

Town of Mount Vernon Community Newsletter

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9 a.m. - Noon

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Every other Mon. at the
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Warrant 6:30 p.m.
Regular Business 7 p.m.

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Mon. 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
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3 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Office of the Town Clerk

We hope everyone is healthy and happy.

We will be open Saturday February 27, 2016 from 9:00 A.M. until noon. We will also be open March 26 from 9:00 A.M. until noon. We will be closed February 15th for Presidents Day, and we will be closed April 18, 2016 for Patriot's Day.

The boat stickers are available for those looking forward to getting your boats in the water this spring.

Nomination papers may be taken out beginning Tuesday, March 22, 2016 for the following Town positions:

Elementary School Advisory Board Member	One - 1 Year Term
Elementary School Advisory Board Member	One - 3 Year Term
Road Commissioner	One - 2 Year Term
Rsu #38 School Board Member	One - 3 Year Term
Selectman	One - 3 Year Term
Tax Collector	One - 2 Year Term
Town Clerk	One - 2 Year Term
Treasurer	One - 2 Year Term

The nomination papers are due back here to the office by 5:00 P.M. on May 2, 2016. Twenty five valid signatures are needed.

Hope life treats you kindly. Keep smiling,

Rachel & Amanda

Selectmen's Desk

Winter Greetings,

A full month of 2016 has already completed. The weather so far has been rather kind to our snow plow contractors. The Ground Hog will let us know soon how many more weeks of winter we should expect, if you believe in such things.

Work continues on the road assessment project. As previously shared a complete road inventory was done on the town maintained roads. The keying of that information has now been completed into the computer program. The next step will be to review what types of reports are available from the program. Those reports will hopefully act as a tool to help the Select Board, the newly formed Road Advisory Board and Lee Dunn, Road Commissioner make a priority list for road construction projects. Stay tuned more to come in upcoming months.

Budget sessions started Jan. 4th and are held on alternating Mondays of the Select Board meetings, 6:30 p.m. at the Town Office. Feel free to come join us. Additionally, the RSU 38 school budget workshops have begun. They too are open to the public and encourage participation. For more information please visit www.maranacook.org/board-information/. The school meeting schedule is also published in the newsletter.

Thank you to all the volunteers that give their time serving to better Mt. Vernon. It really is appreciated. Currently, the Athletic Committee is still looking for additional members. And there are three openings on the newly formed Road Advisory Board. Please contact any of the Select Board members for information.

Thank you,

Sherene Gilman
On behalf of the Mount Vernon Board of Selectmen

**Remember our
Presidents**

Town of Mount Vernon Select Board Meeting Synopsis of Minutes - November 16, 2015

7:01pm **Town position statement on old Bog Rd question.** Two interested parties attended the last two Select Board meetings to state their opposing views on the status of the Old Bog Rd. The Select Board reviewed the Town's position on the status of the road and had the Town attorney, David Sanders, review it as well. The Town's position is unchanged, the public easement is presumed to exist on the Old Bog Rd. The Board has composed a letter to be sent to each family. A copy of this letter has been scanned and attached to the minutes. Crockett motions to sign letter and send to interested parties. Dyar seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

7:07pm **Review of town hall energy audit.** The Breathable Home Company visited and audited the town hall. They scanned the entire building with thermal imaging cameras. They assessed the insulation, windows, heating system and then composed a report. The following updates are recommended: weather stripping updates, insulating the concrete walls in basement, and in attic there are two layers of 6" fiberglass. They suggest adding another layer. The Breathable Home Company give estimates of the cost per square foot of savings in their report, and the Select Board will look at these estimates closer. Dyar motions Crockett go out and look into the cost of getting a small electric heater for under the bathroom sink. Crockett seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

7:17pm **Review budget committee status and schedule.** The Budget Committee had a quick 15 minute meeting before the start of the Select Board meeting. There is now a tentative schedule for the Budget Committee. The meetings will begin the first week of January.

7:20pm **Other Business.**

-Hardy states the **Planning Board** is meeting tomorrow night, November 17th at 7:00pm at the Community Center. There is now a section on the town website for the Planning Board minutes so that everyone will be able to review them.

-RSU #38 invites the Select Board to the **annual joint meeting of Select Boards** from all four towns. It will be held on March 2nd, 2016.

-The assessing agent sent analyses for a couple **tax abatements**. There is a building permit for a new modular home, owned by Joel and Bethany Brown, who feel the assessed value is greater than the actual value of the home. The assessor did a walk through and recommends the building value be abated by \$80,700. The total abatement would be for \$1,200.06. Dyar moves to accept the abatement as suggested by the assessor. Crockett seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

There is another **abatement** request. Part of the property in question lies in Vienna and part in Mount Vernon. Dyar states the assessor needs to go out and find out exactly how much of the property is in Mount Vernon. Dyar motions to deny the abatement at this time based on current information. Crockett seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

-The Town of Rome is doing a **salary survey** and is requesting info on what Mount Vernon pays its employees. Crockett will take care of this. Gilman suggests asking Rome to reciprocate.

-Update on **Boat Launch** moving. Dyar is waiting for the new person to come on board and he will discuss the matter with that person.

