



December 17 - January 6, 2020

E-MAIL: vinalhavenwind@gmail.com

WIND gift certificates are available. \$15 for three months or \$50 for a year. Send check to:

**The WIND, PO Box 194,
Vinalhaven, Maine 04863**

If you want us to send your certificate, please include the address of the recipient. If you want to send it yourself, include your address. Thank you and enjoy the holidays!

Community Calendar

Email events to:
windnonprofitads@gmail.com



The WIND
will not blow for the
weeks of Dec. 24-30 and
Dec. 31-Jan. 6, 2021

The entire staff of the WIND
wishes you and yours a healthy,
happy holiday season.



Thank You Essential Workers!

We would like to dedicate
this edition of the WIND
to all our community
members who are
working tirelessly to keep
Vinalhaven safe during the
Covid-19 pandemic.

Many changes have come
to us on Vinalhaven, and
we owe a great debt of
gratitude to so many. Our
essential workers helped
us face the challenges of
2020. From our steadfast
medical staff to our shop
keepers, our educators,
various church groups,
restaurant workers,
town office employees,
policemen, firefighters,
EMTs, Eldercare workers,
town crew, F.I.E.C. team,
and countless others. We
appreciate the hard work,
time, and effort you have
given to this community.

We know the work is not
done, but, together, we'll
get it done.



Happy Birthday Louie!
Celebrated with friends
at Good Things Café.

Photo credit Jeannie Conway

WHY DO WE WISH PEOPLE “HAPPY HOLIDAYS?”

From Nov 1 to January 15, there
are approximately 29 holidays
observed by 7 of the world's major
religions, and we should include
everyone with a warm greeting and
wish for the season.



Town of Vinalhaven Information

www.townofvinalhaven.org

Meetings

Committee meetings have been postponed, are being held virtually, or are hybrid with both in-person and zoom attendance. The Select Board meets every two weeks. Meetings are delivered virtually from our Facebook page: facebook.com/townofvinalhaven and recordings are posted to the Town's YouTube Channel – **Town of Vinalhaven**.

Select Board – Virtual Meeting, Tuesday, December 22, 5:30pm Contact Andrew Dorr, Town Manager for Zoom login information townmanager@townofvinalhaven.org

Town Office and Town Services Closed, Friday, December 25

Town Office and Town Services Closed, Friday, January 1, 2021

Notices

Property Taxes 2020-2021 Property Taxes are due on November 2nd, 2020 and May 3rd, 2021. Interest began on November 3rd, 2020 for the November payment. Please call the Town Office for an interest figure before mailing payment (207) 863-4471

CEO/LPI Faye Grant is in the office most days 9am-12pm. The town office is not open to walk-ins so contact 863-2168 or vhceo@townofvinalhaven.org to schedule an appointment.

Single-Stream Recycling #1-7 rigid plastics, tin, aluminum, glass, paper, cardboard. \$10 Recycling Totes available at the Town Office.

Food Scrap Composting collection bin located near the household trash container at the Transfer Station. How-To Brochures available at townofvinalhaven.org. Free Composting Pails available at the Town Office and Transfer Station.

Hours of Operation & Contact Information*

***The Town Office is open to the public. Limit one person in the office, two in the waiting area. Please wear a mask. All services are also available over the phone, by email, or online—please contact the Town Office for further information.**

Town Office – Mon–Fri 7:30am–5pm – 863-4471 or 863-4343; Fax: 863-4393

*Please note that the Town Office now has a physical mailing address in place of the PO Box: Vinalhaven Town Office, 19 Washington School Rd., Vinalhaven, ME 04863

Town Manager – Andrew J. Dorr – 863-2042; 266-7806;
townmanager@townofvinalhaven.org

Town Clerk – Darlene M. Candage – 863-4343; townclerk@townofvinalhaven.org

Deputy Town Clerk – Tanya Robishaw – 863-4343; deputyclerk@townofvinalhaven.org

Assessor – Wes Robinson – Hours vary, contact 863-2168 or vinalhavenassessor@gmail.com to set up an appointment

Code Enforcement Officer / Local Plumbing Inspector – Faye Grant – M-F, 9am-12pm contact 863-2168 or vhceo@townofvinalhaven.org to set up an appointment

