

Community Calendar

Tuesdays & Thursdays,
Volleyball (ages high school
through adult), 6 – 8 pm, VHS
Gym

Wednesdays, Meals on Wheels,
deliveries 11:30

Email events
to: windnonprofitads@gmail.com

Kids Trivia Answers

- 1 Knox
- 2 MV Everett Libby
- 3 Yes, from 1908-1909
- 4 A steam fire engine and is housed in the Old Fire Hall.
- 5 The Wind

Adult Trivia Answers

- 1 The Pioneer
- 2 1914
- 3 Wharff's Quarry
- 4 1918, no ships could bring in food/supplies for many days.
- 5 Elder Littlefield Blue



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Spring!

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Ferry/Airstrip connections.
Here and there on Vinalhaven.
By reservation or by chance.
Jeanne Bineau-Ames

~APRIL AWARENESS MONTH~

AUTISM ACCEPTANCE
CELEBRATE DIVERSITY
KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL

Food Pantry Friday, April 5th.
1-3pm, Union Church Vestry.
Please bring your own bags.

Monday Lunchbox...
has begun. Lunch starts at
11:30pm, each Monday.
Good Food & Conversation!

Island Spirits

Hand-selected wine, cheese, a
large selection of Maine craft
beer, locally roasted coffee
beans, Maine raised meats,
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From 11-5

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From a 1939 Maine Seafoods
cookbook put out by the Maine
State Sea & Shore Fisheries

Once it was very difficult to get
anyone to eat scallops during the
summer months that did not
have the letter "R" in its
spelling, such as May or June.
This idea has been dispelled and
now more scallops are produced
and eaten during the summer
months than at any other time of
the year.

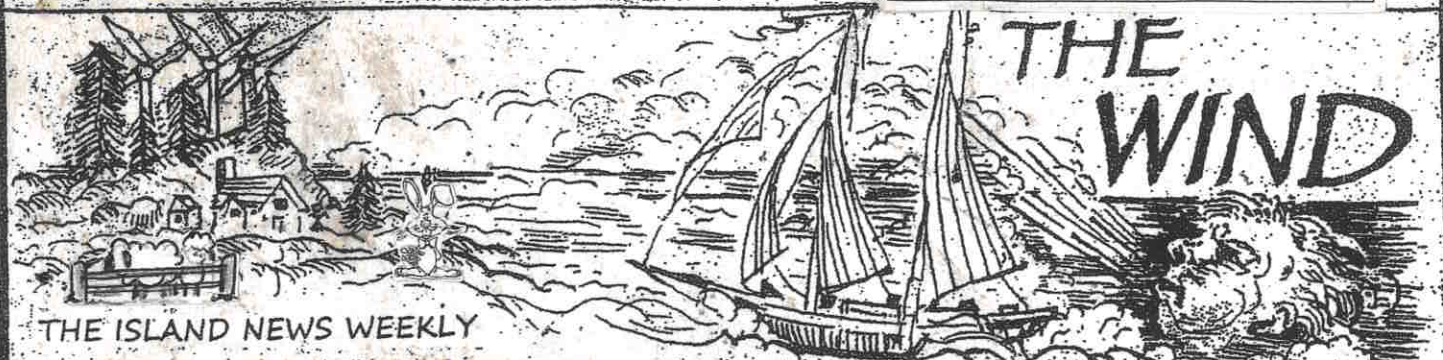
Fried Scallops

Wipe scallops dry and season,
then roll them in finely sifted
bread crumbs, flour or cornmeal.
Dip them into a beaten egg
diluted with 2 tbsp. cold water
and back into the bread crumbs,
flour or cornmeal mixture. Fry in
deep fat or a small amount of fat
until brown. Serve with tartar
sauce or catsup.

Submitted by Sue Radley

P.O. BOX 194, VINALHAVEN, ME 04863

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION: \$55



THE ISLAND NEWS WEEKLY

March 28 – April 3, 2024

E-MAIL: vinalhavenwind@gmail.com

A celebration of life for Kevin
Small will be held at 11AM on
March 30th at Brown's Head
Cemetery. Following there
will be a luncheon at the
Legion Hall. If you would like
to bring a dish, please
contact Candi Barton @ 863-
2001.

Thinking of you Kay... and we
hope you're healing quickly and
feeling better! ♥ the Wind gals.



The French Club is selling
Little Ceasars pizza kits!

Easy dinner after a long workday!

The students will be coming around
homes, or if they happen to miss you
at your home and you would rather
order online:

Go to PizzaKit.com

Click on *Products*, then *Shop*, then
click *Support a Seller you know*
Enter the **Fundraiser ID# 439971**,
set up your account, and place your
order!

The kits will arrive the week of
April 29th (pizzas will be selling until
April 12th).

Audrey Anthony, Kailyn Hufsey,
Chad Lazaro, Izaac Heppe, Amy
Ricker, and Lydia Wentworth
thank you and *Merci!*

4/1 Happy April Fool's Day!

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RSU 8

Special Board Meeting
March 19, 2024
3:00 PM – Middle School

- I. Roll Call
- II. To discuss 24-25 admin. structure
- III. Adjourn



Roadside Cleanup

Saturday, March 30th
@ 9:00am, Skoog Park

Litter has accumulated along the
roads! Keep your island clean
and beautiful by joining us for a
roadside clean up. VLT will supply
trashbags for the litter collected.
Meet in the parking lot at Skoog
Park to form groups.

To stay safe please wear high
visibility clothing and be aware
of traffic. Waterproof boots and
gloves are highly recommended.

www.vinalhavenlandtrust.org

Vinalhaven School
k-12 aRt Show
Next Week!

ART
SHOW

student artwork
on display

show theme:
Look & See

Thursday
April 4th
5 - 6:30pm

@ the School everyone is invited!

