

# The City of Ships

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## Bath Landfill 101

*Think for a moment about the garbage you generate. After you put it into a bag and place it at the curb, do you know where it goes? Or what happens to it when it gets there? You've heard about a dump in town. Do you know where it is? How long it's been there? Or how it operates? Consider this article to be Landfill 101.*

### How it all Works

The Bath Landfill is located at the northern end of High Street adjacent to the Thorne Head Preserve. It has been used for waste disposal since the mid-1940's. The operation of the facility has changed in response to changes in the regulatory environment, so there are several smaller "sub-landfills" within the boundaries of the property. The oldest dumps are at the bottom of what used to be a small valley. At its deepest point, there is about 100 feet of waste piled up into the hill you can see today. The current disposal area, called a cell, was constructed in 2003 at a cost of almost \$2.5 million. It was built to the latest standards for landfills, so it

can be called a secure cell. It is secure in the sense that it does not discharge leachate to the environment.

Ok, so what's leachate you ask? Leachate is water, from rain, snow-melt, or from the waste itself that percolates through the waste pile picking up contaminants from the wastes as it sinks to the bottom. A secure cell is a disposal area that has a liner system underneath the waste to contain the leachate and keep it from contacting groundwater that may be in the earth beneath the landfill. The liner system is simply layers of clay and plastic sheeting that water (or leachate) cannot pass through. Between the liner system and the waste is a leachate collection system. The collection system is a series of perforated pipes into which the leachate passes and which empties, like a drain, into a pump station at the north end of the landfill. The pump station conveys the leachate to the city's wastewater treatment plant. Think of a big bathtub filled with garbage with a drain at the bottom.

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Left, an aerial view of the Bath Landfill.  
Above, creating the current cell.

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### City Calendar:

#### **Every Month:**

City Council—1st Wednesdays  
Planning Board—1st Tuesdays  
Zoning Board of Appeals—1st Mondays  
Community Forestry—1st Wednesdays  
Comprehensive Plan Committee—2nd and 4th Tuesdays

#### **October**

5 Ghostly Tour of Bath (Patten Free)  
7 AutumnFest  
9 Columbus Day  
14 Household Hazardous Waste Collection  
15-Jan 31 Dog Licensing  
16 "Welcome to Bath Night" at City Hall  
20 Final Third Friday Artwalk  
28 Last Day of Bath Farmer's Market  
28 Pirate Party at Maine Maritime Museum  
29 Daylight Savings Time ends  
30 Board of Education

#### **November**

4 Early Bird Sales  
7 Election  
11 Veteran's Day  
20 Board of Education  
23 Thanksgiving  
25 Holiday Twinkle Parade  
26 Children's Tree lighting

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## City of Bath Commonly Called Numbers:

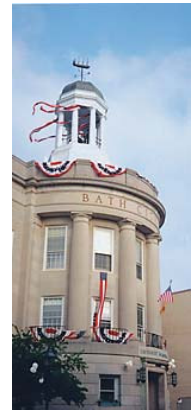
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Public Works Dept. 443-8357  
Recreation Dept. 443-8360  
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Courthouse 443-8200  
Treasurer's Office 443-8340  
U.S. Post Office, Bath  
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Wastewater Treatment Plant  
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West Bath District  
Courthouse 443-0200



Bath Farmer's Market produce from Goranson Farm

## The City of Ships newsletter

For questions, comments and other inquiries about the newsletter, please contact Erika Helgerson at 443-8330 x223 or by email at [ehelgerson@cityofbath.com](mailto:ehelgerson@cityofbath.com).



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### The Next Cell

Now, there's a common misconception about a landfill – that it's a place where waste disappears. But it's really a place to put waste to remain forever. When the secure cell was built, about 195,000 cubic yards of space (volume) was created. Keep in mind that a cubic yard is a box that measures 1 yard on all sides. In recent years, the landfill has used up about 40,000 cubic yards per year. At that rate, the space created would be expected to last almost 5 years. We are roughly on schedule and anticipate filling the cell in early 2008.

