



Hanging baskets, seedlings,
& spring produce

Nursery Open
Monday-Friday 1-4
Saturday 10-1
Farm Stand Open
Saturday 10-1

See you at the farm!

Visit our online shop at
www.rhfarmvh.com

144 Roberts Cemetery Road
rhfarmvh@gmail.com
[@robertsharborfarm](https://www.instagram.com/robertsharborfarm)



The Sand Bar

863-4500 * Dine-In or Take-Out
Open for Lunch, Dinner & Cocktails
11 am - 9 pm (8 pm Sunday)
Closed Mondays

Trivia Friday @ 7 pm

Order food online @
www.sandbarvinalhaven.com
Cocktails to-go available with
takeout orders!

Check our Fb for daily specials

Coming soon...Music Bingo!



Adult Trivia Answers

- 1 Jimi Hendrix
- 2 True (all were named Lucille)
- 3 Gibson
- 4 Fender Stratocaster
- 5 Les Paul

Kids Trivia Answers

- 1 Dolphins
- 2 Blue Whale
- 3 A long tooth
- 4 Beaver
- 5 Venus flytrap

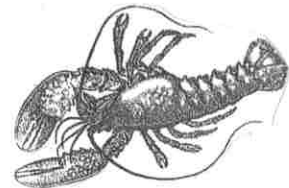
Vinalhaven Taxi

207-720-0056

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

GREET'S EATS

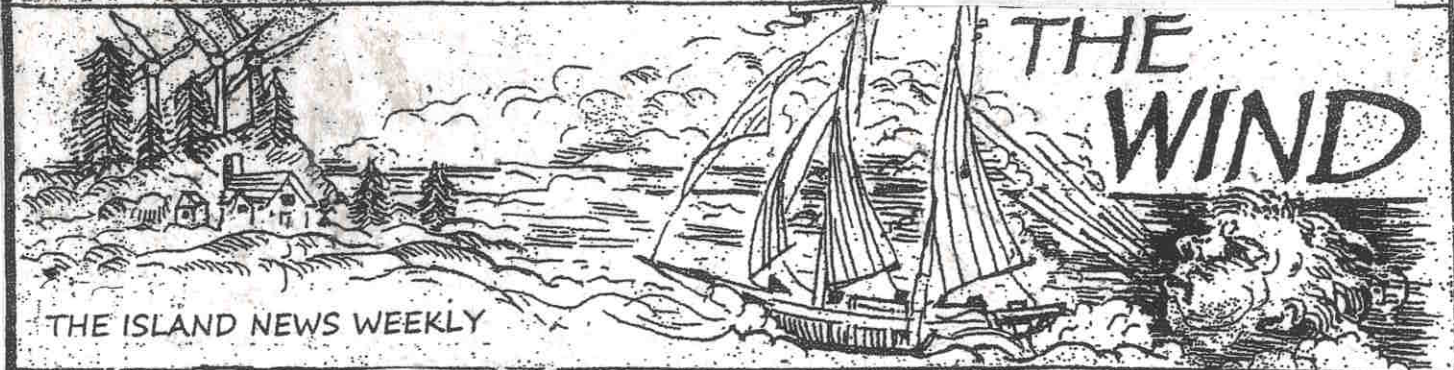
Opening Soon!
We need to do a few repairs first,
but we can't wait to see you!



May 20th is World Bee Day
Bees & other pollinators are
Fundamental for the health
of our ecosystems & food security!

P.O. BOX 194, VINALHAVEN, ME 04863

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION: \$55



THE ISLAND NEWS WEEKLY

May 18 - May 24, 2023

E-MAIL: vinalhavenwind@gmail.com

Place Mailing Label Here

We are approaching one year since the passing of Kirk Hansen, beloved husband, father, and grandfather. His family would like to thank everyone for their generosity honoring Kirk's memory. The Vinalhaven community always held a special place in Kirk's heart.
With gratitude,
The Hansen Family

Boston Post Cane Awarded

Sunday, May 14, at the Union Church, The Boston Post Cane Certificate was presented to Marion Philbrook Tolman, Vinalhaven's oldest citizen.
Congratulations Marion!
From all of us at the Vinalhaven Historical Society

ATTENTION: Please have traps, gear, etc. moved from the Main Street parking lot by Monday, May 22nd, to allow Public Works to sweep the parking lot for the Memorial Day Celebration!!



To all advertisers, please have your ads in by Monday 7PM, earlier if possible, so there is time to prepare the ad, if needed, and/or ask questions. Any ads sent after 7PM may not be printed. Any questions or concerns please call Torry, 863-9926

Last Meals on Wheels will be 5/24 & will begin again in October.

Friends of the Library Meeting

Thursday, May 18
9 am

In person in the Library Reading Room and via Zoom

We're looking for new people, new ideas, and new energy to help the library flourish! Come to a meeting and see what the Friends are all about!

