



# THE BOWDOINHAM NEWS

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## Dandelion Spring Farm

We are home to a certified organic vegetable production farm, Dandelion Spring, and a gathering space, The Hive, on Ridge Rd, just two miles from exit 43.

It is currently hot and sticky with the light sounds of the dry, mature, leaves crackling together in the breeze. The Hive has a single employee at work in the commercial kitchen, making food that will be sold at local markets. The vegetable fields are full with a beautiful overwhelming number of plants, both wanted and unwanted!

Most days this farm operates this way, as a quiet working farm that is trying to turn the nutrients in the soil into nutrition, and then give back to the soil again.

On special days, the farm comes alive in other ways. Having you join us for our monthly taco nights, workshops, and renting the Hive for your uniuqel event adds to a circle of liveliness that extends beyond this space.

September 18th is our last scheduled Taco Night of the season. Join us between 5-7 for a delicious, farm made, seasonal meal. Fellow Bowdoinham resident Kathleen, of the duo Cribstone, is often playing music, children are running outside.

**Sunday, October 12**, is our annual Harvest Celebration. As of this publication, the details will be available on our website!

Mark your calendars for our third annual Holiday Market on **November 29th**. This has become a very well attended fair on small business Saturday, the first Saturday after Thanksgiving, with a curated collection of vendors including other Bowdoinham businesses.

Looking ahead - what would you like us to host this winter? Movie nights? Cooking workshops? Quiet open houses or loud potlucks? Would anyone like to re-enliven the Bowdoinham Contra dance in our space? Please send us your ideas, wishes, and energy: [eventsdandelionspringfarm@gmail.com](mailto:eventsdandelionspringfarm@gmail.com).

To sign up for our newsletter, go to [DandelionSpringFarm.com](http://DandelionSpringFarm.com). Follow along

on instagram: [Dandelionspringfarm](https://www.instagram.com/Dandelionspringfarm) for the most immediate news and event listings.



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## Le Tour de Bowdoinham



**O**n Saturday, August 16 a charity ride to support the Bowdoinham Food Pantry (BFP) was held. A total of 120 riders joined from all over Maine and some from NJ, RI, NH and MA, up from 92 last year and included members of four area bike groups. They raised over \$1,990 from participants, which was up from \$1,085 last year and additional \$2,665 was donated by 5 Country Credit Union's Campaign for Ending Hunger for a total of \$4,655. Further, 411.2 pounds of food was donated, up by 101 pounds compared to last year! About 35 stayed after to dine at Three Robbers and several also attended the Farmers' Market. Thanks to Merrymeeting Arts Center and Three Robbers Pub for the keepsakes and post ride snacks! And a big thanks to Bowdoinham's very own Ken Sandoin for organizing this event again and Andy Bailes for designing our first ever jersey! And to the amazing volunteers at the Food Pantry for helping make this happen.

And of course, to our other sponsors and supporters. Thanks to the Cox family on Mailly for offering to host a rest area, other residents including Vicky Savoie for staffing a rest stop and to those who cheered us on along the road the sidelines. Also thanks to MAC's summer art students for the inspirational artwork. A big shout out to Three Robbers for continuing to offering discounts to riders at the after party. And of course the generous donations of signs and stickers for the event from Banana Banners.

We can't forget to mention the generous financial support from 5 Country Credit Union and Hannaford and raffle prize donations from Woods & Water Gear Exchange in Brunswick, Bath Cycle and Ski and of course the Bowdoinham Famers Market. This year's event has more community involvement then ever before! Thank you so very much for making this year's event extra special! We look forward to hosting the fifth one next year!



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## Tax Year 2025 Property Tax Liens

- **Tax Liens were applied August 22, 2025 on all outstanding 2025 real estate property taxes**

If you have not paid your property tax, please do so as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (207) 666-5531.

**Only Guaranteed Funds (i.e., cash, money order or pre-paid bank check) will be accepted for:**

- Payment of real estate taxes within thirty (30) business days of the anticipated date of lien filing or impending foreclosure.
- Payoff or Discharge of existing lien or foreclosure.

*Personal or Business Checks may be accepted for **partial payments** of accounts with existing liens or foreclosures.*

## Tax Year 2026 Property Tax Bills

2026 Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Bills will be mailed out soon. Please watch for an envelope from the Town of Bowdoinham.

Your tax bill is due in two payments – the 1st of Nov. and May. At the bottom of your bill are two payment coupons. You will NOT receive a bill for the second half due in May. For anyone whose taxes are not paid through escrow, please mark your calendar now for both due dates.

If you owe back taxes, your payment will be applied to the oldest first. Should you make either payment late, you will incur interest. If you are unsure of how much you owe, please contact our office.

## Exciting Updates at Maily Waterfront Park and Riverfront Park!

We're thrilled to share some exciting improvements happening at two of our beloved community spaces!

### Maily Waterfront Park

Maily Waterfront Park has just received a fantastic new addition—a 30 x 30-foot shade canopy! This spacious structure provides a cool, comfortable spot for visitors to relax, enjoy the view, and gather with friends and family. Whether you're attending the Summer Concert Series, the Farmers' Market or just taking in the waterfront breeze, the new canopy makes your visit even more enjoyable.

### Riverfront Park

Meanwhile, the new Riverfront Park is quickly becoming a local favorite with several fresh enhancements. The new park will feature expanded parking, making access easier for everyone. We are excited to open the park later this fall. Once open, visitors will be encouraged to explore new walking trails that wind through the scenic landscape, perfect for a peaceful stroll or a brisk jog. We encourage folks stay on the pathways to allow new vegetation to take root. Newly planted trees are adding beauty and shade, creating a welcoming environment for all.

We invite you to take a walk by both parks and experience these wonderful upgrades for yourself. See you outside!

## Bowdoinham Country Store



As many of you know, repairs and renovations are underway at the Bowdoinham Country Store — and we're thrilled to be making steady progress!

Thank you all so much for your continued kindness, encouragement, and support. It truly means the world to us. Living and working in a town as special as this one is a gift, and we're incredibly grateful for the many generous offers to lend a hand.

We've also loved hearing your ideas about what you'd like to see in the store — please keep them coming! We'll do our best to stock the items you're most excited about.

Our plans include space for staple grocery items, local produce, beer, wine, and more.

And yes — there will be pizza and coffee! We're also expanding our prepared food offerings with more grab-and-go meals, including options for those with food sensitivities. Plus, we'll have a made-to-order menu featuring pizza, sandwiches, and weekly specials.

