

OCEANVIEWS UPDATES

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ADMINISTRATION MEMOS

OceanView Regular Front Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30a-5:00p
Saturday & Sunday 10:00a-2:00p

Recent & Incoming Residents

Daniel Brouder &
Carol O'Neill 4/2 L356
Doug & Carolyn Davis 4/7 BBC 7303
Marian Grogan 4/11 C38
Mac & Nancy MacBride 4/17 1 Collegiate
Diane & Earl Wester 4/18 18 Monarch Dr
Marge & Peter Titcomb 4/23 73 Little Acres

Staff Away

Don Wessels 3/30-4/9
Brian Cloutier 4/1
Ryan Koenig 4/2
Marcia Emerson 4/3
Tracy Stone 4/17-26
Shireen Shahawy 4/18-22

Staff News

We are excited to announce that Fitness Specialist **Grace Libby** will be stepping into the role of Fitness Coordinator. Congratulations, Grace!

Thank you to: Barbara Briggs & Cathy McDowell for making the first OV Community Read happen, and for inviting Ingrid Graaf to speak on the delights of Jane Austin's *Persuasion*; **Dan Cheever & Sue Stasiowski** for bringing their program on *Rounding Cape Horn* to the OV campus; **Jane Eberle** for inspiring our recent trip to Augusta; and special thanks to all of the **Deliverers** of Calendars and Updates in the community—we appreciate your time and efforts for your neighbors so much!

Thank you to the Neighbor-to-Neighbor Voter Service volunteers who helped their OV neighbors in March: **Elaine Ayer, Meg Flack, Judith Moll, Mary Beth Morris, Maggie Philbrick, Susan Pines, Katie Porter, Lee Robbins, Nancy Struve, and Bonnie Yelverton.**

Congratulations to our Soup Challenge Chefs

OV Chefs battled it out on 3/20 for the best soup—for bragging rights and hopefully soups we'll get to enjoy in our many dining venues. *Chef de cuisine* Keegan Drinkert came in third with a wonderful Thai Coconut

Chicken Soup, second was innovative Lasagna Soup by newcomer Chef JP Morris, and first place went to Chef Maryann McCalister for her decadent Bacon Cheeseburger Soup. We also enjoyed a rich Crab & Cauliflower Bisque, a pleasantly piquant Creamy Chicken Soup, and a yummy Black Bean Soup. I know folks agonized over voting for their favorites, and I think everyone who got to partake of all of the soups were really the winners! Thank you for supporting this delicious fundraiser for the OVRAF!

Suzanne Federer Celebration

A celebration of the life of Suzanne Federer will be held at 11:00 on Saturday April 4 at the Allen Avenue Unitarian-Universalist Church, 524 Allen Avenue, Portland. All her many friends at OceanView are invited. The service will be followed by a light lunch "catered" by her two daughters.

The celebration will also be Zoomed at:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84822225294?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84822225294?pwd=EoGKaYMSdkb97uYlQFgrs5ctsCI6AA.1)

[pwd=EoGKaYMSdkb97uYlQFgrs5ctsCI6AA.1](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84822225294?pwd=EoGKaYMSdkb97uYlQFgrs5ctsCI6AA.1)

Contributions in her name can be made to Maine Adaptive Sports, 125 Outward Bound Rd., Newry ME 04261 or Hospice of Southern Maine, 390 US Route 1, Scarborough ME 04074.

Full Count

We are excited to introduce our new online reservation and sign-up system – Full Count. In addition to calling the Front Desk, you will now have the ability to manage your dining reservations and some (for now) of your Activities sign-ups online. Please be on the lookout over the next few days for an email from the Front Desk staff with details for your personal login, including your username and password. You will be able to reserve for the Main Lodge Dining Room and Whipple Farmhouse Dining, for which the same “reserve by” times apply (indicated on page 2), as well as sign up for a few Activities. There is more information regarding the Activities rollout on page 11. The link to utilize this service will be available on the OV & CC Portals, and we recommend bookmarking it for easy access:

<https://portal.fullcount.net/customer-portal/>

This is a long asked-for service, and we hope that this phased rollout will allow us to provide support, gather feedback, and make any necessary adjustments along the way.

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Updates & Special Dining Events in April

Easter Sunday Brunch Buffet

April 5th in the Main Lodge Dining Room Featuring Roast Lamb, Turkey & Biscuits with Lemon-Dill sauce, along with delicious Spring Vegetable Selections and a Dessert Bar!

Reservations are required for all please. Sign up with the front desk at 207-781-4460.

Community Supper

in The Gazebo Grille

“Breakfast for Dinner”

Saturday, April 18th, 5:00 pm.

Join your friends and neighbors in The Gazebo Grille. Menu to include: Spinach, Ham & Cheese Frittata with Home Fried Potatoes, Glazed lemon Muffins & More.