Please email for link:
FriendsofVHLibrary@gmail.com

Wind delivery update...
We will start receiving The Wind again on Thursdays, starting May 25th.

AIO is Thursday, May 18th, 3pm, Union Church Vestry

dot & millie's

restaurant & bar

opening for the season Thursday, May 25

Thursday - Saturday
beginning at 5:00pm
tables by reservation

bar seating is first come, first serve

book online at resy.com or call 207-863-2300

Thank You Linda Davis



On behalf of the Park Commission, we would like to thank Linda Davis for her commitment and dedication in keeping the State Beach clean and picked up so everyone can enjoy the area! Thank you Linda!!
LET'S ALL HELP KEEP THE AREA CLEAN!

\$10 Dollar Treasuahh Clue inside this week's Wind!

Town of Vinalhaven Information

www.townofvinalhaven.org

Calendar

Board of Selectmen - Tuesday, May 23 at 5pm
All Town Departments Closed Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day
Board of Selectmen - Tuesday, June 6 at 5pm
Pre-Planning Board - Wednesday, June 7 at 7pm

Notices

Annual Town Meeting will be June 21, 2023, 5:30pm, at the Vinalhaven School Auditorium
Town Manager, Marjorie Stratton, will be out of the office May 24 through May 31.

The Transfer Station is not accepting electronics (TVs or computers) or hazardous waste (oil or paint) for now! Please contact Kenny or Luther if you have any questions! 863-4306

Project Schedule - Weeks of 5/22 & 29: Paving, signs, loam, line striping, and cleanup.

2022-2023 Property Taxes - Tax bills were mailed out on September 8, 2022. Tax bills were sent to the owner of record on April 1, 2022. If you sold your property after April 1, 2022, it's up to you to forward the tax bill to the new owner. Payments are due on November 1, 2022, and May 1, 2023. Interest will accrue November 2, 2022 and May 2, 2023. Please call the Town Office at 863-4471 or 863-4343 if you have any questions.

Dog Licenses - \$25 late fee is now in place for all unregistered dogs. 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 dog 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 dogs to Vinalhaven if these guidelines are followed.

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.

Swap Shop - Used goods recycling at the former Public Works Garage. Open Sat 9am-1 pm and occasional pop-ups.

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, vinalhavenassessor@gmail.com; hours vary

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

Director of Public Works/Town Garage - Millie Martin, 863-2063,
vhdpw@townofvinalhaven.org

Library - Summer hours as of April 1: Tuesday/Thursday 1-7pm, Wednesday/Friday 9am-5pm, and Saturday 9am-Noon; 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, 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



The second half of property taxes was due May 1st! Interest accrues daily until payment is received!

Invitation To Bid Mowing and Maintenance

The Town is requesting sealed bids to furnish services as identified within the bid package available at the Town Office or on the website.

Summary of Services: In general, the Town seeks mowing services for town-owned property including cemeteries and parks. Services include, but are not limited to: mowing, edging, weed control, and debris removal and disposal.

Sealed bids must be submitted to the Town Manager no later than Friday, May 19, 2023 at noon, and should be marked "Bid for Mowing Contract" on the outside. Bids will be opened Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at the Selectboard Meeting.



URGENT HELP! Housing for Year-Round Deputy

The Knox County Sheriff's Office has hired a new deputy for Vinalhaven!

If you have any leads on an apartment or house large enough for a family with two children, please let us know!

Please contact Marjorie E. Stratton,
Town Manager 863-2042

May 22- National Maritime Day
Honors & celebrates the
Merchant Marines

Emergency Medical Services Week 5/21-27

Gratitude for and awareness of services provided by EMS providers, doctors, nurses, ambulance drivers and helpline responders.



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

"Not all positive changes feel positive in the beginning."
S.C. Lourie

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

Union Church

~ Welcomes You ~

Sunday Services
11:00 am

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Guest Speaker
Faye Grant

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

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Our Sunday School program for pre-K and up is at 9:30-10:15am
(10:15-10:30am will be snack time)

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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.

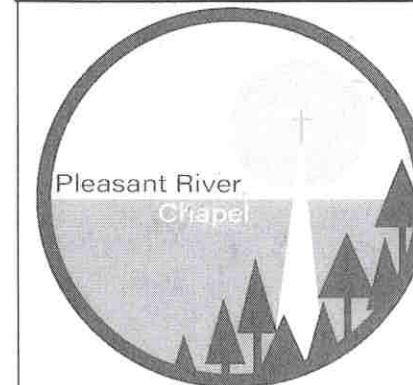
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Pastoral Care
Reverend Jeffrey Lewis



Silent Meditation

Non-denominational

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



Pleasant River Chapel

Sunday, May 21, 2023

This Service will be held via Zoom and in person at the Chapel, for Zoom log-on info, email pleasantriverchapel@gmail.com

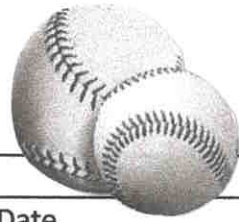
Breakfast at 8,
Fellowship time at 8:30,
service at 9:00
All are welcome!

