

Vinalhaven Taxi
207-720-0056

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

Don't Worry!
Spring is Coming!
Only 41 more days til
Peaceful Harbor
Farm's
Greenhouse
opens for the season!

Kids Trivia Answers
1 Sacagawea
2 Susan B. Anthony
3 Jane Goodall
4 Sally Ride
5 Rosa Parks

Adult Trivia Answers
1 Pearl Buck
2 Wallis Simpson
3 Victoria Woodhull
4 Elizabeth Blackwell
5 Sandra Day O'Connor

Rebus Puzzle Answers
1 I'm counting on you
2 One after another

Brain Teaser Answer
1 Lettuce

SKÅL!

A Vinalhaven Speakeasy
6 Bodwell Lane
Open at 5 p.m.

April 2, 2022
Spring Pop-up!
Break out your boogie shoes!

DJ Katnip
returns for a fun
Dance Party

Tickets are available online. Limited capacity

Tickets \$10
www.islandspeakeasy.com

3/25 is Lobster Newburg Day!



LOBSTER NEWBURG

1/8lb oleo or butter
3 T flour
Salt and Pepper (to taste)
2 to 3 drops Tabasco
Dash of red pepper (cayenne)
1 ½ C good rich milk (8oz cream)
1 ½ -2 lbs. lobster meat, chopped
1 T Worcestershire sauce
2 hardboiled eggs, chopped

Combine butter, flour, pepper, tabasco, cayenne, salt, milk, and Worcestershire sauce. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Cook for a few minutes. Add cooked lobster meat and hard-boiled eggs. This can be cooked ahead and kept hot in the top of a double boiler. Serve on toasted, thinly sliced bread (crusts removed). Adapted from:

Fish Scales and Chocolate Chips
(Recipe had been submitted by Helen Webb)

Island Spirits

Hand-selected wine, cheese, a large selection of Maine craft beer, locally roasted coffee beans, Maine raised meats, gluten free pasta, crackers, & GF craft beer, chocolates...and more!

Our Hours:
Tuesday-Saturday
From 11-5

32 Main Street
863.2192



P.O. BOX 194, VINALHAVEN, ME 04863

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION: \$55



THE ISLAND NEWS WEEKLY

March 24 - March 30, 2022

E-MAIL: vinalhavenwind@gmail.com

March 27 National
Spring-Cleaning Week

National Mom & Pop Business
Owners Day - March 29th
A special day to appreciate the
long hours, hard work & dedication
it takes to run a small business!

A RED CROCKPOT...
I am still in the Union Church
Vestry and want to go to my
home. Please come get me!

Place Mailing Label Here



National Vietnam War
Veterans Memorial Day
March 29th
to honor and commemorate.



Hold onto your hats, Vinalhaven Double Trouble has arrived! We would like to congratulate Bianca and Corbin on the birth of their beautiful twins, Milena Louise, and Meyers Crew Osgood. Tail of the tapes are as follows: She weighed in at a petite 5lbs 6oz and lays 1 foot 6 in. He weighed in at a sturdy 5lbs 14oz and lays 1 foot 8 ¼ in. With love, their proud Grandparents Faith and Justin Osgood & Penny and Alan Lazaro.

Student work accepted to the 17th annual
Maine Photography Show

Photographers from all over the state
submitted nearly 700 photos.

Congratulations

to these students who had their work
accepted into the student category!

Work will be on display at the
Boothbay Regional Art Foundation Gallery
from April 9th - May 6th

-or-

can be viewed at
<https://mainephotoshow.org>



Myra Mills gr.12

Helen Davis gr.6

Maddie Miller gr.11

Town of Vinalhaven Information

www.townofvinalhaven.org

Calendar

Select Board and Budget Committee Joint Workshop – 5pm Tuesday, March 29, contact Andrew Dorr FMI – 863-2042 townmanager@townofvinalhaven.org

Select Board and Budget Committee Joint Workshop – 5pm Tuesday, April 5, contact Andrew Dorr FMI – 863-2042 townmanager@townofvinalhaven.org

Notices

Want to Learn More about The Downtown Project? Go to www.townofvinalhaven.org/government/pages/downtown-project or email downtownproject@townofvinalhaven.org

2021-2022 Property Taxes - Tax bills were mailed out on Sept 1st, 2021. Tax bills were sent to the owner of record on April 1st, 2021. **If you sold your property after April 1st, 2021, it's up to you to forward the tax bill to the new owner.** Payments are due on November 1st, 2021, and May 2nd, 2022. Interest is accruing on unpaid November 1st payments. Please call the Town Office at 863-4471 or 863-4343 for an interest figure.