Thank you for your continued patience as we take the time to complete these important renovations. We're committed to doing it right, so we can serve you — and our community — for many years to come.

We can't wait to welcome you back through the doors!

With heartfelt thanks,  
Logan & Ashleigh

## 2025 CHICKEN RUN!

Lace up those running shoes and get your game face on for this year's Chicken Run. The Bowdoinham Community School 5K Chicken Run and Kids' 1-Mile Fun Run is happening Friday, September 12th at 5:30 pm. As always, this is sure to be one of the most fun community events of the year! We'll have cool t-shirts, great music, free pizza, and wonderful farmers market boxes for the winners. Registration through our website is open until Thursday, September 11th at 6pm. Just visit <https://runinarace.com/BowdoinhamCommunitySchool/>. In person registration starts at 4:30 pm on race day. All proceeds benefit the Bowdoinham Community School. We hope to see you there!

## Morning Jo By Jo Werther



a connection between the amount of emotional wellbeing or emotional suffering you experience when you think about it.

### Take as many “do-overs” as you need.

If your story makes you suffer, consider trying to re-write it. Try on something new for size. If it feels like it just doesn't fit, give yourself a little time to break it in. Because even small shifts in your narrative can create big shifts in the level of your serenity and inner peace.

As always, remember to breathe.

Happy Fall!

Comments? Something you'd like me to address next time? Email me at [jowertherlcsw@gmail.com](mailto:jowertherlcsw@gmail.com).

### To Everything There is a Season...

Whether it's the cycle of seasons or the seasons of our lives, there is an inescapable coming and going of people, places, and things. Sometimes we understand it. Here in Maine, for example, we know that the summer is short, sweet, and seemingly over before it began. If nothing else, it is predictable. But there are other times we don't understand it, could not have predicted it, and feel jarred by it.

### Turn, turn, turn.

A wedding, the birth of a baby, a new job; these are stressful in their own right, but they are generally welcome and happy occasions. Things like divorce, illness, and death, on the other hand, are challenging at best. At worst, they can feel devastating.

### Letting go can be hard.

Human beings are nothing if not creatures of habit. We harbor expectations of consistency and predictability without even thinking about it. Oftentimes, there's no harm and no foul. But when we do experience an unwelcome change, the story we tell ourselves about it will make all the difference in how much we suffer.

### Glass half-empty or half-full? Yes.

Change is the nature of everything: of people, places, and things; of all things under the sun. There is a cyclical nature to seasons, whatever they are. Nothing lasts forever. Yet everything is a part of a great and eternal circle.

### What's your story?

The next time you experience a change, especially a hard one, see if you can identify

your own assumptions, expectations, and beliefs about it. And then see if you notice



## Annual KenDucky Derby Race

### On the Cathance River Celebrate Bowdoinham

### Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

### Pick your winner early at the Bowdoinham Town Office

  
\$5 each or 5 for \$20

  
1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$400 cash

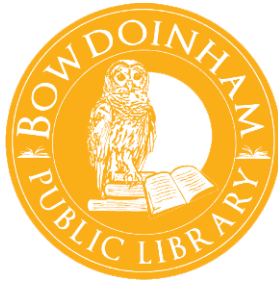
### Last Place Duck: \$100 cash

All proceeds will help cover the costs of the celebration.

## Bowdoinham Public Library

By Kate Cutko

The Bowdoinham Public Library is mourning the loss of two people who were central to the library in the last fifty years.



**Ann Hartzler** died on July 8, 2025 after a recent cancer diagnosis. Ann was an avid reader of all sorts of books and supported the library in many ways. She served as vice president, president, and co-president of the library board of trustees. She was a careful and caring steward of the library's investments, serving on our Finance Committee. In the last ten years Ann chaired and co-chaired the Wreath Making Workshop, turning that fundraiser into a beloved event that kicks off the holidays in Bowdoinham. After her death, her husband Steven Bunn donated Ann's tickets to the Portland Symphony's 2025-26 season to the library for a fundraising opportunity. Each of the five pairs of tickets will be available by raffle at the library's table at Celebrate Bowdoinham. The \$5 raffle tickets will raise money for memorial books purchased for the library's collection in Ann's honor.

**Wilhelmine "Billie" Oakes** died on June 13, 2025 of heart failure at the age of 87. Like Ann, Billie could always be seen at library events and fundraisers. Billie was a founding member of the Library Plant Sale, credited with the idea, 55 years ago, of selling seedlings and perennials outside of Dot Dickenson's store. Billie wanted to raise cash to paint the walls and shelving of the library which was on Main Street back at that time. The Bowdoinham Library Plant Sale continued for the next 50 years, as did Billie's commitment to its success. She

recruited children, and later grandchildren to help out, and together with her husband Don, served a hot lunch to plant sale volunteers through the event's final years. She also served as a library trustee for many years. Billie was a true public servant, serving on the town's planning board and leading children of all ages through scouting, 4-H and local grange activities. The Oakes Family have recognized the Bowdoinham Public Library as one of several organizations for memorial gifts made in memory of Billie.

The losses of Billie and Ann have left us saddened and grateful for the dedicated support and service of people just like them. So many people serve their community in a multitude of ways without fanfare and these were two shining examples. We are grateful for all they have done.

**Celebrate Bowdoinham 2025** will find volunteers at the waterfront, under a white library tent, selling raffle tickets for Portland Symphony tickets as well as raffle tickets for an October weekend at a cottage donated by Camila MacFadyen. The cottage sleeps 8 people and is located at the tip of the Phippsburg peninsula, surrounded by nature preserve and private beaches. Buy a ticket for \$20 and you could find yourself enjoying October 3-5 in a quiet, beautiful spot on the ocean. You don't need to be present to win. Drawing will be held just before the duck races. Also under the tent, you will find precious jars of wildflower honey harvested from the library's observation honeybee hive! We have only a dozen 8oz. jars to sell and you won't want to miss out on this liquid gold. (Limit one jar per customer)

Thank you to the vendors who supported our **Summer Reading Program** once again this summer. Over 100 children earned prizes for their time spent reading and boy-oh-boy did they read!!! The following businesses and individuals donated prizes for the kids.

- Fairwinds Farm
- Enterprise Farm & Greenhouse
- Main Street Dairy Treat, Richmond
- Moose Mountain Mini Golf
- Ann Carmichael
- Marlene Hensley
- Joan Knight
- The vendors of the Bowdoinham Farmers Market

A grant to support a visiting artist was also received from The Anonimo Foundation.