Our Sprucing Up Day is this Saturday, May 20th at 9:30am!

If you are interested in using the Pleasant River Chapel, please contact Pete at 207-551-4483 or by email at ppedersen1842@gmail.com

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

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



Vinalhaven Softball/Baseball Schedule 2023

Softball				
Date	Opponent	Start Time	Location	Ferry Times
19 May (Fri)	HOME Forest Hills	11 AM	Kent's Hill	7 AM/4:30 PM
19 May (Fri)	HOME Forest Hills	1 PM	Kent's Hill	
26 May (Fri)	AWAY Valley	3 PM	Valley	8:45 AM
26 May (Fri)	AWAY Valley	5 PM	Valley	
27 May (Sat)	AWAY Valley	9 AM	Valley	2:45 PM

Baseball				
Date	Opponent	Start Time	Location	Ferry Times
19 May (Fri)	HOME Forest Hills	11 AM	Kent's Hill	7 AM/4:30 PM
19 May (Fri)	HOME Forest Hills	1 PM	Kent's Hill	
25 May (Thu)	HOME Valley	11 AM	Vinalhaven	N/A
25 May (Thu)	HOME Valley	1 PM	Vinalhaven	

PRE-K REGISTRATION & SCREENING

Registration & Screening for the 23-24 school year will take place on May 26, starting at 8 AM in the preK room. If your child is eligible for preK (turning 4 years of age on or before October 15, 2023) please contact the Vinalhaven School office at 863-4800 to set up an appointment. You must bring copies of your child's birth certificate and immunization record to your appointment. Please contact Cherie Doughty at:

cherie.doughty@vinalhavenschool.org

with questions or call 863-4800 X1179.

Unofficial Official Fun Days!

- 5/18 - Visit your Relatives Day
- 5/19 - Plant Something Day
- 5/19 - Pizza Party Day

5/20 National Rescue Dog Day

A chance to give a good home to a dog who may have been abandoned and/or unwanted, through adoption or fostering.

Pecha Kucha Presentations

The Vinalhaven Community is invited to attend the Junior/Senior (and a few selected Sophomore) Pecha Kucha presentations. Presentations are on Wednesdays in the school auditorium from 2:30-3:40PM.

Schedule is as follows:

- May 17 - Emilie O, Gracey W, Adelle W, Meagan D, Kailyn H
- May 24 - Payton W, Tanner L, Isaiah M, Charlie S.



Warbler Walk

Sunday, May 21st

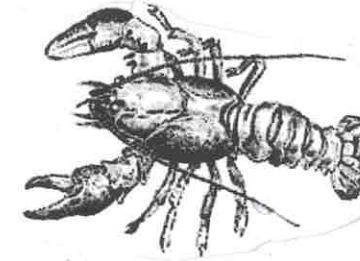
At Lanes Island at 7:30am

Nothing announces springtime like the melodies of songbirds! Join us for a 1-2 hour walk, with ornithologist John Drury. Learn techniques to identify both the plumage and the calls of the various warblers that migrate through our island! This program will involve easy hiking, with plenty of stops to watch, listen and enjoy the spring scenes.

Dress for the weather and expect potential damp uneven terrain. Boots, binoculars and a camera are encouraged if you have them.

For more information:

vinalhavenlandtrust.org/calendar-of-events
info@vinalhavenlandtrust.org



Job Opening

Stewardship Coordinator

Vinalhaven Land Trust is seeking a Stewardship Coordinator (SC) to join the team fulfilling the organization's mission to carefully and responsibly manage the lands that it protects, both fee and easement. The successful candidate will have a strong commitment to conservation and be able to take initiative. Must have a positive attitude, with excellent communications and land management skills. The SC must be able to work alone and with volunteers. This is a part-time position with flexible hours, a health insurance stipend and simple IRA contribution plan.

Please submit resume and cover letter to

andrea.hogan@vinalhavenlandtrust.org

FOR RENT

By the Week/Month
4 Bedroom - 2 Bath
In Town
Ideal for Tradesmen

207-475-5216

Harbor Master Notice

Harbor Wharf is your wharf to use for your convenience to do your business. It is not your personal garbage dump. Most people have enough respect for their fellow fishermen to take care of their equipment, rope, buoys, tanks, traps, and equipment, and pick up after themselves. A few of you people who use the wharf must not have any respect for your fellow fishermen as you leave your junk rope, traps, equipment and trash with no regard for the rest of the fishermen that use the wharf. This is not acceptable. If any of you see or know of the people that I am referring to please say something to them. Tell them to pick up after themselves, move their tanks, take their junk, and be considerate of the rest of us.

As Harbor Master it is not my job to be trash man to you few people. So with that in mind please pick up after yourselves. Keep the wharf clean and junk free! Move your tanks. Take your used oil buckets. Pick up your beer cans. Move your tailers from the road-side parking area.

