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A Vinalhaven Speakeasy
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Saturday, February 10

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THE ISLAND NEWS WEEKLY

February 8 - February 14, 2024

E-MAIL: vinalhavenwind@gmail.com

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Wednesday, February 14th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The Vinalhaven Vikings are 60!
They were the "Wildcats" until
1960. The "Lobsters" and
"Lobsterettes" until 1963 and in
1964 became the "Vikings."

Courtesy of the VH Historical Society

NOTICE

to

New Moms & Dads

Send us a photo (optional)
or announcement of your
newborn, with his/her
name, weight & length and
we will put it on the front
page of The Wind, free.

Submit to The Wind!

We are looking for stories,
anecdotes, recipes, images,
SHOUT OUTS, etc. to include in
THE WIND. If you have some-
thing you would like to share,
we would love to include it in
future WINDS. Please send to:
vinalhavenwind@gmail.com

3-4 Basketball vs St George

Come and cheer on our 3-4
boys and girls teams at their first
HOME GAMES!

Saturday, February 10th
Girls will start around 10:30*
and boys will follow.

*Could be closer to 11:00 depending on
St George's departure time-stay tuned!

"If you love someone, tell
them... because hearts are often
broken by words left unspoken."
unknown

Valentine's Day Flowers
Fundraiser to benefit the
French Club!

Carnation with a note-\$3
Rose with a note-\$5
A dozen assorted roses-\$45

French Club students will be taking
orders until Feb. 13th (or until flowers
sell out). If interested, please contact
Susan Philbrook, Kailyn Hufsey,
Audrey Anthony, Chad Lazaro, Izaak
Heppe, Lydia Wentworth, or Amy
Ricker to order.

Flowers can be delivered inside the
school on Valentine's Day or picked
up on Feb. 13 after school for local
orders.

Thank you for supporting our trip
to France in June!

Place Mailing Label Here

Quarter 2 Honors

Honor Roll

Tori Davis (6)
Wyatt Turner (7)
Blake Lazaro (8)
Caylee Brooker (10)
Chad Lazaro (11)
Audrey Anthony (12)
Parker Dickinson (12)
Kailyn Hufsey (12)

High Honors

Brielle Davis-Oakes (9)

Congratulations to all honor
students - Keep up the great
work!

HCR

Heather Cox Richardson will
appear at Smith Hokanson
auditorium on the evening of
Wednesday, June 12. If
interested in securing a seat,
please contact Phil
Crossman. 592-1865

Town of Vinalhaven News

www.townofvinalhaven.org

Calendar

Planning Board - Wednesday, February 14 at 7pm

Board of Selectmen - Tuesday, February 27 at 5pm

Town Office and Transfer Station will be closed Monday, February 19 for Presidents Day

The Town Manager will be out of the office from February 14th through February 23rd.

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, vhassessor@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

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.

Non-conforming Structures, Lots and Uses: If a structure or parcel was legal when it is created, it is still legal even though it doesn't comply with current regulations. Transfer of ownership or repair & maintenance do not affect this. Generally, changes to a non-conforming structure must not make it *more* non-conforming, although a 30% expansion is allowed during the lifetime of the structure (*with restrictions; see Section 11. Non Conformance*). In the Shoreland Zone, State regulations may add additional restrictions.

There can be a change of use for a non-conforming structure as long as it is shown to the Planning Board that it will not have any greater adverse impact. If a non-conforming use is discontinued for more than a year, that use is no longer legal (though the Planning Board may grant a one-year extension.)

Non-conforming parcels of land may be used like any other lot as long as the same owner does not own adjacent lots and as long as all provisions *other than* lot area, lot width, and frontage are met. If variations in setbacks are needed, they shall be obtained through the Board of Appeals.

See *Section 11. Non Conformance* of the Land Use Ordinance for many additional details regarding Non-conforming Structures, Lots and Uses.



HELP: The Town is looking for a rent for the hired island deputy. The current rent is not big enough for his family. We are looking for a three bedroom house that will allow a dog. Please contact the Town Manager with any leads. Thank you!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

2024 Dog Licenses are PAST DUE! A \$25 late fee will be added to the regular registration fee! All dogs 6 months or older need to be licensed. 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.