Town of Vinalhaven News

www.townofvinalhaven.org

Calendar

Planning Board - Premeeting - Wednesday, April 3 at 7pm

Board of Selectmen - Tuesday, April 9 at 5pm

Planning Board - Wednesday, April 10 at 7pm

The Town Office and Transfer Station will be **closed Monday April 15** for Patriots Day

Hours of Operation & Contact Information

Town Office - Mon-Thurs 8am-5pm, Fridays 8am-12pm, 863-4471 or 863-4343,

Fax: 863-4393, Mailing and physical address: 19 Washington School Rd., Vinalhaven, ME

Town Manager - Marjorie Stratton, 863-2042, townmanager@townofvinalhaven.org

Bookkeeper - Deborah Young, 863-4471, dyoung@townofvinalhaven.org

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

Deputy Clerk - Elizabeth Bunker, 863-4343, deputyclerk@townofvinalhaven.org

Assessor - Travis Gould, 863-2168, vhasessor@townofvinalhaven.org; Thursdays

Code Enforcement Officer / Local Plumbing Inspector - Faye Grant, Mon-Wed 9am-1 pm,

863-2168, vhceo@townofvinalhaven.org

Public Health Officer - Jen Desmond, Contact the Medical Center at 863-4341

Welfare Program - Call 863-2042 to set up an appointment with the Town Manager

Director of Public Works/Town Garage - Millie Martin, 863-2063,

vhdpw@townofvinalhaven.org

Library - Hours: Tues/Thur 1pm-5pm, Wed/Fri 9am-5pm, and Saturday 9am-4pm; 863-4401,

librarian@vinalhavenpubliclibrary.org

Transfer Station - Open Sun, Mon, Wed, and Thur 7:30-4pm; Not accepting waste gasoline at

this time. Kenny Martin or Luther Tolman, 863-4306

Fire Department - Marc Candage, Fire Chief, Emergency 911, Non-Emergency 863-4604,

mcandage@townofvinalhaven.org

Ambulance - Ryan Nizolek, Ambulance Director, Emergency 911, Non-Emergency 863-2119

ambulancedirector@townofvinalhaven.org

Knox County Deputy - Emergency 911, Non-Emergency 594-0677

Animal Control Officer and Harbor Master - James Knowlton, 701-2018

Deputy Harbor Master - Peter Gasperini, 542-1992

Parking Ordinance Reminder: Over the next couple weeks we will be posting sections of the Town's Parking Ordinance.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle on the public ways, or portion of public ways thereof, as herein described:

- * On both sides of Mountain St for its entire length
- * On both sides of High St for its entire length
- * On both sides of Pumpkin Ridge Rd, including Pond St for its entire length
- * On both sides of Lakeview St for its entire length
- * On the west side of Starr St for its entire length
- * On the east side of Starr St, 115 feet from the intersection with High St
- * On both sides of Summer St for its entire length
- * On both sides of Ingerson St for its entire length

The entire ordinance can be found on the Town website; Ordinances/Polices button on the home page.

Notes from the Code Enforcement Office & Planning Board:

In November 2023, the Town voted for revisions to the Land Use Ordinance for the first time since 2009. These notes are to let folks know what is new when it comes to permits and a reminder about other parts of the Ordinance that have always been there.

Contract Zoning. What if you really want to build something or use your land in a way that is not permitted by the Ordinance? There is a way through the procedure of Contract Zoning. It does involve convincing the town that your proposal would be beneficial for the island. Since you are trying to do something that the Town has already voted not to allow, it involves: A) a presentation to the Planning Board and Planning Commission, B) a public hearing, and C) a vote by the town at a special Town Meeting. (See Land Use Ordinance, Section 16, II.)



JOB OPENING

Want a regular paycheck with benefits? Want to feel like a strong and important part of your community? The Town of Vinalhaven Public Works Department is offering just that! We are looking for a hard-working individual, willing to learn the daily activities to help maintain our town roads. If you decide to apply for this position you will:

- Receive benefits such as health, dental, and eye insurance
- Paid vacation, sick, and personal time
- Paid holidays (13 of them!)

You must:

- Be able to lift 50lbs
- Be able to shovel, rake, and use other hand tools
- Work in all weather conditions
- Have a valid drivers license
- Be able to pass random federal drug and alcohol test

Starting pay will be based on skill and knowledge of road work and equipment operations. Experience is a plus, but not necessary to apply. Applications available at the Town Garage in Louds Pit, at the Town Office, or email vhdpw@townofvinalhaven.org. Contact Millie with any questions at the above email or 863-2063.

Heavy Loads Limited to over 23,000 lbs
3/5/24 to 5/15/24

The following roads will be posted:

Calderwoods Neck Road	North Haven Rd
Roberts Cemetery Rd	Granite Island Rd
Around the Island Rd	Pooles Hill Rd

If you have any questions, contact Public Works Dept at vhdpw@townofvinalhaven.org or 863-2063

Nomination Papers Now Available for Elections to be held June 11, 2024

Two - 3-year Terms for Selectmen
Two - 3-year Terms for School Board
One - 3-Year Term for Water Dist. Trustee
Interested candidates must collect not less than 25, nor more than 100 signatures of registered voters to be placed on the June 11, 2024 ballot. The deadline for submitting nomination papers back to the Town Office is Friday, April 12, 2024.



Pastor Jeff Winters

SUNDAY

9:30—Sunday School
Children in the Parsonage
Adults in the Church

10:30—Fellowship Time

11:00—Worship Service

WEDNESDAY

6-7 PM—Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
6-7 PM—Children's Bible Study (Pre-K to 5th)

THURSDAY

6-7 PM—Youth Group (4th to 12th)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

20 Fellowship Drive
www.obbc-vinalhaven.org



If interested in using space at The Union Church, please contact Candi Barton at 863-2001 for more information.



Union Church

~ Welcomes You ~

Easter Sunday

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Sunday Services
11:00am

Reverend Jeffrey Lewis

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We are meeting in-person and on Zoom
Please visit unionchurchvh.org for link and more information

Holy Week Schedule

3/28, Maundy Thursday - 6:00pm
3/29, Good Friday - 12:00 noon
3/31, Easter Sunrise Service 6:00am; substantial breakfast following this service
Easter Service - 11:00am

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Sunday School
9:30am-10:30am

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If you would like to donate to the Union Church, donations can be mailed to PO Box 249 or visit our website at: unionchurchvh.org

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Choir Practice is on Fridays, at 3PM All are welcome.

