

Madrid

Historical Society

NEWSLETTER

To preserve the memories and heritage of the Township of Madrid for future generations

June 2017

OPPORTUNITIES TO GATHER AS A COMMUNITY!



ANNUAL PICNIC- Once again, the Madrid Historical Society (MHS) will sponsor the annual Madrid Twp. Community Picnic on July 1, 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Burgers, Hot Dogs and FUN provided. Please bring a dish to share and the beverage of your choice. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP SET UP (9:30 that morning) AND CLEAN UP AFTER. We expect to be offering new Madrid T-shirts for sale at the picnic. Great colors, all sizes. Be sure to get yours!



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY – Each year MHS hosts a Christmas party for the children of Madrid, ages 0-10. Grandchildren of Madrid residents are also welcome. There are lots of activities, games, caroling, food, gifts, and, of course, Santa! Identifying who is eligible has been a challenge since the school is unable to provide a list and we don't know who may have children being home-schooled or preschool age. IF YOU KNOW CHILDREN IN THIS AGE RANGE IN MADRID/EAST MADRID PLEASE CONTACT SOMEONE FROM THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY SO WE CAN GET THEM ON THE LIST. This year's party is scheduled for December 9.



ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY – Instead of a business meeting in December we celebrate the holidays with a party for the grown-ups! Pot luck and Yankee Swap start at 6:00 on December 11. All are welcome!

ONGOING.....

UPDATE ON LAND ACQUISITION - The deed is done! We have now secured the deed to the additional parcel of land that should have been conveyed to MHS 17 years ago.

MHS SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM – Our annual **Open House** is scheduled for Saturday, August 19, 10-3. Please stop by and see our collections and the schoolroom. We are always looking for historic photos and other memorabilia related to Madrid, including BUT NOT LIMITED TO items pertaining to the grange halls, mills, logging, homes, people, cemeteries and Reeds Mill Church. Photos can be scanned and returned if desired. We will also be glad to assist with historical and genealogy research.

LOOKING FOR CALENDAR MATERIAL We continue the annual tradition of creating a calendar dedicated to honoring the history of Madrid featuring people, buildings, businesses, and events. If you or someone you know has pictures you'd like to see in a future calendar, please feel free to deliver/send or we can pick up to scan and return to you ASAP. **Please be sure to label your photos.** We are currently looking for pictures of old hunting/logging camps in Madrid, but welcome ALL pictures related to Madrid's history. Although we ask for ad sponsorship and \$6 to purchase a calendar, MHS does not make money on the calendar sales – the calendar is our offering to the community.



SHOWING PATRIOTISM Last year we asked you to sponsor a "Flags on Main St." project. Preliminary investigation of the project did not reveal rules that are a little different for unorganized territories. Consequently, we are unable to follow through with this project. We had a wonderful response with 10 flags being paid for, 9 of which were designated in memory of: *Leatrice & Lloyd Sargent, Ferne R. Douglass, James W. Wakefield, Karen Roderick, David B. Robie, Dr. Mark Marchiano, Austin & Rita Sargent, TSGT Douglas S. Hopkins-USAF, and Our Military, Past, Present and Future.* All donations toward flags have been refunded. Thank you for supporting this project.

REEDS MILL CHURCH The church will begin summer services on Sunday, July 2, 2:00 PM. If you're in town for the annual picnic, stay for church the next day! ☺ Everyone welcome! There is also a hymn sing Sunday, September 10, 7:00 PM (bring your flashlight). The Sandy River Ramblers, a local bluegrass/gospel band, will be performing their second annual benefit concert Sept. 24, 2:00 PM. And don't forget to make our 10:00 Thanksgiving morning service a part of your holiday tradition as well as the Christmas Candlelight Service December 17 at 3:00 PM. 207-639-2713 or www.reedsmillchurch.org.