Planning and Community Development – Gabe McPhail – Hours vary, contact 863-2168 or gmcphail@townofvinalhaven.org to set up an appointment

Welfare Program – Call 863-2042 or 266-7806 to set up an appointment

Public Works / Town Garage – 863-2063

Library – Scott Candage – Tues & Thurs 1-5pm; Wed & Fri 9am-12pm, 1-5pm; Sat 9am-4pm; Sun & Mon Closed – 863-4401 or vp1@vnhaven.lib.me.us

Transfer Station – Kenny Martin – Sun, Mon, Wed & Thurs – 7:30am-4pm – 863-4306

Fire Department – Marc Candage – Emergency 911; Non-Emergency 863-4604 or mcandage@townofvinalhaven.org

Ambulance Service – Kerry McKee – Emergency 911; Non-Emergency 863-2119 or kmckee@townofvinalhaven.org

Knox County Deputy – Emergency 911; Non-Emergency 593-9132

Animal Control Officer/Harbor Master – James Knowlton – 756-0209

Public Health Officer – Jen Desmond – Contact the Town Office – 863-2042

Deputy Harbor Master – Peter Gasperini – 542-1992



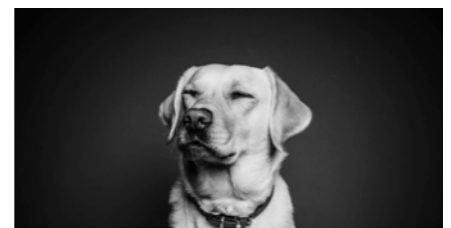
*Looking for
the Perfect
Gift?*



**Boat
Stickers and
Hunting Licenses
Now available for 2021!**

Call or stop by the Town Office
to get yours.

*Pssst.... Dump Stickers make
great stocking stuffers!*



**DON'T FORGET TO
REGISTER ME!**

**2021 DOG REGISTRATIONS
DUE JANUARY 31, 2021**

\$6 for altered dogs

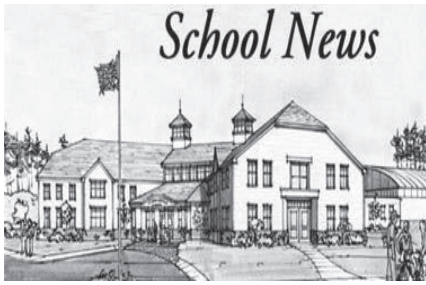
\$11 for unaltered dogs

Rabies immunization must be current on the date license is issued. If our records show immunization is not current, you must provide proof of current immunization before a license can be issued.

\$25 late fee starts

February 1st, 2021

**Call or stop by the Town
Office FMI
(207) 863-4343**



22 Arcola Lane 863.4800

www.vinalhavenschool.org

Friend us on facebook. Find us as
"The Vinalhaven School"

Important Dates for Parents:

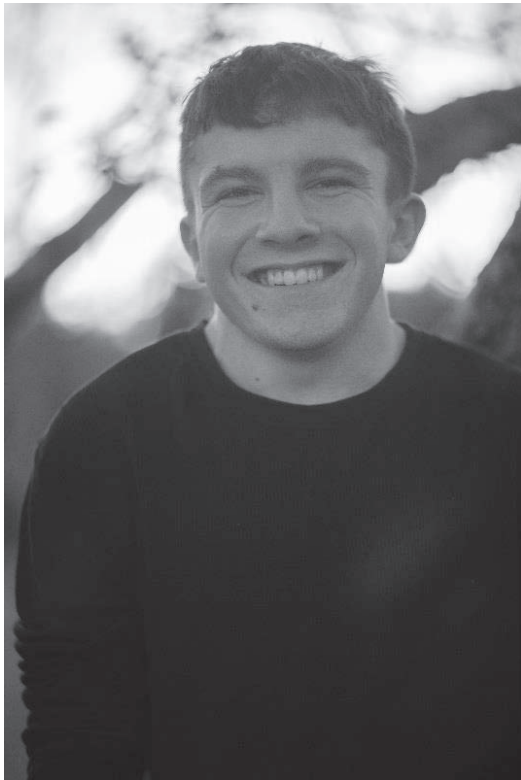
There will be an early
release on Tuesday,
December 22nd.

