

# Mainely Richmond

## TOWN UPDATES AND REMINDERS

- Maine DOT plans to do a joint replacement on Bridge #6316 on the Langdon Road. The roadway will be limited to one-lane alternating traffic. The anticipated start date for this project is September 6. The duration of this project is expected to be 3 weeks, weather permitting.
- Tax bills will be mailed out mid to late September.
- **October 15:** Dog registrations will begin for the 2017 year. The dog registrations are due by 12/31/16. The fee is \$11.00 or \$6.00 if spay/neutered. You will need to provide the rabies certificate and neutering certificate. Dog registrations can be renewed online at [www.richmondmaine.com](http://www.richmondmaine.com).
- **November 8:** Elections at the Richmond High School Gymnasium from 8a.m. to 8p.m. Absentee ballots applications are available.
- **November 10:** Taxes due for the 1st half of the 2016-2017 tax year.

Children's Parade 5:00p.m.

Haunted House 6:30p.m.

Disney Hero Scavenger Hunt: Get your clue card and find all the Heroes.

Collect their signatures for a prize!

Town Halloween Festival!

October 31



## BOARD & COMMITTEE OPENINGS

**Appeals Board:** 3 Member position & 2 Alternate Member positions.

**Budget Committee:** 1 Member position.

**Planning Board:** 2 Alternate Member positions \$20.00/meeting.

**New Mills Dam:** 1 Member position & 2 Alternate Member positions.

**Loan Board:** 1 Alternate Member position.

**Cobbossee Watershed:** 1 Member position.

**New Mills Dam Comm:** 2 Alternate Member positions.

Call 737-4305 for more information or pick up an application at the Town Office.



The Town of Richmond was very pleased to present John Pratte of DIFW with a check for \$1,288 for the Swan Island Education Fund at the August 17 Selectboard meeting. The money came from the Swan Island 5K registration fees. Many thanks also to The Old Goat, GLP Builders, and Justice Gun and Bow Shop for donations to cover the race costs!

## Community Events:

### Swan Island Events - September

All events are \$8 per person; ages 5 & under free; unless otherwise noted. All events meet at our Richmond parking area unless otherwise noted. All events on the island require a reservation: Call 207-547-5322 or email Swan.Island@Maine.gov. All events are \$8 per person; ages 5 & under free, unless otherwise noted.

#### **Historical Tour with Friends of Merrymeeting Bay I**

**Date:** September 16, 2016

**Time:** 9:15am to 1:00pm

Space Limited: First 40 people

Step back in time with Friends of Merrymeeting Bay (FOMB) on their ever-popular historical tour of Swan Island. FOMB member and Friends of Swan Island president, Jay Robbins, will lead the tour to the unique, isolated island. We'll leave from the campground just before 1:00pm to return to Richmond upon return. Folks can bring a snack or lunch, or eat in Richmond upon return.

#### **Lobster Bake with boat tour of Little Swan Island**

**Date:** September 17, 2016

**Time:** 3:30pm – 6:30pm

Space Limited: First 50 people

Fee: \$35 advance payment required. Minimum of 35 reservations required.

Bring the family out for some time on the water viewing Little Swan Island and then stop at the campground for a traditional lobster bake! Clams, lobster, corn, potato, salad, and dessert. Dress for the weather, as it can be cooler and breezy on the water. Bring your camera and/or binoculars!

#### **Historical Tour with Friends of Merrymeeting Bay II**

**Date:** September 18, 2016

**Time:** 3:30pm to 5:30pm

Space Limited: First 40 people Fee: Free!

Second opportunity for September 16th event, but this one will be a 2-hour narrated tour by water as we circumnavigate the island. Dress for the weather, bring an extra layer and bring your binocs/camera.

#### **Food Plots for Wildlife**

**Date:** September 24, 2016

**Time:** 8:00am to 11:00am

Space Limited: First 25 people

More and more folks are creating native and natural food plots for wildlife. Mainers interested in starting their own food plot are encouraged to attend this informative workshop. Come learn the prep, locating, seed selection, maintenance, and benefits of food plots specifically for deer and plots for general wildlife.

## Swan Island Events, Continued...

#### **Evening Island Tour**

**Date:** September 29, 2016

**Time:** 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Space Limited: First 20 people

Join Swan Island staff for an evening sightseeing tour to observe our abundant wildlife when they are more visible. Enjoy riding in our tour truck the length of the island through a variety of habitats. Dress for the weather and don't forget your camera!

