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CELEBRATE BOWDOINHAM!

Join us in celebrating Bowdoinham's 257th Birthday! We have something for everyone and are bringing back fan favorites in addition to new events the whole family will love!

The festivities will begin at 6pm Friday evening with the infamous Chicken Run at the Community School! Younger racers have the ability to join in too with the 1-Mile Fun run kicking off at 5:30pm. The 11th annual Celebrate Pie Contest will also be held Friday night at Merrymeeting Hall. Bakers looking to compete may drop off their pies between 4:30pm and 6pm the day of. Judging starts at 6pm and will be based on taste, appearance, crust, if the pie holds its shape when sliced and most importantly, is it pie! The pies will be sold by the slice on Saturday and the proceeds of this event will go to Bowdoinham Food Pantry's Backpack program which helps to provide meals for students at BCS.

On Saturday, the day will begin with the annual parade at 10am, this years theme is The Wild West to the Roaring 20s: 1880's -1930's! Following the parade, vendors, games and activities will be open for all to enjoy. We are excited to announce that in addition to past favorites such as the Lobster Crate Races and the KenDucky Derby, we will be offering the chance to try your hand at Paddle Boarding and learn about bugs with Chewonki's Bug Mobile! Children can try their luck with games and a coin scramble, or get their faces painted and enjoy our petting zoo! As always the Merrymeeting Arts Center will offering a variety of crafts as well as their Community Showcase!

This year the Merrymeeting Arts Center will be featuring work created by the community on the Local Myth: The Heron. They will also be offering Pottery Demonstrations in their studio space and running the Zucchini Races. Try your luck with your homemade Zucchini cart and see if you're a veggie racing star! Speaking of vegetables, Bowdoinham's Best will be back at Merrymeeting Hall. Come check out your neighbor's prize winning veggies, fruits, jams, arts, crafts and more. Or enter your own for a chance to win a blue ribbon!

Grab the family and pile in for a horse wagon ride to the Red Rose Preserve Open House. Located next the Recreation Fields, the Kennebunk Estuary Land Trust will be hosting an Open House from 1-3pm with horse wagon rides running 30 minutes before and after the event.

At the Waterfront, local food vendors will provide a variety of tasty treats and delectable delights throughout the day. Grab a seat and bite to eat and enjoy the live music provided by local musicians and performers starting with Bob White, lovingly known as "Bob the Bus Driver" at 11am. Earl Bigelow & the Motown Affair will bring the day's festivities to an end with their rhythm and blues with a Motown flair and the Fireworks will fly at 8:00pm!

We can't wait to see you there!

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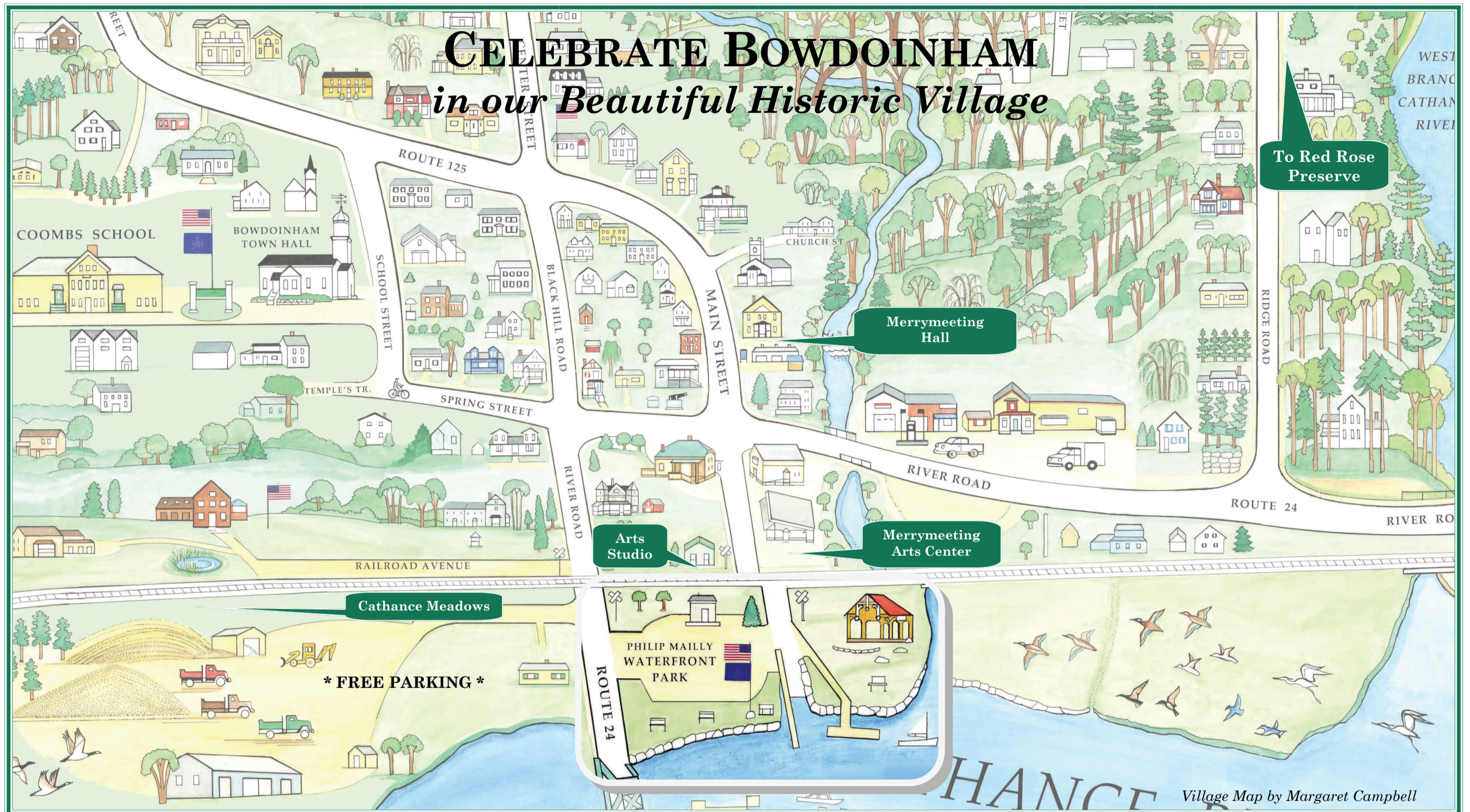