Dog Licenses - All dogs 6 months or older need to be licensed, including visiting dogs in town for 10 days or more. Please bring current rabies certificate and \$6 for spayed/neutered or \$11 for male/female. A new puppy must be vaccinated & licensed once reaching 6 months of age, and if adopting an older dog or if you are just arriving in town, you have ten days to register. There is no late fee for new or newly arriving puppies/dogs if these guidelines are followed. **All dogs not licensed for 2022 will now have the \$25 late fee per dog.**

2020 Town Reports are available. Stop by the Town office to pick one up or contact Town Clerk, Darlene (207) 863-Candage 4343 townclerk@townofvinalhaven.org

Single-Stream Recycling #1-7 rigid plastics, tin, aluminum, glass, paper, cardboard.

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.

Swap Shop used goods recycling at the former Public Works Garage (Net Factory Property). Open Saturdays 9am-1pm and occasional pop-ups.

Hours of Operation & Contact Information

The Town Office is open to the public. Masks Required. Services are also available over the phone, by email, or online—please contact the Town Office FMI.

Town Office – Mon, Wed & Thurs 8am-5pm, Tues & Fri 8am-12pm – 863-4471 or 863-4343; Fax: 863-4393 Mailing and physical address: 19 Washington School Rd., Vinalhaven, ME

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

Town Clerk – Darlene M. Candage – 863-4343; townclerk@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-W, 9am-1pm 863-2168 or vhceo@townofvinalhaven.org

Planning and Community Development – Contact Town Manager, Andrew Dorr; 863-2042; 266-7806; townmanager@townofvinalhaven.org

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

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 - 5pm; Sat 9am - 4pm; Sun & Mon Closed – 863-4401 or vpl@vhaven.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 – Pat Lundholm, Interim Ambulance Director – Emergency 911; Non-Emergency 863-2119 or plundholm@townofvinalhaven.org

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

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

Deputy Harbor Master – Peter Gasperini – 542-1992



Nomination Papers Now Available for Elections to be held on June 14th, 2022

One – 3-year Term for Selectman

Two – 3-year Terms for MSAD #8 Director (School Board)

One – 3-year Term for Water District Trustee

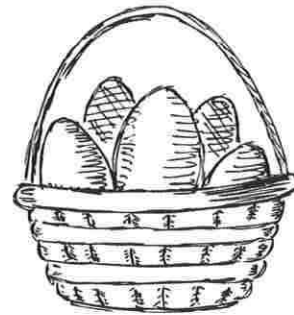
Interested candidates must collect not less than 25, nor more than 100 signatures of registered voters to be placed on the June 14th, 2022 ballot. The deadline for submitting nomination papers back to the Town Office is **Friday, April 15th, 2022.**

SWAP SHOP

SATURDAYS 9-1

with occasional pop-ups

Located at the former Public Works Building. No unscheduled drop-offs!



Easter Items at the Swap Shop

Looking for something to welcome spring?

Check out the cheery, colorful items on the Easter table!

It would be very helpful for drop offs to come in before noon – it allows the volunteers to leave things tidy for the next swap shop day!

FMI Contact
vinalhavenswapshop@gmail.com

Union Church

~Welcomes You~

Sunday Services
11:00 am

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**Reverend
Jeffery Lewis**
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We are meeting in-person
and on Zoom

Please contact Betsy Walsh
at 4124 for Zoom link
information

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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.com

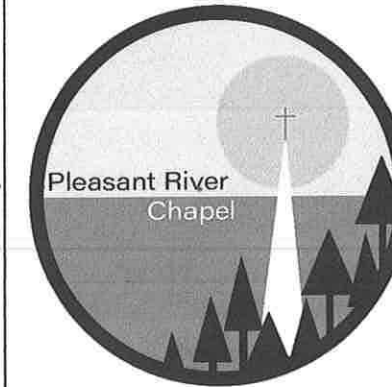
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Choir Practice Thursdays, at
3PM All are welcome

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Pastoral Care
Reverend Jeffery Lewis

Silent Meditation

Non-denominational
Upstairs in The Union Church
Tuesdays and Saturdays
5:00-5:30pm
All are welcome.