#### **Southard House Museum Events**

75 Main Street

Call 207-737-8202 w/questions OR to register for an event.

#### **Richmond Fiber Artist, Janet Clement free gallery talk**

**Date:** September 25, 2016

**Time:** 1:00-3:00pm

Her quilted wall hangings are impressionistic portrayals of major Russian Orthodox Feast Days, Sacraments and lives of the Saints. The exhibit will also be open Sunday October 2, 1-4pm or by appointment through October 22.

#### **Pysanky (Ukrainian) Workshop**

**Date:** October 1, 2016

**Time:** 3:30-5:30p.m. ages 12 and up

**Cost:** \$10 includes materials & refreshments.

Join artist Kate Cutko in the museum kitchen to learn this centuries-old craft.



The original 1851 oil painting by marine artist Joseph B. Smith. Built by Southard in 1848, the barque is portrayed approaching Castle Williams in NY. It will harbor in our "Shipyard" exhibit area, alongside the "Washington Libby." Come join us in welcoming the "TJ Southard" back home!

#### **Town Dates & Reminders:**

9/5	Town Office Closed-Labor Day
9/14	Selectmen Meeting 6:30p.m.
9/27	Planning Board 6:00p.m.
9/28	Selectmen Meeting 6:30p.m.
10/10	Town Office Closed-Columbus Day
10/12	Selectmen Meeting 6:30p.m.
10/25	Planning Board 6:00p.m.
10/26	Selectmen Meeting 6:30p.m.
10/31	Halloween Festival

# LOOKING BACK AT RICHMOND DAYS 2016



# UMBERHINE LIBRARY UPDATES

## NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

### ADULTS

Angels in my Hair, Lorna Byrne – book  
Becoming Nicole, Amy Ellis Nutt – book  
Before the Fall, Noah Hawley – book/CD  
The Girl in the Ice, Robert Bryndza – book  
The Girls, Emma Cline – book/CD  
The Havener Sisters, Ardeana Hamlin – book  
Indignation, Philip Roth – book  
A Maine Summer Island, Benjamin Carr – book  
Night & Day, Iris Johansen – book  
Private Games, James Patterson – book/CD  
First Comes Love, Emily Giffin – book/CD  
Crisis of Character, Gary Byrne – book  
Woman in Cabin 10, Ruth Ware – book/CD  
Artisans Wife, Judith Miller – book  
Another Brooklyn, Jacqueline Woodson – book/CD  
Between the World and Me, Ta-Nehisi Coates – book/CD  
The Black Widow, Daniel Silva – book/CD  
The Foreign Agent, Brad Thor – book/CD  
Belgravia, Julian Fellowes – book/CD  
Lights Out, Ted Kopel – book/CD  
Magic, Danielle Steel – book/CD

### HOURS:

Lego Club, First Monday of the month, 6:00pm  
Tuesday 2 – 8, Big Kid Story Hr. 4:30 – 5:30  
Wednesday 9 – 2, Preschool Story Hr. 9:30 – 10:30  
Thursday 2 – 8  
Saturday 9 - 12



Pictured Left: Justice Gun & Bow Shop owner, Gary Poulin, presented Laurie Saunders, director of the Richmond Senior Center, with a check for \$200 towards the Richmond Senior Program. The money came from fundraising during Richmond Days along with an equal match.

### YOUNG ADULT

Glass Sword, Victoria Aveyard – book  
Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, J.K. Rowling – book

### JUVENILE

The Misadventures of Max Crumbly, Locker Hero/Rachel Renee Russell – book  
Diary of a Minecraft Zombie vol. 6 – 10, Zack Zombie – books

### CHILDREN

Extremely Cute Animals Operating Heavy Machinery, David Gordon – book  
If You Ever Want to bring a Piano to the Beach, Don't, Elise Parsley – book  
Hold This, Carolyn Cory Scoppettone – book

**Preschool Story Hour will begin on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – 10:30**

**Big Kid Story Hour will begin on Sept 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 5:30**

Please help your child understand that we love playing and having fun, but it's also very important to keep their voices down, listen to the librarians, and most of all NO running or leaving the area they are supposed to be in unless instructed. As always, we are looking for volunteers or donations of crackers, cookies, juice, etc. Anything is appreciated.

Lego Club is the first Monday of the month at 6:00 PM. Ages 6 to 600 are welcome. This month Lego Club will be Sept 12<sup>th</sup> because of Labor Day.