2022 Property Taxes - Notice of Impending Automatic Foreclosure 2022 Tax Liens will automatically foreclose on March 19, 2024 if not paid in FULL by March 18, 2024. If the tax lien forecloses, the Town will OWN YOUR PROPERTY!

2023-2024 Taxes - The first half of 23-24 property taxes was due November 1, 2023. Interest accrues daily until payment is received! The second half is due May 1, 2024.

Budget Committee Member Wanted:

The Budget Committee is looking for one more member! This five member board only meets between January and April (possibly into May). There is one current vacancy with a term expiration of June 2025. Please contact the Town Office if you are interested! Thank you!

Union Church

~ Welcomes You ~

Sunday Services

11:00 am

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**Reverend
Jeffrey Lewis**

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We are meeting in-person and
on Zoom

Please visit unionchurchvh.org
for link and more information

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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**

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14th,
marks the beginning of Lent.

Silent Meditation

Non-denominational

Upstairs in The Union Church

Tuesdays and Saturdays

5:00-5:30PM

All are Welcome.

Feb. 14-20 is Random Acts of
Kindness Week - celebrating all
the ways we can be a positive
influence and practice kindness!
Even a small act can mean a
great deal to someone.



Pleasant River Chapel
Sunday Service will be
held on Sunday, February
11, 2024. Sue Armstrong
will give the message.

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

Breakfast is at 8, fellow-
ship time is at 8:30, and
service is at 9. ALL are
welcome. Extra food for
the food table is always
appreciated.

There will be a Potluck
Luncheon and cards on
March 6th. All are invited.
All are welcome.

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.



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
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"Do this one simple thing each
day; wake up, be grateful, be
kind and help others. If you do
this, your life will be filled with
joy." *The Dalai Lama*

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

VINALHAVEN PLANNING BOARD
 PRELIMINARY MEETING AGENDA
 February 7, 2024 - Town Office, 7 pm

I. NEW PERMIT APPLICATIONS

1. Applicant: Roxanne Tolman
 Owner: Courtland Tolman
 10 Clam Shell Alley Tax Map 18 Lot 038
 Other: Renovations, Single Family Dwelling
 convert shed to laundry/bath, build two dormers
 20 W x 24 L x 28 H 2 floors, 1 bedroom
2. Applicant: Chad King
 Owner: Geoff Gratwick
 32 Strawson Rd Tax Map 5 Lot 45
 New building or structure, single family dwelling
 26 W x 40 L x 25 H 1.5 floors, 1 bedroom
3. Applicant/Contractor: Willard Webster
 Owner: Willard Webster/Hillary Bunker
 120 Pequot Rd Tax Map 4, Lot 027
 Addition to existing structure: rebuild second story of existing structure, single family
 21' W x 28' L x 10' H 1 floor, 0 bedrooms
4. Applicant/Owner: Bruce Young
 106 Pequot Rd Tax Map 25, Lot 6
 Other: enclose existing porch, single family dwelling
 5' W x 17' L x 23' H 1 floor, 0 bedrooms
5. Applicant: Vinalhaven Housing Initiative
 Owner: McAvoy Reitmayer Real Estate LLC
 16 East Boston Rd Tax Map 23 Lot 124
 New building or structure, single family dwelling
 28' W x 40' L x 12' H 1 floor, 3 bedrooms
6. Applicant: Vinalhaven Housing Initiative
 Owner: McAvoy Reitmayer Real Estate LLC
 16 East Boston Rd Tax Map 23 Lot 124
 Placing a mobile/modular home, accessory dwelling (guesthouse, sleeping cabin, etc)
 16' W x 32' L x 14' 2" H 1 floor, 1 bedroom
7. Applicant: Preble Jaques and Jessica Shattuck
 Owner: Preble Jaques and Jessica Shattuck
 1502 North Haven Rd Tax Map 11 Lot 53
 Pier, wharf, ramp or float
 6 ft x 40 ft pile-supported pier with a 4 ft x 50 ft ramp leading to a 10 ft x 30 ft float
8. Applicant/Contractor: Sarah Lazaro
 Owner: James Kulp (The Bradley Bunch Revocable Trust)
 8 Narrows Island Rd Tax Map 26 Lot 15
 Pier, wharf, ramp or float
 4' x 80' pier with a 3' x 45' ramp alongside, a 4' x 8' walkway, and 15' x 20' float for a total length of 104'

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

November 8, 2023
 December 13, 2023

IV. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

February 14 2024
 March 6 and 13, 2024

SENIOR PROFILE
 CLASS OF 2024
 Makayla Ann Martin



Age/Birthday: June 20th. I am 17 years old.