### How do I find out about all the things happening at the library?

Watch our Facebook page! Not on Facebook? No problem. Then make sure you subscribe to the "Bowdoinhammer" (an awesome weekly email which arrives on Mondays) and the library newsletter "Cover to Cover" (a quarterly email). A link on the library website homepage leads you to a simple newsletter sign up: [www.bowdoinhamlibrary.org](http://www.bowdoinhamlibrary.org)

**Billy had joined the fun. Can you find them in the newsletter?**



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## Age Friendly Bowdoinham

By Maureen Booth

Members of the Age Friendly Committee are deeply saddened by the death of Ann Hartzler on July 8, 2025. Ann was a true pillar of our community known for her unwavering dedication and services. As a member of the Committee, Ann was a strong advocate for making Bowdoinham a better place to live for residents of all ages and abilities. In addition to Ann's work with the Bowdoinham Public Library (see Library article), Ann used her eagle-eye accounting skills to assist residents file their state and local taxes as part of CASHMaine. Ann also served as Editor of the *Newsletter* for the Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and assumed multiple positions with local civic organizations.

We will miss seeing Ann on the water with the Rowing Club at sunrise, hearing stories from her many travels, and being with her at community events where she worked hard, laughed often, and made all of us glad we knew her. Our thoughts are with Ann's husband, Steven Bunn, and their sons, Andrew and Alex.

### Pathways to Independence

Most of us don't plan our days worried about how to navigate streets, buildings, stores and events until the need for accessibility touches us personally. For some, this awareness hits us gradually, like missing every word or two when attending a meeting. For others it is sudden like when coming home from hip surgery and no longer able to navigate steps.

Age Friendly has been working closely with the Town to **anticipate** the challenges residents may face while wanting to stay engaged in community life, remain active, and to access essential services as they age or needs change. By joining forces across Town committees, securing grant funds, and developing public and private partnerships, Bowdoinham is reducing barriers to access.

**Ramps** – Ramps provide universal access whether someone is in a wheelchair, stroller or struggling with balance. Most recently the Library and Town meeting rooms became fully accessible through the construction of a ramp. Similarly, the Town Hall will be barrier-free and Merrymeeting Hall offers an option to those who cannot or prefer not using stairs.

**Adaptive equipment** – Last year the Town installed an accessible kayak launch. The launch platform stabilizes the kayak while getting in or

out – by far the hardest challenge for many who want to continue enjoying our scenic waterway. For years, the Town has provided medical equipment to residents who need assistive devices for walking, sitting, using the bathroom and other daily functions.

**Meeting accommodations** – Efforts are being made to expand parking or provide drop off areas close to the building for those with limited mobility. Use of microphones has become routine at Town meetings, as has special assistance and seating to those unable to wait in long lines when voting or attending an event.

**Home modification and repair** – Sometimes our own homes may be the biggest barriers in our daily life. Last year we published A Guide to Universal Design ([www.bowdoinham.com/sites/default/files/town-document/UD%20Guide%201-12-compressed.pdf](http://www.bowdoinham.com/sites/default/files/town-document/UD%20Guide%201-12-compressed.pdf)) to help residents visualize how to make our homes more livable as our abilities and mobility changes. AARP's HomeFit Guide ([www.aarp.org/livable-communities/housing/info-2020/homefit-guide-download.html](http://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/housing/info-2020/homefit-guide-download.html)) walks through the rooms of a house while offering helpful tips on how to make them safer and more accessible. To help residents make needed changes, the Town has reinvigorated the Handy Brigade (formerly sponsored by the Masonic Lodge) and has a team of volunteers to do small repairs, install modifications to make life easier (grab bars, small ramps) and help with maintenance (changing light bulbs). When a job is too big, we can help find potential options.

**Public spaces** – While we often think of accessibility relating to buildings and homes, increased attention is being given to the importance of assuring that public spaces

can be enjoyed by everyone, regardless of age or ability. To that end, focus has been given to our waterfront. Additional handicapped accessible picnic tables are now available at Maily Park and will soon be added, along with benches, to the new waterfront area. Trails in the new waterfront area have been contoured and designed to allow for use by strollers and wheelchairs and directional and interpretive signage will be posted in plain English and for all to see.

**Streets, crosswalks and sidewalks** – Being safe is part of accessibility. Age Friendly has been a strong advocate of the expansion of sidewalks, the demarcation of crosswalks to alert drivers to pedestrians, and the reconsideration of traffic patterns in the Village and Waterfront area to encourage pedestrians of all ages and abilities to feel safe, welcomed and able to enjoy the physical beauty and activities of Bowdoinham.

**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU ABOUT THE BARRIERS YOU FACE** while living in Bowdoinham as you age. During **Celebrate**, please stop by at the Age Friendly booth to give us your ideas and to learn more about our programs and services. We also will be demonstrating Echo Dots – a new technology to help individuals remember to take medications, turn on the lights, telephone loved ones, and lots more. We have a limited supply and will be taking requests during **Celebrate**. Use of Echo Dots is restricted to those with internet service.

We look forward to seeing you at the Age Friendly booth on September 13!! If you have questions or need assistance, please call Jason Lamoreau, Older Adults Services Coordinator, at 207-666-3101.

## WINTER IS COMING

The Town has two options for residents who need emergency assistance with their heat bills.

- General Assistance (GA) – is a program administered by the Town in coordination with Maine DHHS. Applicants must qualify financially and show that they are in need of assistance.
- Heat Assistance Fund – the Town of Bowdoinham has a **donation-based program** for heat assistance. This is usually used in emergency situations for anyone who does not qualify for General Assistance.

You can use the General Assistance application to apply for both programs. The applications can be found in the office and in the green mailbox by the front door to the Town Office.

**\*\*The Town would greatly appreciate donations for the Heat Assistance Fund so that we can continue to provide this vital resource to our residents in need.\*\***



## Merrymeeting Arts Center

By Jen Kelley

It's an all-hands on deck start of the fall! Speaking of which **MAC is seeking a Social Media Marketing Volunteer for 2026!** If you've been looking for a way to give back to your community, but have been worried about the time commitment, this might be the perfect position for you. You can work from home, set your own hours, and make a huge impact for Merrymeeting Arts Center.

Skills needed: Familiarity with posting on social media.

Responsibilities: Will update and maintain our social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram), updating our website (hosted by Weebly) – it's simple and we'd be able to give you a tutorial, and send press releases once a month for gallery shows. (We have a template and database already). We would be able to train whomever takes the role.