Next week I will have the town crew at the Harbor wharf to remove all the equipment that has obviously been abandoned. Traps that are obviously being taken care of will not be bothered but everything else will be removed.

Jim Knowlton
Harbor Master

Absentee Ballots Now Available for Elections to be held on June 13th, 2023, at the Vinalhaven Town Office -

All absentee ballot requests must be received by the clerk by the close of business on Thursday, June 8th, 2023.

All absentee ballots must be received by the clerk by the close of polls (8:00 PM) on Tuesday, June 13th, 2023.

Town of Vinalhaven Annual Election

Selectman - 3 - Year Term
Vote for Two (2)

Anthony, Thomas W.

MSAD #8 - Director
(School Board) - 3 - Year Term
Vote For One (1)

Dempster, Susan

A write-in vote MUST be counted if voter intent is clear, even if the name is misspelled or a nickname is used, and the requirement that the box or square to the left of the name must also be marked, no exceptions.

MSAD #8 - Budget Validation Referendum

Question 1: Do you favor approving the Maine School Administrative District No. 8 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest District budget meeting?

Vinalhaven Water District** Annual Election

Trustee - 3 - Year Term
Vote For One (1)

Alley, Pamela Conway

**When voting for Trustees - Per Title 35-A § 6410-1 Voters who reside outside the territorial limits of the standard water district are NOT eligible to vote.

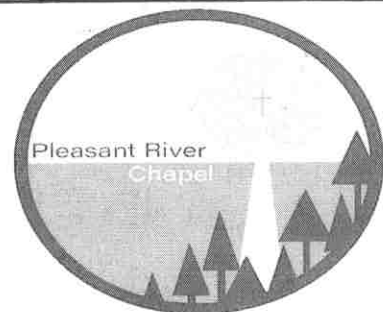
**KINDERGARTEN KIDS
CLASS OF 2035**



Shelby Thompson

How old are you? I am six.
When is your birthday? My birthday is in the winter.
Who is in your family? Jayda, Mom and Dad.
Where do you live? I live on East Boston Road in Maine.
Do you have any pets? My dog Remy is 13. My Dad doesn't like kitty cats.
Where do your parents work? My Mom works sometimes as a substitute for school and my Dad gets lobsters.
What is/are your favorite foods? I like a lot of candy. My favorite is cotton candy and Coke.
What is your favorite color(s)? Gold and Pink.
What do you like best about being in kindergarten? Math. I am good at it and I can do it quick. I like adding, money and word problems.
What do you like to do after school? I sit down with my iPad on the couch and play road blocks. It has a restaurant game!
What do you want to do when you are all grown up? I don't really know. Maybe a teacher like Mom and Ms. Brooke.
If you could be any animal in the world, what would you be and why? A koala because I watch a koala show and it is really cool. They eat a special kind of leaf. I think it is eucalyptus!!
What is something special about you that we should know. I have nothing secret about me. My friends know everything about me because they are my besties.
What do you love most in the whole world? Candy. I love it! I love family and movie night, too.

May 20th is Armed Forces Day
 Established in 1949, a single day celebration for all 5 branches of the United States military.



**PLEASANT RIVER
CHAPEL SPRUCING UP
DAY ON SATURDAY
MAY 20TH STARTING AT
9:30AM**

It is spring and it is time to spruce up a place that we all love to go to. It has been a long winter; the grounds need to be raked, ruts filled, flowers tended and planted, some bushes trimmed. Inside the chapel there are a few projects that can be enjoyed by someone who would prefer to be inside instead of outside. For outside jobs, we have limited supplies. We can use clippers and rakes. Please bring what you can. Come Help Us by giving a half hour, or an hour, or a few hours. We will have coffee early and throughout the morning and hot dogs and chips will be served at 11:30AM.



**VH Eldercare fundraising
is looking for artists
interested in painting small
furniture and other pieces
to be auctioned.**
 Call/text/email Shelby:
 603-724-5803
shsmith261@gmail.com



OBSERVER

From my grandfather's (crewman on the gov. Bodwell) diary: It's a brisk late spring morning in 1923 and the *Governor Bodwell* is docked at Tillson's Wharf in Rockland preparing for a return departure. The deckhands began their day early this morning in Vinalhaven when they were woken from their bunks in the forward berth. Now they wheel dollies loaded with freight down ramps to the main deck where other crewmen pack cartons, bales, crates of merchandise, groceries, small livestock, and feed into the roomy freight storage area. Passengers are arriving from the nearby railway after an all-night trip from Boston. Wearing a stiff, black-visored cap that identifies him as the ticket agent, a tall man with a vest and bow tie passes out tickets stamped: Vinalhaven-Rockland Steamboat. The deck hands now wrestle the larger traveling bags and trunks down the ramp for storage below. Carrying hand luggage the passengers cross an elevated gangway to the salon, second deck above the waterline. Here they can relax in comfort and enjoy the ride. Surrounded by clean windows, it boasts oak chairs with velour upholstery, fine carpets, paneled walls, fresh white paint, polished brass fittings, and two comfortable lavatories. If any become indisposed, they can retire to the "Ladies Cabin" on the main deck, aft of the galley. A private retreat much appreciated by voyagers, this comfortable room is furnished in wicker, colorfully upholstered; furnished with plenty of comfortable chairs and a sofa, tables, curtains to draw over portholes, and wall-to-wall carpeting. Adjacent is an immaculate and well-furnished ladies' lavatory. As sailing time draws near the purser emerges from his own stateroom just aft of the salon smartly attired in a crisp clean uniform. His job is to collect tickets and provide unrelenting goodwill among the sea-going public. He is the right man for the job, having been at it for so long he recalls important events in the lives of nearly everyone and calls them all by name. E.F.Maddox