### **What is RANKED CHOICE VOTING??**

**Join a PUBLIC Discussion  
October 3rd 6:30pm**

### **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION ON RANKED CHOICE VOTING**

*Learn More about Question 5 on the Statewide November Ballot*

On November 8th, Maine voters will head to the polls to weigh in on a number of referendum questions, including Question 5 which will ask voters whether to replace our current voting system with ranked choice voting for federal and state primary and general elections beginning in 2018.

Finn Melanson from the League of Women Voters of Maine Education Fund will be at the Golden Oldies Senior Center on Monday, October 3rd from 6:30pm to 7:30pm for a free, educational presentation on this topic.

The event is open to the public and community members are encouraged to attend. The presentation will explain how ranked choice voting works, how voters use the ballots, how it compares to our current system, where it is currently used across the state, country, and world, and how voters have responded to its implementation.

Attendees are encouraged to participate in the question and answer session following the presentation. For more information or any additional questions, please contact Finn Melanson by email ([finn@lwvme.org](mailto:finn@lwvme.org)) or by phone ([207-420-0469](tel:207-420-0469)).

**GOLDEN OLDIES SENIOR CENTER  
314 Front Street, Richmond 737-2161**

# SENIOR NOTES FOR SENIOR FOLKS

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## Upcoming Events

- 9-06 Living Well for Better Health 6 week Series (Wonderful information)
- 9-15 Speaker - CAP Program (Bath) Aids for your Home & Repairs Program
- 9-12 Fundraising Breakfast
- 9-17 Saturday Night Supper
- 10-3 Fundraising Breakfast
- 10-4 Mystery Bus Trip, \$30, Public Welcome
- 10-12 Flu Shot Clinic 9-12
- 10-15 Calendar Supper @ the Grange (Good Food & Entertainment)
- 10-19 Line Dancing Class
- 10-24 Absentee Ballot Voting 10am
- 10-31 **HAUNTED HOUSE**

## Weekly:

Monday: Cribbage @ 12-3pm

Tuesday: Bridge & Bingo @ 12-3pm

Wednesday: Game Day @ 11-3pm

Thursday: Open from 10-3pm



## Martha's Vineyard

**Here we come!**

The Golden Oldies Senior Center has had a full summer of activities; A wonderful trip to Cape Cod, Massachusetts, a clambake on Cabbage Island, Pool Party, engaged in activities with Litchfield, Wiscasset and Gardiner Senior Centers, a theater trip to see "Mamma Mia" and so much more. I have heard grumbings of TOO MUCH on our calendar, however they keep coming and the Center is busy Monday through Thursday.



**Cabbage Island**

**RICHMOND GOLDEN OLDIES CENTER PRESENTS**

## Niagara Falls & Toronto

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June

26 - 30, 2017

**Departure: Richmond Senior Center, 314 Front St, Richmond, ME @ 8 am**

**Day 1:** Depart your group's location in a spacious, video and restroom equipped motorcoach as you head for your destination: captivating, awe-inspiring Niagara Falls! This evening, you will have Dinner and check into your Niagara Falls area hotel for a four night stay.

**Day 2:** Start the day with a Continental Breakfast before you begin a Guided Tour of the Niagara Falls area. Visit an engineering marvel, the Welland Shipping Canal and beautiful Queen Victoria Park - home of one of the world's largest Floral Clocks. You'll have Dinner this evening at a local restaurant.

**Day 3:** Enjoy a Continental Breakfast before departing for a Guided Tour of the beautiful cosmopolitan city of Toronto, Ontario. You will also visit Toronto's majestic castle estate - Casa Loma! Later, you will dine at a local restaurant.

**Day 4:** Start the day with a Continental Breakfast before enjoying one of Niagara's most popular and breath-taking attractions, a boat ride on a "Hornblower Niagara Cruise." Sail near the base of the Horseshoe Falls and enjoy a truly awe-inspiring view of the mighty Niagara. Then, you'll take a tour of historical Niagara-on-the-Lake, one of the prettiest towns in Canada and full of 19th century charm. Later, enjoy Dinner and a visit to exciting Fallsview Casino and get in some gaming action before returning to your hotel.

**Day 5:** Enjoy a Continental Breakfast before departing for home... a perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great sights you've seen and where your next group trip will take you!

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## FIRE PREVENTION WEEK



Can you believe that the summer is almost over? As the heat of the days starts to subside and the kids head back to school, we again look forward to our favorite time of the year: Fire Prevention Week, October 9-15, 2016!

