



**6:00-9:00 PM: Highway 207**

Based out of Aroostook County, **Highway 207** is a five-piece band that fuses the spirit of country with the raw edge of rock. Consisting of guitar, bass, drums, keys, and three distinct vocalists, they aim to bring new life to the music scene in The County. They put on a high energy performance with a song selection that has something for everyone! Located at Elementary Parking Lot. **Rain Location:** Elementary Gym.

**8:00-10:00 PM: Glow in the Dark "Capture the Flag"** Girls Soccer Field. **Liability Waiver will be required.** Contact at Ashli at 413-313-6419. Texting is acceptable.

**Fireworks: 9:00 pm**

**Saturday Night!!**  
**A HUGE Thank you to the Chandler Family of DC Farms for the use of their field by the Cell Tower. (Please respect the landowner & stay off that property)**  
**Rain Date: Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Major Sponsors: \$1,000 & UP**

**Northeast Packaging -Town of Washburn - Penobscot McCrum - Lidstone Methodist Church - Washburn Rotary**

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**Sunday, August 18, 2024**

**12:00-2:00:** Salmon Brook Historical Society will be open

**2:00 PM: The American Soldier - "A truthful, important one-man show that celebrates Americans of every class, ethnicity, and race who have fought for our freedoms"- Craig Lucas** (Tony Award-nominated playwright, An American in Paris, Light in the Piazza & Prelude to a Kiss)



**The American Soldier** is a piece of theatre made to honor our veterans and military families. Its goal is to say thank you to those who have served and sacrificed. The play is based on letters from veterans and their families, spanning the American Revolution to our recent wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The script has been crafted through extensive research & countless interviews w/ veterans & their family members.

The American Solider is decidedly not a political play, but rather a profoundly human story. It is a play that deepens our collective understanding of their experiences and remind us of what we all have in common as Americans.

**THIS IS DEFINITELY AN EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED!!!**

**Food Vendors:**

- The Maple Moose
- The Food Dudes
- Mimi's Smashed Food Truck
- Cheri's Wiener Wagon
- Scoops Ice Cream
- Funnel Cake Shack
- Mini Winnies-Historical Society
- Crouseville A.C. Church-Sandwich Shop (inside Elem Gym)
- Girl Scouts-Lemonade & Bake Sale
- Laurie Smythe-Doody-Beans & Hotdogs
- Troop 177-Baked Potatoes & Dough Boys
- 2025 Project Graduation-Strawberry Shortcake

**Porta-Potty/Bathroom Locations:**

- Gould Street
- Elem School Parking Lot
- School Street-Kids Area
- Historical Society Bathrooms will be available.
- Outdoor Bathroom at the Elementary School

Washburn August Festival was started back in 1981 by Charlene Drake, Marlene Whipkey, Nancy Conley & Brenda Devoe. Their hard work & dedication started a tradition which continues to this day. While Charlene & Marlene are having their own festival up in the sky, Nancy now resides in North Carolina, and Brenda Devoe is the only one of the original organizer who still lives in Washburn. Should you see Brenda around town, remind her how thankful we all are that her and three friends had such a wonderful idea. This has been a wonderful tradition that hopefully will continue to be a part of our little community.

**Flag Retirement Ceremony**  
**Tuesday, August 20th at the Veteran's Park**



**The Washburn Rotary Club**



**Proudly presents:**

**The 43rd Annual Washburn August Festival**

**"Embracing the Past..."**



**Celebrating the Future"**

**2024 Grand Marshal - The Washburn Fire Department**

The Washburn Fire Department was organized in 1916. A lot has changed since then. The Washburn Fire Dept remains a leader in providing the highest level of fire service to citizens of Washburn, Wade & Perham. There are 20 volunteer firefighters and many pieces of apparatus to assist in the variety of calls they receive.

They provide a wide range of emergency services including fire suppression, hazardous materials response, water rescue, wild-land fire suppression, vehicle extrication, & assist in medical emergencies in addition to public assists & mutual aid to surrounding communities. Public education is provided to all ages, which is the front line for keeping citizens safe.