Christmas break
December 23 → Jan. 3



Senior Profile

Class of 2021



Name: Hunter Raymond Ames

Age/birthday: 17 Jan. 8, 2003

Parents/siblings: Kate Bennard, Lavon Ames,
Hannah, Dillon

Hobbies: Basketball, hanging with friends, working
out

Favorite book/movie/TV show: Wolf of Wall
Street

Write about a favorite childhood memory: When
Hannah shot the mirror out of Dad's truck.

**If you could spend one year after school doing
anything you want, where and what would it be?**
U.S.M.C.

Favorite athlete (s)/sports team(s): Boston
Celtics, Jayson Tatum

**If you could visit one place in the world, where
would it be and why?** Italy, France or Poland,
because they seem like cool countries to visit.

Favorite song/band: Morgan Wallen

Favorite animal(s): Meerkat

Just for fun I: Play COD with the boys.

Favorite H.S. course (s): Art, or freshman year
study hall with Elijah and Jordan.

Best school memory: "We got 'em right where we
want 'em, boys!"

**In school what would you be voted most likely to
do?** Show up late to graduation.

**If you could spend one day with someone living
or dead, who would it be, and why?** Keven Hart
because he is funny.

Future plans: Go into the Marines until I retire
and then come back and haul.

Senior Profile

Class of 2021



Name: Autumn Ruth Oxton

Age/birthday: 18, 11-11-2002

Parents/siblings: Timothy Oxton (Dad), Colette Oxton (Mom), Joe Martin (Brother), Ivy Oxton (Sister)

Hobbies: Hobbies: Snowmobiling, four-wheeling, Anything to do with family and the outdoors, bonus if it has a motor.

Favorite book/movie/TV show: Book: The wooden nickel. Movie: Me before you. TV show: Trailer park boys.

Write about a favorite childhood memory: When I was little I beat my cousin over the head with a helmet because he wouldn't wear it on the four-wheeler. (I feel like now he would have been better off just to fall off the four-wheeler).

If you could spend one year after school doing anything you want, where and what would it be? I would travel the U.S. and visit all my family and friends before I start my journey of adulthood.

Favorite athlete (s)/sports team(s): Bruce Cook (paraplegic dirt bike rider) Travis Pastrana (Nitro Circus)

If you could visit one place in the world, where would it be and why? Sea Glass Beach and Black Bay Beach. Ireland Island, Bermuda because I love sea glass and I think it would be interesting.

Favorite song/band: Forever after all by Luke Combs

Favorite animal(s): Hedgehogs and Chocolate Labs

Favorite Food: My mom's homemade lobster ravioli.

Just for fun I: Hang out with my parents.

Favorite H.S. course (s): All of them! (Welding, Firefighting, CNA, Auto Collision, Math, History, English) Who knew I'd turn out to actually like school!

Best school memory: When my Uncle Eric missed a day to haul just to go on my field trip to Perry's creek with me (It's the little things in life).

In school what would you be voted most likely to do? Be the most helpful and honest person

If you could spend one day with someone living or dead, who would it be, and why? I would spend one day with both my grandfathers in heaven because I have never met one of them and lost the other when I was 11.

Future plans: I start college at Aveda Institute in Augusta for the cosmetology program three days after graduation. I plan to go back later in life to get my certificate to also teach cosmetology.

VINALHAVEN CAMPAIGN FOR COMMUNITY BROADBAND



This winter the Town of Vinalhaven's Fox Islands Broadband Task Force will be hosting virtual activities and events to build community consensus on how to bring high speed internet to every home on the island. Join us!

Community EVENTS

**6pm Wednesday
December 30**
Live on Zoom
and Facebook

Join FIBTF members and representatives from other area communities to talk about the challenges and benefits of building and operating a broadband network.

To join on Zoom,
contact **Gabe McPhail**

**gmcpmail@
townofvinalhaven.org**

207-952-1817

Here's how you can get involved

Take the Broadband Speed Test

A Maine Broadband Coalition project, the broadband speed test is a simple way to register your internet speed by location. The data collected is used to map an accurate picture of current and changing internet access in Maine.

www.mainebroadbandcoalition.org/speed-test-info

Share Your Stories.

What are your internet challenges? How would having fast reliable internet be a game changer for you?

Let us know. Contact Janann Sherman

janannsherman@gmail.com

Be a Broadband Champion.