**Islands Community Medical
Services**

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

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
 Kathleen Coleman, ANP
 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



**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 Dan Keniston, LCSW at (207) 837-4057.

We have appointments available by telemedicine through Zoom. We are offering a free visit for anyone who is struggling during challenging times. You can call Dan directly.

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, 4:30pm Mondays and Thursdays, please email vinalhavenalanon@gmail.com

Help is also available from Maine Al-Anon maineafg.org (207)284-1844 and al-anon.org

Notice

The WINDS are available online (on the 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!

OCEANSIDE GETAWAY

Take a digital break. Relax off-screen. Watch the osprey nesting and the eagle soar. Catch the changing tide & lobstermen pulling their pots. Beach and coastline to explore. 3 bedrooms, kitchen, electric & shower. \$775 per week.
 Call: (212) 427-7654
 Email: ecapen@lansco.com

**Overeaters Anonymous
Meeting**

6 PM Tuesday
 Downstairs at the Union Church

Compulsive over or under-eating, food addiction, anorexia, bulimia, binge eating or over-exercising...no matter your challenge with food or body image, you will be welcome here and find support for your recovery.

AA

Tuesday 7:00 PM
 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.

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

Pride of Ownership

My wife grew up in southern Maine and over the course of our marriage we traveled to Maine to visit her family and friends. At some point the notion occurred to us that there was much more to Maine than the southern coast, as nice as it is. So, I sought out an opportunity to rent a vacation house for a week in another part of Maine. I found an offering in the New York Times for a cottage on Vinalhaven. The idea of a place on an island off the coast of Maine fed into my daydreaming fantasies. The first experience some 50 years ago, lived up to every imaginable expectation: rugged coast, green forests, granite rocks with crashing waves and a village with history and charm. We would return every couple of years over the next fifty years with our attachment growing each time and with a fondness developing for the island in our children and then our grandchildren.

After a while, as is common with island visitors, we took an interest in a more long-term place. At first it was just ogling the real estate offerings and then looking at available homes for sale. The notion that we could afford to rent a place once every couple of years that was far more appealing than we could afford to purchase, held back any actual move. I have developed a sympathy for those who have to cater to summer renters like ourselves. We had real intentions but not the wherewithal. We were accorded gracious attention and good spirits from those who represent the sellers and who had to endure a waste of time and energy. Eventually we retired and wanted to spend more time on the island. It was a now or never moment. A great surprise occurred when my wife and I both agreed on one of the available places. Finally, we had a home on the island, a small seasonal place but a comfortable, tree surrounded retreat. This is where the pride of ownership comes about. I viewed the cottage as ours, a family gathering place hopefully for generations. Now a few years have passed, and we have spent blissful summers there.

Slowly it became apparent to me that we are owners in our imagination only. There are many beings beside us residing there and for far much more time than we do. Some are adversaries, the army of spiders that set up webs throughout the house over the winter and who reappear with great rapidity after my wife's attacks. They seem to be an endless army that invades wave after wave sacrificing legions in the onslaught. Eventually some balance emerges, and the levels recede to a tolerable state. Of course, the other major invaders are the mice. My wife does not harbor the live-and-let-live perspective of the spiritually enlightened or of those accustomed to country living. Consequently, out come the traps and the carnage of warfare follows. Snapping sounds during the middle of the night result, and early morning body count ensues. Again, a balance is achieved, and fewer mice present themselves either because of reduced numbers or the fact that the mice have gained a greater familiarity with traps.

These cottage inhabitants are far outnumbered by those we share "our" property with. The osprey return each year to nest and fledge the next offspring. All summer long we hear the sounds of the young demanding food. Toward the end of the summer, we watch the young attempt to fly with all the shrieking and terror it holds for them. There is a party of Blue Jays that make a regular appearance. It is always mesmerizing to watch as one perches on a limb of our dying apple tree. Then there are the robins who descend on our lawn picking at the eatables in the grass. Songbirds come through and flutter from tree to tree. Being an incompetent birder, I have little success identifying them. At night the hooting of the local owl lets us know of another resident. One time, while walking along the shoreline, I watched a crow perched upon a rock. As I neared the end of the strand, it did not fly away but merely jumped down into some crevice, annoyed by my intrusion to his territory. I soon retreated.