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



Pleasant River
Chapel
Pleasant River Chapel
Sunday, March 27th

Sharing Sunday

Service will be held on Zoom

Fellowship time at 8:30,
service at 9:00

All are welcome

For Zoom log-on info, email
pleasandrivchapel@gmail.com

Save the Date:
Drive-thru bean supper
April 9th

For pastoral care:
Bob Candage 863-4943

The Little Food Pantry...
is now located at The Union
Church on East Main Street.
Enter via the ramp door on the
left side of the building. Pantry
is open 24/7. This food is
available to anyone on
Vinalhaven experiencing a need.
No questions asked. Please call
Candi 863-2001 with questions



Pastor Jeff Winters

SUNDAY

9:30—Sunday School
Children (Pre-K to 5th) in
Parsonage
Adults in Church

10:30—Fellowship Time

11:00—Worship Service
Nursery Available

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
863-9944
www.obbc-vinalhaven.org



VINALHAVEN SCHOOL

NEW TEACHING POSITIONS,
SUBSTITUTES, & VOLUNTEERS

Vinalhaven School is currently advertising for:

1. First Grade Teacher
2. Middle/High School Social Studies Teacher
3. Special Education Teacher
4. Bus Driver

Contact Tina.Davidson@VinalhavenSchool.org
to request an application!



St. Patrick's Day at VHS

Did you know **Substitute Teacher** pay has increased and lunch is included?
And, we wrote federal grants to pay **Tutors** who would like to work with students.

What if I'm asked to teach a grade level or a subject area that makes me nervous?
Anytime we ask you to substitute, you are welcome to say no. Better yet, just let us know what subjects and grade levels you're comfortable with. It's important to us to help you have a good experience. When you have a positive day, students have a positive day.

How do I sign up? Is there a cost? Contact Tina.Davidson@VinalhavenSchool.org to request an application. Or stop by. It's not a complicated form. The real challenge is that everyone working at school is required to have current digital fingerprinting on file with the Department of Education. Tina can point you in the right direction. We have just started paying for your fingerprint application, and we are working at creating options closer to Vinalhaven for you to get digital fingerprints. *Your cost is traveling to a fingerprint location.*

What else do I need to know? Before your first day in a classroom, we'll make sure you know the daily routine, where to find lesson plans, how to sign up for lunch, how to take attendance and our expectations regarding student confidentiality. If you have questions, reach out to the principal, Monte Selby: Monte.Selby@VinalhavenSchool.org

Volunteers. We'd love to have more help at school with specific volunteer tasks. Volunteers can support some of the elementary teachers with specific tasks like helping students sound out words in a book, or practicing basic math facts. Other ideas? Help supervise recess, greet students in the morning by opening the door and saying hello, help clean up snow/mud/water in the hallway after recess, help supervise in the lunchroom (open milk cartons), help organize books in the library, help prepare the fields for sports events, or read with a student during Drop Everything And Read.

Volunteers who work directly with children may be asked to be fingerprinted. If so, the school will cover the Department of Education cost and help you with the process. If you're interested in being a school volunteer, contact Amanda Wentworth to talk about options. Amanda.Wentworth@VinalhavenSchool.org (207) 863-4800



HEAP HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

From MaineHousing

*Help paying for Heat!
All kinds of fuel qualify
including wood*

APPLICATIONS and
financial guidelines are
available in the **Union
Church Vestry**

If you qualify for HEAP there
are other programs you
could benefit from. The
Housing Committee is
working to make these
available. Please do not
hesitate to apply.