Who are your parents and siblings? My mother is Holly Martin and I have 3 younger siblings, Aiden, Mariah, and Joshua.

Favorite H.S. course(s): Gym Class

Favorite book or other reading material: Ugly Love by Colleen Hoover

What are your favorite hobbies/extra-curricular activities? Reading and hanging out with friends.

Favorite movie/TV show: My favorite movie is 10 Things I Hate about You.

Favorite childhood memory: Going to the zoo with Gracey and her family. Gracey and I were getting chased by a peacock!

Your best school memory: Getting a pencil stuck in Gracey's hand.

In school, what would you be voted most likely to do? Being the class clown.

If you could spend one day with someone living or dead, who would it be and why? I would spend it with Kevin, he was my dad. I miss him more than anything in this world. He made me feel like I was his daughter, and he did anything and everything to make sure I was happy, healthy, and protected. I miss you and love you more than anything.

If you could spend one year after school doing anything you want, what and where would it be? I would travel to Hawaii and stay there and try new things.

If you could visit one place in the world, where would it be? I would go to the Bahamas because I've never been, and it looks cool.

Do you have a favorite athlete(s) and sports team(s): My favorite athlete is LaMelo Ball. He plays basketball for the Charlotte Hornets. I like to watch the Celtics, Bruins, and Lakers.

Favorite song and/or band: Summertime's Close by Zach Bryan.

Favorite animal(s): Dolphins and dogs!

Favorite food: Steak and mashed potatoes.
 Just for fun, I: Go to school, practice (bball) and then sleep.

Future plans: Going to SMCC to study Human Services, to become a social worker and live in Tennessee.



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Standing there, staring at the long shelves crammed with books, I felt myself relax and was suddenly at peace.

-Helene Hanff

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IMPORTANT
 VOTING
 INFORMATION

Absentee Ballots are available for the Presidential Primary to be held on March 5th, 2024, at the Vinalhaven Town Office. Absentee Ballots can be requested in person at the Town Office, over the phone, or online at maine.gov (search for 'absentee ballot' in the search bar).

All absentee ballot requests must be received by the clerk by the close of business on Thursday, February 29, 2024.

All absentee ballots must be received by the clerk by the close of polls (8:00 PM) on Tuesday, March 5, 2024.

For the first time, Mainers will use Ranked Choice Voting in a presidential primary.

Maine now also has semi-open primaries. This means unenrolled voters can choose which primary to vote in, whereas before they couldn't participate. PLEASE NOTE: A voter enrolled in a party will receive the ballot for that party.

Democrat = Democrat Ballot
 Republican = Republican Ballot
 Green/Indep. = No ballot for this Election

No Labels = No ballot for this Election
 Libertarian = No ballot for this Election
 Unenrolled = Democrat or Republican Ballot

A voter not enrolled in a political party may participate in a party's primary without enrolling in the party. Unenrolled Voters will indicate to the clerk the party for which they want to receive a ballot.

February 16, 2024 is the last day to withdraw or change party enrollment before the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary. Voters changing their enrollment after this date will be within the 15-day Pending Period, and ineligible to vote in the Presidential Primary.

Online Voter Registration Service: Register to vote for the first time, update information for an existing registration, or change your party enrollment-
www.registertovote.sos.maine.gov

**PUBLIC NOTICE:
NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE**

Vinalhaven School NEWS!

We need you! February 9 is the **99th** day of school. Every Friday, at 10:05, we **Drop Everything And Read**. For our special DEAR-VH, on **Friday, February 9th**, we want to have **99 adults** join us at school, bring a book, and read quietly for 20 minutes. That's it! Show kids that you value reading. If you can make it, please RSVP to Amanda.Wentworth@VinalhavenSchool.com, or give her a call at 863-4800. Arrive by 10:00 a.m. with your book. We'll have you join a group of students to read. Afterwards, you're welcome to come to the cafeteria for a cup of coffee and cookies. Hope to see you there!