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Pastoral Care
Reverend Jeffrey Lewis

"Make someone smile every day, but never forget you are someone too." Shihori Obata

Easter Sunday, March 31st



The Easter Service will be held at Pleasant River Chapel at 8 AM, followed by Breakfast at 9 AM. The breakfast crew will have the morning off. We'll have an old-fashioned breakfast, where we ask each person to bring something for the food table: like muffins, buns, doughnuts, pastries, or whatever you wish to bring.

This is a sharing Sunday. Share your favorite hymn, poem, story, biblical passage, or scripture.

This service will be held via ZOOM and in person at the Chapel. For Zoom log-on information, email: pleasantriverchapel@gmail.com

We are doing a drive-through baked bean dinner to help Bella Littlefield, 3-year-old daughter of Eliza Davidson. See our Wind Ad or contact Pete at 551-4483 for further information.

The Chapel will have a pot-luck luncheon and cards on April 9th. If you wish to use Pleasant River Chapel, please contact Ethel Jones at 863-2272 or by email: kjrfmy3@aol.com.

For pastoral care: Bob Candage, 863-4943, or Pam Kittredge, 863-2022.

Silent Meditation

Non-denominational

Upstairs in The Union Church
Tuesdays and Saturdays
5:00-5:30PM
All are Welcome.



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AL - ANON

Recovery for Family and Friends of Alcoholics

12 Step meetings

Al-Anon is for anyone impacted by a relative or friend's alcohol dependency, either currently or in the past. Support is provided through literature and meetings, where everything shared remains confidential, as well as the identity of those attending.

To join Vinalhaven meetings online or by phone, 4:30 Mondays, please email:

vinalhavenanon@gmail.com

Help is also available from Maine Al-Anon: [maineafg.org/\(207\)284-1844](http://maineafg.org/(207)284-1844) and al-anon.org

AA

Tuesday 7PM
Zoom Meeting ID:
907 085 8272

Please contact
vinalhavenaa@gmail.com
for password or any other questions.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.

The WINDS are available online (town of Vinalhaven's website and Vinalhaven Public Poster, occasionally the posting may be delayed) at local businesses, and *The WIND* boxes at the ferry terminal, Todd's Garage, and in front of the post office. Thanks to those who help deliver the Winds around town and to the ladies at the Town Office for their help!



www.icmsvh.org

Medical Services: 863-4341
Dental Services: 863-2533
Counseling: 837-4057
Billing: (603) 782-8374

Hours of Operation

Medical Services

Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri: 8am-12noon
1pm-4pm

Thurs: 8am-12noon,
closed Thurs afternoons

Dental Services

Dentist: Wed & Thurs
Hygienist: Tues, Weds, Thurs.

Physical Therapy

To schedule an appointment, call
863-4341

Counseling

Dan Keniston, LCSW
To schedule an appointment, call
837-4057

Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment & Acupuncture

Stuart Damon, DO
To schedule an appointment, call
863-4341

Women's Health

Vanessa Shields-Haas, FNP-BC
To schedule an appointment, call
863-4341

To reach the provider on call:

Dial 863-4341 and your call will be forwarded to the answering service. They will take your call and page the provider-on-call for you.

ICMS receives HHS funding and 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

Oceanview



My granddaughter had to do a science project in middle school. She decided to grow baby apple trees from apple seeds. My tree has thrived and is about twelve feet tall. We didn't know what kind of apples we'd get because apple trees were grafted to different roots. Last year there were a few blossoms and a few crab apples in the fall. This year I can see many crab apples on the bare branches.

The other day I was excited to see a bird in the tree. I grabbed my binoculars and there was a female cardinal eating the apples. As time passes, I hope to see more birds eating apples.

The mallards are doing their usual spring antics, swimming, making the water fly with a bath and fighting. The first of the month I saw a bird in the water I knew wasn't a mallard. It was a male bufflehead duck and very beautiful. Canada geese have visited a few times.

On March 13, I heard my favorite bird song, the winter wren, which seemed early to me.

I sit at my table, have coffee, and watch the birds most mornings. I always sprinkle a few seeds on the deck for the juncos and sparrows. For month I've had a fox sparrow on the deck. I was shocked to see him. At first, I thought it was a song sparrow, who has been a common visitor, but with reddish tail and back and distinctive markings on his breast, it is a fox sparrow.

Yesterday, I was watching a cardinal in the feeder and chicks going back and forth taking seeds from the tube feeder. I looked away for a minute and when I looked back there was a small hawk sitting on my clothesline not ten feet away, looking at me. He stayed a few seconds and then flew. He was amazing. I checked my book and I'm sure it was a sharp-shinned hawk. No wonder the songbirds had flown away. CD

Vinalhaven Community Outreach

Are you experiencing unusual expenses, loss of income, unexpected medical bills, or other crises in your life?

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

vhcommunityoutreach@gmail.com

Or at P.O.Box 15
Vinalhaven, ME 04863

We are a 501 (c) (3) organization

4/3-The weather will improve so celebrate National Walking Day and start a walking program!