One form of entertainment is to watch the evening rise of insects from the lawn at dusk into the air above. It is a living wave of life but even more spectacular are the aerobatics of the dragon flies. Nothing human made can match the agility and maneuverability of a dragon fly intercepting insects. For me, it is a marvel to watch.

Beneath the layers of grass are the grubs. We know this because each spring we find the lawn ravaged, raked up and savaged. Apparently, the end of winter offers little else for our neighborhood raccoons and deer. We rarely see these large mammals during the summer. What we do see on an almost daily basis is rabbit. For a few years there were two that made a regular appearance. When we addressed them, they would stare up at us, sometimes continuing to nibble undeterred but usually sliding away. I found a bone of a rabbit with some fur still attached year before last. Now, it appears that a young rabbit has the whole yard to himself. He/she is friendly and is willing to tolerate us for the most part. There are other inhabitants, I am sure. When I put out the deceased mice, something removes them overnight. Could be several possibilities. This year the trail camera will go up to identify them...

So now I realize that we do not own this house or land. For a short time, we merely share it with a host of other beings, each of which has a much greater familiarity and attachment to it. I appreciate that. My only desire is that they pay their share of the taxes.

Submitted by Lindsey Grandison

Tidbits from the Vinalhaven Historical Society

Corp. Clarence Kneeland, who is with the 10th Mountain Division in Italy, received the Bronze Star medal and Good Conduct Award May 13, for outstanding bravery and efficiency under combat, and the citation accompanying the awards. A picture was taken of Corp Kneeland while Brig. Gen. David Ruffona was pinning the medal on him. (? Year)

Next Friday the 6th & 7th grades of the Lincoln School will visit the Washington School at the usual music period for patriotic singing in preparation for Memorial Day. The 6th-9th grades from both schools will sing at Memorial Hall at the evening lecture. *May 20, 1919*

Herbert E. Smith has been in town the past week installing a patent fish dryer for the Lane & Libby Fisheries Co. The capacity of this dryer is from 200 to 300 quintals which it will dry in 24 to 36 hours. *May 22, 1920*

Franz Hermann recently purchased Capt. Elisha Roberts' place at Roberts Harbor. Frank Rossiter, Sr., and family will reside on the premises as caretakers. *May 30, 1916*

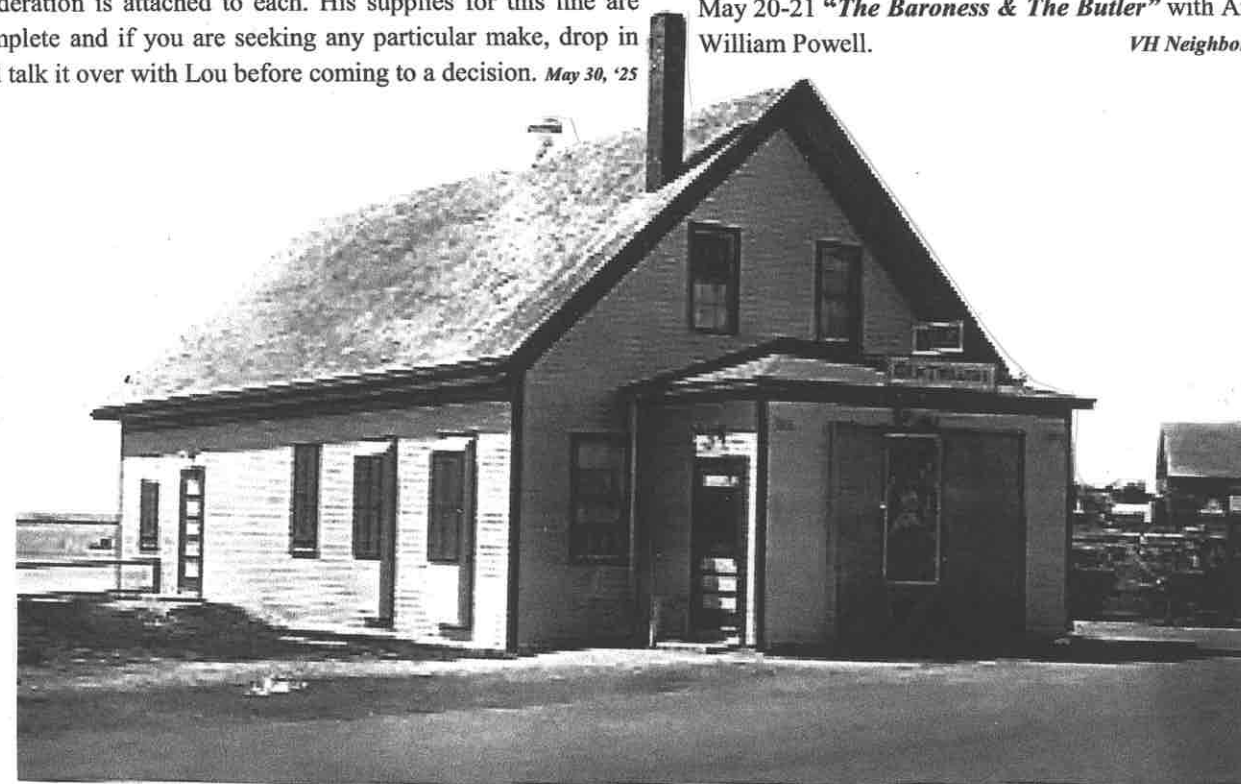
Lou's Place: Louie Merrithew is proprietor of this place of business as he has been for the past five years. His store is equipped with a fresh and up-to-date stock of ice cream, confectionery and many other delicacies. In addition, he has a number of radios, nationally advertised sets, and a price of moderation is attached to each. His supplies for this line are complete and if you are seeking any particular make, drop in and talk it over with Lou before coming to a decision. *May 30, '25*