Estimated monthly Time Commitment: 2-3 hours monthly

If you'd like to start a conversation, shoot us an email at [MAC@merrymeetingartscenter.org](mailto:MAC@merrymeetingartscenter.org) or feel free to reach out via our website. OR if you know someone who might be interested, please share.

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### Thank you from the bottom of our hearts

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Laleah Parker and her family who lost Sam Parker on June 1st. Lee was integral in the creation and survival of Merrymeeting Arts Center. For its first 15 years, Lee served on the board and Sam was always there, coming to shows, exhibits and events. "No single person ever gave more to support the creation of the wonderful Merrymeeting Arts Center (and me) than Lee with Sam cheering us on." - Peggy Muir

Thank you Sam for all you did for MAC. RIP.

### More Press for Bryce Muir

Peggy Muir wrote about Bryce and artists in general in the Union of Maine Visual Artists quarterly (UMVA). UMVA was started by Bowdoinham's own Carlo Pittore who was our great friend and mentor and mentor of so many local artists. And in a number of national art collections.

In the article, she refers to Bryce's collection at MAC and his pieces in the



American Museum of Natural History, The Addison Gallery and the White House Collection ARTICLE: *Maine Arts Journal: UMVA Quarterly* <http://maineartsjournal.com/>

Now, check out what we have in store for you in September and October!

### SEPTEMBER

#### **Celebrate Bowdoinham Saturday, September 13th Zucchini Races (11:30-12:30ish)**

Never before (or at least since I've been here) has the Zucchini Race dove-tailed so nicely with Celebrate Bowdoinham's theme, "Farming in Bowdoinham". So, grab your favorite zucchini and get designing. Those zucchinis are not going to race themselves. We've got prizes galore! Stay tuned for more information on rules and regulations in the coming weeks. \*Located at the skate park behind the MAC Pottery Studio

#### **Silent Auction**

Mac's Silent Auction returns to Celebrate Bowdoinham! MAC is looking to fill the gallery with local artists and artisans for our annual Silent Auction. The gallery will be open for any bidders to see the work in person. The auction will go live on 9/6 and will close on 9/14 at 4pm. We offer a 50/50 split to the artists so your bid will help support both MAC and our local artist community. A Win-Win!

#### **MAC Summer Photography Exhibit Opening Gala:**

Friday September 5th (6-8pm)

Saturday, September 6th (10am-2pm)

MAC's Summer Photography class students will exhibit their work at the Gallery.

#### **Frederick Ndabaramiye Exhibit**

Opening Reception & artist talk:

Friday, September 19th (5-8pm)

Additional viewings

Saturday, 20th & 27th (10am-2pm)

Frederick Ndabaramiye is a painter and writer originally from Rwanda, now living in Portland.

#### **Introduction to Digital Photography with Leah Haraden**

Saturday September 27th

(11:30am-4:30pm) - \$40

Join professional photographer Leah Haraden for an engaging and informative basic digital photography class. This course is designed for beginners, providing a supportive and comfortable learning environment for those who have always wanted to learn more about their camera's capabilities. We will cover essential photography principles, including camera settings, composition techniques, and natural lighting.

Participants will learn how to use their digital cameras effectively, understanding features like aperture, shutter speed, and ISO. Through a mix of in-class demos and practical hands-on exercises, you will gain more skill and confidence in capturing stunning images.

By the end of the class, you will have a foundation in photography that will enable you to take beautiful photos, whether for personal enjoyment or to share with friends and family. Bring your camera and a willingness to explore the exciting and limitless world of photography! For adults and teens!

#### **Art Classes for Homeschooled Students**

We'll be offering a choice of two art classes for homeschooled students this fall. On Tuesdays we have drawing and pottery classes for ages 7 and up. Wednesdays will feature a variety of arts and crafts for kids aged 5 and up to explore. These sessions are sure to fill up, so register now to save your child's place! Visit our website for details and registration: [www.merrymeetingartscenter.org/classes--workshops.html#/](http://www.merrymeetingartscenter.org/classes--workshops.html#/)

### OCTOBER

#### **Artist in Residence Exhibit – Ruthanne Harrison**

Opening Reception:

Friday, October 3rd (6-8pm)

Additional Viewings:

Saturdays, October 4th & 11th

(10am-2pm)

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## Merrymeeting Arts Center

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MAC & Merrymeeting Adult Education combine efforts to feature this year's Artist in Residence, featuring the work of Ruthanne Harrison.

### Indigo Dying Workshop with Elizabeth Davis

Saturday October 18th (1-4pm)

“Vampiros”-

### A new Jose' Rodriguez Jr Show

Opening Reception: October 24th  
(6-8pm)

Additional Viewings: Saturday, October 25 (10am-12pm) Vampiros will feature new work by visual artist, Jose Rodriguez Jr. Based on an anecdote from his youth, the work explores the artist's often contradictory experiences of growing up in this country as a child of immigrants. The show is sponsored by Merrymeeting Community & Adult Education.

## ONGOING

### Pottery Open Studio (ON-GOING)

Mondays & Wednesdays (6-8pm)  
with Zachary Fields  
Saturdays (9-11am)  
with Catherine Scanlon

\$10 suggested donation covers studio use, clay, kiln firing, and glazes. Open to the public, no experience necessary! Bring your ideas and we can help make them a reality. There is no traditional instruction offered during this time, only an attendant available for suggestions and answering questions

The Mac OPEN STUDIO PUNCH CARD is on sale! Treat yourself or someone else to our new studio punch card. Available for purchase on our website [www.merrymeetingartscenter.org](http://www.merrymeetingartscenter.org)

The Heron Fund is our scholarship fund for all MAC organized studio programs and events. It is made possible by the generosity of the Muir Family and donations from MAC friends and supporters like you. Donations can be made on our website and allow us to remove financial barriers for program participation and ensure Art for Everyone. MAC is a Non-Profit and donations are tax deductible. Donations accepted on our website [www.merrymeetingartscenter.org](http://www.merrymeetingartscenter.org).

THANK YOU!

## News from the Bowdoinham Guild of Artisans

By Lynn Sternfels

The artists in the guild have been busy this summer. If you visited farms on the Open Farm and Studio Day in July you saw a number of members at Apple Creek Farm including some work that is usually only seen at the Holiday Show—Kate Cutko had a table featuring Treasures from the Attic which includes clever and whimsical book art items. Amy Wagner from Playing with Glass set up her fused glass display and will also be at several fairs and events around Maine including Celebrate Bowdoinham.