The theme of this year's Fire Prevention Week is "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years." In keeping with this message, the Richmond Fire Department will again be holding a free raffle during our Open House on

Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Central Station on Myrtle Street. Firefighters will be handing out tickets to each guest who stops by the station. One ticket will be drawn at random every half hour and winners will be able to choose between a smoke detector, carbon monoxide detector, or portable fire extinguisher while supplies last. You must be present to win if your number is called.

New this year, the Richmond Firemen's Association is offering for sale high quality E-911 address signs. Each 6"X18"X.080" sign is made from aluminum and is coated on both sides with a retro-reflective blue background and 3" white lettering. These signs are designed to be mounted roadside (preferably on a mailbox post) to provide high visibility to responding fire, EMS, and police personnel. Signs can be purchased for \$15 and can be mounted either horizontally or vertically. Proceeds from sales will benefit the Richmond Firemen's Relief Association.

## EMS PROPOSAL

A proposal has been brought to the Board of Selectmen to create an Emergency Medical First Responder Service by the Richmond Fire and Police Departments. Currently, when a person in town is in need of emergency medical help, a 9-1-1 call is answered by the Sagadahoc County Communication Center and a Gardiner Fire Department ambulance is sent. Response times typically range from 12-15 minutes, depending on location in town, and longer in some cases if a Gardiner ambulance is unavailable. The proposal for developing a local emergency medical program would provide the town with an immediate response on certain potentially life threatening calls. These town responders would begin emergency medical care until the out-of town ambulance arrives and takes over care. In order for this service to be provided, members of the Police and Fire departments, as well as any interested members of the community, would need to be trained as either Emergency Medical Responders (a 64-hour course) or Emergency Medical Technician (a 120-hour course). In addition to the training, state required equipment would need to be purchased. Initial start-up costs are estimated at approximately \$26,000, and the annual operating budget is estimated at approximately \$17,000. Over the next several months, the Town will conduct informational meetings to receive public input. Concerns, questions, and overall thoughts regarding a first responder program are crucial and welcomed.

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# CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE: JAMES VALLEY

## Codes Corner – Protection From Falling

### Guards

Whenever there is an open-sided walking surface located more than thirty (30) inches above the floor or grade below, a guard must be provided to prevent someone from falling to the level below. The top of the guard is required to be a minimum of forty-two (42) inches above the adjacent walking surface, adjacent fixed seating, or the leading edge of stair treads. Any opening in guard must be designed so that a four (4) inch diameter sphere cannot pass through the opening.

### Stairways

The guards are required any time the height of the stair walking surface is more the thirty (30) inches above floor or grade below. In addition to the guard along the side of a stair, a handrail must be provided. Handrails are required on both sides of the stairs regardless of height. The top of the handrail must be located between thirty-four (34) and thirty-eight (38) inches above the tread nosing and it must be graspable. Circular handrails must have an outside diameter between 1 ¼ and 2 inches. Noncircular handrails must have a perimeter diameter of at least 4 inches and not greater than 6 ¼ inches and a maximum cross-section dimension of 2 ¼ inches. Handrails must also be held away from a wall or other surface a minimum of 1 ½ inches and must be continuous along the stairway.

## BUILDING PERMITS

Alan Sanford	487 Langdon Rd	R04-002-14	20' by 20' Deck
Bob Turcotte	22 Brunswick Rd	U17-006-00	Column replacement under camp
Tyler Wallace	660 Alexander Reed Rd	R05-025-00	28' by 48' Double Wide
David Stewart	70 Boynton Street	U07-009-00	8' by 10' Shed
Chris Medeiros	45 Kimball Street	U06-007-00	16' by 16' Deck
John Pratte	9 Langdon Rd	R05-049-00	Inlaw Apartment
John Huston	Lebel Lane	R02-005-05-09	Dwelling and Garage
IF&W	Swan Island Landing	U02-016-00	Concrete Barrior and Earth Moving
Dream Corner	4 Dream Lane	U17-018-00	24' by 30' Garage
Craig Donovan	74 Lothridge Rd	U14-004-01	8' by 14' Screen Porch
Patricia Middleton	316 Main St	R01-011-01	120 SQFT Deck
Linda Smith	12 Water Street	U01-008-0A	12' by 18' addition
Joseph Stevens	116 Carding Machine Rd	R02-005-08	14' by 66' Mobile home
Paul Levasseur	323 Beedle Rd	R07-005-00	16' by 16' Mudroom
Frederic Case	75 Main Street	U02-159-00	Roof over Stairs
Arnold Stinson	5 Center Street	U02-067-00	Change roof line & renovate bathroom
Janet Trott	226 Front Street	U01-044-00	8' by 10' Deck
Shemi Brown	869 River Rd	R07-036-00	Residential home with addition
Troy Kendrick	3 Apple Valley Dr	U01-075-00	Pool
Nate Tribbet	11 Darrah Street	U02-187-00	Two Decks (40 SQFT)
Kimberly Wall	68 Carding Machine Rd	R02-005-61	30' by 36' Garage
Scott Erickson	Alexander Reed	R05-021-00	32' by 48' Home & 28' by 40' Garage
Dana Tuttle	85 Lincoln Street	R01-072-02	28' by 44' Ranch with 26' by 26' Garage
Kevin Smith	365 Landgon Rd	R05-033-00	5' by 12' Deck
Jennifer Small	16 Spruce Street	U01-115-00	New Door and 6' by 12' Deck
Michelle Larue	89 Mallard Drive	U14-008-00	Roof Replacement