Read the **2020 Broadband Report**. (Go to **www.townofvinalhaven.org** and look for "**Join the Vinalhaven Broadband Conversation**" on the homepage.)

Talk to friends and family who may not support broadband; listen and learn why. Share what you know and why you believe broadband is critical.

Want to learn more? Contact Janann **janannsherman@gmail.com**
or Gabe **gmcpmail@townofvinalhaven.org**

Santa Claus is Coming to Town!!



When: **December 19, 2020**

Where: **Vinalhaven School**

How: **Drive Up/Curbside**

Details: Santa will be behind a table (that will hold the goody boxes) to keep kiddos socially distanced. We ask that you help the line move along as quickly as possible allowing for a couple pictures! Santa looks forward to seeing you all!!



Ho! Ho! Ho!

Thanks so much.

Denise Hopkins, Vinalhaven Firemen's Association Secretary



HAVE A COVID-SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON


 Holiday gatherings with family and friends are a beloved part of the winter season but can increase the chances of getting or spreading COVID-19. The safest way to celebrate the Holidays this year is to keep gatherings limited to just your household or pod.* 

Know the Risk. Act Wisely.



Lower Risk

- Staying home; traveling only if it's essential
- Restricting close contact (15+ minutes) to only those from your household or pod*
- Wearing a mask in public
- Washing your hands often
- Cleaning and disinfecting surfaces
- Celebrating outdoors where there is plenty of ventilation



Higher Risk

- Traveling off and to the island (Note: testing and quarantine are required when traveling to and from any state other than NH or VT)
- Being in close contact with those not in your household or pod
- Not following CDC Guidelines
- Celebrating indoors with limited ventilation

*A pod is a small group of a few people, committed to abiding by Maine and CDC COVID-19 safety guidelines and who limit their close contacts to only each other in order to mutually protect their health.

For US CDC Winter Holiday Guidance go to
www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays/winter.html



Islands Community
Medical Services

Our Medical Center

Medical Center Information

www.icmsvh.org

Medical Services: 863-4341

Dental Services: 863-2533

Counseling: 863-9959

Billing: 863-4348

Hours of Operation

Medical Services

**Mon, Wed, Fri: 8:00 am – 12 noon,
1 pm – 4 pm**

Tues: 1 pm – 4 pm

Thurs: 8:00 am – 12 noon

Closed Tues. AM and Thurs. PM

Dental Services

Dentist: December 16,17,30,31

Hygienist: December 17,18,21,31

Office:

Physical Therapy

To schedule an appointment,
please call 863-4341

Counseling

Dan Keniston, LCSW

Jeff Wilber, LCSW

To schedule an appointment,

Please call 863-9959

Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment &

Acupuncture

To schedule an appointment, please call
863-4341.

Stuart Damon, DO December 18

Women's Health

To schedule an appointment,
please call 863-4341.

Cathy Colman, ANP: December 4th

**To reach the provider on call dial 863-4341
and your call will be forwarded to the
answering services. They will take your call
and page the provider on call for you.**

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ICMS receives HHS funding & has federal PHS
deemed status with respect to certain health or
health-related claims, including medical malpractice
claims, for itself and covered individuals.

ICMS is a 501(c) 3 and contributions to ICMS are tax
exempt. This health center is a Health Center
Program grantee under 42 USC 254b, and a
deemed Public Health Service employee under 42
USC 233(g)-(n).



Islands Community
Medical Services

Our Medical Center

Great news! You can now pay your ICMS bill
online. You will need your account number, which
is on your statement, name and email address. The
address to make a payment is
pay.instamed.com/icmsvh.

If you have any questions or concerns, please
contact the Billing Department at 207-863-4348.

Thank you.



Having a hard time? Not sure who to talk to?

Remember, the Medical Center is here for you with trained
therapists available to help you through difficult times.

You can reach **Jeff Wilber, LCSW** at **(207) 449-9448**
or **Dan Keniston, LCSW, (207) 837-4057**

We have appointments available by telemedicine through
Zoom. We are offering a **free visit** for anyone who is
struggling during these challenging times.

You can call Jeff or Dan directly.