Several artists have made some exciting changes. Zachary Fields and Jana DeWan opened Turning Arts Studio in Bowdoinham this Spring which gives them each dedicated studio space as well as room for other ventures. Jeffrey Lipton completed his wood fired kiln and had his first firing in July. As the proud owner of a teapot from that firing I look forward to seeing more of the work that comes from this beautiful kiln.

Although the Holiday weekend is months away, many artists are already setting aside work for the first weekend in December when once again we will hold a show and sale. Plans are not finalized but check the November/December newsletter for details about our show which has now run for over twenty years and was the kick starter for the whole weekend of events that takes place around Bowdoinham.

## Bowdoinham Fall Bulky Waste Day October 4th, 2025

We will be holding our Fall Bulky waste day on October 4th from 8am to 2pm at the Public Works facility located at 121 Pond Road.

The following items will be accepted on this day for a fee.

Box spring/Mattress each piece:

Twin	\$5.00
Full	\$8.00
Queen	\$10.00
King	\$15.00

Carpet:

\$2.00/foot, priced at the lesser of the size i.e., 5'x8' = \$10.00

Furniture:

Chair	\$5.00
Chair - recliner	\$10.00
Couch - small	\$10.00
Couch - large	\$14.00
Couch - recliner	\$15.00
Couch - pull out	\$15.00

Construction debris including sheetrock, insulation.

¼ yard of debris	\$40.00
½ yard of debris	\$80.00

Large and/or heavy quantities of construction debris should be taken to one of the following locations: Grimmel

Industries in Topsham, Pine Tree waste in W. Bath, Maine Waste to energy in Auburn.



# TIDEWATER TREE CARE



- Tree removals
- Tree and shrub pruning
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- Free estimates and Insured

[tidewatertreeservice@gmail.com](mailto:tidewatertreeservice@gmail.com)

207 737-9365

## Bowdoinham Community Connections

### Article 1

#### **Need Help with Heating Assistance? Bowdoinham Community Connections Can Help**

This fall, Bowdoinham Community Connections will be offering in-person support to help residents prepare for upcoming changes to the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and to apply for Real IDs.

Due to recent federal funding cuts, local Community Action Partnerships - including Midcoast Community Action in Bath - will no longer be able to offer in-person appointments for LIHEAP. At the same time, new citizenship requirements will make the application process more complicated. **While you do not need to have a Real ID to qualify for heating assistance, having a Real ID - which verifies both identity and citizenship - will help streamline access to many federal and state programs, including LIHEAP.**

To support our community, we'll be offering free appointments to help gather the necessary documents for Real ID, schedule BMV visits, and prepare for LIHEAP applications.

#### **Appointment times in September and October:**

- Tuesdays, 9:30–11:30 AM at the Fire Station
- Fridays, 12:00–2:00 PM at the Fire Station

To make an appointment, call 207-666-3101.

If you received LIHEAP benefits last year, you should receive a postcard with a scheduled phone interview. Bowdoinham Community Connections can help you prepare for that call or assist you in completing the online application. Applying for benefits of any kind can be logistically and emotionally challenging. We are here to help!

### Article 2

#### **Preparing for Bulky Waste Day**

Bowdoinham Community Connections is once again rounding up volunteers to support residents on Bulky Waste Day on Sat., Oct. 4.

Following the success of our Volunteer Day in April, we're offering assistance to community members who **have mobility challenges or lack transportation** and need help moving items to the town collection site.

Depending on the request and volunteer availability, we **may** be able to help. If you'd like to support, please call 207-666-3101 as soon as possible to let us know what items you need removed.

We're also looking for volunteers with trucks - and sturdy backs! If you're able to lend a hand, even for a few hours, please give us a call.

Let's work together to make this Bulky Waste Day easier and more accessible for everyone in Bowdoinham!

## Nazarene News

**T**he arrival of fall means the long-awaited steeple repairs will soon begin! We are thankful to everyone who contributed donations to make this possible. Our bake sale at Celebrate Bowdoinham will likely be our final fundraiser for this project. Stop by and grab some home-baked goodies! We have great bakers!

We are happy to announce that we have received the blessing of the appropriate persons and will be resuming the annual Thanksgiving pie sale, 8am to 7pm (or the pies run out) on Tuesday, November 25, at the fire department. The proceeds will be shared between our Compassionate Ministries Fund and the Bowdoinham Fire Department. There are many ways to help! Please contact Natausha at 207-751-4014 if you would like to do any of the following: Volunteer, donate fully baked pies for the sale, or donate any pie ingredients (because Natausha and her crew like to bake and they do it well!) such as disposable pie tins

with or without lids (please!), plastic wrap, flour, sugar, brown sugar, Crisco, vanilla, molasses, spices such as cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves, all spice, etc., canned pumpkin, pudding mixes, graham cracker premade crusts, graham crackers, flavored Jello mixes, chocolate: chips, baking chips, baking cocoa, etc., parchment paper, navy beans or blind baking beans, cheese cloth, pie stands (can just be a loan, but I'm sure we'll need them for fridge storage the week of), butter, eggs, frozen fruit (blueberries, mixed berries, strawberries, etc.), apples, buttermilk, cream cheese, whole milk, fresh pumpkins, heavy whipping cream, and whipped cream/Cool Whip. Do you have something you want to see on the table to bring home to your family? Let Natausha know!

It is time to switch to fall and winter clothes at the clothes closet. That means we will be closed September 17th to make that change over. If you would like to help, we plan to be there Sept 16-18 from 10am

to 3pm. Call or text the church at 207-751-6888 to confirm, as we may need to adjust as the time approaches. The Clothes Closet is open on Wednesdays from 2:30-5pm and by appointment. The clothes are free and anyone is welcome. Donations of clean clothes in good condition can also be dropped off during open hours and by appointment. Call or text the church to make arrangements or for more information. Thank you for all your great donations! So many grateful people go home with quality clothes for themselves and their families.

Interested in learning more about the Bible but don't know where to start? That is not uncommon. We offer Bible studies for beginners. Call or text the church at 207-751-6888 for more information or to sign up.

Our church prays for our community regularly, but if you desire prayer specifically, please feel free to call or text the church at 207-751-6888. Let us be a blessing to you.

### Town of Bowdoinham Notice

#### **Nomination papers for the November 4, 2025, municipal election**

Nomination papers will be available at the Town Office on Friday July, 25, 2025, for the following positions:

- 1 (One) Office of M.S.A.D. #75 School Board Member, for a (3) Three-year term
- 2 (Two) Select Board Member, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor for a (3) Three-year term

Papers can be picked up from the Town Office to the Town Clerk and are to be returned by Thursday, September 4, 2025, at 4:00pm

*Tina L. Magno, Town Clerk*

## Ash Trees and the Emerald Ash Borer Insect Infestation

The Bowdoinham Tree Committee, a sub-committee of the Comprehensive Planning Committee, would like to share the following 10 facts about the spreading infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer insect in Maine. (These notes are adapted from publications of the Maine Cooperative Extension and the Maine Forestry Service.)