7:30pm **Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance.** (Charlie Baeder & Howard Hollinger) Baeder and Hollinger are here to talk about the informal boat launch on Belgrade Stream off of Bartlett Rd. The concern they

have is that because Belgrade Stream is full of milfoil, a boat could easily transfer the milfoil to another body of water. All other boat launches in the area have a courtesy inspector there at almost all times. There was another informal boat launch on the Knowles Rd., in Belgrade, which has since been blocked off with concrete barriers to allow access to carry in boats only. Hollinger and Baeder would like to do the same type of thing on the Bartlett Rd. At the Knowles Rd. landing, Friends of Messalonskee paid for the barriers, and the Town of Belgrade donated the post for putting up the sign. They bought the cement barriers from Sergeant in Monmouth. Hollinger has access to a crane truck to install barriers on the Bartlett Rd. if the Select Board approves. The Select Board agrees this is a good idea and have a post they can donate for the sign. Hollinger would like to get the barriers up this fall. Crockett will drop the post off to Baeder. The Select Board suggests contacting Lee Dunn. Crockett motions to allow the Friends of Messalonskee and the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, (BRCA), to erect the barrier to prevent boat trailers backing into the informal boat landing on the Bartlett Rd. Gilman seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

Town of Mount Vernon Select Board Meeting Synopsis of Minutes - November 30, 2015

7:01pm **Discussion with Ordinance Review Team regarding fee schedule on LUO.** Crockett asks the Ordinance Review Committee, (ORC), about the fee schedule on the new LUO and if it had been cut and pasted from the old LUO. Marble, the CEO, brought up the possibility of two issues: a change in the fee schedule and a double charging of fees. Archard states this is an incorrect interpretation of the fee schedule. These fees are for site plan review, not for building permits. Archard suggests the fee schedule be clarified. Crockett suggests also looking at the fee schedule amounts to make sure they are current. The ORC will look at rewording and reviewing fee amounts in the fee schedule. The ORC will need to meet with Marble so they understand his interpretation of the fee schedule.

7:30pm **Athletic Committee Resignations.** Gilman motions to accept, with regret, the resignations from Jennifer Hall and Tammy McLaughlin from the Athletic committee. Crockett seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor. Crockett states there are openings in the Athletic Committee.

7:32pm **Review budget by Department.** Gilman states the Budget process begins in January and each department needs to know where they are starting from to formulate what they will be asking for budget wise. The **Town audit** has just been completed. The audit company made a comment on the overdraft for sand and salt. Crockett motions to take \$2,657 out of fiscal year 2015 contingency fund to cover the overdraft for sand and salt. Dyar seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

7:34pm **Other Business.**

-**FEMA- send letter to amendment to town.** A citizen who owns property on 18 Heaven-Haven Rd. got an exemption from the Floodplain map. This means that the structure has been removed from the floodplain map. Dyar states this should go to CEO, Marble.

-Marble submitted the junkyard permits. Dyar motions to approve the Junkyard permits and have the chair of the Board sign the permits. Gilman seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

-Dyar will speak with **ACO** about completing reports.

Town of Mount Vernon Select Board Meeting Synopsis of Minutes - December 14, 2015

7:01pm **Open session for road related discussion.** Mount Vernon Road Assessment Advisory Committee. Scott Horne, Doug Farrin, and Keith Coulling are here to discuss the formation of a new Roads Committee and other roads related issues. The Select Board has assessed the roads in Mount Vernon and will key in the data to a computer program, which will then recommend in what order roads should be repaired.

There is a little over 46 miles of roads in Mount Vernon that are plowed. The idea for the committee is to create a longer term Capital Improvement plan from people with valuable experience about roads and municipalities.

The committee will work in conjunction with the Road Commissioner and he should be at Roads Committee meetings. There is a discussion about who is going to be on the committee and that people who know Mount Vernon roads should be on the committee. Brett Roberts, Jeff Kent, and Ron Hodgdon have also been asked to be on the Roads Committee.

7:50pm **Other Business:**

- **Town maps** still need to be updated and digitized lot by lot. There is a discussion about CAD mapping.

-**Voting Machine**- Secretary of State has leased voting tabulation equipment and is providing it to the municipalities for use in statewide elections. Dyar motions that the Chairman sign on behalf of the Board. Gilman seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor. Crockett will talk to Marti and make sure the Town's insurance covers the equipment before he signs it.

-Issue with the **heat at the Town Office** Dan Jiorle came and fixed it. Jiorle stated the gasket around the domestic heating coil was not good and we need to buy a new one. If it goes on with a bad gasket it will begin to leak. The new relay panel has a third connection that would let the town update the thermostats.

-November 2015 **Animal Control** calls log- ACO has caught up with some of the recordkeeping showing what he is doing with his time.

-Appraiser update on certificate of **liability insurance.**

-**LifeFlight Foundation** sent a letter asking for a donation of \$820. Couture will send a letter informing them that donations are done through petition and voted on at the Annual Town Meeting.

-**BRCA** sent letter asking for donation

Budget Update- Send Budget Calendar and Survey form to the departments so they know what their time slot to meet with the Budget Committee is.

-Gilman would like to give public recognition for the completion of the bench in **memory of John Dixon at Memorial Park.**

-The Select Board asks any interested citizens to consider joining the **Athletic Committee.**

Town of Mount Vernon Select Board Meeting Synopsis of Minutes - December 28, 2015

Holiday week and not much on agenda

7:01pm **Other Business.**

-Received a letter and check for \$25k from Davis Family Foundation approved grant request for the **Dr. Shaw Library renovation** and expansion project. George Smith and others worked hard on applying for this grant.

-**Audit report from Bureau of Motor Vehicles**-Mt Vernon had mostly a clean audit. There was a couple license plates missing they had to go back and do some

research on, but it was good other than that.

-Gilman reminds citizens that the **Budget sessions** will start next Monday January 4th and will be held every other Monday until May.

Town of Mount Vernon Select Board Meeting Synopsis of Minutes - January 11, 2016

7:02pm **Discuss Continuing Road Assessment Project.** Crockett received the software license for the software the Board will be using to access the roads. The Select Board will spend some time with the software after the meeting.

7:03pm **Other Business.**

-Millie Dixon wrote a letter to thank Clyde and the Select Board for the placement of the bench donated in John Dixon's honor. The bench was donated by the Boston Collective members, New England Retailers, and Friends of John G. Dixon. The bench is located in the Memorial Park by the Country Store. Dyar motions to write a letter of thank you to the people involved. Crockett seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

- Grenier sent a letter asking about an alternate road addressing officer. Grenier filled out a form to designate Richard Marble as an alternate for the Emergency Services Communication Bureau. Dyar motions that the Chair sign on behalf of the Board. Gilman seconds. Vote 3-0 in favor.

-Rachel Meader left a form for Select Board to sign pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 36 § 906 to apply any tax payment received from an individual as payment for any property tax against outstanding or delinquent taxes due on said property in chronological order beginning with the oldest unpaid tax bill. The Select Board members sign the form.

