SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 10th

3:30pm Pie Contest Drop Off

at the Food Pantry

5:30pm Pie Contest Judging Begins

Saturday, September 11th

8:30am: Farmers Market

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

1:00pm: Merrymeeting Trail Bike Ride

2 hour ride, meet by RR tracks

1:30pm: Lobster Crate Races

3:30pm: KenDucky Derby Race

8:00pm: FIREWORKS!

ACTIVITIES AT THE WATERFRONT

Saturday, September 11th

11am - 4pm: Kids Activities

Inflatable Obstacle Course,

Games, and more!

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

10am - 3pm: **Open Pottery Studio**

at Merrymeeting Arts Center

9am - 6pm: **Open Art Gallery**

Cathance River Art Gallery Knights of Pythias Bldg

10am - 3pm: Bowdoinham Quilt

Showcase at Merrymeeting Hall

11am - 1pm: **Boating Activities**

Pete Feeney and Dave Mention at the dock

1:30 - 3:30pm: Face Painting & Balloon Twisting

Sponsored by Five County Credit Union

All day: **Hungry?** Find a variety of tasty local eats at the waterfront, including farmers market vendors and pie contest entrees by the slice. Frosty pints and hot wings can be found at Three Robbers Pub, and deli items and ice cream cones at Bowdoinham Country Store!

MUSIC AT THE GAZEBO

Saturday, September 11th

10:55am Margot Frost

National Anthem

11:00am Bob White

A local hero, "Bob the Bus Driver" is a kids favorite.

11:45am **Sapphire Lane**

Bowdoinham's own, singing duo.

1:00pm Pretty Girls Sing Soprano

A trio of terrific harmonies by terrific

women

2:15pm Watersong's Best

Students and recording artists from Bowdoinham's own Watersong Music.

3:45pm Red Beans and Rice

A well-oiled trio playing rumbly old time blues and Americana

5:00pm Peter Gallaway

A well-known favorite with classic rock and releases from a new album

6:30pm: Cilantro

Five-piece band featuring great harmonies on classics past to present. *Performing until the start of fireworks.*

12th ANNUAL CELEBRATE PIE CONTEST

Drop off your pie and recipe at the Food Pantry on Sept 10th between 3:30pm and 5:30pm for a chance to win first place and \$150! Both sweet and savory pies are welcome. All entries must have at least one crust. 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.

BOATING ACTIVITIES

Ever wanted to try your hand at rowing? Pete Feeney, local rowing enthusiast, loves to introduce new would-be rowers to the sport. Come check it out! If you prefer to ride in style, Dave Mention will be offering rides in a locally-crafted Grandlaker canoe (with donation to BCDI)

3rd 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. Register at 11AM at the skatepark.

MERRYMEETING TRAIL BIKE RIDE

The Kennebec Estuary Land Trust (KELT) invites you to participate in a group bike tour of the interim route of the Merrymeeting Trail where we'll see much of the same sites as the final trail. Meet at Mailly waterfront park. We'll proceed through some of the richest farmland in the state along the shores of Merrymeeting Bay. The midpoint will be in Richmond with turn around at Fort Richmond waterfront park. We'll stop frequently. Total distance is 18 mi, with a turn back option for 10 mi route.

For more information, visit us on Facebook or at www.Bowdoinham.com!

For Covid-19 safety information, please refer to the Maine CDC website and on site signage.

CELEBRATE BOWDOINHAM!

Join us in celebrating Bowdoinham's 259th Birthday! Celebrate is back with fun for the whole family. Come on out and enjoy the festivities. This year will feature lots to see and do, with fine art displays, an inflatable obstacle course, a petting zoo, and recreational tours and demonstrations. Events kick off at 10AM with the parade (from the Fire Station to Main St, down Main St, to River Rd, to Ridge Rd, to Cemetery Rd, to Center St, and back to the Fire Station). This year's theme is "Bowdoinham, Stronger Together!"

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, KenDucky Derby, and Zucchini Races, there will be opportunities to enjoy some boating and pottery making. Pete Feeney will be introducing would-be rowers to the sport, and Dave Mention will be offering rides (with donation to BCDI) in a locally-crafted Grandlaker canoe at the dock. The Merrymeeting Arts Center will be hosting an open pottery studio and running the Zucchini Races at the skate park. Try your luck with your homemade Zucchini cart and see if you're a veggie racing star! Children can also try their luck with games and a coin scramble, or get their faces painted.

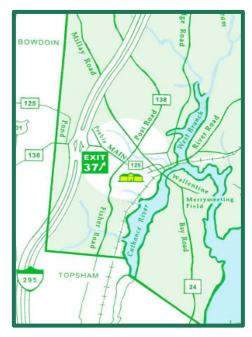
The 12th Annual Celebrate Pie Contest will be held Friday Evening. Bakers looking to compete should drop off their pies at the Bowdoinham Food Pantry between 3:30pm and 5:30pm on Friday, September 10th. Judging starts at 5:30pm and will be based on taste, appearance, crust, if the pie holds its shape when sliced and most importantly, is it pie! The pies will be sold by the slice the following day during the main festivities. The proceeds of this event will go to Bowdoinham Food Pantry's Backpack program which helps to provide meals for students at BCS.