KINDERGARTEN KIDS CLASS OF 2036

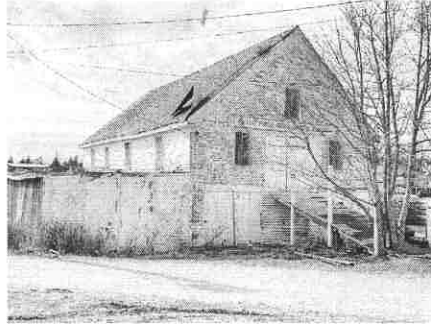


Emery Adair

How old are you? I am six.
When is your birthday? My birthday is Aug. 3.
Who is in your family? My Dad, my Mom, my brother, my uncles, and cousins.
Where do you live? Mad Acres Drive
Do you have any pets? I used to have a chocolate lab, but she died. There are deer out in the woods!
Where do your parents work? My Dad lobsters, paints buoys and words on cars. Mom doesn't work.
What are your favorite foods? Chicken nugget and pizza. I want Dad to get Pizza Pit tonight.
What is your favorite toy? Legos and I like knitting with my Grandma! I am good at drawing.
What is your favorite color(s)? I like blue, camo, black, red, and gold.
What do you like best about being in kindergarten? Playing outside on fresh air break.
What do you like to do after school? Play Legos and play on my iPad.
What do you want to do when you are all grown-up? A policeman!
If you could be any animal in the world, what would you be and why? A kitten because they like to play with yarn when Grandma knits.
If you could have a superpower, what would it be? Invisible so no one could see me. I could play tricks.
What is something special about you we should know? I am good at making stuff out of metal with my Dad.
Who/What do you love most in the whole world? My Dad and my brother.

*"True friendship resists time, distance, and silence."
Isabel Allende*

Sail Loft
Clam Shell Alley
Vinalhaven



UPDATE

(Scheduled for Demolition April 1, 2024)

On recommendation of several experts in historic preservation, information on the history of the Sail Loft was submitted to the **Maine Historic Preservation Commission** on March 17th, 2024.

The letter received from Commissioner Michael Goebel-Bain, Architectural Historian of the

Maine Historic Preservation Commission, on March 20, 2024 states the following:

Based on the information and photographs submitted to date, this property is **potentially eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places**. No interior photos were provided so we cannot make a final determination. The building is **locally significant under Criterion A, social history, and entertainment/recreation with a period of significance from ca. 1860 to at least 1974 and possibly later**.

While anyone can request a determination of eligibility for a property, the property owner has the right to object to listing a property on the National Register. Because the building is owned by the Star of Hope Foundation, I am sending them a letter informing them of this finding. If the Foundation is interested in listing the property I would be happy to confirm eligibility and discuss nomination. I **understand the building needs significant repairs, National Register listing is required to qualify for many grants to repair historic properties...**

In the meantime, the property has been included in the Maine Historic Resources Inventory which will provide the same protection as if it were already listed in the National Register.

Submitted by Elin Elisofon

James G. McAvoy - Obituary



James G. McAvoy passed away on March 15, 2024, at Franklin Memorial Hospital in Farmington, Maine, following a loving day spent with his wife Erica, son Tim, and close friend Anna Clapham.

Jim grew up in Dedham and then Wellesley, MA, attending public schools until tenth grade when he transferred to Tilton Academy to complete his high school education. After a year at Boston University, Jim joined the Vista program serving in Sasakwa, Oklahoma, helping to alleviate poverty in native communities. Upon return, Jim apprenticed at Childs, Bertman, Tseckares, an architectural firm in Boston, before earning his degree in Architecture from Boston Architectural Center and The Architectural Association in London, England, in 1975. He co-founded Buck, Smith, McAvoy with his beloved partners Janet and Julia in 1984, where he worked until his retirement in 2015. He remained a consultant to Elements Management, where good friend and founder Rich Fraiser valued his extensive experience and expertise.

Jim and Erica began their journey together in 1976, when they settled down in Dover, MA. Their shared aspirations led them to Sherborn in 1981, where they purchased their first home, married in 1984 and welcomed their son Tim in 1987. Over the next three decades, Jim, Erica, along with many neighbors and friends, dedicated countless nights and weekends to transforming a modest prefabricated structure into their dream home, all while juggling full-time jobs and raising Tim, a testament to Jim's creativity, skill, and perseverance. Their adventurous spirit led them to undertake another unique project on Vinalhaven, an island off the coast of Maine in 1989. There they transformed a trailer attached to a windowless structure into a comfortable, albeit eccentric dwelling cherished by family and friends for years. In 2009, Jim embarked on another project in Kingfield, Maine, which his son, Tim, continues to work on today. Jim's ingenuity in building and construction ignited a spark in Tim and garnered admiration from all who knew him.

Settling permanently in Kingfield, Maine, in 2016, Jim quickly befriended neighbors and tradesmen alike. He served on the Town Water Commission and was affectionately known as the sheriff of Maple Street, where he spent much of his time on the front porch, greeting passersby and thoughtfully watching over the neighborhood. When he wasn't in Kingfield, he spent much of his time in Vinalhaven, Maine where he was known as a courteous host who welcomed family and friends on any adventure by land or by sea. Despite facing several health challenges, Jim handled his illness with unwavering grace and unfailing humor. He was a remarkable man, admired for his intellect, wit, and ability to make others feel at ease.

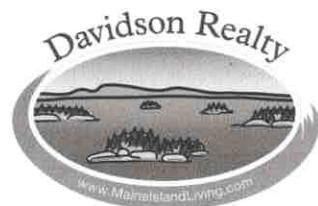
He will be missed by his wife Erica, son; Tim, brother; Peter and his wife Beth, McAvoy cousins, sisters' n-law and their spouses, Anne Reitmayer and Richard Eells, Joan and Willie Laws; nieces and nephews; Jennifer, Jessie, Katie, Porter, Annie, Summer, Carrie, and Heather. Grand nieces and nephews; Tyler, Josiah, Miles, Alyssa, Lily, Isaiah, and Julian.

HISTORIC DOWNSTREET

'To encourage, undertake and support the preservation and restoration of structures and objects of architecture and historic significance, located in and around the "downtown" area of Vinalhaven, Maine.'

In 2012 the Town cleared up some messy title work, acquiring clear ownership of the land upon which the Old Engine House stood. The following year, Historic Downstreet Inc., having formed the year before, asked for the blessings of the Selectmen in pursuing a practical restoration of the Old Engine House, declaring its intention to 'restore the historic artifact to its former glory, one of elegance, and of function as a showpiece for the Town's antique firefighting equipment.' The following year, 2014, the practical (two more windows than the original to balance fenestration, a light bright interior instead of dark wood paneling to better showcase the display within, a metal roof instead of the original wood and removal of an inadequate and unappealing exterior stairway that had been added in the early 1900's) restoration was complete. \$160,000 had been raised from generous islanders and \$20,000 from taxation. It was a beautiful testament to what we can do with generous support from our seasonal and year-round communities, and we hoped it would inspire the Town to get behind similar reclamations in the future.

