



**TOWN OF BRIDGTON
DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT
September 25, 2018**



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Purple Light Nights brighten our community by bringing attention to the issue of domestic violence during Domestic Violence Awareness Month and throughout the year. By taking a stand, *#takeastand*, we intend to remind the nation that there are still countless people – victims and survivors - that are impacted by domestic violence. If you or someone you know is being abused please call the confidential hotline at 1-800-537-6066. On October 1st you will see strings of purple lights displayed as a way to say

Domestic violence has **NO** place in our community!



A **Community Health Forum** is scheduled for Thursday, October 4th from 4-6p.m. at Maine Medical Center, Dana Center, Portland and another scheduled for Thursday, October 11 from 4-6p.m. at Lake Region High School. Join local hospitals and organizations to share and discuss health data for Cumberland County. The purpose of these forums is to present key findings from the Maine Shared Community Needs Assessment, learn from the community members about what is important to them and begin to identify community health

priorities for our community. Everyone who lives or works in Cumberland County is invited. Register on-line at surveymonkey.com/r/CumberlandForums.

Fire Department

Congratulations to **Mike Rand and Dalton Hulse**y on completing the Bureau of Labor Standards interior firefighting program. **Deputy Chief Eric Field** has begun an Officer I and II course in Alfred Maine.

We have finished the painting on the **airboat** hull. This is a high-tech finish with extensive curing time between coats. The bottom of the hull has 18 layers using two different types of coating. This past Sunday, the boat was taken to Highland Lake for a float test. The hull is now completely sealed and ready for reassembly of the upgraded components. The new engine is complete and is waiting for the propeller to be shipped.

Stations 4, 5, & 6 now have internet access. The last step will be the addition of laptops or tablets so that administrative work can be handled from each station. This is also part of the security system now in place at all the firehouses.

We are seeing some interest in department **membership as applications** and inquiries for new firefighters are averaging about 2 per month.

Recreation

Tuesday, October 2nd is the **Fryeburg Fair Senior Trip** with a pick up at the Harrison Town Office at 9:30a.m. and a pick up at the Bridgton Town Office at 9:45a.m. for arrival at the Fryeburg Fair Gate at 10:15a.m. Call Gary Colello, Recreation Director, at 647-1126, or email rec@bridgtonmaine.org to reserve a spot. Additional information is available on our website at www.bridgtonmaine.org



Respectfully submitted,

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