Congrats to **6th grade** for having the highest percentage of students with excellent attendance during first semester. Did you know that Vinalhaven School has reduced chronic absenteeism by **16%** in the past year? *Thanks to the students and parents who are making school attendance a big priority!*

Honor roll: Tori Davis, Wyatt Turner, Blake Lazaro, Caylee Brooker, Chad Lazaro, Audrey Anthony, Kailyn Hufsey, Parker Dickinson, **High honors:** Brielle Davis-Oakes

Ask your student about this week's guest storyteller and mime, **Antonio Rocha**. He captured student's attention the moment he started presenting at school. Thanks to PIE for helping organize and fund this amazing week for students.

WOW! Our young **Robotics team** competed against 25 other teams and **finished in the top 8!** Congrats! Also, you may want to ask a 4th or 5th grader about their very first opportunity to go **skiing** last Friday. They're going two more times this month.



SOFTBALL. If **coaching** softball is a dream of yours, please apply! For an application or more information, reach out to athletic director Daniel.Ganoza@VinalhavenSchool.org.

Looking ahead: March is your month to consider an on-island course to obtain a **USCG Captain's License**. Contact Bryan Feezor: Bryan.Feezor@VinalhavenSchool.org

In June, we are going to hire a full-time **school custodian**. *Interested?* To ask about payment, or an application, please email: Tina.Davidson@VinalhavenSchool.org.

Stay healthy, happy, and hopeful,

Dr. Monte Selby, Principal/Superintendent. Monte.Selby@VinalhavenSchool.org

Please take notice that

Mary Gooderham

395 Ashbury Rd., Ottawa, ON, Canada K1M0R9 Phone: 613-620-1640
(Name, Address and Phone # of Applicant)

is intending to file a Natural Resources Protection Act permit application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S. §§ 480-A thru 480-BB on or about

February 20, 2024
(anticipated filing date)

The application is for

A 14' by 16' pier, 3' by 12' staircase, 3' by 30' ramp and 12' by 24' float
(description of the project)

at the following location:

287 Zekes Point Rd., Vinalhaven, 04863
(project location)

A request for a public hearing or a request that the Board of Environmental Protection assume jurisdiction over this application must be received by the Department in writing, no later than 20 days after the application is found by the Department to be complete and is accepted for processing. A public hearing may or may not be held at the discretion of the Commissioner or Board of Environmental Protection. Public comment on the application will be accepted throughout the processing of the application.

For Federally licensed, permitted, or funded activities in the Coastal Zone, review of this application shall also constitute the State's consistency review in accordance with the Maine Coastal Program pursuant to Section 307 of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1456. (Delete if not applicable.)

The application will be filed for public inspection at the Department of Environmental Protection's office in (Portland, Augusta or Bangor)(circle one) during normal working hours. A copy of the application may also be seen at the municipal offices in Vinalhaven, Maine.
(town)

Written public comments may be sent to the regional office in Portland, Augusta, or Bangor where the application is filed for public inspection:

- MDEP, Central Maine Regional Office, 17 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333
- MDEP, Southern Maine Regional Office, 312 Canco Road, Portland, Maine 04103
- MDEP, Eastern Maine Regional Office, 106 Hogan Road, Bangor, Maine 04401

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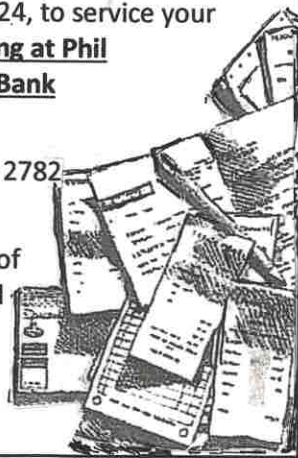
THE TAX MEN ARE ARRIVING!