If you have any questions or concerns,
please contact Dinah Moyer at
dmoyer@icmsvh.org or (207) 863-4109



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

DECEMBER 24TH 4:00 pm

**Union Church and Pleasant River Chapel invite
everyone to join in this service of music and
scripture on Zoom**

“Doors” will open at 3:30 pm

**This is your chance to be part of Vinalhaven’s
Christmas celebration**

To join the Zoom meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82578913586>

For more information call Carol Thompson at 207.863.4110

Island Christmas Porridge

In the cold wee hours here
there is nothing like oatmeal
raisins and milk
So good the distraction of
food while waiting for the
heat to come up in this house
that Grinch might have built
n rebuilt. We shrink from frost
together the house and I
Like me it draws up its knees
for warmth, tightens the way
I tighten when I should be
loose, when I could be
circulating like blood
celebrating the joy in life
unfurling like a wing so large
it might carry the weight
of Santa, reindeer and all.

Paddy Noble

Annie Boyden

As we celebrate this holiday season, we remember all the joy that Annie provided to this island community with her music, her songs and theater productions, especially at The Arc, which she founded with her husband Perry.

On this island she found kindred spirits in islanders who wanted to participate in the exhilaration that comes with sharing song. Playing the piano at the Mill Race with Perry and others, making music on the Fourth of July Floats, or simply getting groups to sing together at The Boyden Farm, was simply who she was. And, of course, her loyal husband Perry, and her large extended family were all a part of the party. She loved her husband and large family and the possibility for large events, and community involvement. Whatever project she took on, Annie gave her full attention – from gardening, Farmer's Markets, politics, it all was important.

Annie was a free spirit, and inspired us all to nurture peace, the joy of music, and to pursue an active commitment to our island community her whole life.

She will be greatly missed by all of us.

Michele O'Keefe

A Good Time

Sometimes New Yorkers have to lower the sensitivity of their senses just to make it through the day. If it isn't the City's constant resonance, the soiled smells, the mist of grime or the twilight rats, the City will offer up many things that nauseate newcomers. Nothing seems to be more in a complete package for us to disengage our senses than the street person. Last week as I turned the corner walking to my morning coffee house I ran into an experience. Three feet from me was a Chinese man on his knees praying to a statue of Mary. Through the Churches Fence he was pleading with her in his native tongue. I glimpsed at his shopping cart half full with empty bottles and plastic bags. An unfamiliar affection overwhelmed my character, it touched me, I felt humbled. I reached into my pocket and pressed a wad of money into his hand. He immediately fell to the ground and began to cry while thanking me! I wasn't ready for this: I'm a hard ass New Yorker, as I choked up I countered, "No, I thank you " For some reason, I benefited from this unexpected encounter. When I turned back, I saw that he had returned to the statue of Mary with tears flowing, and was thanking her for his good fortune. I realized that day that we have Six senses, one of which we have no on or off switch ----- Compassion. Even in New York every so often "Life is Good."

Richard Flagg

Jingle Bells Toy or Game

In the past, community members have purchased the toy or game component to Jingle Bells. We realize this unique year presents a new experience for Christmas shopping. We still need your help for Jingle Bells to be possible. If you are able to help us by purchasing a toy or game, please stop by Good Things to view the list of toys needed or contact Holly Sault at Good Things Coffee House 207.363.3423. Many of the toys could be purchased right here on the island. Toys will need to be dropped off to Holly by 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 18th. Thanks for your help!

Feeling Low? Reach Out for Help

ICMS offers behavioral health services. Contact **Jeff Wilber**, LCSW at (207) 449-9448 or **Dan Keniston**, LCSW, (207) 837-4057

Maine Statewide Crisis Hotline 24/7 for immediate crisis-oriented help **1-888-568-1112**

Maine Warm Line 24/7 for connecting with someone if you need mental and emotional support **1-866-771-9276**

How You Can Help donate to local service groups

Community Lunchbox

Union Church, attn: Lunchbox
PO Box 249

Checks payable to Union Church
Memo line: Lunchbox

Meals on Wheels

VES attn: Meals on Wheels,
PO Box 624

Checks payable to VES
Memo Line: Meals on Wheels

Vinalhaven Community Outreach

PO Box 15

Checks payable to VCO Memo line:
Covid-19

Open Bible Baptist Church Corona Virus Relief Fund (CVRF)

Open Bible Baptist Church attn: CVRF
PO Box 465

Checks payable to Open Bible Baptist
Church, Memo line: CVRF

Vinalhaven Fuel Fund

Sue Radley
attn: Vinalhaven Fuel Fund
14 Lawson's Quarry Rd

Checks payable to Vinalhaven Fuel
Fund

The Brown Door at the Union Church

Union Church
attn: Food Pantry
PO Box 249

Checks payable to Union Church
Memo line: Food Pantry

All = Vinalhaven, ME 04863



Come, woo me, woo me; for now
I am in holiday humor and like
enough to consent.