For a variety of reasons, the City has chosen to continue to keep the landfill open for disposal. That means we will have to construct a new cell in the summer of 2007 that will be ready to accept waste when the current cell fills up. The next cell has a price tag of about \$2-2.5 million. The city does not have the funds in hand to pay for the engineering and construction so a bond issue is being prepared. The voters of Bath will have a chance to vote on the bond issue in November 2006. If the new cell is constructed, it will have a capacity of about 200,000 cubic yards. If the current rate of space consumption is continued, the new cell will last for about 5 years and will be full by the end of 2012. At that point, the landfill will still have a small amount of space available to be developed into secure cells, but the majority of the space will have been consumed. There is no opportunity to increase the size of the landfill, so when it's full, it's full and the city will have to

find an alternative disposal arrangement.

Recently we have made an effort to slow down the waste stream to make the landfill last longer. Why would we want to make the landfill last longer, you ask. The answer is that even with the big upcoming expenses, it is the cheaper alternative for solid waste disposal. Closing the landfill carries a price tag of about \$4 –5 million, which is more than creating new disposal cells. In addition, the per-ton disposal rate at other facilities in Maine would have to be paid as well as the transportation costs of getting the waste there. Therefore, the City's best option is to keep the landfill open as long as possible. To do that, additional capacity has to be built.

### Garbage and Gases

Unfortunately, there's another wildcard in the deck and it's called landfill gas. Everyone has smelled rotting garbage sometime in his or her life. The landfill is a place where all that garbage is food for a lot of hungry bacteria. They do the work of breaking down organic wastes like food, paper, and yard waste. There are two byproducts of that bacterial action: Water and landfill gas. The water is collected as leachate. The gas is roughly 49% carbon dioxide and 49% methane, which are both odorless, colorless, tasteless gases. They are however two of the strongest greenhouse gases. The remaining 2% (or less) is made up of hydrogen sulfide and a variety of other sulfur compounds and these are the gases that

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## Bath's Community Development Director wins "Administrator of the Year" Award

The City of Bath wishes to congratulate Al Smith, Bath's Community Development Director, who is the winner of the Maine Office of Community Development's 2006 "CDBG Administrator of the Year" Award. Mr. Smith was given this honor for his dedication, excellence and hard work in administering Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) projects and for his commitment to the community. Maine's CDBG program provides funding for community and economic development projects, primarily projects that benefit low-moderate income people or areas. The application process is very competitive and Smith has received numerous grants, which have all brought tremendous benefit to the citizens of Bath.

In the eight short years he has been with the City, Smith has managed to obtain over 10 million dollars to help fund projects in the City of Bath. He has saved taxpayers an average of over one million dollars per year in funding these improvements. A handful of the projects that received funding through Smith's work include the new Elmhurst facility, the playground at Hyde Park, a Housing Improvement Program, help for first-time homebuyers, a housing cooperative, water and sewer upgrades in Bath's south end, infrastructure development at Wing Farm, and business façade improvement on selected downtown Bath businesses. Governor Baldacci presented the award at the CDBG awards ceremony in Augusta on August 18, 2006. The award is on display in Bath City Hall.



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have strong odors. Odors emerged as a problem in 2003 following our last cell construction project. The gas generated by the landfill was always there, but the construction project altered the pathways for the gas to escape. Now the gas is concentrated at several gas vents.

In response to the new odors, we installed six flares on the gas vents. These flares burn the gas as it exits the vent and destroys the odor-causing compounds. This is a simple and inexpensive way to deal with the odor issue. However, we also had to learn how to operate a landfill safely with the gases present and determine if the gases were harmful to the employees, customers, and nearby residents. A monitoring program was started. It has continued weekly for the last 2 ½ years. We also contacted the Maine Department of Labor to get their opinion of the safety of the land-

fill with respect to gas. After conducting a lot of monitoring and having the state study the issue, we are confident that the ambient air does not pose a danger to the employees or the public. We are continuing to monitor the ambient air. We have also installed more than 15 soil probes to determine if landfill gas is moving through the soil. The soil migration study will continue through the winter of 2006-07. The data generated by this study will help us design an effective gas management system.

Some residents have already learned all they want to know about landfill gas by the odors they have experienced. The rest of the City will learn about this issue prior to the election in November. You see, in addition to the bond for future cell construction, there is another \$2 – 2.5 million needed to install a gas management system. The Maine Department of Environmental Protection

will require the city to install the gas management system prior to the cell construction.