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### JOIN US FOR A SEMINAR

**DATE:** Thursday, September 29, 2016

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Sheepscott Harbor Village Resort  
Water's Edge Banquet  
7 Island Lane  
Edgecomb, ME 04556

**HOST(S):** Michael P. Clark – AVP,  
Financial Consultant with  
Camden Financial Consultants

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Neil Hause, Senior Vice President  
Fidelity Institutional Asset  
Management

**RSVP:** Please respond by Wednesday,  
September 22nd to Michael P. Clark  
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## SURVEY: PLEASE TEAR OFF AND RETURN TO THE TOWN OFFICE

The Towns of Bowdoinham and Richmond would like to know about your transportation needs. Please answer the following brief survey so that we can determine if a program that will meet the transportation needs and preference of Bowdoinham and Richmond residents is possible.

If you would like to be entered into a drawing for one of the following prizes, please write your name and preferred contact information on the back of this sheet (at bottom for the online version).

- \$20 Gift Certificate to the Railway Café in Richmond.
- \$20 Gift Certificate for Bowdoinham Hardware in Bowdoinham
- A lunch with Bowdoinham Town Manager Bill Post and Richmond Town Manager Janet Smith.

We will separate your name from your answers so that your answers will be confidential. If you have any questions about this survey, please contact **William Post AT 666-5531** or **Janet Smith at 737-4305**.

How do you usually travel to go places in Bowdoinham, Richmond, and surrounding towns (check all that apply)?

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drive myself in my own car<br><input type="checkbox"/> Get a ride with friends or family member<br><input type="checkbox"/> Get a ride from Rides, INC<br><input type="checkbox"/> Ride a motorcycle | <input type="checkbox"/> Take a taxi<br><input type="checkbox"/> Ride a bike<br><input type="checkbox"/> Walk<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hitch a ride |
|---|--|

Other: (Please List) \_\_\_\_\_

A fixed route transportation system starts at a designated place and drops people off at other designated places along the route. A volunteer door to door transportation program picks people up at their own homes and brings them to the places they need to go. If Bowdoinham and Richmond had a door-to-door transportation program or a fixed route transportation system that went to Bowdoinham, Topsham, Brunswick, Richmond, and Gardiner, would you use it to go to the following places or attend the following types of activities?

	Fixed Route					Door-to Door
	Topsham	Brunswick	Richmond	Bowdoinham	Gardiner	
Shopping						
Medical Appointment						
Banking						
Church or religious groups						
Hobby Groups						
Visit Friends or Relatives						
Restaurant						
Movies						
Bowling or Roller Skating						

Other (Please List): \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be willing to pay to use a fixed route transportation system?      Yes  No

Would you be willing to pay to use a door-to-door transportation program?      Yes  No

Please tell us your age group:     <18     19-29     30-59     60-69     70+

*Thank you for taking time to fill out this survey. We will post the results in an upcoming Bowdoinham News and in the Mainly Richmond newsletter.*

**SURVEY CONTINUED ON BACK PAGE...**

**SURVEY, CONT.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Town where you reside: \_\_\_\_\_

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*If you think it is likely that you will use a transportation system that will serve Bowdoinham and Richmond, please let us know how you and when you would be most likely to use it (day and times):*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Tell us anything you think will help us create an effective transportation system for Bowdoinham, Richmond, and the surrounding area:*

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