way to find new employees. 3.) There are always factors which can lead to budget increases. One is the need to resort to an out of district placement for students. If a child needs an out of district placement, the cost to the district is roughly \$60,000. Another situation which can lead to budget increases involves ESL. When a student moves to RSU 74 territory, and the primary language is not English, the student must have ESL support, which can be costly.

Admin Report: Most of the admin team declined to add to the written report they had previously submitted to the board. The student rep, Dayna Labonte, also declined to add to her written report. Jean Butler informed the board that a family from the Netherlands has moved to Solon, and four new students have enrolled. Bruce Dostie commented on the eight-man regional soccer championship game that had been held the day before the board meeting. He said it was a great game. He added many people had commented on the great sportsmanship of the CHS boys' soccer players.

Peter Campbell did not add to his report, but he did tell the board that the student board rep, Dayna Labonte, was the CHS student of the month.

Appointments: Brooke Welch - CCS girls' basketball, Bailey Dunphy - CCS boys' basketball, Erik Carey - CHS boys' basketball, William Cote - CHS girls' basketball, Kelly Vicneire - Alt Ed lesson plan stipend.

Resignations: Monique Bess - CHS Special Ed Teacher, Annie Arsenault - GS Special Ed, Ed Tech 3

Committees: The Policy Committee and the Academic Committee met on October 9. On October 16 the Buildings/ Grounds Committee did a facilities tour.

Public Participation: There was none.

Policies/Procedures, Second Reading: Policies dealing with Student Use of Cellular Telephones and Other Electronic Devices, Chemical Hazards, Pest Management, and Drug and Alcohol Testing of Bus Drivers were approved. A procedure dealing with Drug and Alcohol Testing of Bus Drivers was also approved.

Van Drivers, First Reading: A policy, Drug and Alcohol Testing of School Van Drivers, was approved. The policy covers employees, for whom van driving is their primary job. It doesn't cover employees, such as coaches, who may drive a van on a less frequent or only as needed basis. Board members were quite adamant a policy/procedure will be needed to deal with that situation.

Mechanic/Maintenance: The board voted to create a full-time mechanic position to replace a maintenance position.

Superintendent Evaluation: The board went into executive session to discuss the superintendent's evaluation. No action was anticipated following the executive session, so I did not stay to witness the final agenda item.

Adjournment: When I returned to CCS on Thursday morning, the board meeting was no longer in progress, so I assume it must have adjourned at some point Wednesday night.

*Submitted: Dave Ela, President of Carrabec Teachers Association*



## New Portland Community Library

Hello, New Portland! November was an absolute blast at the library! It brought me so much joy to call and congratulate each winner. Thank you all for supporting the library with your ticket purchases. I hope you all enjoy your prizes as much as we enjoyed giving them away.

Thank you again to all the kind patrons and surrounding businesses who donated to make the "calendar fundraiser" such a success! I would also like to thank Brian and Rosemary Drosky for "paying forward" their prize. The Drosky's donated their basket of crocheted kitchen goodies back to the library to be raffled off at our Craft Fair on December 7. Stop by and get a ticket or twenty! Tickets are 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5. The basket raffle will take place on December 7 at 1:30 pm. You do not need to be present to win.

Our first annual Make, Take, and Bake Apple Pie event was a hit! Thank you to the families who brought their kiddos and grands in to make a pie for their family. We had around 20 participants from age 2-16! With winter fast approaching and colder temperatures creeping up, I am reminded of the warm-hearted people of New Portland! I appreciate everyone who donated their time and money to make this event possible!

The library currently has hundreds of children and young adult books available. These books are our gift to your family. We wish that each book is in children's hands this holiday season. Please stop by and make our holiday wish come true.

Each day something new happens at the library. We have many projects, and I again ask you to consider volunteering at the library in some form. I am seeking a helper to categorize and organize the Maine Non-Fiction collection. If you would like to assist in this critical collection in the library, stop by or call us.

At the beginning of the year, I will contact our dedicated team of bakers to set up a time to meet up with you all and plan next year's fundraising schedule. The library will also start planning drop-in passive events. Stay posted on our Facebook page and don't forget to share with your friends who do not engage with social media.

Please remember us and consider donating to the NPCL this holiday season. You may visit our Amazon Wish List and choose an item to donate. Scan the QR code at the bottom of the column or visit the link. [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/OAFR1ZV2H2YJ?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/OAFR1ZV2H2YJ?ref_=wl_share)

You may also help the library by donating your gently used books. We have a limited budget, so if you purchase a new book we would love to take it off your hands and put it onto our shelves! Please give us a call to schedule a drop-off.

Don't forget you can drop off your returnables at the Old Mill Redemption Center in Kingfield and let them know you wish to pay it forward to the NPCL.

Somerset Public Health has provided the library with Narcan. It is in our restrooms at no cost. It's confidential and lifesaving. Overdose can happen to people of all ages. We are here to help.