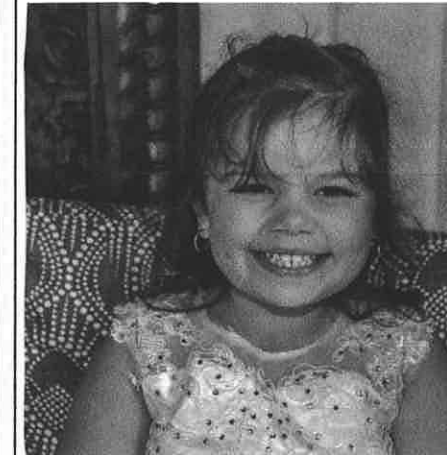
PLEASE CONTACT US

Elin Elisofon **867-4866**
Kathi Young
Ethan Warren
Barb Philbrook
Darline Beckman **863-2505**
Marjorie Stratton
Hooper Brooks
hooper.brooks@gmail.com

"When you change the way, you
look at things, the things you
look at change." *Max Planck*



KINDERGARTEN KIDS CLASS OF 2034

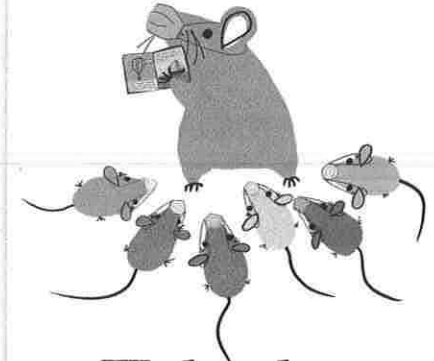


Oceanna Inez Small

What is your name? Oceanna Inez Small
How old are you? 5
When is your birthday? March 22nd
Who is in your family? Mama, Jaxon, Daddy,
Stephen, Mimmy, Uncle
Where do you live? On school road.
Do you have any pets? Yeah, a cat and a
dog and a bunny and two turtles and two
fishes.
Who is your best friend? Ida
What are your favorite foods? Baby yoda
What is your favorite toy? A squishy
What do you like best about kindergarten?
I can do math.
**What do you love most in the whole
world?** My brothers
Where do your mother and father work?
My mama cooks and my daddy hauls.
**What do you want to do when you are all
grown up?** A cop
What do you do after school? Play
**Tell us something about you that you think
we might want to know?** My favorite color
is yellow and pink.

Story Time

at the Vinalhaven Public Library



**Wednesdays
9am - 9:30**

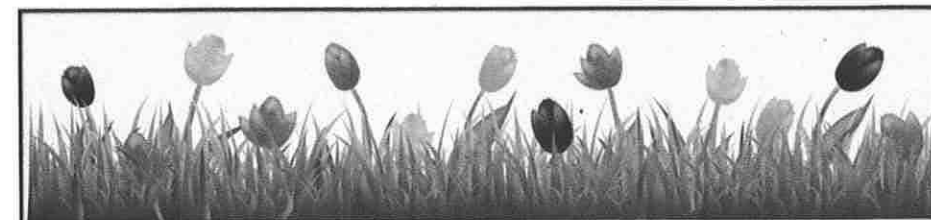
Join us for stories,
songs, & games

**for children
ages 1-4**

*Children must be
accompanied by an adult



National Physicians Week
Starting 3/25, appreciation
for their long hours, dealing
with difficult situations &
decisions and still manage to
care for us with focus and
kindness, doing their best to
improve the quality &
duration of life.



Tidbits from the Vinalhaven Historical Society

Class parts have been assigned to members of the Senior Class thus: Ada Bray, valedictory; Floyd Robertson, salutatory; Albert Ames, honor essay; Murray Hopkins, honor essay; Kenneth Anderson, prophecy; Ruth Morton, gifts; Ellen Burgess, class will. *Courier-Gazette Mar. 28, 1942*

Douglas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fabian Rosen, Jr., celebrated his 5th birthday, March 2, with a party at the home of his great aunt Mrs. Herbert Patrick at Rockland, where, with his parents, he has been spending the winter. The afternoon was merrily passed with each guest winning prizes. Douglas received many nice gifts. Refreshments of ice cream, cookies and a large prettily decorated birthday cake made by Douglas's great-great-grandmother, Mrs. Margie Chilles with delicious Swedish pastry made by his grandmother Mrs. Fabian Rosen, Sr., were much enjoyed. Present were Ivan Erickson, Joey Hughes, Ida Lawry, Sallie Stinson, Mark Young, Linda McAuliffe. The young guests were accompanied by their mothers, who also enjoyed the happy occasion. *Courier-Gazette Mar. 8, 1952*

On Monday afternoon, March 4, 1935 there were 28 clam diggers strung along the beach at the Herrmann Place.