Allen Middleton observed his 15th birthday Saturday at the School Street ball ground. More than 500 of the home folks and some very interested guests who came from Damariscotta by airplane helped him celebrate. He furnished 15 strikeouts and his team gave him 15 runs to make a fitting observance of his 15th birthday. A good time was enjoyed by all. Score: Vinalhaven High 15, Lincoln Academy 1. *May 19, 1931*

Miss Priscilla Chilles recently entertained a group of young friends at the home of her aunt Mrs. Herbert Patrick. The occasion was in honor of her 9th birthday. Games were played and the little hostess received many nice gifts. Lunch was served and included a large birthday cake, fruit punch and assorted fancy cookies. The guests were Jane Libby, Thelma Bright, Mary Johnson, Matia Robinson, Marion Philbrook, Evelyn Hopkins, Ruth Carver, Norma Phillips, Glenda Malstrom, Marilyn Carver, Marise Gray, Herbert Conway, Wyvern Winslow, Herbert Peterson and Harold Chilles. Miss Gertrude Vinal, her teacher, was also present. *May 19, 1934*

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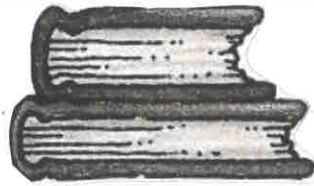
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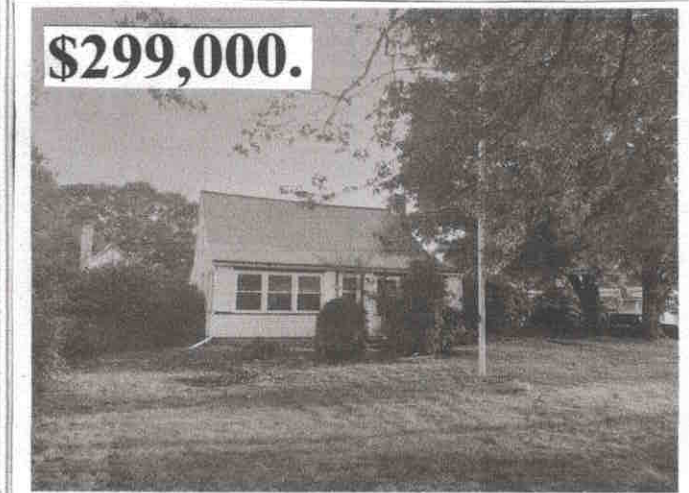


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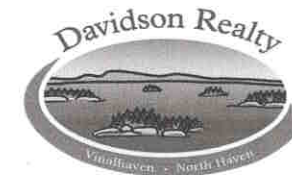
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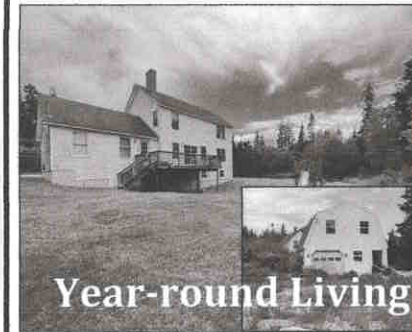


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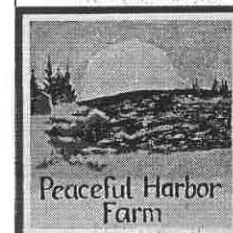
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5/21: VLT Warbler Walk, 7:30 am, LI