Lastly, a gentle reminder to patrons. Our library does NOT have overdue fees. We have put this policy in place to encourage the return of library items. The NPCL would appreciate it if our patrons would check to see if you have any books or DVDs overdue. Our book drop is located outside the library. We would love to see all overdue books back in the

library by the end of the year. Thank you for doing your part to preserve our collection.

*December happenings:* Every Friday from 10:00 – 11:00 am we will have story and craft time for younger children. All ages are welcome. Thursday, December 5, join Diane at 6:00 pm for Book Club. Participants will discuss their thoughts regarding, *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue*. The group will also decide on their next book. FYI: There is no need to purchase books if you do not wish. Books are available for sharing through interlibrary lending. Feel free to bring a light refreshment to share. December 7 from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm is our annual Craft Fair. Stop by the Library and swing into the Community Room where you will find great holiday gifts and goodies. We will have crafts, baked goods, DVDs, books for the whole family, and much more. Don't forget to put your name in to win our raffle basket! Friday, December 6, 15 and 20 from noon - 1:00 pm join us for an Introduction to Microsoft Excel. In each class, you will learn about data entry, cell formatting, and the basics of Formulas. Requirements for this class: A Windows or Mac computer connected to the internet and MS Excel 2016 or later. [https://digitalequitycenter.org/classes/class\\_category/introduction-to-excel/?class\\_type=onsite](https://digitalequitycenter.org/classes/class_category/introduction-to-excel/?class_type=onsite) Saturday, December 7 and 21 from 9:00 to 11:30 am Michelle is offering 15-minute Reiki sessions. Michelle generously gifts any donations to the library. Tuesday, December 10 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am Scarlett DeShong, Somerset County's Digital Navigator, will join us to provide one-on-one tech support. Feel free to bring in your device, whether Apple, Android, laptop, or tablet. She will be happy to help you out. Saturday, December 14 is our monthly board meeting. Feel free to join us at 9:00 am. Until next year!



Amazon Wish List



Excel Computer Class

*Submitted: Mindy Newman, Library Director*

## New Portland Churches

Western Mountain Baptist Church - Oh, what a wonderful time of year!!! Soon Christmas will be upon us! We had the privilege of serving Thanksgiving potluck after services on Sunday November 17. Over 100 people attended services and enjoyed food and fellowship. We also were able to contribute turkeys to the Salem Economic Ministries for their outreach. It is truly a blessing to be able to share what we have with others!

Serving our Seniors had their meeting as well on Thursday November 14. Support was available for anyone who needed computer/phone support or any other services.

Also, Bridging the Gap which provides free meals the last Saturday of the month is still available. If you know of anyone who is in need, please contact the church at 207 265 2557.

Please check out our Facebook page or go onto our Website at [www.westernmountainchurch.org](http://www.westernmountainchurch.org)

*Submitted by Nanci Lehto Mahlmann*



## New Portland Giving Tree Application 2024

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Gift ideas are suggestions only. We do not guarantee to provide specific gifts, but we try to fulfill each request\**

<p>Child's Name: _____</p> <p>Age: _____ Male/Female</p> <p>Boot Size: _____ Clothing Size: _____</p> <p>Interests: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Needs: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Child's Name: _____</p> <p>Age: _____ Male/Female</p> <p>Boot Size: _____ Clothing Size: _____</p> <p>Interests: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Needs: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 WMBC Service 10:00 am NPCC Service 10:30 am	2 Kingfield Seniors - noon	3 NPCL 9:30 am - noon Selectmen's Meeting - 6:30 pm	4 NPCL 9:00am - noon & 3:00 - 6:00 pm School Board Meeting CCS 6:00 pm Planning Board 6:30 pm	5 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	6 NPCL 9:30 am - noon	7 NPCL 9:00 am - noon
8 WMBC Service 10:00 am NPCC Service 10:30 am	9 NPCL 9:30 am - noon Fire Department Meeting 6:30 pm	10 NPCL 10:00 am - noon & 3:00 - 6:00 pm Water District Community Room 6:30 pm NPCL 10:00am - noon & 3:00 - 6:00 pm	11 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	12 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	13 NPCL 9:30 am - noon	14 NPCL 9:00 am - noon NPCL Trustees 9:00 am Sno-Travelers Meeting Room 6:30 pm
15 WMBC Service 10:00 am NPCC Service 10:30 am	16 Selectmen's Meeting 6:30 pm	17 NPCL 9:30 am - noon	18 NPCL 10:00am - noon & 3:00 - 6:00 pm	19 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	20 NPCL 9:30 am - noon Deadline for New Portlander 4:00 pm	21 NPCL 9:00 am - noon
22 WMBC Service 10:00 am NPCC Service 10:30 am	23	24 Town Office Closed Christmas Eve	25 Town Office Closed Christmas Day	26 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	27 NPCL 9:30 am - noon	28 NPCL 9:00 am - noon
29 WMBC Service 10:00 am NPCC Service 10:30 am	30	31 Town Office Closed/Closing of the Books NPCL 9:30 am - noon New Year's Eve				

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