This testimonial for a certain patent medicine speaks for itself. "Two months ago my wife could scarcely speak. She has taken two bottles of your *Life Renewer* and now can't speak at all. Send me two more bottles." *Vinalhaven Neighbor Mar. 23, 1938*

The weather has made it hard for the doctors this winter. They were seen making their professional calls on snowshoes as the roads were impassable to teams, owing to the large snowdrifts. The oldest inhabitant says, "The most snow ever." The logging crew at the Basin have quit work as there is nearly four feet of snow on a level in the woods. *Courier-Gazette Mar. 2, 1920*

One of the Booth Bros. of the huge New York Paving Combination is in town this week with a foreman to open the paving quarry at the Narrows. They commenced the construction of a wharf Monday. *Vinalhaven Echo March 8, 1888*

To celebrate her 3rd birthday Catherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lavon Ames was given a party Thursday afternoon by her grandmother, Julia at her home on Chestnut St. The afternoon was merrily passed with a variety of toys and Cathy received a large number of nice gifts. Two large birthday cakes, made by her grandmother and her aunt, Mrs. Isabelle Osgood, were served with ice cream from a daintily decorated table. The young guests were Elaine Osgood, Hazel and Linda Conary, Lee Osgood, Rachel Burgess, Lorraine Ames, Mary Catherine Bickford, Henrietta Anderson and Max Ames. Also present were Mrs. Vera Conary and Mrs. Louise Anderson. *Courier-Gazette Mar. 1, 1952*

Eileen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Pendleton celebrated her 4th birthday March 9, by entertaining a group of young friends at her home on Pleasant St. The afternoon was gaily passed with toys and games, Leeanne Healey winning the prize in the donkey game. Refreshments of ice cream and two birthday cakes added to the joy of the party. Eileen received many nice gifts. Present were Billy Mills, Johnny Haskell, Leeanne Healey, "Bartie" Hopkins, Nancy Tolman and Dickie Whittington. Eileen's grandmother, Mrs. Florence Pendleton, Mrs. Ethel Wooster and cousin Joel of North Haven and her baby sister were special guests. *Courier-Gazette Mar. 13, 1952*

A demure young woman sat in the lobby of the Thorndike Hotel Saturday afternoon awaiting the departure of the early afternoon train. She didn't blush when a friend addressed her as "Lieutenant." The young woman was Miss Elizabeth Gray of Vinalhaven bound for Camp Devens to become a member of a nursing unit and transferred to—well, your guess is as good as ours. Miss Gray is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gray, and graduated from Vinalhaven High School in 1934. She trained for nursing at St. Barnabas Hospital in Portland, and has lately been on the staff of the Boston Children's Hospital. A desire to be of greater service in this new world war led her to try admittance to the Navy, but some technicality prevented that and now she's in the Army, destined to be a very popular and efficient member of her nursing unit. *March 17, 1942*



National Medal of Honor Day – March 25th
Honoring the valor that the most courageous service men and women of the US military have displayed. Awarded by the US president. There have been 3,468 awarded to those who go above and beyond to help keep our country safe.



As the weather starts to turn and the spring season begins, it is time to put our flags out. How did your flag survive the winter? Do you have a flag to display this year? Anyone wanting to order a new flag please call Alan Barker @867-2116. I am placing a flag order on April 2nd. All proceeds benefit our American Legion Post. We can get U.S., Branch of Service and State flags. The post gets a break on shipping costs for larger orders, so please consider the Legion for all your flags and flag accessories. Thank you.

FOR SALE
2009 RINNAI GAS WALL HEATER

20,700 BTU'S

Direct vent to the outside included. Adapted for LP. Dimensions: 30"(wide) x 23" (high) x 10½ (depth)

\$950

Same unit is \$1900 new. Original manual included.

Call Dan at 863-2134.