1. The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), originally from Asia, is an emerald green, wood-boring insect that has killed millions of ash trees in the U.S. since its appearance in 2002. EAB was first seen in Maine in 2018 and has now been reported in some northern towns and most southern Maine towns, including Brunswick and Bowdoin. Although it has not yet officially been confirmed in Bowdoinham, Topsham, or Richmond, it seems that it is only a matter of time.
2. EAB is an invisible danger. The beetles spend most of their life cycle as larvae feeding under the bark of ash trees. The only outward sign of an infected tree is blond, scooped-out patterns in the bark left by extensive woodpecker feeding.
3. All types of ash trees are at risk other than Mountain Ash (which is not a true ash of the genus *Fraxinus*). Trees attacked include White, Green, Brown and European Ash trees.
4. Because EAB overwinters as larvae under tree bark, cold winters do not impact EAB's viability.
5. Healthy ash trees can be treated with a systemic insecticide applied by a licensed pesticide applicator. Treating healthy trees is a more cost-efficient solution than having trees removed. (A reminder that systemic insecticides may also kill other non-EAB insects.)
6. There is ongoing research into bio controls to slow the spread of EAB. State land managers have released parasitoids in some areas with the hope that they can help reduce EAB populations. A parasitoid is a type of macroparasite, usually an insect, that spends part of its life cycle usually inside a host insect such as EAB, resulting in the host insect's death. Many parasitoids are small wasps or flies.
7. Planting new ash trees is not recommended.
8. Infested ash trees decline quickly and become brittle which can create safety

issues if left standing. Any fallen ash tree is best disposed of on-site.

9. Most of southern Maine has a quarantine on moving firewood out of quarantined areas. Bowdoinham is within a quarantined area. Help slow the spread of EAB by not moving local firewood into non-quarantined areas or out of state and know where your purchased firewood comes from. (Quarantine maps are viewable on the Maine Forestry Service site at [maine.gov](http://maine.gov))
10. The earlier EAB is found, the more options there are to manage it. Be on the look-out for beetle sightings and/or signs of extensive woodpecker feeding and report any findings to the Maine Forestry Service. (Note: the Green Tiger

Beetle looks very similar to the EAB, but there are notable differences: the EAB has a straight, stream-lined body that tapers at the end, short legs, small eyes and short antennae, less than or equal to the width of the head; the Green Tiger Beetle has a slightly more robust or stocky body form, large bulging eyes, long legs, and long antennae that are at least two times or more the width of the head. Images can be seen on the Maine Forestry Service site at [maine.gov](http://maine.gov))

If you have questions, or are interested in learning more about EAB, we will be hosting a public information session with Colleen Teerling of the Maine Forest Service on Monday, September 15th at 7:00 pm at Merrymeeting Hall.

**MAC**  
Merrymeeting Arts Center  
CELEBRATE BOWDOINHAM'S

# ZUCCHINI RACES

SEPT 13TH  
11:00 REGISTRATION  
11:30 RACE  
LOCATED AT THE BOWDOINHAM SKATE RAMP

**2025 CHALLENGE**  
FOR PRO AND AMATEUR ZUCCHINI RACERS

<p><b>PICKLE WEIGHT</b> SMALL BUT PERFECTLY FORMED. PICKLE-WEIGHT ARE THE SMALLEST AND CUTEST RACERS</p> <p>UNDER 12 INCHES</p>	<p><b>MIDDLE-WEIGHT</b> NOT TOO BIG, NOT TOO SMALL, AND PERFECT FOR DECORATING AND LAUNCHING DOWN A RAMP</p> <p>8-12 INCHES</p>	<p><b>HEAVY-WEIGHT</b> MONSTER ZUC! THESECARS RACE FAST AND CRASH HARD INCLUDING SKATEBOARD CARS</p> <p>OVER 12 INCHES</p>	<p><b>OUTLAWS</b> DIDN'T READ THE RULES? DON'T CARE ABOUT THE RULES? WE LOVE YOU ANYWAY</p>
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**RULES:**

1. ONLY ONE ZUCCHINI PER PERSON
2. EACH HOT ROD MUST BE CREATED FROM A SINGLE ZUCCHINI OR YELLOW SQUASH
3. THE ZUCCHINI MUST BE GRAVITY POWERED ONLY
4. THE ZUCCHINI HOT RODS WILL RACE DOWN A RAMP IN HEAT. RACE HEATS WILL CONTINUE UNTIL A WINNER IS DECLARED
5. EXHIBITORS MUST BRING THEIR OWN ENTRIES TO THE JUDGING TABLE
6. EXHIBITORS MUST NAME THEIR CAR AND REGISTER AT THE JUDGING TABLE PRIOR TO THE START OF THE RACE.

**Categories for Winners:**  
\* best decorated  
\* heat winner for each Division  
\* Youngest participant  
\* most creative

## Cathance Fitness Center

Cathance Fitness Center is located at 1201 Main St. Bowdoin, Maine. This route 125 address is the old Bowdoin Elementary School.



Create your memberships and handle payment information on our new website: [CathanceFitness.com](http://CathanceFitness.com). No more paperwork!

Notice the links across the top to help you with membership choices as well as class information including Silver Sneakers.

Scroll down to the gallery to see photos of the three-room facility.

**Please Note:** We no longer accept “guests” but we do offer one-month memberships. If your friend(s) would like to come in to play basketball with you, he/she needs to have a membership. Thank you so much, this is concerning our liability insurance.

**Sign up tip:** After digitally signing your membership waivers, click on “memberships” to add it to the cart. We can reactivate your old cards!

**Have You Heard About Silver Sneakers:**  SilverSneakers by TriVity Health

A fitness program designed to help older adults live healthy active lifestyles. Check your insurance but if it doesn't cover Silver Sneakers, classes are only \$2 each. Meet some new friends who care about Senior Health!

-Visit the fitness center to watch or even try a class. 9am M,W & F.