1 meal plan point for all meal plan participants (Heritage plan may pay cash price). Call the front desk at 207-781-4460 to reserve a spot, seating is limited.

Earth Day at the Farmhouse

with Whipple Farmhouse Dining

Celebrate Earth Day at The Farm:

Join us on Thursday, Friday or Saturday April 23rd - 25th for Chef Michelle’s delightful “Spring” recipes paired with “all natural & organic” wine specials.

OceanView Dining Services

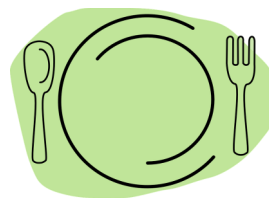
Call OV Front Desk: 207-781-4460

After Hours for questions about your Order or Delivery
Call the ML Kitchen: 207-781-4464 x 124



Transportation by van or car to and from Whipple Farmhouse or the Main Lodge Dining Room

is now available at no cost for dinner Monday - Friday. RSVP with two days advance notice to the Transport office: 207-781-4460 x109



HOURS

GAZEBO GRILLE

Mon.-Fri. 11:00a-5:00p
Wine and Beer for On-Site
Meal Plan Points Vary
Bill to account or Cash only

MAIN LODGE DINING ROOM*

Mon.-Fri. 4:30p—1st Seating
5:30p—2nd Seating
Sat. Breakfast 8:00-9:15a
Sun. Brunch 11:45a-1:00p
2 Meal Plan Points

WHIPPLE FARM DINING**

Thu./Fri./Sat. 4:30-7:00p
3 Meal Plan Points

GOOD-TO-GO

Mon.-Fri. Call before 12:00n
Pick up at 4:45 or 6:00p (DR)
or Delivery (\$6)

*24 Hour Advance Reservations required for: All Residents’ Guests; Silver, Bronze, BBC, & Cottage Plans, and No-Plan residents.

**Reservations required—call: 207-274-4935 (for WFD only)

at The Gazebo Grille

Celebrate Easter and Passover with specialties from the Gazebo Grille. We will have Hot Cross Buns, Chocolate Babka, Ham Dinners & Matza Ball Soup. Join Chef Adam & Terri in the Gazebo Grille Dining Room for a delicious Spring Special: Salmon & Baby Spinach Salad with Sesame Dressing!



Donations gratefully accepted during sale days Upcoming sale dates:

Friday, April 10th in Blueberry Commons Room
 Friday, April 24th in Hilltop Community Room

Residents, families and staff can always see gift items for sale at our display case near the Gazebo Grille in the Main Lodge—inventory changes regularly.

The Front Desk will hold any item you are interested in until you have paid; please leave exact cash or a check [*confirm to whom to write the check at the Front Desk*].

Nonprofit recipient for the first half of 2026 is the OceanView Resident Assistance Fund (OVRAF)

Your suggestions and volunteering are encouraged and welcome because “it takes a village”. Here is a good opportunity to meet and talk with fellow residents and our OV staff.—Eunice W, Donna K, Mabel G, Judy P & Jane H. For inquiries: **eunice.w75@gmail.com**

To volunteer: **dknoblock@maine.rr.com**

Thank you for your support—the Gift Shop Committee.

CUMBERLAND CROSSING UPDATES

Spring is just around the corner with blooms on all of the bushes and trees here on our beautiful campus! Construction has begun in our final neighborhood and will soon start on the expansion of our new community building here at Northwind Farm. This will give us more room for our growing population for events, parties, meetings and fun!

NEW MOVE-INS

Please join us in welcoming our newest residents: Gano Haine & Noel Smith have moved to 135 Little Acres Drive and Earl & Diane Wester are moving to 18 Monarch Drive this month!

PHASE 2 SALES

One site in our last neighborhood has become available to custom build a new cottage here. Please act soon to reserve this lovely location. Call or email TODAY for special details.

APRIL TOURS

We are available for tours! Just send an email to: Gloria Walker at gloria@oceanviewrc.com or call her at 207-781-4460 ext. 150. Likewise, you can reach out to Shireen Shahawy at shireen@oceanviewrc.com or call 207-781-4460 ext. 103. We would love to show you our beautiful community!

ACTIVITIES/EVENTS Highlights at OceanView

(FMI see pg. 18)

Wed., 4/29, 2:50p **Happy Hour with FDR**—Lunt

Thurs., 4/30, 12:50p **Tea with Eleanor** —Lunt

Request van transport from Transportation for events above.