Did you know...according to rumors, Lobster Newburg was invented in 1876. The theory begins in Delmonico's in NYC, Ben Wenberg created and gave his name to the dish, but an argument with the restaurant owner led to changing the dish's name to Newburg. In an online article, it is mentioned, "live cooking became an instant hit and almost immediately led to the creation of the first lobster pound in Vinalhaven." For more complete info, see "Lobster Newburg: Margaret Chase Smith's Promotion of a Maine Ingredient." The Recipes Project

Unofficial Official Fun Dates:
Mar. 24 Nat. Cheesesteak Day
Mar. 28 Respect your Cat Day

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real estate wreed@jaretcohn.com
Serving the Islands for 30 years



DYER ISLAND, VINALHAVEN
SHINGLED CAPE WITH DEEPWATER: 1.5 AC.
SUNSET VIEWS AT THE END OF THE ROAD.
HIDDEN AWAY SURROUNDED BY SPRUCE
LAWN DOWN TO THE WATER. **\$875,000.**

32 West Main Street, Vinalhaven, Maine 04863-0168

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MILL STREAM POND COTTAGE
WATERFRONT HOME THAT COULD BE EASILY
BE MADE YEAR ROUND. 11 PLUS ACRES WITH
1346' TIDAL FRONTAGE. 4 BEDROOM SEPTIC
SYSTEM, END OF THE ROAD PRIVACY,
NEW ROOF, LOVELY WOODED LOT. **\$495,000.**

wreed@jaretcohn.com

*March is... Women's
History Month*



**Maine Maple Market
Sunday
March 27, 12-3 pm**

The Vinalhaven Grange is hosting a Maine Maple Market event on Sunday, March 27th from Noon-3 PM at the Grange. Come enjoy all things maple!

Watch maple syrup being made. Peruse maple syrup related products for sale including maple donuts, cakes, drinks, ice cream, barbecue sauce, carved wood items, taffy, baked beans, maple trivets, etc.

Calling all Makers

Bring your maple-themed products to sell. These could be baked goods, carved items, or whatever you are inspired to create. Contact Jeanne Bineau Ames at 720-0056 if you'd like to participate.

*The Pleasant River Grange
is located on Round The Island
Road beside Vinal Cove.
Please carpool if possible.*

Brain Teaser

1 I have a head but no body, a heart but no blood. Just leaves and no branches, I grow without wood. What am I?

Kids Trivia

Famous Women-who was I?
1 I was only a teenager when I joined the Louis & Clark expedition...
2 I was arrested for voting in the presidential election of 1872...
3 As a young girl, I dreamt of living with wild chimps...
4 At college I was an amazing student & a really good tennis player...
5 As an African American child, living in the South, I couldn't attend school with white children...

Adult Trivia

A few of Women's Firsts
1 1st woman to win Nobel Peace Prize for Literature?
2 1st woman to be named TIME person of the year?
3 1st woman to run for president of the USA?
4 1st woman to earn a medical degree in the US?
5 1st female Supreme Court Justice?

Rebus Puzzles

1 **I'M 1,2,3**
U

2 **ANOTHER**
↓
ONE



"Every exit is an entry somewhere else." Ave Mateiu

WIND INFORMATION

AD SUBMISSIONS:
All items for *The WIND* must be submitted by email to: vinalhavenwind@gmail.com prior 9 o'clock PM Monday night.

NO WALK INS!

Community Calendar ads should be submitted by email to:

Windnonprofitads@gmail.com

AD RATES:

Non-Profit \$1.50 per inch
For Profit \$3.50 per inch
If over, we round up to the next inch
Column width: 2.25 inches, three columns per page.

FUNDRAISING:

The cost of fundraising ads \$1.50 per column inch. You can include payment with your ad or provide your mailing address so we can bill you.

NEW ADVERTISERS:

Please include your address for billing purposes.

PHOTOS:

Submitted for publications should be no less than 300dpi
Cost per photo \$10-40

PAYMENT: We do not accept any type of online payment, for ads and notices. (checks and cash)

ACCEPTANCE OF ANY ADVERTISING does not constitute an endorsement by *The WIND* of said product or service.

WINDs can be picked up in front of the Post Office, the ferry terminal, and the box at Todd's Garage.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

For subscriptions send \$55 to: *THE WIND*, PO Box 194, Vinalhaven, ME 04863.

Current subscribers check your address label for the date of renewal

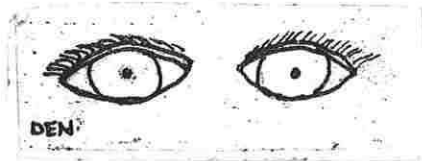
The Wind **AD BOX** will be available beginning April. The cut off time for submissions (ads removed from box) is **Sunday @ 6PM**. Please include billing address and/or payment with ad. Email submission info is still the same and no walk-ins.