-Gross requests the Board to sign a **quit claim deed** without covenant and release. The Select Board members sign the quit claim deed with Gross as witness. BRD LLC releases a lot of personal land with buildings. Recorded in Registry book 620 page 9. This release the tax lien dated February 29, 2005.

-Letter from **Crisis and Counseling**- noted that total cost of services delivered to 17 individuals in Mount Vernon was \$12,925 of which \$9300 was paid by individuals MaineCare covered and private insurance or out of individuals own pocket. Crisis & Counseling is requesting a donation of \$607 which is equal to 20% of the uncovered services to Mount Vernon citizens in 2014-15. Couture will send them a letter notifying them that they need a petition to get the request on the warrant.

-**Maine Bureau of Labor Standards** letter- Notice of record keeping requirements of 2016 survey of occupational injuries and illnesses. Mount Vernon has been selected to participate in the survey. We are being asked to keep OSHA records through 2017. Crockett will share this with Marti and Rachel.

-Received membership dues from MMA. Crockett will give this to Marti.

-Assessor had issues getting files to function because Couture updated pc to Windows 10. Crockett will contact Savage about this.

There are still openings on the Athletic Committee and the Appeals Board that The Select Board would like to see filled.

To view entire meeting minutes contact the Select Board Assistant at ajcouture2@gmail.com or call 458-6389.

Dr. Shaw Memorial Library

contributed by Mary Anne Libby



"In a democracy, information is power." -- Jim Gerritsen

There are two spaces left for Barbara Skapa's Cheesemaking 101 class, coming up on Saturday, February 13th, from 10-2. Give us a call at the library, or call Alice at 293-2502, to sign up.

And don't forget our annual Tax Help days, on four Saturdays: February 13 and 27, and March 12 and 26. We still have some times available, so call us at the library at 293-2565, and we'll give you an appointment.

We like featuring various parts of our collection, because we are often just so happy with so many of the titles, and we want to share bits and pieces that you might not have noticed. We've been into nonfiction for a few years now. Nonfiction doesn't just provide information (though that is of utmost importance for any lifelong learner), it also helps us delve deeply into our personal, community, and larger concerns. It can further our citizenship, our understanding of what came before us (so we can sometimes avoid repeating our mistakes), and can help us figure out the next step we need to take. Current nonfiction for both children and adults is often so creative. It can reflect deep research that broadens our knowledge, and the experiences & musings presented by an author can bring us to the same places of the heart that fiction does.

A new children's title we admire is Picturepedia: an encyclopedia on every page, published by the Smithsonian. It has such beautiful photos, graphics, and is chockful of information throughout. It covers many subjects from butterflies to sports to Vikings, and much more. This book, along with two large format titles we've mentioned previously - Maps (by Mizielski), and Animalium (Scott & Broom) - are wondrous examples of what publishing houses are doing with physical books, to let us experience the pleasure of handling books with textured papers, captivating illustrations, and varied topics.

There are many great titles in the adult nonfiction collection. Travis Mills' new memoir, Tough as they come, has just arrived (and is already checked out). Jonathan M. Bryant's Dark places of the earth is about the slave ship Antelope. Maine author Kate Christensen has a new title, How to cook a moose. It is her memoir and touches on the slow food movement, food scarcity, farmers, and the history of staple ingredients. Oliver Sacks' last book is a brief, simple one entitled Gratitude. And, lastly, I have been reading Sherry Turkle's The Power of talk in a digital age. Though I think the loss of conversation has a cultural basis that includes more than use of our devices, I do appreciate her observations and her style of writing. One of those books that makes you think.

Meanwhile, in the midst of a cold and often dark January, a couple of our youngest patrons made some brilliantly colored drawings, and we now have them up on the bulletin board. Many thanks to our young artists! Bright color in winter lightens our hearts!

I just finished Kristen Hanna's the Nightingale - about two sisters in France during WWII. Now I've just brought home JoJo Moyes' novel, The Girl you left behind - this time, a woman in France during WWI. I just can't help myself. What are you reading as the days begin to lengthen?



Friends of Bailey Library

1st Annual SCRABBLE® Fundraiser Tournament

Sunday, March 6, 2016 (1:00 to 4:00, sign in by 12:45)

**Snow date: Sunday, March 13, 2016*

To be held at Bailey Public Library,
39 Bowdoin Street, Winthrop, ME

Please contact Shane Billings at (207) 377-8673
for additional information **and registration materials**



The Giving Tree

On the Saturday before Thanksgiving, the Mt. Vernon-Vienna Giving Tree went up at the Mt. Vernon Country Store completely covered with wishes. The generosity of so many who took tags was overwhelming! Sixty-eight children received warm clothes, new jackets, snow pants, boots and toys. 34 families received gifts of heating oil, groceries and gasoline and Christmas Cheer was everywhere! Santa Tex and his elves made personal visits to 29 lovely people! On behalf of them, the 68 children and their families, thank you for helping to keep them warm, fed, happy and safe. With much love, Santa's Elves



Guest Column

by Senator Tom Saviello

Maine 2016 Hunting and Fishing Licenses Now Available

A new year of hunting and fishing opportunity is just around the corner! The 2016 Maine hunting and fishing licenses are now available for purchase online or at any of the more than 800 licensing agents statewide.

The state of Maine offers a wide range of hunting and fishing opportunities. Maine is nearly as large as all the other New England states combined, with over 17 million acres of forested land, 6,000 lakes and ponds and 32,000 miles of rivers and streams. To purchase a 2016 license online, go to: <https://www4.informe.org/cgi-bin/online/moses2/index.pl>.

The department's online licensing system offers the convenience of purchasing from home, camp or office and allows the opportunity to print out multiple copies of licenses. All proceeds from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses stay at the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IFW).

IFW also offers additional gift items in our online shop such as IFW logo apparel, The Maine Way Cookbook, season passes to the Maine Wildlife Park, or the opportunity to support conservation efforts with the purchase of a Maine Birder Band or Heron Sticker. To visit our online shop or to learn more about IFW programs, please visit www.mefishwildlife.com.