**Former Chiefs through the years:**

Chief E.W. Higgins	Carroll Taylor
Guy Durepo	Jasper Umphrey
William Jardine	Lee Flanagan
Wilmington Churchill	Daryl Sperrey
Henry M. Russell	Arnie Devoe
Philip Libby	Troy Heald
V.M. Barker	

**The Current Roster:**

<b>Nate Allen, Chief</b>	Dave Savoy	Chandler Cole Jr.
<b>Chris McCoy, Asst. Chief</b>	Mike Matowitz	Castor Mendoza
Dale Morrison, Safety Inst.	Christian Forcier	Carson Cole
Brian Tozier	Bryan McCoy	Parker Sawyer
Geoffrey Skidgel	Daniel Pelletier	Derek Cruz
Justin Carney	Jeffrey Hackett	Damien Dumont
Justin Small	Brayden Fitzgerald	

**Congratulations to the Washburn Fire Department - Grand Marshal 2024**  
**www.washburnrotary.org**



## August Festival King & Queen "Gene & Londa Brown"

Gene grew up in Washburn. Londa hails from York, PA. They have lived in Washburn since 1975. They met thru a mutual friend, Clayton Blackstone. Both graduated from Bob Jones University and hold Masters Degrees, Gene in Guidance and Londa in Education w/focus in Library Science. Gene worked in Ashland, Presque Isle & Washburn. Londa worked in Caribou & Washburn. An important part of Gene's life was working with his Dad & Don Umphrey at Washburn Potato Co, then taking it over with Bob Umphrey.

In retirement they enjoy gardening, riding their ATV, reading, & spending time with their grandchildren. Gene also enjoys watching wildlife.

Londa makes quilts for family, is on the library board, collaborated with Louise Cole in 150<sup>th</sup> History of Washburn, and recently directed & narrated "Almost Murder" (a play to raise funds for August Festival).

Gene & Londa have both experienced severe illness, however, they have traveled to Europe four times with students from Presque Isle & Washburn, celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in Alaska, & would still like to travel more.

***In conclusion, with their hearts full of memories, their matching statement was....."We Miss the Kids"!!***

### Friday, August 16th

**The Washburn Memorial Library - BOOK SALE:** Tues. Aug. 13th-15th 9:30-4:00 the Library will be hosting a Book Sale. All sales will be by donation & all proceeds will go towards the Children's Library.

**9am-5pm: Friday-Washburn Memorial Library: "Fudge & Fiction"** The book sale continues along with the sale of delicious fudge!

**12:00-4:30 PM: The Washburn Library will be hosting Artist "Michael Albert".** This is a **FREE** event and open to all ages. Stop by to make a piece of fun art. American Pop Artist, Michael Albert was born & raised on Long Island, New York. He graduated from Lawrence High School & New York University with a business degree and currently lives & works in White Plains, New York. Albert is the author of an artist autobiography titled, "An Artist's America" (Henry Holt, 2008) and is nationally known for making collage artworks from Cereal Boxes & other printed cardboard consumer brand packages.

**Washburn High School Alumni Banquet: 5:00 pm Social Hour, 6:00 pm Banquet** Please bring a salad, casserole or dessert along with your own place setting. Beans & Rolls will be provided. Donations accepted & go towards the Alumni Scholarship Fund. Anyone who has attended WDHS & their guests are welcome to attend.

**5:00-8:00 PM: Salmon Brook Historical Society Museum Opens.** Walk through the barn to see all of the Ag History of Washburn and Surrounding Communities.

**6:00-9:00 PM:**

**New Realm** Located in the Elementary Parking Lot. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the sounds of Harold & Elise. **NEW REALM** plays both catchy originals & cover tunes. Original members & partners for 17+ years, Harold Olmstead III & Elise Sproul, are known for their entertaining performances, tight harmonies, versatility & evocative vocals. Harold plays guitar, harmonica or fiddle and Elise plays guitar, banjo, dobro, fiddle, flute or bass. Many of their songs have a western or rural theme. **NEW REALM** has won several 1st place awards through DECMA (Down East Country Music Assoc.), performed with various, very, accomplished musicians & also played for VIP parties in Wyoming during "Longmire Days" where the Longmire actors of the Netflix TV series "Longmire" attended. They also appear on an episode of "Horse TV" where you see and hear them playing for the ranch guests at Rich's Montana Guest Ranch in Seeley Lake, MT.