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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 13th

5:30pm: **Bowdoinham Community School's 11th Annual 5K Chicken Run & Kids' 1-mile Fun Run** at Bowdoinham Community School

Saturday, September 14th

10:00am: **Parade**
Route: Fire Station (Post Rd) to Main St; down Main St to River Rd; then River Rd to Ridge Rd to Cemetery Rd to Center St; back to Fire Station

11:00am: **Zucchini Races** at Matthew Townsend Parker Memorial Skatepark, 6 Main St

12:00pm: **Coin Scramble**

1:00pm: **Citizen of Year Award**

1:30pm: **Lobster Crate Races**

3:30pm: **KenDucky Derby Race**

8:00pm: **FIREWORKS!**

ACTIVITIES (SATURDAY)

9:30am-3pm: **Bowdoinham's Best** at Merrymeeting Hall

11am-4pm: **Kids Activities**
Bouncy House, Obstacle Course, Games and more (\$5 Hand Stamp)

10am-3pm: **Artists & Crafters Showcase**

10am-3pm: **It's All About the Heron** at Merrymeeting Arts Center

10am-3pm: **Art Studio Open House**

11am-4pm: **Petting Zoo**

12:30-3:30pm: **Horse Wagon Rides**

1pm-3pm: **Red Rose Preserve Open House** at Recreational Fields

2pm-3pm: **Paddle Board Demos** by SoKen Sup

4:30-6:30pm: **Face Painting & Balloon Twisting**
Sponsored by Five County Credit Union

5-7pm: **Chewonki's Bug Mobile**

MUSIC AT THE GAZEBO (SATURDAY)

11:00am: **Bob White**
A local hero, "Bob the Bus Driver" is a kids favorite.

12:15pm: **Fletcher Brothers Band**
Young, hard rock, "another generation of rock and roll".

1:00pm: **West Rose**
Originals and covers from a new band of old friends.

2:15pm: **Watersong's Best**
Students and recording artists from Bowdoinham's own Watersong.

3:15pm: **Eagles Way**
Classic rock and country band playing our favorite classics.

4:15pm: **Cantatio**
A brass trio of young women doing great takes on classics.

5:30pm: **Peter Gallaway**
A great return of a well known act from years ago.

7:00pm: **Earl Bigelow & the Motown Affair**
Rhythm and blues and the best of Motown.

11TH ANNUAL CELEBRATE PIE CONTEST

Drop off your pie and recipe on September 13th between 4:30pm and 6:00pm for a chance to win first place and \$75! Both sweet and savory pies are welcome but all entries must have at least one crust to be labeled a pie. Prizes will also be awarded to the 2nd and 3rd place pies. For more information, please contact Susan Brown at 837-0401 or brown_531@myfairpoint.net.

12TH ANNUAL CHICKEN RUN

Join us in running, jogging, or walking through the lovely streets of Bowdoinham. Please registration through our website, it is free, by September 12th; www.5kchickenrun.com. All proceeds benefit the Bowdoinham Community School. We hope to see you there!

1ST ANNUAL ZUCCHINI RACES

It's time to turn zucchinis into race cars! Each zucchini will need to be fitted with or mounted on the wheels of your choice, and decorated (or not) in any way you wish. There will be prizes awarded for fastest zucchinis and best decorated zucchinis. There is no fee to register, at 370-5002 or merrymeetingartscenter@gmail.com.

RED ROSE PRESERVE GRAND OPENING

The Kennebec Estuary Land Trust (KELT) is excited to invite the public to the grand opening of Red Rose Preserve at 1:00pm. Attendees will join KELT staff and supporters for a guided tour of the property's trails and learn the land's conservation story. Red Rose Preserve will be KELT's first public preserve in Bowdoinham! This new preserve has a wealth of ravines, birds, and other wildlife to discover. This is a free, family-friendly event, light-rain or shine.

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