Maine Prepares For Impending Outbreak of Spruce Budworm

The Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (DACF) has released its 2015 report on spruce budworm in Maine. Entomologists from the DACF's Maine Forest Service note a steady rise in the numbers of insects caught in pheromone traps concentrated along the Canadian border. Quebec's infestation now encompasses 15.6 million acres and has spread south onto the Gaspé Peninsula and toward Maine. The outbreak potential from these insects over vast regions of commercially valuable spruce-fir forests has scientists and public officials deeply concerned. An infestation can spread rapidly via moths migrating to new areas.

Commissioner Walt Whitcomb stressed the DACF has been busy tracking the budworm by expanding the program used to determine its potential spread and impact.

"Permanent pheromone traps have been run annually for the past twenty years," said Whitcomb. "In light of the serious nature of the current potential threat to Maine forests, we significantly expanded our monitoring program last year. We are also working closely with stakeholders on a response plan to help minimize damage to our spruce-fir forests in the event of a major outbreak."

The report, Spruce Budworm (*Choristoneura fumiferana*) in Maine 2015, can be accessed online at: http://www.maine.gov/dacf/mfs/forest_health/documents/2015sbwreport.pdf.

Because the last spruce budworm outbreak during the 1970s-80s grew quickly, killed millions of acres of spruce-fir stands, and cost the region's economy many hundreds of millions of dollars, the Maine Spruce Budworm Task Force was formed in summer 2013 by the University of Maine's Cooperative Forest Research Unit (CFRU), Maine Forest Service (MFS), and the Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) to begin the process of preparing for the next outbreak of the eastern spruce budworm.

Maine Legislature Honorary Page Program

Do you know a student who is interested in learning more about Maine's Legislature? If so, they might want to serve as an honorary page in the Maine Senate during the 2016 legislative session. As an honorary page, students take part in the legislative session by distributing documents and assisting legislators on the floor of the Senate. Parents or teachers can call the Maine Senate Majority Office at 287-1505 to sign up a student or group of students. Please have the name, grade, hometown, and school name ready for each student. In addition, please also have in mind a few different dates that would work well. For February, the Senate will largely be in session only on Tuesdays and Thursdays with more days of the week added in March and April.



Statistics: Chance and Blinded Controlled Trials

contributed by Dan Onion, MD
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"Why should I have a flu shot when I had one last year and still caught the flu later," said my friend in frustration. "Even worse, I understand you can get the flu from the shot!" I've been in the public health/doctoring business for nearly 50 years, and that lament hasn't changed much, even though the influenza vaccine's efficacy has improved a lot. Much in life is subject to chance; most medical and public health interventions, like flu shots, have been shown to improve those chances without negative side effects.

The answer to my friend's question of why get a shot if "it didn't work last year", is that, like most risk reductions, it doesn't work 100% of the time and/or doesn't always completely prevent its illness target. Thus people who have had flu shots still have a 60% chance of getting influenza if exposed, but the glass is nearly half full because they do have a 40% chance of not getting it. And even if they do contract the flu, they have a much reduced chance of missing work (healthy adults) or of dying (especially the very young and very old) from it. Most people don't appreciate these gradations of benefits; many, unconsciously or not, expect full prevention or cure from a treatment, and are surprised or frustrated when the result is less than perfect.

And the efficacy of the flu shot varies from year to year. Last year it was only, on average, 25% effective rather than the usual 60% on average. That was because the US Center for Disease Control (CDC) has to guess in May or June which variants are most likely to be around the next winter. It takes 4 months for manufacturers to produce the vaccine after being given that direction. Even though the vaccine contains 3 (trivalent) or 4 (quadrivalent) influenza virus types, sometimes the CDC guess/estimate is wrong or imperfect. They too have to play the odds in making those estimates. **That's what happened last year; the CDC guessed wrong on which strains of influenza would be the greatest problem that year so the shot was less effective, though it still helped.**

So we shouldn't let the perfect result be the enemy of a good result. Not dying from the flu is still better than the alternative, even if you get sick with it. How do we know when the intervention benefits outweigh letting nature take its course? We know when we have statistics to guide us. And they have to be good, well done statistics, not ones like the Roman physician Galen cited, I hope jokingly, when he said: *"All those who drink of this remedy recover in a short time, except those whom it does not help, who die. Therefore, it is obvious that it fails only in incurable cases."*

The so-called blinded controlled scientific trial, invented in the past 100 years, has allowed us to measure the efficacy, or the lack thereof, of many previously used treatments by comparing outcomes in two groups of people with a condition (or lack of it in the case of flu shots), and administering them two different treatments, one of which is usually nothing (the "controlled" part). Hundreds and sometimes thousands of patients are studied; neither patients nor doctors know which treatment is given, thereby avoiding biased interpretation of symptoms by either (that's the "blinding"). As a result of such trials, we now don't: use leaches or bleeding; aspirin in little children with fever; bed rest for childbirth, back pain, or heart attacks; enemas for nonspecific symptoms; and many more examples.

But many people, like Mark Twain, who complained about "lies, damned lies and statistics," are more confused than helped by the statistical analysis of medical tests or treatments. They either should work or not work, in their minds. They get frustrated, like my friend, when the intervention works in only a percentage of the time or only partly. But we and our health are part of the natural world; we are not surprised when weather predictions are wrong some days and imperfect on others. Nor should we be surprised when flu shots prevent the flu in only some of us some of the time, and ameliorate it for some but not all; at least they are better than the alternative of no flu shots. President Lincoln once cautioned, *"You can please some of the people all the time, all the people some of the time, but never all the people all the time"*. So too in medicine and public health.