### **Bath's Landfill and You**

So why care about a dump anyway? Well, in a word, taxes. Historically the landfill has had low operating expenses and relatively high revenues. Those revenues helped keep taxes down because all of the money goes to the City's general fund. But now the tide is turning and the costs are beginning to exceed the revenues. In addition, revenues are down because we have slowed down the flow of waste to make the facility last longer. We performed an economic analysis of the facility and compared several options including restricting the facility to Bath residential waste only and closing altogether. The cheapest one was to maintain the status quo. This means we trade some

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of the space in the landfill for some revenue to help keep the ship afloat. If we were to eliminate all the revenue, the Bath taxpayer would be left to foot the entire bill. The big expenses of cell construction, gas management, and closure are unavoidable and we will need all the revenue we can muster to pay for these projects. Whatever money can't be raised by other means will have to come from property taxes.

Want to do something about all this? Reduce, reuse, recycle. Bath has an excellent recycling program – use it. Slow down your generation of waste. If we can conserve space and spread out these big projects, we have more time to save for them and pay for them without using tax dollars. Please don't hesitate to call or stop by the landfill to ask questions. It is a valuable city resource that should be used with care.

*By Lee Leiner*

For more information about the landfill, please contact Lee Leiner at the Bath Public Works Department at 443-8357



Above, dump truck dropping solid waste into landfill. Top, a city worker checks a gas vent.

## Pay-As-You Throw Committee

In early June of this year, a 14-member committee was created by the City Council to investigate the benefits of a pay-as-you-throw (PAYT) system in Bath. The committee has spent the summer examining this concept. The committee's intent is to send a citizen-created proposal to the City Council recommending a plan of action.

The committee is made up of nine Bath residents, two city councilors, and three city employees. They looked at various ways other communities have implemented PAYT and the costs and benefits of a variety of options. The goals of a "pay as you throw" system would be to generate revenue to fund future cell development and landfill closure costs, add equity to the funding of solid waste functions, increase the life of the landfill, increase recycling and enhance resident's control over the costs of their own solid waste disposal.

In a "pay as you throw" system, residents would purchase bags from local retailers at a price set by the City. The bags would continue to be collected and disposed of by the City and the City would continue the curbside recycling program. The hope is that because of the increased cost of bags, residents will reduce their waste by recycling more items and put fewer items in the landfill. Instead of paying more in property taxes, residents will be able to control how much more they pay by adjusting their recycling habits.

Over the past several months, the committee has discussed recommendations on how the City would implement the system; including container type, rate structure, policies, city ordinance and collection system, enhancement of the recycling program, public education, funding, enforcement, and evaluation procedures. In coming months, the proposal will be submitted to the City Council and discussed in public meetings. The City welcomes your input, please be sure to stay updated on the proceedings.

## Health & Safety: Preventing the Seasonal Flu

Millions of people in the United States - about 10-20% of the population – will get the flu each year. The flu is spread when a person who has the flu coughs, sneezes, speaks, or otherwise sends the virus into the air and other people inhale the virus. While most people recover in 1-2 weeks, some will develop complications, which can be life threatening. In the U.S., about 114,000 are admitted to hospitals each year and 36,000 die. What are the best ways to protect yourself from the virus?

**1. Get a flu shot.** A flu shot is a priority if you are: a child 6-23 months, an adult over 65 years, a pregnant woman, long term care resident, have chronic health condition(s), healthcare personnel, or care for children under 6 months old. These groups are more susceptible to the flu and should seriously consider getting the preventative shot.

**Where can you get a flu shot?** There are two Bath locations giving flu shots in the month of October: Shaw's Supermarket will be giving shots October 14 from 12:00 until 4:00 and October 30 from 10:00 until 2:00, for more information call 443- 9179. CVS Pharmacy will be giving shots October 28 from 10:00 until 2:00, for more information call 443-3307. Also, check online at [www.findaflushot.com](http://www.findaflushot.com).

**2. Protect yourself from the flu.** All the basics: Wash your hands often and for at least 30 seconds. Do not touch your nose, eyes, mouth without washing your hands first and remember to wash them afterward. Avoid contact with people who are sick.

**3. Stop the flu from spreading.** Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze. When you are sick, keep your distance from others, stay home from work or school and avoid doing errands. Don't infect family and friends and don't let yourself get re-infected by them!

**4. Stay informed.** Talk to your doctor or answer all your questions online by checking out [www.maine flu.gov](http://www.maine flu.gov), [www.maine public health.gov](http://www.maine public health.gov), or [www.findaflushot.com](http://www.findaflushot.com). Look for the next *City of Ships* newsletter to read about other Health and Safety precautions.