—William Shakespeare

Vinalhaven Community Outreach

**We need your help and we're
here to help you**

We have set up a COVID-19
fund to help islanders who
have been directly, financially
affected by this virus.

**Donations may be mailed to
VCO, PO Box 15, Vinalhaven.**

Please mark Covid-19 in the
memo

If you need help, and fit our
criteria, please contact us by
email

vhcommunityoutreach@gmail
.com

Thank you.

We are a 501 (c) 3 organization

Trivia Questions

1. Which American President banned Christmas trees in the White House?
2. Stollen is the traditional fruit cake of what country?
3. What Christmas treat has diced fruit and spices and once contained meat?

Maine Trivia

How many years has the
Rockland trap tree been
constructed?

LIFE SKILLS LESSONS

Parents and Guardians:

*Teach your child/children the
importance of gratitude.*

*Ask your child/children to send a
thank you note to those who gave
them a Christmas gift. It will mean
a lot to the gift giver.*



December on Vinalhaven

Story Trail

There is a new book on the Story Trail, *The Hat*, written and illustrated by Jan Brett. It is a sweet heart-warming winter tale for readers of all ages. Books on the Story Trail are in partnership with Our Island Reads, which promotes literacy on Vinalhaven.

Preserve Hikes

Hikes are one of the activities that can be done safely with those friends we miss spending time with. Dress warm, in layers that can be removed as needed, stay hydrated, remember the limited daylight, and enjoy! Marcuse Wetlands Preserve is our featured preserve this week.

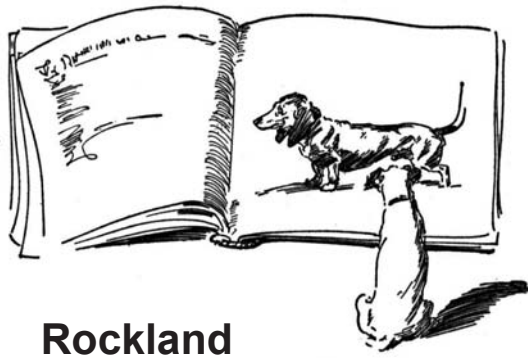
Winter Solstice

Monday, December 21st is the shortest day of the year, and a great night for stargazing. A rare event will also occur, the conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn. A telescope or binoculars will help.

Merchandise and Gift Memberships

Shop locally! Visit our website to purchase hats, notecards, canvas bags, gift memberships, and more!

vinalhavenlandtrust.org/vlt-merchandise



Rockland Animal Hospital

Dr. Caron will be on the island on **Jan. 7 and Jan. 28, 2021**

Clinics are held upstairs at the Old Fire Hall

Call 207-594-5850
to schedule an appointment

Kids Trivia

1. Who once stole Christmas?
2. What soda company often uses Santa Claus in their Christmas advertising?
3. Approximately how many turkeys are sold in the U.S. during the Christmas season?

PAPER WINDS!

We are now printing paper copies of the WIND for all our subscribers!

We want to make sure that anyone who wants a copy is able to get one. (The WIND will continue to be online, as well). The average cost of one paper, including printing and postage is \$1.70.

If you would be interested in a 3 month subscription, please send \$15.00 to:

The WIND
PO Box 194
Vinalhaven, ME 04863

Thank you!

SECOND HAND PROSE

Now open
with the usual safety
measures in place

We have
gently used books
rare books
kids books
holiday books
craft books
cook books
puzzles
classical music CDs

...all good things for
the long winter

OPEN
Thu-Sat
10-2

Let's all do what we can
to stay healthy!