Oh, and my friend's challenge that flu shots "give you the flu" is not true, but rather a misinterpretation of side effects. A flu shot is a killed vaccine, and hence cannot infect you. But the way it works is that it contains broken down pieces of the influenza virus to which your body reacts by engulfing them into your white blood cells, and then delivering them to other white cells, which make antibodies to those bits of the virus. Those antibodies kill live viruses with the same bits on their surfaces when you are exposed in the future. That process makes you feel a little "icky" (local soreness, aching, and even low grade fever) because enzymes are released from your white cells as that process happens; those enzymes cause some transient inflammation in your body. Such symptoms are side effects, which some people, but not all, can feel. Yet another layer of subtle ambiguity; sorry!

MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP CORP. (CPC)

CPC IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP BUILD INTERIOR STORM WINDOW PANELS



These panels will provide insulation for families in Mount Vernon to keep heat inside their homes. Many families can't afford storm windows, and we want to help them save energy and keep warm.

CAN YOU HELP?

- There will be a workshop for the volunteers in the spring run by Amy and Dan Palmer of Community Energy Challenge of Franklin County, which has been building these panels with volunteers for several years.
- You will learn how to measure for the window inserts, construct them, and install them.
- 4-6 families will help build their own window inserts during the summer with you and our other volunteers for 6 windows in each of their homes.
- The inserts will be installed in the fall.

CONTACT SANDY WRIGHT AT scwright@fairpoint.net OR 293-2582 FOR ANY QUESTIONS AND TO VOLUNTEER.

THANKS!



Neighbors Driving Neighbors

Belgrade, Fayette, Mount Vernon, Rome, Vienna

- **NDN** is looking for **VOLUNTEER DRIVERS** to drive people who can't drive for shopping, errands, or medical appointments in the five towns listed above. Help them to be able to stay in their home town.
- **DO YOU NEED TRANSPORTATION?** Let **NDN** know.

Contact Irene Goff, NDN Coordinator,

- 860-0077 or
- neighborsdrivingneighbors@gmail.com or
- The NDN website at neighborsdrivingneighbors.org.

School News

Maranacook Area School District—RSU #38

RSU No. 38 – FY 17 Budget Workshops
Maranacook Community High School
Student Center (unless otherwise noted)
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

February 3* Regular Business Meeting and Budget Workshop – Technology, Special Education, English Language Learners (ELLs), Gifted & Talented; Auditor Ron Smith

February 24 Co and Extra Curricular, Operations & Maintenance, Transportation, Miscellaneous Cost Centers/Accounts (Adult Education, Food Service, Health, Professional Development/Curriculum, Systems Administration, Debt Service)

March 2* Regular Business Meeting; Joint Meeting with Local Select Boards re: draft FY17 budget

March 16 Budget deliberations, follow-up and decision making

March 23 Budget deliberations, follow-up and decision making

April 6 Budget deliberations, follow-up and decision making

April 13* Regular Business Meeting, Vote on Budget

May 18 Budget Annual Meeting, HS gymnasium, 7:00 p.m.

June 14 Budget Validation Referendum at individual town's polling locations

* Regular RSU Board Meeting in addition to budget workshop

Budget documents may be obtained by visiting www.maranacook.org/budget

Mt Vernon Elementary

Dear Mount Vernon Parents,

As we begin the budget process for next school year, we are looking at the number of incoming preschoolers and kindergartners. In order to properly budget for these kids, we need to know who will be attending. If you have a child, or know of a child, who will be 4 or 5 on or before October 15, 2016, please let us know. You can call Mrs. Fleury at 293-2261x0 or email her at brenda_fleury@maranacook.org. We appreciate your help!

Christy Owens
Kindergarten Teacher

* Christy Owens: Kindergarten Teacher

Kindergarten Teacher

School News *(cont'd)*

Maranacook Area School District—RSU #38

Maranacook Area School District Regional School Unit No. 38 *A Caring School Community Dedicated to Excellence*

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Budget Update #1 - RSU #38 School Board Budget Meeting, January 20, 2016

To view the video of the budget workshop, as well as all supporting materials, please go to www.maranacook.org/budget

"Promoting student success for all while maintaining fiscal responsibility"

The statement above was adopted on January 20, 2016 by the RSU #38 School Board as the FY17 budget statement. It focuses on the needs of students as well as the fiscal responsibility to the citizens of RSU #38, and was discussed at the January 6, 2016 RSU #38 School Board meeting during the budget goal setting portion of the meeting. Also at this meeting the school board asked the RSU #38 administrators to bring forward a budget that would meet the needs of all students.

At the first budget meeting on January 20, 2016 the principal of Manchester and Mt. Vernon, Janet Delmar, the principal of Wayne and Readfield, Jeff Boston, Cathy Jacobs, principal of Maranacook Community Middle School and Dwayne Conway, principal of Maranacook Community High School presented their FY17 Original Request Budgets. These budgets highlighted successes based on the provisions included in the FY16 budgets as well as additional requests for the FY17 budget.

Principals Delmar and Boston highlighted the benefits of the additional math interventionist who now provides additional math support services for students in Mt. Vernon and Wayne. Budget requests in elementary schools include additional nursing services that would allow increased coverage at Mt. Vernon and Wayne, curriculum supplies for the new science units, non-fiction reading, and math materials. Principal Boston also included the request for a half time literacy specialist at Wayne to support students, and Principal Delmar requested a behavior interventionist at Mt. Vernon to support students with behavior needs.

Cathy Jacobs, principal of Maranacook Community Middle School, celebrated the increase in field trip money in FY16 that allowed the middle school chorus to sing at the New England League of Middle Schools conference and at the state house, and provided for the funds to purchase additional novels for reading which resulted in increased assessment scores in reading. As of the most recent winter NWEA (Northwest Education Assessment), 85% of the students at the middle school scored at the proficiency level or above in Reading. The middle school budget requests for FY17 included the expansion of co- and extra-curricular activities such as robotics and volleyball. This request is the result of a student survey that was administered in order to gather information regarding student interests in co- and extra-curricular activities. The survey was part of the action plan developed to help the district make progress toward the goals in the RSU #38 Strategic Plan. One of the goals of this plan is to increase student participation in after school activities in order to promote student engagement and post-secondary success.