## A Piece of American History: Bath's World Trade Center Memorial

Citizens nationwide vividly remember September 11, 2001. After the planes hit and the towers fell, the long process of recovery began; and while Americans recognized the devastation inflicted on New York City and worked through our fears, we learned countless stories of heroism, courage and support. Along with emergency workers from every corner of the country, Bath Fire Department's own, Capt. Michael Clarke, went to Ground Zero as a member of the Federal Emergency Management Agency New England Division crisis team to recover bodies and clean up the rubble of the World Trade Center. At home, his fellow Bath Fire Fighters came together and supported his leave by covering his hours while he was away.

So that we may never forget that day, the New York City Fire Department distributed pieces of steel girder from the World Trade Center across the United States. Thanks to the hard work and dedication of the Bath Fire Department and Capt. Clarke, the Bath Fire Department was able to acquire a piece of the WTC steel, one of only 25 given out and the only piece north of Connecticut. The girder has been incorporated into a monument conceptualized by Capt. Clarke's son, Mike A. Clarke, and created through donated time and materials by artist John Gable, Fournier Steel, Reno's Fabrication, and individuals from Bath Iron Work's Local 6.

On July 1, 2006, the Bath Fire Department held a ceremony at the station to dedicate the new World Trade Center Memorial. The memorial will travel to various schools and other locations for public viewing as a testament to September 11, 2001 so that we may remember that day and help teach our children the lessons we have learned.

### Current Memorial Location Schedule:

*October 2-18 - Portland City Hall*

*October 20-22 - Bar Harbor, Atlantic Oaks*

*Resort, International Pine Tree Burn*

*Foundation Conference*

*October 23-November 7 - Bath City Hall*

*November 8-12 - Rockland, Samoset Resort,*

*Maine EMS Conference*

*November 13-January 16 - Bath City Hall*

*(subject to change)*



Bath Fire Chief Steven Hinds, Congressman Tom Allen, Michael A. Clarke, Governor John Baldacci, Lauren Chandler, and Captain Michael Clarke at the WTC Memorial dedication.



### SAVOURING SEPTEMBER.

If summer is a symphony,  
September is a minuet.  
Though September plays host to  
summer's end,  
There is a delicacy as the first leaf  
falls gracefully  
From a tree.  
There is a quietude in our spirits  
As twilight descends ever so much  
earlier.  
We remember we picked up our  
books  
And returned to school.  
We recall how lovely it was  
To walk in the late afternoon  
Surrounded by such beauty,  
Of autumn's splendor.  
And the first time we needed that  
Gorgeous sweater.  
And we gather in  
During this golden time  
To our private places,  
And to our ultimate thoughts.  
We seek our joys by the fireplace,  
Rekindled after its summer rest.  
And gather in the beauty  
And treasure every moment  
Of this golden time of year!

~~Author Unknown~~

To submit a seasonal poem for consideration for the next *City of Ships* newsletter, please email [ehelgerson@cityofbath.com](mailto:ehelgerson@cityofbath.com)



## Community Policing: Partnering for a Better Future

One of the great advantages to living in Bath is our sense of safety. In recent years, there has been a significant reduction of crime and calls for service in the Bath community. In fact, since 2000 there has been a 25.9% reduction in disorderly conduct and a 20.4% reduction in criminal mischief. This change is largely due to the work of the Bath Police Department and their approach of working with the community as partners rather than acting as only law enforcement. A few of their very successful efforts include the Bath Community Policing Partnership ("CP2"); Neighborhood Policing Committees; a new program, Shields of Hope; and the Morse High Student Resource Officer.

is Hyde Park's Neighborhood Policing Committee.

Hyde's Neighborhood Policing Committee addresses issues and complaints, shares neighborhood information and tries to fix problems before they arise. They have a network of block captains who are contacts for questions and help to spread information efficiently. The group has a neighborhood watch program; they patrol the playground; set up activities for the children and generally watch out for each other. The police department has two Neighborhood Officers, Andrew Booth in Hyde Park and Brett McIntire at Maritime Apartments, who are resources for anything with

Officer  
Raedel,  
Morse High  
School's  
Student  
Resource  
Officer.



Bath - Brunswick area and three or more officers and adults from CP2. Each month they do a fun activity and spend some time at the end of the day discussing concerns or talking about a particular issue, such as drug use or bullying. Although the program is still in its early stages, it clearly has great potential.