Vinalhaven Historical Society

We have signed copies of Walt
White's latest book:

Island Hoops & Scratches
for sale at the Museum. \$40

Also available:

Remember When I & II (a collection of oral histories)

Horse Nets, Holliwaggers, & Littlefield Blue (and everything else you need to know about Vinalhaven)

Bodwell & Webster Papers and
From the Beginning by Ken Reiss

See vinalhavenhistoricalsociety.org
for more titles and info! Email
vhhissoc@myfairpoint.net or call
863-4410 to order and arrange pick-up.

Ask Etta

When you don't know who else to ask.... Ask Etta

Dear Etta,

I have a close friend, "Abbie" who has been dear to me for close to 50 years. We have shared so much together; births, marriages, deaths of loved ones, divorces, watching our grandchildren grow up, traveling, and so on. We are now separated by many miles, so we text and phone each other regularly. The problem is Abbie's family has been financially very successful, and while I am pleased about this (truly I am), it has become the main focus of all our conversations. I can hardly "get a word in" as she goes on and on about where her family is traveling, what they purchase and how much it costs, their philanthropy (also very good), the homes they have in various parts of the country, etc. I am not one to boast about the virtues of my family, so I do not interject with anything to try to steer the conversation in another direction. This is truly wearing me out! Please help me with any suggestions. I don't want to lose the friendship, just have more meaningful two-sided conversations.

Signed,

Let's talk about something else

Dear Let's talk about something else,

How very fortunate you are to have sustained such a wonderful friendship for so long. With your longstanding and deeply personal history together, it seems odd that money and the privileges it brings have become the focus of Abbie's conversations with you. Makes me wonder if Abbie is keeping the conversation superficial because something is not so great in her world and she doesn't want to damage the image, hers and yours, of 'her perfect life'. She knows if the conversation veers into personal territory with you, that you know her well enough to know when something is up...or down, as it might be. I suggest that you call Abbie and remind her of the length, breadth and value of her friendship and then tell her that you miss having the personal and meaningful conversation that have been such an important part of your friendship. Ask her if she has the time to hear a bit about your last ... pick a time frame...month, year, several years...whatever seems appropriate. Then share your story and make it personal and candid, include highs and lows. I am betting she will respond in kind. If she goes right back to the money and success theme, hear her out and accept the fact that your friend Abbie has moved on and is content to have a more superficial relationship with you. You can decide if you want it that way. Maybe she is just not available for a deeper connection or more meaningful conversation. Sometimes even long standing relationships wither and they surely do, when intimacy and mutuality are absent.

Always,

Etta

Need Advice? Ask Etta at vhasketta@gmail.com

TAX MEN SEEK RENTAL IN FEBRUARY

We will be on the Island during the first 2 weeks of February to service our tax clients and need to find a rental with space for interviewing and lodging.

Two adjacent units in the center of Town preferred, with internet/wifi access, but will consider others.

Please call Joe Kruk at (617) 645-8354



*Tidbits from
the Vinalhaven Historical Society*

It is rumored that a few courses of the Harlem Bridge will be cut of Dushane Hill and Diamond Rock Granite, the cutting to be done at the quarries mentioned. The Harlem River Bridge parties are so favorably impressed with the B. G. Co.'s granite, its cutting and their superior knowledge of the business, that it has been left to their judgement to select a certain portion of the bridge trimmings, and no doubt the two quarries mentioned will be their choice as the stock very closely resembles each other.

Vinalhaven Echo December 1, 1887

Efforts to raise the 42-foot power-driven fishing smack Adeliade, which foundered on Heron Neck Ledge Saturday have been temporarily abandoned because of rough water. The boat, which had returned from fishing off Matinicus Island, ran on the rocks when the steering gear broke. Owner Birger Magnuson, and his crew, Fred Healey and Leslie Thomas, all of Vinalhaven rowed to safety. A year ago, Magnuson's son Carl was washed overboard from the ill-fated Adelaide near Seal Island and drowned.

Courier-Gazette September 19, 1938

**Student Leaders Named By Classes of '52 and '53
at Vinalhaven High School**

Class elections at Vinalhaven High School have placed Doris Dyer at the helm of the Sophomore class and Anne Webster in the same position for the first year students. Serving with Dyer on the Sophomore staff is Norma Whittington as vice president; Ethelyn Webb as secretary and Lawrence Philbrook as treasurer.

Freshman officers with President Webster are, Timothy Lane, vice president; Doris Skoog, secretary, and Jean Peterson, Treasurer.