Manchester Mt. Vernon Readfield Wayne
Office of the Superintendent 45 Millard Harrison Drive Readfield, Maine 04355
www.maranacook.org

School News *(cont'd)* **Maranacook Area School District—RSU #38**

Maranacook Community High School Principal, Dwayne Conway, reported on the increase in graduation rates of our students. The graduation rate for the 4-year cohort of students that graduated in June 2015 was 91.09%, an increase of over 10 percentage points in the last three years. While we celebrate this increase, Dwayne and his staff are dedicated to working toward a graduation rate of 100%! Dwayne also spoke about the success of the dual enrollment program at the high school. This spring we will have two students who graduate both with a high school diploma from Maranacook and an Associate Degree from Thomas College. In addition, 42% percent of our high school students are currently attending a dual enrollment class saving parents a total of \$320,465 to date.

Principal Conway also thanked the Board for their support of the addition of the Math Interventionist position that was included in the FY16 budget. The position offers students additional support in math and has already made a difference in student success. Included in the budget request for FY17 is a literacy interventionist at the high school to work with students who need extra support in literacy as they work to meet Maine's standards. In addition, there is a science lab at the high school that needs to be refurbished in order to function as a lab that will help students meet new science standards. Funds are requested for this refurbishment along with an update of the CAD software, and an increase for printing costs of the yearbook. Also included in the budget requests for FY17 is a CNC (computerized numerical router) which will support student work in the boat building program that is offered at Maranacook in conjunction with a local boat building company.

In addition to the presentations of the principals, we will hear budget proposals from directors of other budget areas in future budget meetings. On February 3, directors of Technology, Special Education, English Language Learners and Gifted and Talented will present their budget proposals. On February 24, we will have presentations from directors of Co and Extra Curricular, Maintenance, Transportation, Adult Education, Food Service, Professional Development, Curriculum, and Debt Service. Please be sure to attend these informative sessions or view them after the meetings when they are posted on the RSU #38 web site.

There are many missing pieces to the Original Request Budget and both the RSU #38 School Board and the Administrative Team have much work to do as we develop a budget that offers all students opportunities for success and at the same time is fiscally responsible for the RSU #38 citizens. If you visit budget updates from last year you will see that the budget changed significantly from the Original Request Budget to the final adopted budget. To date we have not received either our expected subsidy numbers from the state or our anticipated health insurance figures. Included in this budget is an expected 10% increase in health insurance, which may be a high projection and will be adjusted as we receive more concrete figures.

Several handouts were included in the RSU #38 School Board packet for the January 20, 2016 meeting. They are as follows:

State Valuation Yearly Comparison showing an increase in valuations of Manchester and Mt. Vernon and a decrease in valuations in Readfield and Wayne.

School News *(cont'd)* **Maranacook Area School District—RSU #38**

Enrollment History showing a decrease in enrollment from 2015 to 2016, with attending enrollment dropping by 24 students. Ideal state subsidy situations are when enrollment increases and valuation decreases, so we realize that we are not facing optimal budget conditions this year.

Enrollment showing actual class size for each elementary class and enrollment at the middle school and high school.

Budget/Subsidy History showing the last three years as the three lowest subsidy receiving years for at least 15 years, and an FY16 budget that was similar to the FY09 budget.

Budget Distribution Graphs for FY14, FY15, and FY16, each showing that over 75% of the budget for each of those years was spent on salaries and benefits of the RSU #38 employees.

New Program/Position/Purchase Requests, give a brief description of proposals for the FY17 budget that represent increases from the FY16 budget. These are not detailed explanations.

Please view the [January 20, 2016 RSU#38 School Board Budget Meeting video](#) in which the principals offer a more detailed explanation of their proposals.

Original Request [General Fund School Summary Budget 01/20/16](#) outlining the proposals from RSU #38 administrators. Both the RSU #38 School Board and Administrative Team will continue to adjust this budget as Board deliberations continue.

Original Request Summary Budgets:

[Manchester Elementary School 01/20/16](#)

[Mt. Vernon Elementary School 01/20/16](#)

[Readfield Element School 01/20/16](#)

[Wayne Elementary School 01/20/16](#)

[Maranacook Community Middle School 01/20/16](#)

[Maranacook Community High School 01/20/16](#)

We look forward to community participation in the FY17 budget process. A time for citizen input is included in every budget meeting. I would like to thank Mr. William Starrett for videotaping the RSU#38 School Board Budget meetings in our efforts to be transparent throughout the budget process. These videos will be available on our web site so that every RSU #38 community member has access to the presentations and deliberations throughout the development of the FY17 budget.

Sincerely,

Donna H. Wolfrom, Ed.D.
Superintendent of School

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CDL Class B: Dump Truck or Bus

This class prepares you to meet Maine DMV requirements and gives you the hands-on skills that employers demand. The course consists of 42 hours of classroom instruction to prepare you for the CDL license process, including written and skills exam. The 30 hours of one-on-one range instruction will prepare you for the road test. In addition to the cost of the course, a \$35 permit fee, payable to the Secretary of State, is due by the 2nd class. Additional endorsements of Bus, Tank and Hazmat are \$10 each. For the bus driving endorsement, you must be over 21, have a clean driving record, and get a physical exam at your own expense. Registration: \$1500.

Instructor: Nancy Frost

Orientation: Thursday, February 11, 2016, 6-7 p.m.

Classes meet during the following dates & times:

Thursdays: 2/25, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (5:45-9 p.m.)

Saturdays: 2/27, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26 (8 am-2:30 p.m.)

Driving time arranged individually with Instructor

Location: PDC, 75 North Road, Readfield

For details on this class and other courses, and to register, please visit <http://maranacook.maineadulted.org>
For more information, email us at adulted@maranacook.org or call 685-4923, x 1065.

Upcoming Classes – Maranacook Adult Education - Readfield

RSU 38 Maranacook Adult Education in Readfield has a new course lineup for Winter/Spring 2016. For details on these and other courses, and to register, please visit <http://maranacook.maineadulted.org>

For more information, email us at adulted@maranacook.org or call 685-4923, x 1065. We look forward to hearing from you!