"Community policing" is collaboration between police and the community both to identify problems and to involve all elements of the community to find solutions for these problems. The goals are to reduce crimes and service calls by solving problems first, increase community contact and partnerships, create a greater sense of security and enhance quality of life. CP2 began in 1995 and has become a great resource, both to the community and the police force. The Partnership consists of officers, citizens and other representatives from all parts of the community. Numerous projects and programs have sprung out of the CP2, one of which



*Shields of Hope kids with Cpl. Gould*

which residents need help. Maritime Apartments has a police substation (open for any and all questions Tuesday mornings from 8-12) and is in the early stages of a similar neighborhood network, which the CP2 hopes will be as successful as Hyde Park's.

The newest CP2 project is Shields of Hope, a mentoring program connected with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bath/Brunswick. BBBS pairs up caring adults with kids who need more adult role models in their life, and are often from single parent and/or low income households. Corporal Nathan Gould initiated the idea and worked with CP2 and BBBS to create a group of mentors for "Littles" who are not yet paired up with a "Big." The group includes 10 kids from the

Yet another way the Bath Police Department is reaching out to the community is through the new full time Student Resource Officer, Ted Raedel. Officer Raedel was stationed at Morse High School from January through June last year and school officials were adamant about retaining the position. They felt

that the sense of safety, security and approachability of a full time officer was invaluable. Raedel acts as a resource for everyone at the school, and deals with basic parking, conduct and neighborhood issues. He attended Project Graduation this year and is a member of SCLC. He often presents to classes and hopes to do more education this year for both staff and students regarding laws, legal issues and how to deal with other problems that may arise. Other new responsibilities for Officer Raedel will include monitoring entrances by camera and working on a crisis plan for the school.

The many avenues of community policing are opportunities for police to

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*Several members of CP2 accepting the Community Project award at Citizen Involvement Day 2006*



On September 16, the City of Bath held the **8th Annual Citizen Involvement Day** at the Waterfront Park. It was a beautiful day, lots of fun and thanks go out to everyone who attended and was a part of this great event! A big "Congratulations!" to the Citizen Involvement Day 2006 Award Winners!

**Citizen of the Year Award:**

*Elena Vandervoort*

**Youth Award:**

*Brittany Lee*

**Community Spirit Award:**

*Steve and Lisa Marois*

**Community Project Award:**

*Bath Community Policing Partnership*



Jimmy Footer and Friends at Bath's Citizen Involvement Day 2006.

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get to know people in the City on a different level; not crime or complaint related, but more personally. "With the hiring and training of new officers, the philosophy [of community policing] is one that has been taught from the get go, thus creating a sense of normalcy to this style of policing, opposed to 'something new.'" (Bath Police Department website). The City of Bath is fortunate to have a Police Department that values this approach and constantly works to develop it.

CP2 meets at 5:00 on the second Thursday of each month and is always looking for new members. If interested, contact Jim Gillies at [chopspoint@suscom-maine.net](mailto:chopspoint@suscom-maine.net). For questions about the Bath Police Department, please call 443-5563.

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## What's Up Downtown: An Introduction to Main St. Bath

*by Mari Eosco*

**What Is Main Street Bath?** Main Street Bath is a local non-profit corporation, founded by a group of volunteers to help improve downtown Bath. The "Main Street" program, developed by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, aims to preserve traditional downtowns through revitalization. It strives to enhance the appearance and economic stability of the commercial district, to increase community pride and to enrich the quality of local life. The program, used in 44 states and more than 1,700 communities, was adopted in Maine in 2000. Bath was one of the first four communities selected to participate.

Incorporated in 2001, Main Street Bath ("MSB") is run by a Board of 17 members, who represent downtown businesses, City government and the community. It is supported primarily by three-year pledges from businesses, non-profits and residents, and by annual funding from the City. Specific projects have been paid for by special solicitations and fundraising events. MSB is mainly a volunteer organization, but it employs a Coordinator, who oversees the activities of the four standing committees: Design, Promotions, Economic Restructuring and Organization. The Coordinator and volunteers partner with City officials and committees, the Chamber of Commerce, other local non-profits and area businesses to solve problems and to promote and preserve the downtown. Through the efforts of MSB, Bath was named by the National Trust as one of the nation's Dozen Distinctive Destinations in 2005.

### What Does Main Street Bath Do?

**Sponsors Annual Events to Promote and Celebrate Downtown Bath:** Mayfair; Gazebo Concerts; Heritage Days; August Sidewalk Sales; Autumnfest; Ship Celebrations; Early Bird Sales; Twinkle Parade; An Old-Fashioned Christmas in Bath; New Year's Eve Paul Revere Bell Ringing; Spirit of Bath Volunteer Recognition Awards.