Joe Kruk and his colleague Bob will be on the Island from Friday, February 2, 2024, to Saturday, February 10, 2024, to service your tax needs and other matters. **We will be staying at Phil Crossman's cottage behind Camden National Bank again, this year.**

Please call John and Debbie Moreland at 863 - 2782 to schedule your appointment

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80 Pequot Road - Vinalhaven



This is a lovely year-round three bedroom cottage set back from the road on almost a half acre of land. It is close to Booth's Quarry, a popular town owned swimming quarry. The two story gambrel roof barn was built in 2007. It is close behind the residence and measures 16' by 20'. It has double doors facing the residence, double pane windows and is almost completely insulated. There is ample room for a garden and other outdoor activities. Stone walls border the boundaries. Offered for \$229,000.



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Word of the Week
Imponderabilia (pl n) im-pon-der-uh-bil-ee-uh: Things that cannot be precisely determined, measured or evaluated.

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WINTER



~Library News~

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Wed, Fri 9-5
Sat 9-4

LEGO Club
3rd Grade 1st and 3rd Thursdays
4/5 Grade 2nd and 4th Thursdays
3-4 pm

Toddler Time
Wednesdays 10am

Kindermusik
Thursdays 10am

Story Time
Saturdays 10am

Game Time
Saturdays 2-4
Chess, checkers, Scrabble, Uno, Battleship, cribbage, puzzles, Life, Vintage Vinalhaven-opoly, Dominion and lots more... Bring a friend and play a game!

Coming in Feb
Feb 13, 7pm Author visit with Ron Joseph

Digital Skills Class
iPhone Basics: Feb 28, 29, March 1 (3 class series, 10:30am)

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THE OBSERVER

The Ohio honeymooners expected at The Tidewater had expressed concern about the upcoming weather but were assured there was nothing to worry about, that we'd been here for 50 yrs & experienced endless extreme tides and winds. The starstruck couple arrived on the noon boat, Tues, Jan 9th. The Sandbar is a great place for newcomers to become familiar with the island ambiance. Assurances that the impending weather was nothing out of the ordinary were offered by one after another of the patrons and, after sharing a nice fried Scallop Basket, pecan pie & several drinks in the company of friendly islanders, the couple returned for their first blissful wedded night at the Tidewater. So it was that our couple, abuzz with love & passion & likely abuzz on other fronts as well, eventually settled in to sleep, nestled in one another's arms & mesmerized by the serene and peaceful seascape just outside the eight-foot expanse of glass at the foot of their bed. They didn't stir from warm embrace until late morning. Waking as one and gazing lovingly into each other's eyes, she whispered blissfully, "I feel like I'm floating." "Me too", he murmured, nuzzling his face in her hair.

.....They were.

They rose to their elbows as one, looking beyond the footboard & fully expecting the harbor that had gently rocked them to sleep the night before, to now nudge them playfully awake. But the harbor was not there. Rather, they were looking at the bathroom door which did not have nearly the same effect. They struggled for a moment to get their bearings for the harbor was now to starboard and not nearly as companionable as it had been only hours earlier. As it happens, we'd checked in on them mid-morning when the inevitable had become apparent to us. They were still asleep, so we left a pair of hip boots in case they wanted to use the bathroom. pc

Ebb & Flow VALENTINE'S POP-UP SHOP

Entry in the breezeway at Harbor Wharf, through the arched door & up the stairs!

Handmade Jewelry & Botanical Skincare by Raven Winter

ARTWORK by Chris Clarke

GREEN GRANITE GOAT MILK SOAP

also: handmade candles, crystals, baskets and more!

HOURS:

SAT 2/10 = 11 - 5

SUN 2/11 = 11 - 5

WED 2/14 = 11 - 5

Stay tuned for more pop-ups this Winter and Spring



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PARTNERS in ISLAND EDUCATION

PIE Executive Director Position Available

Partners in Island Education (PIE) seeks a qualified individual to serve as our new Executive Director (ED). Our current ED plans to retire at the end of this summer after serving PIE for 10 years.

As the leader of PIE, the ED is responsible for the daily management and strategic direction of the organization and works closely with the PIE board, staff, and committees to carry out our mission. The ED represents and is the public face of PIE.

A successful candidate will have experience in community leadership and organizational management. They will enjoy being part of a close-knit community and are passionate about PIE's mission to support educational and cultural opportunities for Vinalhaven children. Ideally, they will have experience in educational settings and an interest in serving the Vinalhaven community.

The job is year-round and involves an average of 20-30 hours per week, with competitive compensation based on skills and experience – but could grow into a full-time position for the right candidate.