This successful project, the ongoing and beautiful restoration of the Star of Hope and our reawakened concerns about the future of 30 Main Street, inspired Historic Downstreet to recognize and honor the unique historic significance of our Downtown area and to encourage the preservation of historic properties by documenting their history and significance. pc

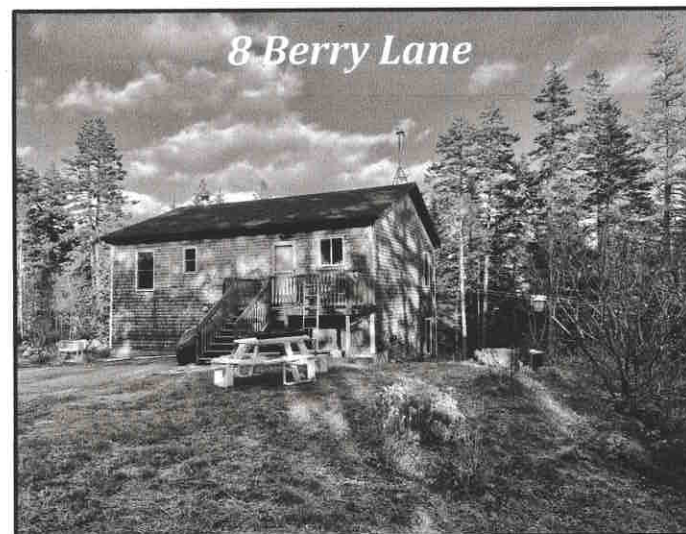


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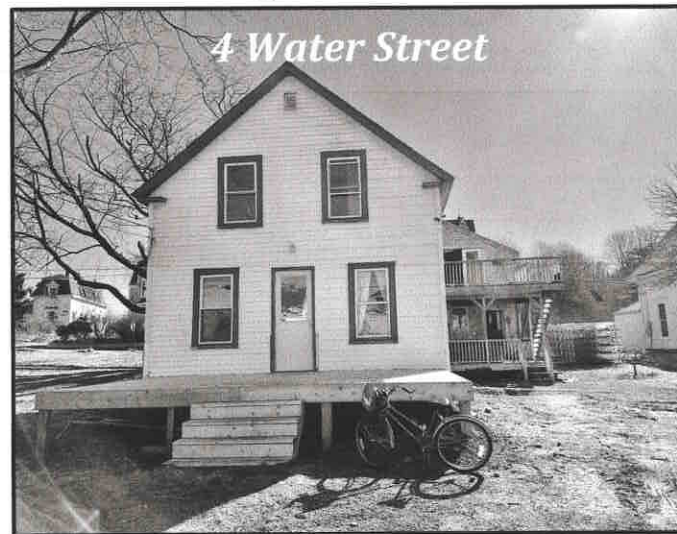
Buying or selling? Our year-round office is here to help!

Kris Davidson, Broker Alex Young, Associate Broker
Lisa Shields, Associate Broker Kathy Macy, Sales Agent
info@davidson-realty.com 863.2200

www.maineislandliving.com



Well-maintained year-round home with over 2 acres. Open kitchen/dining/sitting area, two bedrooms, laundry, bath on the main floor. Large living room & third bedroom on lower level. Hardwood floors, good natural light. Spacious lawn, fire pit area, woods with a cabin. Near quarry. **\$375,000**



Residential Commercial Opportunity. Year-round home & workshop w/ apartment in a prime location. House has 2 bedrms, 2 baths, wood floors, orig. staircase. Heated workshop with apt. above. Potential for rental income & business in a great location. Many possibilities! **\$399,000**

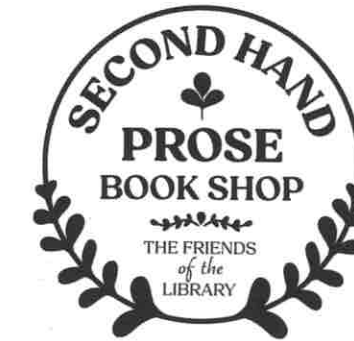


Pleasant River Chapel will have a baked bean drive-through on April 6th. This dinner will benefit Eliza Davidson's 3-year-old daughter, Bella Littlefield, who needs a pacemaker. The menu will include baked beans: pea, yellow-eye, or vegetarian and hot dogs, coleslaw, brown bread – Plain or raisin, as well as a piece of homemade pie. The price is \$10. If you wish us to deliver your dinners, we will do a 5 o'clock delivery. Contact Pete to place your orders at 551-4483 or ppedersen1842@gmail.com. He is taking orders now. If you want to donate a dinner to an island neighbor, just let Pete know. These donated dinners have pleased many island folks.

HCR

Hers is a common name for the many of us who touch base with her each morning. She has accepted an invitation from the Men's Book Group and will appear on the evening of June 12 at the Smith Hokanson Auditorium (SHA) and looks forward to welcoming you for an evening of political and historic insight. To secure a seat call 592-1865. Exactly half the seats are available now

April 2nd, is National Picture Book Day!



OPEN
Wed-Sat, 10-2
(weather permitting)

SALE

All Children's Books
All Middle Reader Books
All Teen/Young Adult Books
ALL ½ PRICE

Accepting donations during our open hours only (please do not leave items on the porch)

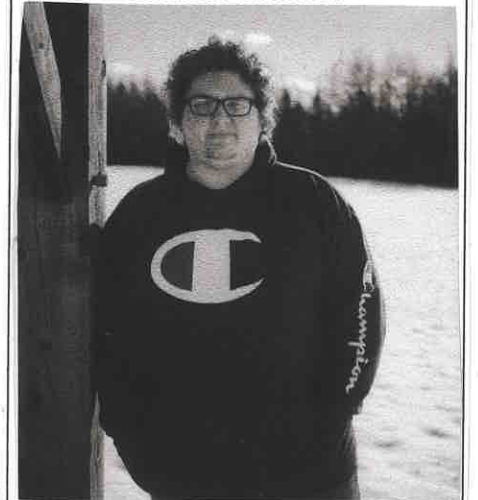
We can take up to 3 boxes of GENTLY USED books/day. For more than that, please contact Colleen, 867-9978, to make arrangements

www.friendsofvhlibrary.org
Instagram: @friendsofvpl
FB: Friends of the VH Library

All sales support
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Vinalhaven Public Library

National Vietnam War Veteran's Day – March 29th
Special tribute to and honoring those who bravely served & who sacrificed, as did families and care givers.