February 2016

HiSET Test Preparation	Ongoing
Workplace Computer Skills	February 2
Welding Basics	February 3
CDL Class B: Dump Truck or Bus	February 25
Ceramics: Beginning/Intermediate	February 25
Chair Caning	February 25
Channel Your Inner Artist	February 25

For details or to register, please visit <http://maranacook.maineadulted.org>. For more information, email us at adulted@maranacook.org or call 685-4923, x1065.

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Maranacook Area Schools Accepts the



Please join us to make our drive successful in winning this season's School Spirit Challenge! Our goal for our community is to raise 150,000 lbs. of food by Feb 26th.

\$1 = 5 pounds of food

We are competing against the following schools:

Carrabec, Hall-Dale, Wiscasset, Noble, Rangeley, Gray New Gloucester & Lisbon
(Dual Rally)

Come Join Us on Sat. Feb 20th as Maranacook High School Celebrates 40 years of Black Bear Pride with the School Spirit Challenge!

It will be a fun filled day of school spirit with races, flag football, soccer, snow-shoe walks, volleyball, ice fishing derby and much more. Keep watch on our website and like us on Facebook for registration information

Help our communities reach our goal and crush this Challenge!

Donate today at your local School or online at:

Community Announcements and Events



Italian Dinner

Italian entrees, salads, bread,
desserts

Mt. Vernon Community Center
Saturday, February 20

5:30 - 7:00

\$8.00

Children 5 and under \$3.00

FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION SERVICES

The AARP Tax-Aide program provides free Federal and State tax return preparation services at the Dr. Shaw Memorial Library in Mount Vernon. AARP Tax-Aide volunteers are trained, tested and certified to prepare returns for low and moderate income taxpayers, with special focus on those over 60.

The free AARP Tax-Aide services are provided by appointment only. Call the Dr. Shaw Library at 293-2565 after January 1 for an appointment and a list of documents to bring. Tax dates for 2016 are Saturdays February 13, February 27, March 12 and March 26.

Community Announcements and Events *(cont'd)*

Do NOT miss...

The probably once only,
not necessarily for children

VMV* Community Review

Sat. March 5 7:00pm

Vienna Union Hall

*Vienna-Mt Vernon

Sure to be a
Whopping Good Time !!

Save the date!!!

**Some of the
Acts....**

Skits by:

*Dr. Shaw Library

*Men's breakfast

*Mt. Vernon FD

*Hetty Pease

monologue

*Juliet's (just us ladies

Into eating together)

A dancing chorus line

Lip Syncing

And more!!!

Community Announcements and Events *(cont'd)*

Minnehonk Ridge Riders Snowmobile Club

Winter is upon us! Members have been working on the trail system to smooth riding your machines. We need more members to help with this project which takes many hours to accomplish. Come and join with us for fun on the trails and meeting new people. The trails must be maintained to interconnect with other towns and areas. Club meetings are held the second and fourth Monday evenings at the club house on the North Road. For more information call Chris Currier at 441-5090.

Maranacook Senior Center- FREE!

For seniors, retirees or anyone 50 and over. Coffee, tea and muffins are provided. The center has special presentations, discussions, learning activities, socializing, games and crafts. Bring your interests, skills, books, writing, musical instruments and friends. Help students with special projects. The center is sponsored by MCMS Parent Association and Maranacook Adult and Community Education. Adult volunteers welcome! For questions related to the Senior Café, please contact Steve Vose, Adult and Community Education Director, RSU # 38 Maranacook Adult & Community Education, Phone [\(207\) 685-4923 ext. 1009](tel:2076854923).

Presenters and Events Schedule for February:

February 1	Yellowstone Talk	Andy Tolman
February 8	A Senior Walks The Appalation Trail	John Larsen
February 15	President's Day	No Senior Café
February 22	Osprey Update	Andy Hutchinson
February 29	Game Cameras	Steve Vose

Mondays, 9-11 a.m.

Location: MCMS Cafeteria

Reserved parking in front of MCMS cafeteria

Bearnstow on Parker Pond

Bearnstow on Parker Pond invites our neighbors and friends to share these special events this summer: Natural History Week (June 20–25), free dance classes each Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm (June 19–August 17) at the Mt. Vernon Community Center, Friday evening showings (July 8–August 19) at 84 Bearnstow Road, and formal dance concerts on August 13 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Union Hall in Vienna. More information can be found at www.bearnstow.org.

All these events are offered admission free. However, they do incur expense, and we would greatly appreciate any sum you may be able to donate for their presentation. Bearnstow is a 501-c-3 organization, and all donations are tax deductible.

Community Announcements and Events *(cont'd)*

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

February 9th
5:00-6:30 P.M.
Readfield United Methodist Church
Torsey Fellowship Hall

All proceeds benefit the eleventh annual United Methodist Volunteer in Mission team to southeast Louisiana. Adults \$6.00 children \$3.00 families \$20.00

Readfield United Methodist Church
Route 17, Readfield, Me.
Ash Wednesday Service February 10th
Imposition of ashes at 6:30 p.m.

2016 CABIN FEVER OPEN MIC

**READFIELD
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**Open Mic Nights every Wednesday
until March 30th**

6-9 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Singers and musicians, soloists or small combos, are invited to showcase their talents. Both originals and covers are acceptable, and all musical genres are encouraged, but please keep lyrics appropriate. Refreshments will be offered, with proceeds going to local charities.

For more information contact hosts John Twitchell at 685-4170; drjohnnyt@yahoo.com, or Rick Smith at 860-2794; macsuist117@yahoo.com.



2016 Feng Shui Series

@ the Silo Workshop
221 Belgrade Rd., Mount Vernon

February 6, 2016 (11:00 am - 1:00 pm)
Creating a Love Shrine

In feng shui, making small changes in your home can help improve your existing relationships and attract new love. In this workshop, you will learn about the ancient Chinese art of arranging your space to enhance love and relationships and create a love shrine to activate your home.