Bleak House Archive

**THE VINALHAVEN FISHERMAN'S COOP
HIRING DOCK WORKERS
FOR THE 2022 SEASON
APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT THE GAS
STATION**

**NEW HOURS GAS STATION
MONDAY – SATURDAY 7:30AM TO 4:00PM
CLOSED SUNDAYS**



THE OBSERVER

Years ago, I was a realtor. I had a piece of property listed up at the head of the Basin. A fellow from New York saw my ad and sailed up from Long Island to take a look. The Basin is a special place and the folks who owned a seasonal place at its entrance were a special couple whose passion for protecting it was tangible. We called them the 'Keepers'. Only those intimately and inherently familiar with this special waterway ever motor in from the ocean and hardly anyone sails it—it's too treacherous. Tom, however, a scrupulous and capable sailor, after reading my ad for the property, had anchored offshore and rowed in on several occasions to completely familiarize himself with the tricky Basin entrance, the bottom, its hazards, and opportunities. When he finally decided to sail in on *Serenia*, his 32' Morgan sloop, he did so confidently and, while breezing through the entrance, responded to the alarm voiced by the 'Keepers' from the shore, with assurance that he was OK. He sailed straight through at slack tide and continued up to the northern extreme, to the former lobster pound, putting his keel precisely through the opening in the old dam's seawall, and anchored there right in front of the property he was interested in.

He did buy it and built his house looking down at that anchorage and out over the Basin and, for several wonderful years he and friends enjoyed intimate gatherings including one when Elaine and I paddled across from the Granite Island Bridge with a hot entrée and back again later that evening under a full moon. It was a memorable evening, and he was as loving a steward as the Keepers.

One fall, he invited me, Kent Corduan and Del Webster to crew with him as he sailed *Serenia* back to Long Island. On the appointed day we gathered at Burger Ped for breakfast. The wind was blowing a gale out of the northeast and, while Tom, as well as lobstermen dining nearby, cautioned that if any of us harbored a tender constitution we should not cast off, we opted to go. A week earlier we'd planned on this being a lovely and leisurely cruise and had stocked accordingly but twelve hours later we were 150 miles south at the Cape Cod canal and during many of those one or another of us was in the galley trying to remain upright while keeping a pan on the stove, braced with one foot against the hull and the other hand holding on to the overhead skuttle. Up on deck one of us was so indisposed that I'm not going to elaborate. Suffice to say, we didn't eat much. When we got to the Canal and began a more leisurely transition to Buzzards Bay, we were hounded by the impatient skipper of a big freighter just astern who felt we weren't moving fast enough. He kept bellowing over a loudspeaker, "Hey, *Serena*, we ain't got all day." Tom passed away last week at his home on Long Island at 92. Pc



Vinalhaven Eldercare Services are seeking out volunteers!

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www.icmsvh.org

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Counseling: 837-4057

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Hours of Operation

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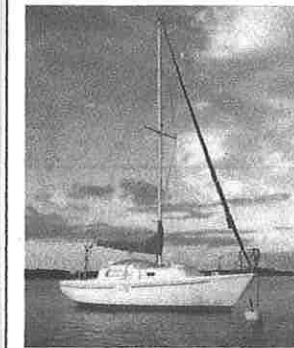
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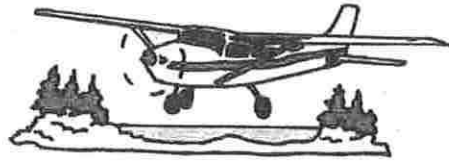
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SEARSMONT – Dennessa L. Benner-Hildings, 47, died unexpectedly, Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at Maine Medical Center in Portland, after suffering a medical event at her home the previous day.

Born in Rockland, April 3, 1974, she was the daughter of Henry, Jr. and Josephine Coolbroth Benner. ‘Nessa’ spent her early years in Port Clyde. She attended Rockland schools and after moving to Searsmont with her mother, attended Belfast schools.