SENIOR PROFILE CLASS OF 2024 Isaiah Mosher



Age/Birthday: I am 19 and my birthday is February 10.

Parents/Siblings: Liam is my sibling, and my parents are Lacey and Nate.

Favorite H.S. course(s): none

Hobbies/extra-curricular activities? I watch TV and play video games.

Favorite book or other reading material? Monga Comics

Favorite childhood memory: I don't really have one.

Your best school memory: Meeting Harry

In school, what would you be voted most likely to do? I have no clue.

If you could spend one year after school doing anything you want, what and where would it be? Making Money!

If you could visit one place in the world, where would it be? Italy, because it is where my family is from, and I would like to meet my family that still lives there.

Do you have a favorite athlete(s) and sports team(s): None

Favorite song and/or band: 7 Years

Favorite animal(s): Cats and pugs!

Favorite food: Chicken Fingers

Just for fun, I: don't do much that is fun, I just do what I normally do.

If you could spend one day with someone who is living or dead, who would it be and why? My Grandmother

Future Plans: To go to college.

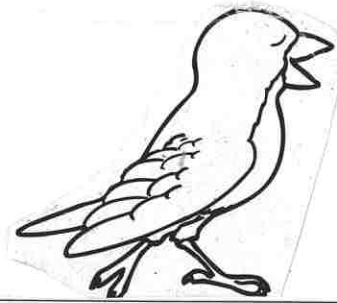


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ICMS has not received notice of any staff departures, and, in fact, our annual turnover rate is lower than it has been in the past 10 years. In the last few years, ICMS has prioritized competitive compensation, benefits, and staff development.

And, finally, ICMS remains fully committed to participating in the delivery of urgent and emergency care to the community. We hope to create a solid partnership with the town through a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to support our agreement to carry on this important work.

Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees

Come see what's new at The Island's Closet. We have a huge selection of freeze-dried candy, Easter cards, candy and decorations, toys, housewares and more. We will have potting soil, garden tools and plant pots arriving soon. If you want a customized Easter Basket let Jeannie know and we'll have it ready when you want it. How about adding some flavor? Come in Friday, March 29 for a taste testing to introduce our new line of dip and cheesecake mixes. We have a new gift selection arriving in the coming days. Shop the Closet for Spring!

Submit to The Wind!

We are looking for stories, **anecdotes**, recipes, images, shout outs, etc. to include in *THE WIND*. If you have something you would like to share, we would love to include it in future *WINDs*. Please send to: vinalhavenwind@gmail.com

This is the sixth in a series of updates about the Star of Hope Foundation, which was established by the artist Robert Indiana prior to his death. The purpose of the Foundation is to support arts education and working artists in Maine.

Demolition of the Sail Loft – What to Expect

We have previously reported to you on our need to take down the Sail Loft building because of its structural deterioration and unsafe condition. We appreciate your understanding and the support of the code enforcement officer and planning board in making this difficult decision.

Demolition will occur the week of April 1st. The Rockport Building Partners team will be on site from start to finish, along with Darren Jones and other subcontractors from the island who will be helping to raze the building.

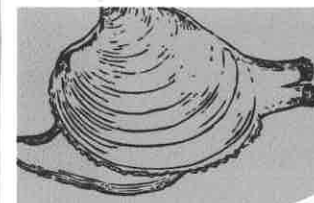
A minimum of three members of crew will be wearing yellow vests and directing traffic and monitoring the site at all times as the work is completed. Electricity already has been permanently shut off at the site to reduce safety hazards.

We expect everything to go smoothly and to have the site cleared by Friday. The crew knows that safety is our top priority, and they will be taking every step possible to minimize disruption of normal activities and protect neighboring property owners. We ask for your cooperation as they go about their work.

Last week, we told you about our plans to turn the property into an exciting new public space for the people of Vinalhaven, and we look forward to working with the community on that project in the months ahead.

On Friday, April 10th Managing Director Carole Martin will be at the Vinalhaven Public Library to meet islanders and gather information about the timing on the community input for the design of the green space. Please drop by anytime between 10:30am and 12:30pm to meet Carole.