### Community Health Message

**September is “Healthy Aging Month” & a great time to make a plan!** Here are a few ideas to get you started.

1. Move more to offset sitting. This helps control blood pressure, blood sugar, keeps your muscles working and increases blood flow to reduce stiffness. Start with 10minutes 2x/day. This could be walking inside, chair movements or resistance bands. Improve coordination, bone health & balance. No need to get out of breath, this is more about movement. Go by how you feel and discuss plans with your Dr.
2. Find your favorite anti-inflammatory foods like ginger, flax, cherries or dark chocolate to add to your grocery list. Include leafy greens, omega-3 rich foods, berries & whole grains.
3. Do you drink enough water? Water enables the digestive process, removes waste & flushes toxins, lubricates joints, bones & organs.
4. Set up your calendar for lunch dates, games, picnics, join the exercise group or create a walking group.

-Find a resource to continue learning like: <https://healthyaging.net/>



# Trunk or Treat

to benefit the Maine Credit Unions' Campaign for Ending Hunger and the Bowdoinham Food Pantry.

Food 🍷 Candy 🍷 50/50 Raffle

Admission: Non-perishable item or monetary donation.\*

**25** October  
4-6 PM

**Address:**  
Maily Waterfront  
1 Main St.,  
Bowdoinham, ME 04008

\*All monetary donations will benefit the Maine Credit Unions' Campaign for Ending Hunger. All non-perishable donations will go to benefit the Bowdoinham Food Pantry.

# THE BOWDOINHAM NEWS

## Cemetery News

Hello! We – The Bowdoinham Cemetery Committee Advisory Committee (BCAC), the Keepers and volunteers have had a busy summer, including Cemetery cleaning and training sessions and research on a couple of loose stones.

In April, Becca Knowles, who bought the former McMullen place on Fisher Road, discovered the top of a stone with just the name James A. beside the house. Research by Tina Magno, the Town Clerk and BCAC has revealed that he was probably the son of Moses and Melinda s. Carr Williams and died at age 1 1/2. His parents and some of his siblings are buried in Gr 8 Blanchard Cemetery; but James died much earlier and may have been buried in a Carr lot in some cemetery in Bowdoin or Bowdoinham. Nina Mendall is continuing to follow up on this with McMullen descendants as she lived near them on Fisher Road.

In early July, Elaine Diaz met with Michael Ebert, who for years had been looking for a reported stone of two Hatch women. Gr 66. We decided it was a lost cause and agreed to ask to have the Gr # deleted from the Town's list. The very next day, Nina Mendall, Chair, received a call from Cheryl Fitzpatrick that the top of a stone with the names Angeline and Olive Hatch had been found by some workmen between two tree stumps right in her back yard across the Carding Machine Road from Michael Ebert's some. Elaine contacted Cheryl and Michael and together they probed and dug and found two more pieces which completed the stone. Contact with Joey Hyde, who used to own Cheryl's property and who had originally reported the stone to the Town, gave more information. He had found the stone (Intact at that time) face down in his hayfield "at least 40 years ago." He said the area is now very overgrown with trees. but then it was all open field including Cheryl's lot. He said Virginia Lamars, a neighbor, told him that the two Hatch women, mother and daughter, had lived in a house, now marked by an old cellar hole. right on the corner of Cheryl's lot. Probably impossible, now. to find where they were actually buried; so. Cheryl's plan is to have the stone mended and installed in that area between the two tree stumps. Cheryl will join Michael Ebert and Dawna Bowlin as co-Keepers of Gr 66 Hatch Stone and Gr 29 Maxwell Family Plot.

This is a belated acknowledgment of the amazing work done by Dan, Anne, and Brady Chapman and Chris Colby on Pratt Cemetery Gr 1, on Wildes Road and Sedgley Plot Gr 58 and Read Family Tomb Gr 67 in the State Wildlife Preserve at the end of the Wildes Road. They took all this on from Sam Tome, Anne's stepbrother after he died.

A brief summary of summer cleaning and training sessions:

Gr 23 Dinsmore Cemetery. July 12. Host: Linda Douglass. Attended: 7. Trained: 3. Stones cleaned: 7.

Gr25 Mustard Cemetery. August 3. Host: Lee Gagne. Attended: 7. Trained: 1. Stones cleaned: 16 stones and 1 monument.

Gr 21 Whitmore Cemetery August 17. Hosts: Amy and Ron Babb.

And finally, as of July 24, the ROW to Gr 32 Temple-Randall Cemetery was completed by the Bowdoinham Public Works, with the generous permission of landowner, Jason Desrosiers. The ROW is located at 1158 Post Road. Bowdoinham. Now, a safe and convenient way for Temple and Randall descendants and volunteers to access this lovely cemetery, thanks to Public Works and to Linda Temple for pursuing it.

Fall projects will include stone cleaning and orientation for those who need it at the Brown Point Cemetery Gr 24, Sat, Sept. 27, rain date Sept. 28. Also being considered are Beech Hill Cemetery on Center's Point Road and/or McFadden Yard on the Old

Dump Road off Carding Machine Road. If you are interested in attending any of them, call Nina, Linda, or Elaine. Also call us if you have any answers to the question raised here or have any other information or concerns regarding the local cemeteries.

Nina Mendall, BCAC Chair - 207-666-8838; [njmendall@comcast.net](mailto:njmendall@comcast.net)

Linda Temple, Volunteer Coordinator - 207 666-3343; [wwwells0@myfairpoint.net](mailto:wwwells0@myfairpoint.net)

Elaine Diaz, Volunteer Coordinator - 207-666-8255; [elainediazhome@gmail.com](mailto:elainediazhome@gmail.com)



*Row for Temple-Randall Cemetery (Gr32)*



*Mustard Cemetery (Gr25)*

Help support our youth league sports with a little advertising. From reaching all 1,400 homes in Bowdoinham, to regional exposure with our traveling teams, your funding will grow your business and our home teams! To score one of these deals respond by November 14, 2025!

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Spring team sponsorship, business name on back of jersey. - \$225 value

Fall team sponsorship, business name on back of jersey. - \$225 value

3' x 5' vinyl homerun fence banner displayed throughout the year, incl. State Championship - \$125 value

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Sponsorship packaged available until: **November 14**. Regular print advertising is available: Business card sized ads can be purchased for \$30/issue, 1/4 page ads for \$75/issue, 1/2 page ads for \$125 and other sizes are available. Inquires can be sent to [planning@bowdoinham.com](mailto:planning@bowdoinham.com)

## FALL CROSS SUDOKO PUZZLE

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### About Cross Sudoku

Cross Sudoku is a variant of the classic Sudoku puzzle that involves more complexity and challenge due to its structure. It consists of five standard 9x9 Sudoku grids arranged in such a way that they intersect at one common grid, forming a giant cross-like structure. The central grid is shared among all the other four, which are placed on each side (top, bottom, left, and right) of it.