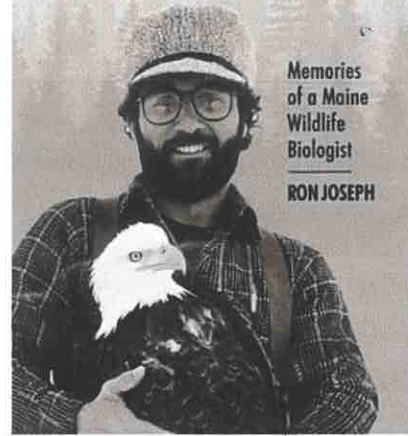
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Author Visit

Tuesday Feb 13, 7pm

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Ron Joseph will share stories from his new memoir with a series of pictures. His book "transports people to the heart of rural Maine, where he grew up and later pursued a career as a wildlife biologist".

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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!



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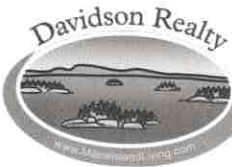
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For ads, notices, community calendar & subscriptions...

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These items must be submitted to *The Wind* by email to:

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prior to **7PM Monday night** (or call Torry @ 863-9926, no later than 5PM, Sunday for options)

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

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AD RATES:

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islandlife1950@gmail.com

WINDS can be picked up in front of the Post Office, the ferry terminal, the box at Todd's Garage and other various locations

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

Current subscribers check your address label for the date of renewal

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If you have ANY plans for post-secondary education, don't miss out on this opportunity!

Visit the PIE website FMI and links to the applications:

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 Counseling: 837-4057
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Hours of Operation

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Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri: 8am-12noon
 1pm-4pm
 Thurs: 8am-12noon,
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Dan Keniston, LCSW
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Stuart Damon, DO
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Women's Health

Vanessa Shields-Haas, FNP-BC
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To reach the provider on call:

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Tidbits from the Vinalhaven Historical Society

The attempt to once more establish a newspaper in this town, and successfully carry it on will appear to many to be very unwise and doubtless a failure will be predicted to the enterprise. The reasonableness of this conclusion will be very apparent from the fact that the first enterprise was not successful, although conducted with much ability and judgement. It was a matter of regret to many that the editor of the *WIND* was compelled to stop that journal, for its usefulness as a medium of news was recognized by all, even those who are now scattered in various parts of the country, it was a welcome visitor to their firesides. However, it could scarcely be expected that Mr. Lyons could devote his time and talents to its continuance, when it had proved a financial failure. Although his efforts to maintain the first newspaper established in this town was not successful, he may be consoled with the fact that the value of his effort was fully appreciated by his townsmen and the esteem and respect which he is held by them cannot be overestimated. In commencing this journal we do not presume ourselves to be superior in talent or ability to our worthy predecessor, nor do we think we can more successfully conduct the paper, as far as its contents are concerned, but we have consented to undertake this move by the advice of a number of gentlemen who have agreed to support us in its management and who are anxious to have a weekly sheet again. We think a town such as this, whose trade matters and business relations excel other towns and also the consideration of our isolated position ought to have a newspaper in our midst. In starting this enterprise we do not do so with great hopes of success, we are aware of the great amount of work we have to do in or order to make this a success, but it shall be our endeavor to make it as bright, original and interesting as we can-worthy of our town and its interests. Its purpose shall be to collect and present the news of the town and vicinity in a brief and interesting manner and shall be entirely devoted to the interests of the town and neighborhood. To give this work necessary justice and make it worthy of its object would require more time than we all could afford to bestow upon it; but with spare time, the proffered assistance of a few friends and the leniency of the public we expect to attain a fair degree of success. We propose to have our columns free to all and communications to us will receive due attention. It shall be our endeavor to prevent the appearance of personal, slanderous or abusive matter and our chief end will be to promote harmony and good feeling among our readers. Whatever comments we may chance to make on public or social affairs will be made in an independent spirit with true regards to the facts. If we should touch on any political or religious questions our action shall be equally independent and should we conflict with the opinions of any of our readers, it shall be done in the most unbiased spirit. With constant devotion to our work, we hope to receive a fair share of public support and with friendship and good will towards all we will continue our task.