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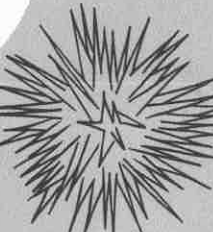
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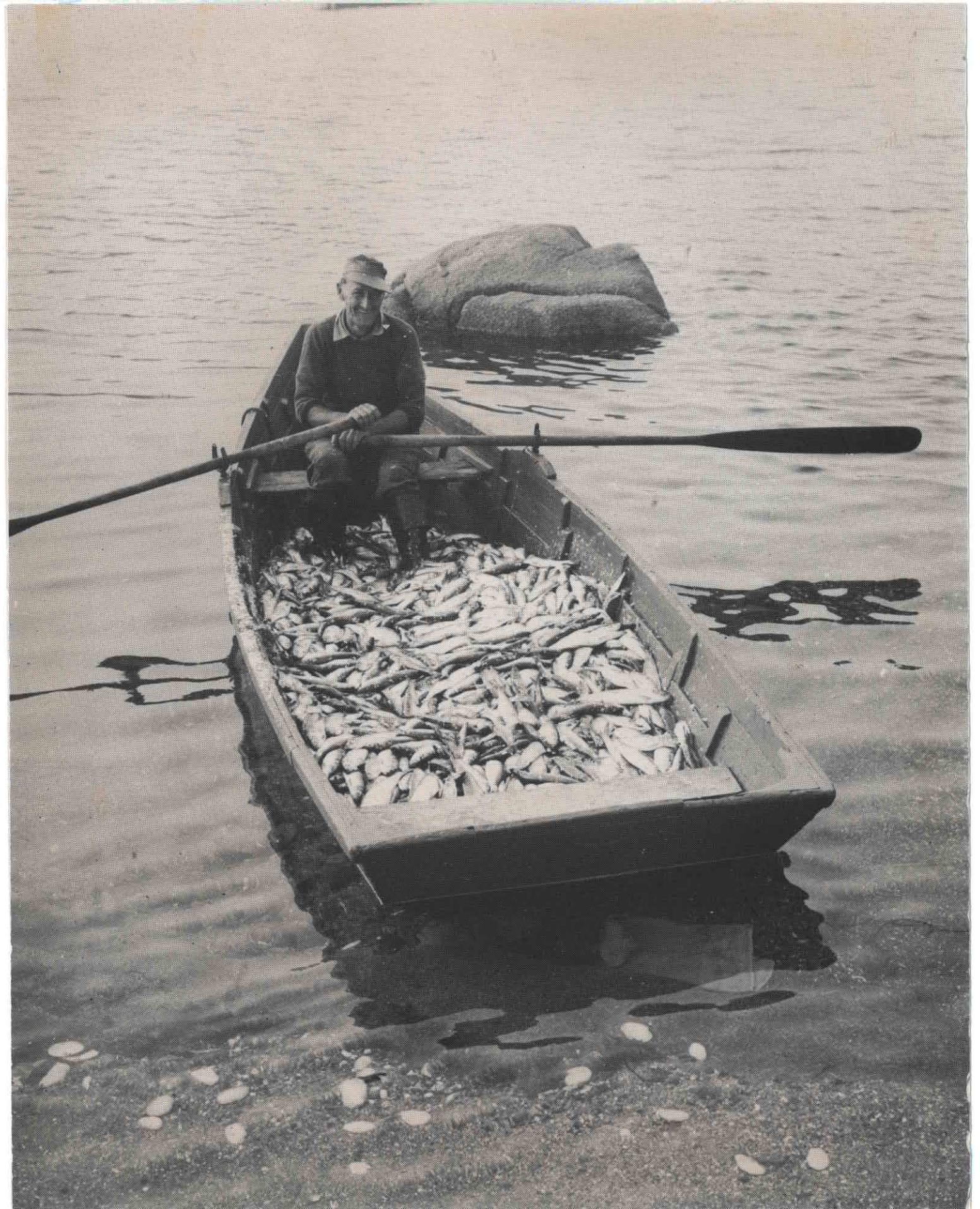


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THE OBSERVER

I keep misjudging people. Last weekend an elderly woman (four years my junior) put in an appearance at the Vinalhaven Library to sing songs and tell stories. The event had been scheduled weeks before and announced repeatedly in the Wind, so as the day approached and it became apparent that the weather was going to be about as miserable as it has been in some time, I kept looking for a sign that the event had been postponed or canceled. I even checked a half hour before the event. Still nothing. Apparently, they were determined. I couldn't bear the thought of her showing up to a room full of empty seats. Less than 100 yards from the library, I decided to walk over so she'd have at least one person in attendance. Sure enough, I was one—one of the many that filled every seat and all available standing room. Clearly, everyone knew it would be worth it and it was. It was as perfect an hour as I've enjoyed in some time. Cheryl spoke of her role in the musical alliance that has thrived at or sometimes just beneath our surface forever, and to the critical importance of that intimately communal harmony in her own life and in the lives of so many of her devoted and companionable island musicians and their equally devoted and attendant fans. And interspersed with those very personal tales were her own profoundly beautiful compositions. I guess I misjudge weather too. It was *not* a miserable day. pc



Tidbits from the Vinalhaven Historical Society

In 1826, Capt. Reuben Carver contracted with others in Boston, to build a vessel of about 150 tons. The contract specified that the vessel should be built of spruce throughout, there being an abundance of that wood then growing in Vinalhaven. I am informed that a man by the name of Palmer was engaged to superintend the building. They commenced work on her about the middle of March and launched her in August. She had a spruce keel, stern and sternport, also spruce timbers and plank, and tradition says, when all rigged and ready for sea, they had a spruce jib on her. Then she was loaded with spruce cord wood and sent to Boston. She was named the *Plymouth Rock*, and taken altogether, she was rather a spruce looking craft.

THE WIND Mar. 29, 1884

The Jones Granite Quarry. About 50 years ago, the land where the Jones Granite Company's quarry now stands, was a broad pasture. The owner, Moses Webster, had it cleared for use as a field and this has lately been called the Walls Field. Last Spring Frederick Jones, Dr. F. F. Brown, and H. W. Fifield formed a company which opened a quarry on this site. The granite which has been produced is of a very fine grain, suitable for monumental works and trimmings for buildings. The quarry employs about 40 men. It is electrically equipped and has two air compressors. There are about twelve working motions which have produced approximately thirty thousand paving blocks each week during the summer. Three trucks are kept busy carrying the granite from the quarry to the wharf, from which it is transported to New York by means of barges. *Dorothy Cassie class of 1926*

A Poultry Extension School will be held on March 25, 26, and 27 at the North Haven Grange Hall under the direction of the Agricultural Extension Service of the University of Maine. County Agent Roger L. Gowell and Poultry Specialist John S. Carver of the U. of M. will be the speakers. All interested in poultry are especially urged to be present. *Mar. 21, 1919*

THE THOUGHTS OF A FISHERMAN'S DAUGHTER

What is there about a fisherman that fascinates New York? Is it their quaint little tasks, or the drawl that's in their talk? All dressed up in "oil clothes" his sou' wester on his head - Is it all this that they like or his rubber boots instead? Or maybe it's the way they pull the oars with long powerful strokes, or how they gather on the shore and tell some "funny jokes." I'd think them fascinating when I see them rise with the sun and I'd think their lives more interesting - if I weren't the daughter of one.

