

# The Update

## Southern Valley Unified Union School District Newsletter Halifax and Readsboro

November 15, 2019

### **Principal's Note**

The Readsboro 3-6th graders and Mrs. Hart, our music teacher, did an excellent job at the Veterans Day Concert. The students sang with gusto, the audience was attentive and the Veterans that were able to join us shared how pleased they were to be honored by the students. Thank you to all that were able to come.



### **8th Grade Fundraiser**

The eighth grade needs your help with their fundraiser! **They are selling spirit wear for both Readsboro and Halifax schools.** This includes: **t-shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, sports shorts, and hats.** Children, youth and adult sizes are available. Please support this fundraiser and feel free to **forward this link to family and friends.** This could be a great gift for someone for the holidays. The items will be delivered to each School the week before Christmas break. Just press on the link and do your shopping. <https://handschools.itemorder.com/>



Thank you very much,  
Mr. Howes' 8th grade class

### **11th Annual Great Bedtime Story Pajama Drive with Scholastic**



Merritt Youmell's 1st and 2nd grade class is participating in [Scholastic's Pajama Program](#). This collection of pajamas will have a direct impact on our community! Pajama Program will work with local Community Partners to bring Good Nights for Good Days to children who need them most, with pajamas from you and a book from Scholastic – a great bedtime pair! Please consider donating pajamas to support this drive. Pajamas will be collected at both campuses and can be dropped off at the school office. The pajamas should be a **new, unused complete set** (top and bottoms). Sizes needed all ages, infants to 18 years old. (pajamas up to adult size XXXL) Drive ends: December 6, 2019

### **School Board Meetings:**

The Southern Valley School Board meets twice a month, the first and third Wednesdays of each month, unless otherwise posted. The first meeting of the month is a board work session, and the second is the monthly meeting. Meetings take place at TVMHS at 6:00pm.

**Vision and Hearing Screenings**      **Halifax School 11/22/19 10:30-12:30**  
**Readsboro School 11/26/19 11:30-**  
**1:00(tentatively)**

### **Hearing Screenings**

The school nurse will be starting hearing screenings December 4th, 2019. Grades that will be screened per recommended guidelines are Preschool (Readsboro), Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 5th, and 7th. If your child has had a recent hearing screening and you would prefer to opt out of this screening, please notify the school nurse with a written note by **November 26th**.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school nurse with any questions or concerns.

### **A Rolling Calendar of Southern Valley School Events and Dates**

<b><u>Halifax</u></b>		<b><u>Readsboro</u></b>	
November 16	Hunters Supper - 5:00-7:00pm	November 21	Special Person's Day/Lunch 11:30 am
November 26	1st and 2nd grade feast 12:30	November 27-29	No School - Thanksgiving Break
November 27-29	No School - Thanksgiving Break	December 3	Picture Retakes
December 3	Picture Retakes	December 10	Winter Concert & Art Show 6pm
December 12	Winter Concert 6:30pm	December 13	Wings Session II Ends
December 13	Wings Session II Ends	December 20	11:30 Dismissal
December 17	Holiday Dinner & Sale		
December 20	11:30 Dismissal		

## **Local Events and Information:**

### **Violin Lessons**

Bekka Eowind is excited to offer violin lessons to students and families in Southern Vermont! She has taught in Boston for the last 20 years, but recently moved to Vermont, and she is looking forward to connecting musically with the families here. For more information please call Bekka Eowind, at 579-3739, or email her: [soversuzuki@gmail.com](mailto:soversuzuki@gmail.com), check out her website <https://soversuzuki.wixsite.com/website>.

### **Halifax Hunters Supper**

THIS Saturday, Nov. 16 at the Halifax Community Hall. Come and enjoy turkey, stuffing, potatoes, corn, rolls and YES Pie for dessert! Serving from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. For more information [Hunters Supper](#)

### **Whitingham Holiday Pop Up Shop November 16 - January 4 - Information**

**Whitingham Library Events** - <http://www.townofwhitingham-vt.org/library/events>

**Wings Programs - for more information** -[newsletter draft summer 2019.jpg](#)

**Halifax PTG Yearly Events** - [Information](#)

**Halifax 5th and 6th graders School Store** [for more information](#)

**Halifax Book Swap** [for more information](#)

**Lunch Program-** [November Menu](#) - [December Menu](#)

### **Readsboro Community Library Pancake Breakfast & Santa!**

On November 30th beginning at 7:30am, The Readsboro Community Library will be sponsoring a Pancake breakfast Fundraiser. Food will be prepared by the Jack Pines Pirates Club to benefit the repairs for trails. Breakfast is \$10/adults & \$5/child and they will be serving pancakes, eggs, potatoes, sausage, juice & coffee. At 9am Santa and Mrs. Clause will be here to take pictures with the kids!! There will also be a card making station, gifts for the children to buy and wrap for their families and you can purchase tickets for the Quilt Raffle. **All Children under the age of 12 MUST be accompanied by an adult!** This is a drop in Holiday program for all, come and stay an hour or stay the whole time!



### **Readsboro Public Library - Collection for Veterans**



The Readsboro Public Library is collecting items for the Holidays that will be delivered to the Veterans Home in Bennington, VT. These are a few of the things needed.....Cards, disposable razors, paperback books, magazines, toothbrushes and toothpaste, Q-tips, baby wipes, soap, deodorant, nuts, beef jerky, playing cards, puzzle books, batteries. The Library is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday's from 3:15-7:15. Their phone number is 802-423-5460 if you have any questions. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



### **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE - 2019 TOYS FOR KIDS**

The Brattleboro Det. 798 and Auxiliary 798 will begin to make appointments for our 2019 Toys

for Kids program from Nov. 4, 2019 through Nov. 22, 2019. Calls will be accepted Monday through Friday from 4:30 to 7:00 pm. Applicants will need a Social Security card or a Medicaid card when making the appointment and picking up gifts. This is the only way of verification for our records. We can not accept any other means for verification. The phone number is 802-451-6922 The program is for families with a general need for assistance during the holiday **season**. This program is available to Children from Newborn to 12 years old. **Last year we** helped out over 400 Children in our community. Please pass this information along and thank you for your continued support. Any questions feel free to call me at (802) 289-3779 . Please no Calls Veterans Day Nov. 11, 2019.

Scott D. Larabee - Chairman "Toys for Kids"

### **Legislative Breakfast for Deerfield Valley Businesses**

Event: Nov 20, 2019, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

On November 20th from 8:00 am to 9:30 am at the Old School Community Center, 1 School Street, Wilmington, VT, join Representative Laura Sibia and Representative John Gannon for a discussion of legislative issues of special interest to the business community. Issues that will be discussed at the breakfast include: Minimum Wage, Paid Family Leave, Act 250, Climate Change, Tourism, Broadband, Workforce Development, Cannabis

Vermont Chamber of Commerce, Director of Government Affairs Charles Martin also will join us to discuss Tourism Day and the Vermont Chamber's views on the upcoming legislative session.