(Greeting from the 1st issue of "The Messenger" Feb. 6, 1885. The last issue was printed five months later in July of that same year).

Margaret Roberts won the Illinois Watch Company Medal. Her essay can be found in the 1924 Exile. (From last week's *Wind*). The Beauty Contest that was held in connection with the soliciting of subscriptions for the "Exile," 98 votes were scattered among 15 girls. Helen Carlon was the winner with 29 votes, Gertrude Vinal, 19, Rita Greenlaw, 9 and Louise Hardison with 8. You can find their pictures in the 1924 Exile. (From the Jan. 25-31 *Wind*).

The ice bridge between Green's Island and Vinalhaven is nearly gone. Feb. 18 was the last day anyone crossed to the Reach on the ice. It had been considered unsafe for a week before. Feb 26, 1918

A large block of artificial ice made at the cold storage plant was on exhibition Wednesday at J. P. Turner's Bakery. Feb. 18, 1916

W. H. Graffam of Newtonville, Mass., formerly of Vinalhaven, was a passenger on the first trip the Steamer *Gov. Bodwell* made from Vinalhaven to Rockland and it certainly was a strange coincidence that he also was on board the last trip from Rockland to Vinalhaven before she sank near Swan's Island. Feb. 9, 1924

Mrs. Rae Philbrook entertained "Just Us Girls," Thursday night at her home on Carver Street with a Valentine supper. The table was attractively decorated appropriate to the season with Valentines as favors. Mrs. Carolyn Holmquist was special guest. Others were Norma Lloyd, Marjorie Greenlaw, Marion Pendleton, Emily Dyer, Marion Tolman and Annie Geary. The mystery prize was awarded to Norma Lloyd. Feb 18, 1954

Dorothy Cobb little daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Allie Cobb, Lane's Island, entertained her young friends at her home Feb 14 in honor of her 5th birthday. Those present were Edith and Martha Beckman, Frances McIntosh, George, Richard and Bertha Healey, Thorolf and Rognar Peterson. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent with games. Refreshments of ice cream and fancy cookies were served, the table being prettily arranged with valentine decorations and in the center a large birthday cake with five lighted candles added much delight for the little folks. Miss Dorothy proved a very graceful hostess. Feb. 21, 1919

R. G. Babbidge opened his new store on the bridge Monday. His stock included groceries, fishermen's outfits and an assortment of dry goods. He is assisted by his son Grover as clerk and Cheever Ames on the delivery wagon. Feb. 8, 1913

The lighter *Sophia* arrived Monday with a locomotive for Leopold & Co. Feb. 4, 1919



Kevin Scott Small

Obituary

Kevin Scott Small, 40, of Vinalhaven, died on January 25, 2024, at Maine Medical Center in Portland. He was the son of Lyndon and Lori (Doak) Small.

Kevin was a loving father, son, brother, nephew, cousin, and boyfriend. He was known for his willingness to help anyone who ever needed a hand with anything. Kevin had a contagious laugh and a great sense of humor that kept all who knew him on their toes. He loved being on the water, clamming, but he most enjoyed spending time with his family. Kevin will forever be known as the best "boat painter" in Vinalhaven.

He was predeceased by his father, Lyndon Small; his paternal and maternal grandparents, uncles, Steve Small, Gary Small, George Doak; aunt, Lynette Woodcock; and cousin, Gary Small.

Surviving is his mother, Lori Small; his three children, Jermiah, Mariah, and Joshua Small; stepchildren, Makayla and Aiden Boody who is loved like his own; brother Lyndon (Alicia) Small and their children, Damian, Corey and Dawson; Hartland (Allie) Small and their children, Stephen, Oceanna, and Jaxon; aunts, Brenda (Bruce) Philips, Sally (Dale) Conway, Annette Cash, Carrie (Emery) Seavy; uncles, Dale (Marsha) Doak, Harold (Charla) Doak, Kenny Doak; many cousins. Also surviving is his loving girlfriend, Kirsten Barton, whom he loved so much and who brought the spark back into his eyes; her mother Candice Barton, and her brother, Nick Barton.

A graveside service will be announced later.

Condolences may be shared with the family at www.longfuneralhomecamden.com.

Arrangements are with the Long Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 9 Mountain Street, Camden.