### Friday, August 16 (Con't)

**8:30 PM: Family Movie Night-Featuring "Courageous"** Located out behind The Historical Barn on the Soccer Field, Sponsored by: **Intervention Church.** Bring a blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy popcorn, Cotton Candy & a beverage. Rain Location: **Rec Center. Donations will be accepted.**

### Saturday, August 17, 2024

**6:00-9:00 AM: Breakfast - Washburn Trail Runners Club House.** Cost **\$10.00 per person.** Get your morning started off on the right foot! Scrambled Eggs, Choice of Bacon or Sausage, French Toast & Home Fries. Choice of Drink: Milk, Juice, Coffee or Tea. **Hope to see you all there!!**

**7:00 AM: Crafters Set Up "Elementary School Parking Lot"** Setup starts at 7:00 AM. Craft sales open at 8:00 AM

**8:00AM-3:00PM: Quilt Show (Closed during the Parade) Washburn Elementary Gym (Right next to the Craft Fair. "Stitchin n Givin"** is a small local group of women making quilts for Hospice of Aroostook, Aroostook House of Comfort and to donate as comfort quilts for friends and neighbors in need. We are sharing what we do. We have small quilt kits to sell and appreciate donations for the purchase of batting. Stop by to check us out & visit. Two of our members will also be selling Diamond Pictures in the lobby during our show.

**8:30 AM: Parade Line-Up - High School Parking Lot.** Contact Donna Turner 227-2663

**9:00-Noon: Washburn Memorial Library "Fudge & Fiction"** continues. Come browse through our book sale and don't forget to purchase some of that delicious fudge! **By Donation!**

**9:00-2:00 PM: Salmon Brook Historical Society Museum Opens.** Walk through the museum and enjoy the wonderful history of Washburn. While visiting the Museum today check out the **Rope Making Demonstration** by Peter Wilcox using the equipment of Henry Drost of Wade. Also a **Blacksmith Demonstration** by: Eugene Katsman. Both of these demonstrations will begin around noon.

**9:00 AM-2:00 PM: 3rd Annual Dana Woodman Classic/Vintage/Antique Car & Truck Show.** Washburn Elementary Parking Lot. Door Prizes (drawn at 12:30 PM) Dash Magnets for the first 25 entrants!! Contact Keith Brown - 227-8193

**10:00 AM: Parade Begins**

### Events Following the Parade:

**Kids Carnival sponsored by the Washburn Fire Department & the Ladies Auxiliary: SPLASH PAD!!!** Bounce Houses, Dunking Booth, Plinko, Football Toss Game for Older & Younger Kids, a Dinosaur Dig for the Littles, Rain Gutter boat race, a Lollipop Tree, along with other games. Also come tour a fire truck!! Located on School St.

**GIANT WATER SLIDE:** On the hill beside the High School. Liability Waiver will be required.

**11:00 AM-3:00 PM: Hoss & Lurleen:** Enjoy their Country Sounds. Bring a lawn chair or enjoy listening while browsing through the Craft Vendors.

**12:00 PM Start: Antique Tractor Pulls:** Washburn District High School Dirt Road

**1:00 PM: Washburn Area Veterans Memorial Park.** There will be an unveiling and dedication of our five and a half foot Battle Cross in honor of our 27 service members that lost their lives in battle from the Civil War to Vietnam. Also all Veterans Bricks placed in the Brickyard since last August Festival will be dedicated by name.

**Also:** 20th Maine Company B Civil War Reenactors will have an encampment in Story park throughout the weekend with live demonstrations for visitors.

**2:00 PM: Cornhole Tournament:** Washburn Elementary Parking Lot. (After the Car Show). Registration is at 1:30, Bags fly at 2:00 PM. \$20.00 Per Team, Double Elimination, **Winner Takes All!! To sign up call/text Josh 207-538-6603.**

**4:00-6:00 (or sold out) Methodist Church will sponsor a Pig Roast Dinner** "Pick Up & Go" Curbside TAKE-OUT Only at the Methodist Church parking lot. Price is by donation! Pulled pork, homemade BBQ sauce, macaroni salad, coleslaw, baked beans, a roll & dessert. **Call or text Amy 540-4606 to reserve your meals & pick-up time.**

### Washburn District High School 2024 Athletic Hall of Fame.

11 athletes, Ron Ericson as coach, Camille "Doc" Albert, posthumously, as school administrator, and the 1985 WDHS State Champion Girls Basketball Team headline this inaugural Hall of Fame class. The induction ceremony will be held on **Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 6 pm, W.D.H.S. Camille "Doc" Albert Gymnasium.**

#### Other Inductees Include:

Carsyn Koch, Mackenzie Worcester, Joan Overman, Dawn Oldmixon, Kim Richardson, Meredith Hews, Jason Thompson, Trent Cunningham, Greg Sponberg, Carmen Bragg, Mitchell Worcester.