The Sophomores welcomed a new member of the class at the opening of school this year, Cameron Rae, formerly of Newton, Mass.

Courier-Gazette 1952



Breakfast Casserole

Start a new Christmas tradition!
Prepare this dish on Christmas Eve and enjoy it Christmas morning, before, during or after unwrapping gifts.

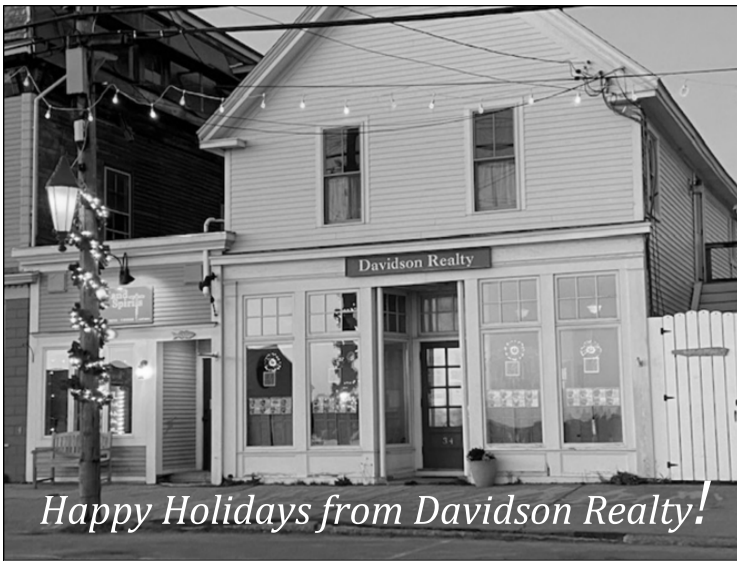
1. Butter 6 slices white bread and line the bottom of a 9x13 inch pan with them.
2. Saute 1 pound link sausage until brown.
3. Cut into bite-sized pieces. Sprinkle on top of bread.
4. Spread 10 oz. shredded cheddar cheese over bread and sausage.
5. Next, beat 6 extra large eggs together until well mixed.
6. Add 2 cups half and half, salt and pepper to taste.
7. Pour this mixture over cheese. Refrigerate overnight..
8. In the morning remove from Refrigerator and let it stand for 15 minutes.
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Thursday, December 26, 1918

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But the peace Christmas came sooner than was expected and today the fighting has ceased and the world is only awaiting a peace conference to officially end the great world war.

"Peace on earth, good will to men." Upon how fully this Christmas sentiment is carried out, both at the peace table and in the domestic affairs of nations of the world at the close of the great war will depend the permanency of the peace which is to follow.

The spirit of brotherhood as taught by the Master nearly 2000 years ago must have its sway in the hearts of men sufficiently to soften deceit and treachery on the part of the conquered and undue arrogance on the part of the victorious, and it must also break down the spirit of class and caste in the domestic affairs of all of the nations of the world, if peace is to be permanent.

The peace on earth of which the angels sang to the shepherds long ago is only possible to men of good will. A League of Nations to be successful must be based upon national and individual good will.

Article from Knox Messenger, Rockland, Maine. Bleak House Archives, December 2020.



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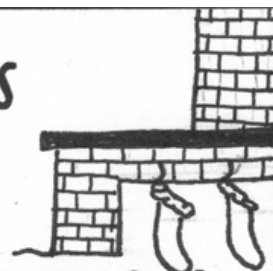
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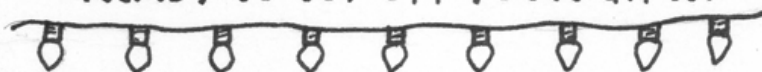
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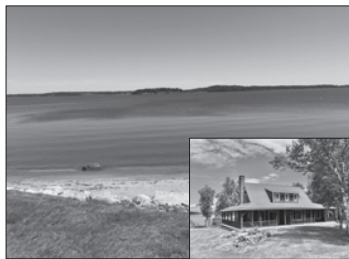
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Round Up for the Grange will begin Monday, November 2 at Carver's Harbor Market.

Special thanks to Carver's Harbor Market and to all who round up to benefit the Grange!

Pleasant River Grange #492

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Trivia Answers

1. Theodore Roosevelt
2. Germany
3. Fruit cake

Maine Trivia

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