- ▶ Attract a life partner
- ▶ Bring balance & constancy to your relationships
- ▶ Activate passion in your bedroom
- ▶ Energize the love & relationships area of your home

March 12, 2016 (11:00 am - 1:00 pm)
Building a Lucky Fountain

In this workshop we will explore how water in your home can promote wealth, prosperity and opportunity. You will build a small fountain to help attract wealth luck, stimulate your career, invigorate all members of your home, and create a soothing environment in your home or business.



- ▶ Attract wealth & abundance
- ▶ Enhance your career luck
- ▶ Create a soothing environment
- ▶ Invigorate family members
- ▶ Restore balance to your home and stimulate wealth energy

Pre-Registration Required and limited to 15 attendees. Workshop Fees: \$35 for Creating a Love Shrine; \$45 for Building a Lucky Fountain. Workshop Discounts: \$10 off/person when you bring a friend and \$5 off/person early bird registration. Includes all materials and snacks. Register online: <http://thesiloworkshop.com/classes/workshops/>

Community Announcements and Events *(cont'd)*

Vienna Historical Society

Presents

Puzzle Palooza

Winter is half over and, and just in case of cabin fever, we have lots of puzzles for you to work—300 pieces to 1,000 pieces. So, if you love puzzles, please join us. And if you hate puzzles, but love to visit with friends and eat lots of goodies, this is the place for you!

It is a two-day event again this year, so you can join us for either or both days. Lunch will be served and everyone is welcome

Saturday, February 13

and

Sunday, February 14

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

(Storm Date Saturday, February 20

and Sunday, February 21)

Mill Stream Grange—Vienna

NO CHARGE

Community Announcements and Events *(cont'd)*

MT.VERNON COMMUNITY CENTER



Mount Vernon Community Center

Available for public and private functions.
For information on the Community Center availability,
please contact: Linda Stanton 293-4082

Board of Trustees: Linda Stanton, Anna Libby, Kathleen
Farrin, Tom Ward, Tammy McLaughlin, Donna Williams,
Mariah Brinton, Julie Weaver and Jane Rogers

Board Meetings are held the first Wednesday of
every month at 7 p.m. at M.V.C.C.

Community Center Café

Saturdays:
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Come enjoy coffee,
eats and conversation.



Tuesday AM Breakfast Mount Vernon Community Center

6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.

For more information call 293-4082



Mt. Vernon Weekly Playgroup Mt. Vernon Community Center Tuesdays 9:30 a.m.—11 a.m.

Play, learn and socialize

Ages: 6 months—5 years

Contact: Jessica 480-0292

First Baptist Church Food Bank



The busy year 2015 at the food bank ended on December 19 with the distribution of Christmas food baskets and gifts for the children in the families who frequent the food bank. The gifts are all donated and provided by area individuals, schools, churches and businesses. It is through the generosity and donations of the many caring people that we can assist the needy. We deeply appreciate your assistance. The many volunteers who work at the food bank do an excellent job and work hard at keeping things running smoothly. Thank you! The food bank is located in Mt. Vernon Village and is open each Saturday from 10 a.m. to Noon. If you are in need at other times please call Helen Wilkey 293-2351 or Irene Wadleigh 293-2308. If there is no answer, please leave a message and a phone number and your call will be returned.

Mt. Vernon Masonic Lodges

Vernon Valley Lodge #99 meets the first Tuesday each month.

Vernon Valley Chapter #68 meets the second Tuesday of each month.

For further information, please contact Charles Wadleigh at moosemaster1940@yahoo.com



Our Churches



Belgrade

Union Church of Belgrade Lakes
Main St, Belgrade Lakes
(United Methodist)
Church Office: 495-3599
Rev. Bill Meyer

9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
(nursery care provided)

Children's Sunday School during
Worship

Wednesday – Adult Bible Study

Mt. Vernon

Dunn's Corner Baptist Church
Wings Mills Road, Mt. Vernon
Church Office: 685-9829
Rev. John Dunn, Jr.

9:15 a.m. Sunday School classes
toddler to adult

10:30 a.m. Worship service,
Nursery is available

Jr. Church for children up to age 9
during worship service.

6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Service

Wednesday, 7 p.m. Prayer meeting
- the HOUR OF POWER

Youth group Young Adults 4
Christ both Jr. & Sr. groups
meet 4 p.m. every Sun. at the
church, Sept. to June

Jr. ages 8-12; Sr. ages 13-18

For more information:

[youngadults4christ-
dunnscorner@yahoo.com](mailto:youngadults4christ-dunnscorner@yahoo.com)

First Baptist Church

Route 41, Mount Vernon Village
Church Office: 293-2141
Rev. Jay Wilson
10 a.m. Sunday worship service
Coffee and Refreshments follow

Thursday, December 24th Christ-
mas Eve Service 7 p.m.

North Vienna

United Methodist Church
572 Tower Road, North Vienna
Laura Church, Pastor
Church Office: 293-3710

9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
Sunday School

Creation Station, an after-school,
faith-based, arts-intensive program
for any children in grades K-
6. Meets on Wed. afternoons from
3:30-5:00 following the MSAD #9
school calendar.

Youth Group for any youth grades
6 & up meets the 1st & 3rd Sundays
of each month.

North Wayne

North Wayne Church
(non-denominational)

10 Church St., Wayne
Pastor Jon Olson

Church Office: 293-2502

jolson@fairpoint.net

9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship;
Coffee, refreshments & conversa-
tion follow each service

Readfield

United Methodist Church
1564 Main St., Route 17
Rev. Desi Larson
Church Office: 685-4211
office@readfieldumc.org
“...extending God's open
arms in fellowship and
mission.”

10 a.m. Sunday Worship
10 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery
Care

Vienna

Vienna Baptist Church
116 Main Street, Vienna

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
Pastor Everett Maxim
293-3061

Winthrop

St. Andrews Episcopal Church
Winthrop Ctr. Friends Church
219 Winthrop Center Rd.,
Winthrop
Church Office: 395-4669

www.standrews.episcopalmaine.org

10:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist, coffee
fellowship to follow