A very special Quilt Showcase will be on display at Merrymeeting Hall. It will include the first public showing of the Bowdoinham Pandemic Quilt along with the earlier Bowdoinham 1762-1912 quilt and about 8 other Bowdoinham quilts including Coombs School and BBQ quilts.

The Merrymeeting Trailblazers will be hosting a group bike tour of the interim route of the Merrymeeting Trail. Meet at the railroad tracks. The midpoint will be in Richmond with turnaround at Fort Richmond waterfront park. Total distance is 18 mi, with a turn back option for 10 mi route.

All day at the Waterfront, local food vendors will provide a variety of tasty treats and delectable delights. The library will be hosting a used book sale for bookworms to peruse. Just \$1 for hardcover books and fifty-cents for softcover. Grab a bite to eat, a good book, and a seat, and enjoy the live music provided by local musicians and performers starting with a performance of the national anthem, and then Bob White, lovingly known as "Bob the Bus Driver", starting at 11am. Cilantro will bring the day's festivities to an end with their five-piece band performing a variety of classics until the Fireworks fly at 8:00pm!







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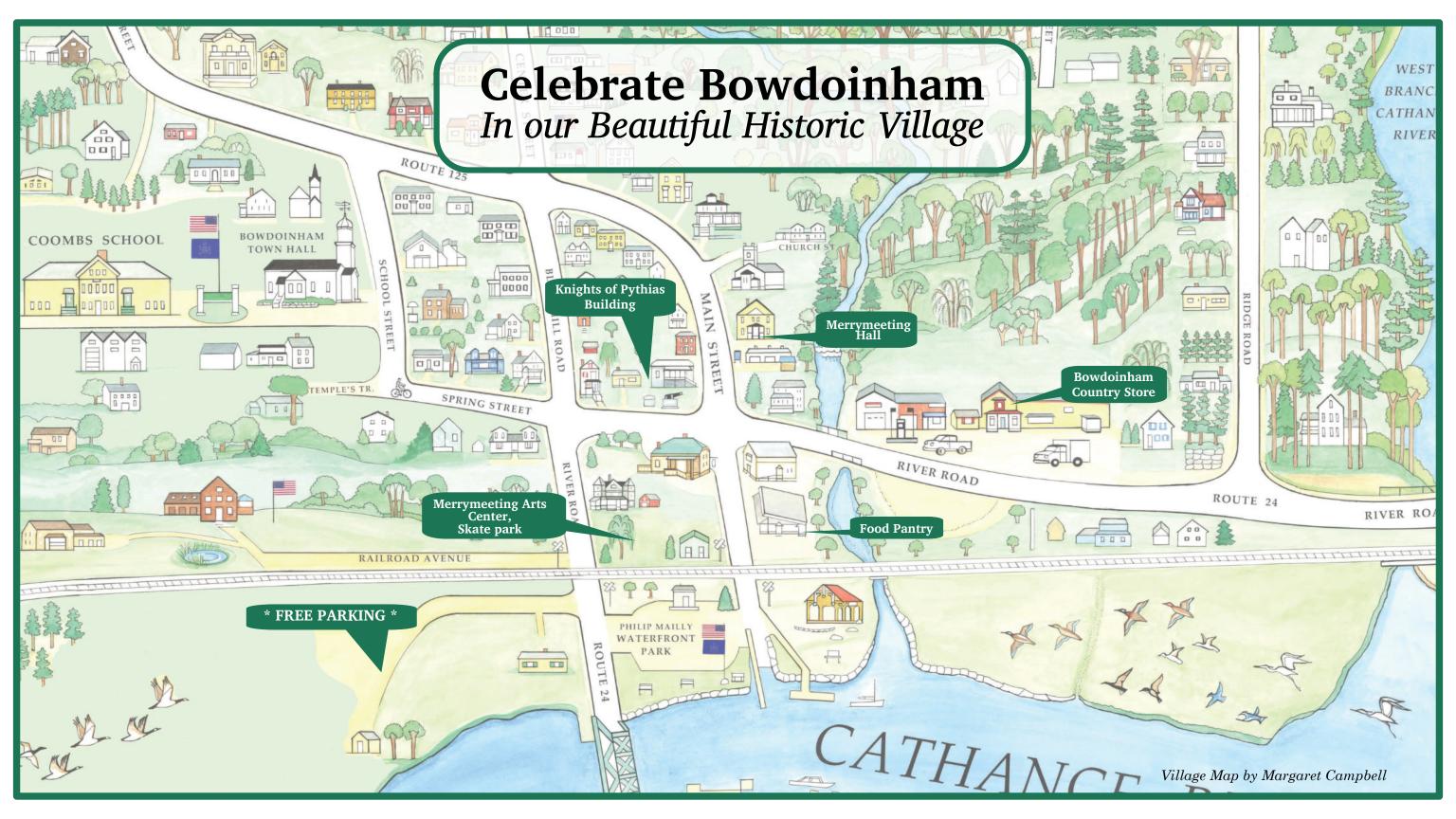
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