6/15: VLT Bird Walk, 8 am, SP

6/19: VLT Exec Director Stroll, 8 am, SP

6/29: Bean Supper, 6, UC

6/20: Summer Solstice Potluck, 6:30, PRG

6/20: PRG & VLT - All About Fireflies, 7:30 - 9, PRG

6/22: VLT Bird Walk, 8 am, SP

6/25: Farm & Garden Tour, 1 - 4:30, All Over

7/9: Thanking Bob & Lois Candage for their Service, 2, PRC

7/13: Bean Supper, 6, UC

7/22: Drive by Lobster Dinner, 4:30 - 6:30, UC

7/23: Pet Show, 2-4, PRG

7/27: Bean Supper, 6, UC

7/30: Summer Flower Show, 1-4, PRG

7/30: Cassatt Quartet's PIE Benefit Concert, TBD, UC

LI: Lane's Island

PRC: Pleasant River Chapel

PRG: Pleasant River Grange

SG: School Gym

SP: Skoog Park

UC: Union Church

VLT: Vinalhaven Land Trust

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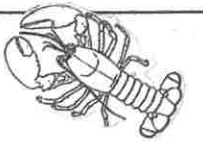
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Housing Committee

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- 1 Which famous guitarist was left-handed and compensated by playing a right-handed guitar upside-down?
- 2 Famous blues artist B.B. King gave all his guitars the same name (T or F)?
- 3 Les Paul collaborated on design with which company?
- 4 Which type of guitar, that 1st appeared in 1954, is considered the most played in rock history?
- 5 What was the stage name of Lester William Polsfuss, pioneer and designer of electric guitars?

Kids Trivia

Innovating Nature

- 1 Which animals identify each other by a special whistle?
- 2 Which animal makes a sound that can be heard 1,000 miles away?
- 3 A narwhal is a small whale with one long straight tusk. What is the tusk?
- 4 We can control rivers with dams. Which animal showed us how?
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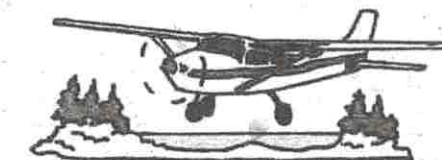
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More information to come in future
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Vinalhaven Celebrates Committee

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and play

I'm hiding in a ___ and away
Atop a ___ under a humble seat
You'll find a tiny ___ and ___ to
complete.

~Captain Hook



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www.islandspeakeasy.com



Dear Vinalhaven Parents and Community:

Softball & Baseball players are representing Vinalhaven School well as they continue to practice each day, play home games, and travel (often requiring overnight stays). Saturday, the softball team played at home. Between games, **seniors** Maddie Miller and Callie Warren were honored during the rose ceremony!

Save the date: The VH School spring **music concert** is Tuesday, May 23, 6:00 p.m.

The new schedule reminder. During May and June, we will extend each Wednesday 1 hour (8:00 – 3:40). We will also add one extra day to the calendar, making the last day of school an early release on Friday, June 16. **Graduation is 6/17/2023!**

Job Postings. To apply for a **community custodian** position to help with special weekend or summer events, contact our business manager for an *application* at Tina.Davidson@VinalhavenSchool.org.

Want to **serve on an interview** committee? Contact Monte.Selby@VinalhvenSchool.org

All Parents (& community) Invited. Share ideas, ask questions, and give feedback regarding our school! Join me for **coffee, donuts** and discussion in the conference room on **Monday, June 5, at 8:05 a.m.** No membership / No requirements.

Questions? Call or email me! See you then,

Dr. Monte Selby, Principal/Superintendent



WE'RE HERE TO HELP: SETTLE YOUR BALANCE AND BREATHE EASY!

ICMS is excited to announce the launch of our new "We're Here to Help" program aimed at reducing the number of unpaid medical bills associated with ICMS patient accounts. Our goal is to work with our patients to ensure that they receive the best possible care while also maintaining the financial stability of our clinic.

The program includes a variety of resources to help patients manage their outstanding balances, including insurance counseling, payment plans, and financial assistance programs for those who are experiencing financial hardship. We are also implementing new procedures to pursue unpaid bills more aggressively, including updates to our Patient Responsibility Policy.

We understand that medical bills can be a burden, and **we want to work with our patients** to help them manage their outstanding balances. We believe that working together to resolve outstanding bills is an essential part of providing the best possible care to our patients.

We encourage our patients to connect with us to discuss their options for payment plans and financial assistance programs. **Our team is here to help**, and we are committed to ensuring that every patient receives the care they need and deserve.

For more information on the new program, please contact the Executive Director at 207-863-4109 or visit our website at www.icmsvh.org.

LAST CALL FOR FREE MODERNA BIVALENT VACCINE!

If you or your child are 6 months and older you may now get the Moderna Bivalent Vaccine for either your primary series or your booster dose. Please note there is a small administration fee of \$21.58 payable to ICMS.



We have a limited supply so please call 863-4341 and speak with the front desk to get on the list for a call back for a date and time.

CONGRATULATIONS DR. KROGER!

Congratulations are in order for Dr. John Kroger as he was recently elected to the board of directors for the Maine Academy of Family Physicians!



SUPPORT ICMS!

Have you considered donating?



Your gift will help ICMS close the gap in our operating funds and provide critical support to ensuring ICMS services exist into the future.

Philanthropic support is critical at this time and allows us to meet our clinic's most pressing needs. We are so thankful to our countless donors; your generosity enables our success.

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