In 1995 she moved to Vinalhaven with her boyfriend Foy Hildings. She enjoyed Vinalhaven where she worked at Dick Hilding’s *‘What’s Left Restaurant’*. She also enjoyed cooking for American Legion suppers and

later for public suppers held at the United Methodist Church in Searsmont. Nessa would often be found digging clams with Foy. She took great pleasure in telling Foy how and where to dig, although Foy having grown up on and around the island was the more experienced clammer.

Nessa married her best friend, Foy B. Hildings in Searsmont, November 22, 2003.

An avid crafter, in the past year Nessa taught herself how to crochett and shared many of the pieces she crafted with friends and family members. She also loved flower gardening.

On her birthday last year, Nessa received the special gift of her beloved dog *‘Frankie’*, which she said she loved more than anything else in this world ... *“except my husband!”*

For more than three years Nessa served as caregiver for her step-father, John Cushman, until his passing in May of 2019.

Other than her father, Henry Benner, Jr., Nessa was pre-deceased by her sister, Jolene G. Long; her nephew, Ryan Hayward and her mother-in-law, Mina Hildings. She is survived by her husband Foy B. Hildings; her mother, Josephine Cushman; four brothers, Joel Long, Jason Long, Jarred Long, Justin Long and their families; step-sons, Nicholas and Tyler Adkins and their families; two brothers-in-law, Richard *‘Dick’* Hildings, Lowell *‘Tom’* Hildings and his wife Jean, as well as many other extended family members.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 am, Friday, March 25, 2022, at Burpee, Carpenter & Hutchins Funeral Home, 110 Limerock Street, Rockland. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Searsmont Rescue, P.O. Box 56, Searsmont, ME 04973. To share a memory or story with Nessa’s family, please visit their online Book of Memories at www.bchfh.com



Spring 2022

WHAT’S HAPPENING AT THE PLEASANT RIVER CHAPEL?

Since we became an independent, non denominational Chapel in December of 2019, much has been going on and with the help of members of the congregation and the Board of Trustees, many good things continue to happen.

The monies raised for our Capital Fund have given us the opportunity to upgrade the kitchen to facilitate easier preparation of meals that have been used in our fund raising efforts. We have also been able to re-shingle and repair where wood had rotted on the building and also to rebuild the deck and outside stairs. Work was done on the chimney to prevent leakage into the office. New cabinets were built in the entryway to house tables and chairs.

This spring we plan to have the drainage at the front of the building fixed, and also repair the stained glass windows which have buckled with settling over the years. These projects will leave a big dent in the Capital Fund. And our wish list continues to grow!

It has been very exciting to us to have added an “Outreach/Mission line item to our operating budget. We decided that at least 1/3 of the profit from each of our fund raising projects would be devoted to this and we have also received generous donations to this account. We have donated to local families in need, as well as to charities in other parts of the world that are helping with medical and educational needs of children. In addition to this, several members of our congregation are sponsoring students in Uganda so they have the ability to be educated and continue to be housed in a safe place.

Our Event Committee is actively planning dinners and activities for the rest of this year. Dinners will continue to be “drive through” events until we are all more comfortable about gathering in small spaces. Our next one, a bean supper, will be held on April 9th.

When COVID-19 became a problem here on the island, we started hosting our remote Sunday worship services. This has helped us, keep in closer contact with congregants from all over the country, and at times, the world. We are most grateful to the tech-wise members who have stepped forward to make this happen. Our current plan is to continue with Zoom, even after we open the doors once again to worshipping inside the Chapel. We will open for Easter Sunday services this year (April 17th) and then resume with Zoom only until we can open for good, with breakfast time, hopefully in the middle of June.

Our services continue to be ecumenical and non denominational. Speakers range from ordained ministers of different faiths to lay people with various religious backgrounds, We have enjoyed participating with Union Church and The North Haven Church in some services, while maintaining our autonomy in others. We are grateful that there are several active church communities on the island with each fulfilling spiritual needs of many individuals. Members of our congregation are active helping other groups in the community such as Lunch Box, Meals on Wheels, Food Pantry, Community Outreach and Eldercare.

The Board of Trustees meets every month on the 2nd Monday at 4:00pm, currently via Zoom. Our meetings are open to anyone who wishes to come – just let us know so we can send you the log-on information. In the meantime, do not hesitate to contact any one of us with your ideas, hopes and concerns. We need your input to help us keep the Chapel as we all dreamed it would be when we became independent.

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