#### Basic Rules

1. Grid Structure: The puzzle consists of five 9x9 grids, with one grid at the center and the other four surrounding it, forming a cross.
2. Number Placement: Each grid must be filled with numbers from 1 to 9.
3. No Repetition: A number cannot be repeated in any row, column, or designated 3x3 square within each 9x9 grid.

#### Additional Rules

- \* Intersecting Grids: The central grid is common to all the other grids and must obey the rules of all connected grids simultaneously.
- \* Independence: Although the grids are connected, the left, right, top, and bottom grids operate independently of each other, except for the shared central grid.

# THE BOWDOINHAM NEWS

## Stones Telling Stories:

### Saving the old Sedgeley yard

By Frank Connors, Cemetery Sexton

For longer than I can remember, the Sedgeley family Cemetery off Wildes Road has been one of those yards I just shake my head when people ask about it. "I can show you," I'd say, "but you might get lost if YOU go looking! "That description changed this year when the Chapman family got involved.

Dan Chapman & Anne Kellett Chapman inherited keepership of the little Pratt Cemetery off Wildes Road when their neighbor Sam Tome got too sick to care for it. "It's right there when we look out the window," Chapman said, "kind of hard to

Ignore... besides, Sam kept insisting." Last year the Town renewed the fence at the Pratt yard, the Kelletts did the fence painting, started mowing, and trimming the 20x50 foot lot, and decided they liked the work.

The Chapmans are frequent visitors to the Merrymeeting Game Management Area at the end of Wildes road, and the story goes, "one day we kind of stumbled on the older Sedgeley Cemetery." Most of the early Eighteenth Century, soft marble stones were flat, two or three others were broken. A cluster of Swamp cedar closed off one end, Pine trees standing and pines broken and decaying dotted the rest of the site. One large oak that may date from the days when the Sedgeley family treasured the yard stands at one end.

The Chapman family decided to take the cemetery as a project. They asked around about rules to clear a cemetery on State property and decided it might be easier to ask for forgiveness than follow the red tape to gain permission. Cedar trees were cut, trimmed, and stacked. "We hope to do a fence one day soon," Chapman said. Dead pines were scrubbed and hauled away; several live pines were cut, fitted to cord length, and stacked well away from the stones. Several stones were gently re-erected, others too fragile to move were leveled, placed on

Pine bolts to keep them off the wet ground. A modest clearing emerged; it all started to look like a cemetery again.

Broden Chapman and Austin Starks have been able assistants on the project. "there's no substitute for youth, strength and enthusiasm.



For a project like this," Chapman said. They hope to get a cleaning party for the stones this summer, to haul in some topsoil in

To fill some obvious depressions, "make it look a little better, a little bit at a time," is the Chapman vision. Who would dispute that?

**Find the Grave:** Follow the Wildes Road to its end, enter the preserve and descend a long

hill. Follow this unimproved Road until your way is blocked by a large pipe gate. Proceed another 100 yards to the CMP transmission lines, wander slightly left and you'll find tracks where an ATV has climbed a slight elevation and drops toward the woods. Make sure you're wearing Tick protection. You'll see the Cemetery to your left, 50, maybe 75 feet inside the tree line. Find and guide on the big oak.



## Tourtelotte EXCAVATING

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Bowdoinham, ME 04008  
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**Excavation - Road Work - Land Management**

# Bowdoinham Community School

**Substitutes Desired for All Positions!**

- Teachers**
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- Health Aide**
- Custodians**
- Food Service**

- ★ **Must have patience and show great care for children**
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- ★ **Work as much or as little as you want**

**Make a difference as part of our school community!**

**Contact: Chris Lajoie, Principal**  
**(207) 666-5546**                      **lajoiec@link75.org**



## Bowdoinham Municipal Directory

### Town Office

13 School St.  
 Phone: 666-5531  
 Fax: 666-5532  
 Website: bowdoinham.com  
 Hours:

- Monday: 8:30am-4:00pm
- Tuesday: 8:30am-4:00pm
- Wednesday: 11:00am-6:00pm
- Thursday: 8:30am-4:00pm
- Friday: 8:30am-4:00pm

### Recycling

121 Pond Rd.  
 666-3228

Website: bowdoinham.com/SWR

Recycling Hours:

- Tuesday: Noon-6:00pm
- Thursday: 8:00am-4:00pm
- Saturday: 8:00am-4:00pm
- Trash Pick Up: Thursday Mornings  
 (or the following Saturday morning  
 when Thursday is a Holiday)  
 Town Office sells Trash Bags

### Bowdoinham Public Library

13a School St.  
 Bowdoinham, ME 04008  
 Phone: 666-8405  
 Website: bowdoinhamlibrary.org  
 Hours:

- Tuesday: 10:00am-2:00pm
- Wednesday: 2:00pm-6:00pm
- Thursday: 10:00am-2:00pm
- Friday: 2:00pm-6:00pm
- Saturday: 10:00am-2:00pm

### Animal Control

666-3127

### Fire & Rescue

666-3505 (non-emergencies)

### Public Works

666-3503

### Sagadahoc Sheriff Dept.

443-8201

### Water District

(Payments Due Quarterly)  
 737-4721

# THE BOWDOINHAM NEWS

## Community Calendar

### September

- 1 Town Office Closed - Labor Day
- 13 Celebrate Bowdoinham
- 18 Dandelion Spring Farm Taco Night 5 pm - 7 pm
- 27 Stone Cleaning: Brown Point Cemetery

### October

- 4 Bulky Waste Day 8 am - 2 pm
- 12 Dandelion Spring Farm Harvest Celebration TBA
- 13 Town Office Closed - Indigenous Peoples Day
- 25 Trunk or Treat! - Maily Waterfront Park 4pm - 6pm

## Town Board and Committee Meetings

*All meetings are open to the public. For more information visit: [bowdoinham.com/calendar](http://bowdoinham.com/calendar)*

### Select Board

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of month

### Planning Board

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of month at 6:00pm

### Advisory Committee on Age Friendly Bowdoinham

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month at 1:30pm

### Cemetery Advisory Committee

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of month at 4:00pm

### Comprehensive Planning Committee

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month at 6:00pm

### Community Development Advisory Committee

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of month at 6:30pm

### Solid Waste Advisory Committee

TBA

### Town Hall Committee

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of month at 2:30pm

### Emergency Medical Services

TBA

**Town Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 8:30am - 4pm • Wed 11am - 6pm**

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