Lorraine MacDonald class of 1949

Pamela Burgess celebrated her 5th birthday on Thursday afternoon by entertaining a group of her young friends at a party at her home. Games were played with Carl Philbrook winning the prize for the jelly bean hunt and Wendy Duncan for the Pin the Tail on the Donkey. Refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream and punch were served and the children received favors of balloons and candy filled baskets. Those present were: Richard Healey, Jeff Chilles, Dawn Clayter, Carl and Linda Philbrook, Wendy and Barbara Duncan, Debbie White, Donna Poole, Ellen Hansen, Janet Burgess, Jean Hopkins, Sandra and Douglas Burgess, Pamela's grandmother Mrs. Leila Burgess and also Mrs. Doris Chilles, Mrs. Mary White, Mrs. Annette Philbrook, Mrs. Ellen Hopkins and Mrs. Patricia Duncan. *Mar. 28, 1959*

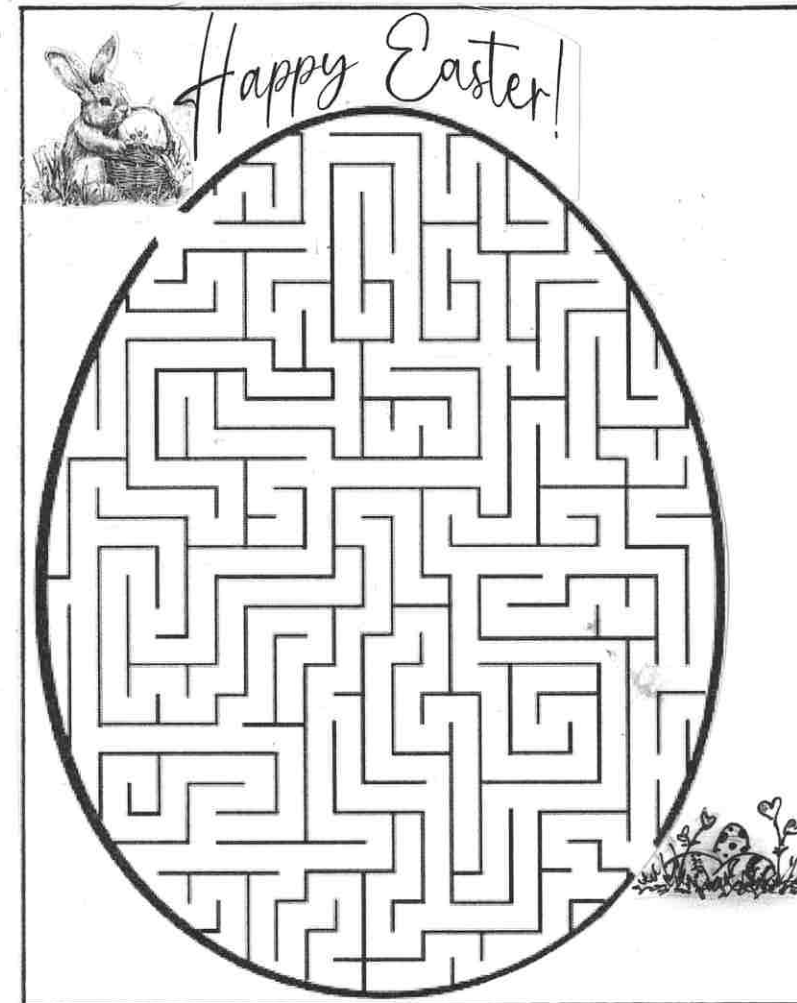
Miss Frances McIntosh entertained the Betsy Ross Corps of Girl Reserves Wednesday evening at her home on Lane's Island. Owing to the bad walking the girls arrived wearing father's, brother's or uncle's rubber boots! After the meeting Mrs. E. C. McIntosh presented each member with dumb bells and a drill followed. The surprise of the evening came when lunch was served and there was a large birthday cake with 14 candles in honor of Miss Nina Ames. It also answered for Mrs. Clyde McIntosh as well, as her birthday falls on the same date. Then came the balloon ascension and the evening's entertainment with a balloon waltz. *Mar. 15, 1924*

And now she is 7! Evelyn Ruth Ames, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Crosby Ames, had a birthday party at her home March 24 when all the youngsters had a happy time. Balloons, party hats and lollipops were favors and refreshments of birthday cake and chocolate milk were enjoyed. Present were: Marian, Nina, Robert Madelyn and Dennis Young, Pat Lewis, Jane Philbrook, Bonnie, Gary and Phyllis Johnson, Dorothy and Linda Bunker, Norma, Susan, Deborah, Keithie and Ervena Ames. Evelyn received many nice present. *Mar. 31, 1960*

Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Ames entertained Thursday at a family party in honor of their little daughter, Irene Janice, it being her 3rd birthday. She received several beautiful gifts and refreshments were served which included a large birthday cake decorated pink and with the appropriate number of candles. *Mar. 5, 1929*

Mr. & Mrs. John Stordahl had the honor of purchasing the first tickets on the new boat, the *Everett Libby*, Wednesday morning. *Mar. 26, 1960*

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Kids Trivia

So, you think you know Vinalhaven...
1 What county is Vinalhaven located in?
2 What ferry was in service starting in 1960 and still runs trips today?
3 Did Vinalhaven ever have a trotting park for horse racing?
4 What is "Old Reuben" and where is it located?
5 What's the name of the 1st newspaper published in Vinalhaven, 1884? (hint - your reading it)

Adult Trivia

So, you think you know Vinalhaven...
1 Name the 1st steam ship to make scheduled trips between Rockland & Vinalhaven, tri-weekly, weather permitting.
2 What year was Vinalhaven Light & Power Co. established?
3 Columns for St. John the Divine Cathedral (NYC) came from which quarry?
4 What year and significance was the "big freeze"?
5 What is the name given to the color used on the Bodwell Granite Co.'s galamanders?

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