**Beautifies the Downtown:** Summer Flowers; Stilphen Murals in the Arch; Banners over Bath; Wayfinding Signs and Business Directories; Facade Improvement Grant Assistance; Street Benches.

**Provides Information about the Downtown:** Website, [www.visitbath.com](http://www.visitbath.com); On-line Community Calendar; Free On-line Business Listings with Links to Business Websites; Weekly E-newsletter; *Front and Centre* Newsletter; Community Events Board; Historic Bath Brochure; Downtown Walking Tour Brochures; Downtown Building Inventory; Press Releases.

**Supports Local Businesses:** Seminars and Consultations on Business Improvement; Co-operative Advertising Programs; Gift of Bath Certificates; Business Referrals; Business Owners' and Visitors' Surveys; Business Barometer Meetings.

**Raises Funds for MSB Projects:** Sales of Bath Soap and Bath Towels; City of Ships Decals; Bath T-shirts; Fall Mums; Diamond Raffle; "Spirits of Bath" Evening.

### How Do You Benefit?

**A Thriving Downtown:** Great places to shop, dine, work and play, local access to goods and services, a diverse business mix, year-round shops and activities

**A Sense of Place:** Celebration of our historic City of Ships, preservation of our unique architecture, connection between downtown and neighborhoods, participation in an active, vibrant community

**A Viable Economy:** Sustainable businesses, healthy business climate, stable tax base, employment opportunities

**A Community with Vitality:** Attractive to new businesses, residents and visitors; cultural and arts events, cooperative partnerships, dedicated volunteers, creative solutions!

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To learn more about Main Street Bath, and how to get involved, go to [www.visitbath.com](http://www.visitbath.com). Sign up for the weekly email to know what is going on in Bath each week!







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**December**

“Christmas in Bath” holiday events are held throughout the month of December  
9 & 16 Candy Cane Train

11 Board of Education

16 Hanukkah begins

25 Christmas

31 Hunting Licenses expire/

New Year’s Eve

*For more information about these events or updates on changes, please see calendars at [www.visitbath.com](http://www.visitbath.com) or [www.cityofbath.com](http://www.cityofbath.com).*



Do you have a great Bath photo you would like to see in a *City of Ships* newsletter? If you would like yours to be considered, please email [ehelgerson@cityofbath.com](mailto:ehelgerson@cityofbath.com).

**Events and Reminders:**

- \* *AutumnFest* on Oct. 7 is a fall family event. This year there is a craft show, scare-crow making, window painting, hayrides and more.
- \* The *Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection* will be held on Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9:00-1:00 at Brunswick Public Works, 9 Industry Rd. Open to Bath residents, pre-registration is required, have a description of materials and quantities when registering, no commercial waste accepted. Call 725-6654.
- \* *Welcome to Bath Night* for newcomers will be at City Hall the evening of Oct. 16. FMI call 442-7291.
- \* Last day of the *Farmer’s Market* is Oct. 28; be sure to get your harvest-end produce and locally made foods before they’re gone!
- \* Final *Third Friday Artwalk* on Oct. 20. Come downtown Friday evening to check out local shops and artisans. Visit studios and talk to the artists about their work.
- \* Don’t forget the annual *Early Bird Sale* in Downtown Bath on Nov. 4th!
- \* *Election Day is Tuesday, November 7*. All voting, citywide, will be held at the Bath Middle School gym. Vote for U.S. Senator, State Senator, State Representative, County Commissioner, City Council, School Board and on bond issues. Call the City Clerk for more information at 443-8332.
- \* *The Candy Cane Train* will travel from Bath to Wiscasset and back on Dec. 9 & 16. Come aboard for cookies, cocoa, stories and Santa! Evening adult-only ride on Dec. 16 with wine and appetizers. All proceeds benefit the Tri-County Literacy program. Call 443-6384 or see [www.candycanetrain.org](http://www.candycanetrain.org).
- \* Lots of *Holiday Events* going on this year for the *Old Fashioned Christmas in Bath*, beginning with the Twinkle Parade Thanksgiving weekend and ending with the Paul Revere bell ringing to celebrate the New Year. Find out the details at [www.visitbath.com](http://www.visitbath.com) or call 442-7291.