MADRID CEMETERY ASSOCIATION UPDATE MHS has gifted \$500 to the Madrid Cemetery Association to facilitate the association's ongoing upkeep of our local cemeteries. Mowing, raking, road and fence upkeep do not come cheap! Volunteers and new members are always welcomed. Questions? Call Prudy Pike at 207-639-4301.

SPECIAL GIFTS

ANONYMOUS DONATION Last summer our front stairs and ADA ramp needed repair and painting. Many thanks to a resident (who wishes to remain anonymous) who donated materials and labor for what needed to be done.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY GIFT A special thank you to Keith Tripp for his generous dollar donation to the 2016 party. His gift was greatly appreciated and put to good use for a very successful party. And to Linda, Hollie, Lindsay, Gary, Nancy, Janet, Jessie, Clayre, Amy, Terri and Ginni for the gift of their help before, during, and after the party.

BOSTON POST CANE

Do you remember if Madrid was a recipient of a Boston Post Cane? And if so, any idea who had it last?

IN MEMORIUM

IN MEMORIUM Marty Kane passed away on April 11, 2017. Marty and his wife, Jessie, lived across the street from the historical for society. We will miss Marty's smiling face and quick wit at the annual Christmas party and Picnic.

MADRID BUSINESS LIST

Did you know there are several businesses in Madrid? Please support them!

Signs of Design - Cindy Kamens - Graphic Design 639-2115, signsofdesign@tds.net

Norton Farms - Kevin Norton - Grass Fed Beef, Eggs, Maple Syrup 639-3342

Sew What - Carolyn Harvey - Quality, custom Upholstery, Slipcovers, Window Treatments Phone -639-2795, sewwhatme@tds.net

Star Barn Yoga - Ginni Robie - All levels 639-2713, vrobie@live.com

Melvyn Webber Construction - 639-2143

Grammy Sammy's Goodies (Baked Goods)/Massage - Sandy Grignon 639-2251

Wilber Heating/Plumbing - John Wilber 639-2251

Little Boutique in the Woods - Prudy Pike 639-4301

Joshua Plog Contracting - Joshua Plog 639-4610

CAN YOU HELP?

We have two executive board members and at 2 directors retiring this year. One director has been replaced. Open offices are President and Treasurer. Our historical society needs the help of the community to continue operating. Without the physical interest of the community (i.e. taking board positions, attending meetings, volunteering time to the Picnic and the Children's Christmas party) there is no board and no historical society. We may be at a crossroads: do we continue to function as we have been so far as a historical society?

ABOUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP *Your membership renewal/calendar order form is attached. Your annual dues is very important to the ongoing work of MHS. Dues and donations are the primary source of income. In addition to maintaining the building, the property, and museum, it is your dues and donations that assists us in providing outreach to your community by sponsoring the annual picnic and the annual children's Christmas party. Thank you for being a member of the Madrid Historical Society.*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT OPEN

VICE PRESIDENT Peter Plog 207-639-3276

SECRETARY Terri Plog 207-639-3276

TREASURER OPEN

CURATOR/HISTORIANS Linda Farwell and Assistant, Cindy Kamens

DIRECTORS: Amy McNeill, Kevin Norton, Joanne Webber and Nancy Perlson

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Return this completed form to become a New Member, Renew your Membership, order a Calendar, provide an Address Change, Update your Email and/or Make a Donation by July 31, 2017. Your dues/donation support the ongoing preservation of Madrid’s history. We thank you for your support and appreciate your prompt attention to dues payment. **Benefactors/Life Members need not renew.**

NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

MEMBERSHIP: (Circle one) Individual \$10 Family \$15 Life \$100 Benefactor \$300
(Include your Membership dues with this form)

CALENDAR ORDER: Number wanted _____ Amount Enclosed for calendars @ \$6.00 each \$ _____

Check here if you want your order mailed to you; include an additional \$1.75 per calendar _____

ADDITIONAL DONATION OF \$ _____

Make checks payable to MADRID HISTORICAL SOCIETY and mail to PO Box 122, Phillips, ME 04966

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