APRIL ACTIVITIES at Cumberland Crossing

at Northwind Farm unless indicted **please sign up w/Amy or at <https://portal.fullcount.net/customer-portal/>*

Monday, 4/13, 3/3:30pm—*Matinee Movie Monday:

Searching for Sugar Man, 2013, , 91 min. (desc. p 17)

Monday, 4/20, 1:30pm—Cribbage

Monday, 4/20, 3:00pm—*Coffee with Don

Tuesday, 4/14, 10:00am—Men’s Discussion Group

Wednesdays, 9:30-11am—Office Hours with Amy

Wednesdays, 2:30pm—Stretch & Balance Fitness

Wednesday, 4/15, 11:00am - Book Club

Forget the Alamo: The Rise and Fall of an American Myth, by Bryan Burrough, et. al. (desc. p 14)

Wednesday, 4/22, 3:30pm - *CC Speaker Series *Climbing Kilimanjaro at 70* with Gonzalo Verdugo (p 16)

Thursdays, 9:45am – Transportation to Thursday

Wellness Clinic hours at OV—pls call for ride

Thursdays, 4/2, 4/16, 10:00am—Stitchers Group

Thursday, 4/16, 4:00p—Women’s Group (loc. TBA)

Thursdays, 4:00pm—Oneness Meditation (loc. TBA) w/Anne Dean (anneldean@gmail.com)

Fridays, 11:00am—Yoga with Grace

Fridays, 3:00pm—Tai Chi with Anne Dean

Coming in May

Friday, 5/1 time TBA—Yarmouth Riverfront Woods Walk

Please contact Don Wessels with any questions: (207) 781-4460, ext. 148 or don@oceanviewrc.com

License Plate Collection

Maine is transitioning from the chickadee plate to the new pine tree design. If you'd like to recycle your old plates, please drop them off at the front desk.

Questions? Contact Mitchell at mitchell@oceanviewrc.com



CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

To Stay Informed about Construction:

New Construction Memos are sent regularly to the OceanView & Cumberland Crossing Resident email lists. These are the same lists that receive menus, Calendars & Updates, the monthly E-News, and more. If you have not been receiving emails from OceanView, you may have accidentally unsubscribed from our email list.

If you think that is the case, please contact Dustin at dustin@oceanviewrc.com

For your safety, do not enter the construction zone. Also, please make use of the weekly informational meetings for residents, held at the Main Lodge First Floor Conference Room across from the Reception, we're there Thursdays, from 3-4:00p for questions and concerns.

—Mitchell DeBortoli



THE RESIDENT PORTAL



See what's new on **The Resident Portal!**

The Portal is a spot for residents to get easy access to many resources, including

calendars, the Resident Bulletin Board, The Gazebo Grille Blackboard Specials, and more! Please bookmark the Portal on your computer or phone and check it often! The Resident Portal is meant only for current and future residents and members of our Priority Wait List. It is not public on our website, and it is not searchable online. The link to the Portal is: www.oceanviewrc.com/portal/

—Dustin Bonk

COVID-19 COMMUNITY UPDATE

We've had no reported cases on campus in March. We continue to do contact tracing and encourage testing for those who have been in close contact with someone that has tested positive. Testing with any cold or flu symptom continues to be the most effective

way to reduce transmission.

—Diane Kibbin

WELLNESS NOTES

Wellness Clinics—Drop-in ML3 WO

Mondays 1:00-3:00p

Thursdays 10:00a-12:00p

The Wellness Office is staffed during these times to evaluate medical concerns, check blood pressures, or offer advice in navigating the health care system. This service is included in your monthly fees when you visit the Wellness Clinic at these times.

Please do not wait until the clinic is open to reach out if you are experiencing a health issue. You may contact the Wellness Nurses for a home visit anytime you are experiencing in non-urgent medical issue. There is a fee associated with these visits, but it could save a trip to the emergency room with early intervention.

We continue to offer a van for Cumberland Crossing residents who would like to come to either the Monday or Thursday Wellness Clinic hours; please confirm with Transportation (781-4460) the day before for pick-up.

Caregivers' Support Group

Wed., 4/1, 1:00p—HTL

Wed., 4/15, 10:00a—BBC

Drop ins welcome, no sign-ups required. This is an informal, confidential support group for any resident who is caring for another adult here at OceanView, led by a member of the Community Wellness team.

Grief Support Group

Tues., 4/28, 1:00p—HTL

Drop ins welcome, no sign-ups required. This is an informal, confidential support group for any resident who is grieving, led by a member of the Community Wellness team. Grief comes in many forms, shapes, and sizes. Let's gather to express our grief, support one another, and lift ourselves up. With all loss, there is grief. In this group we mourn the loss but look to heal, grow, and move forward.



Garret Cole's Parkinson's Fitness & Support

Thursdays, 11:00a at Falmouth House

Open to all OV & CC Residents

Van—Parkinson's Support Group

Tues., 4/7, 10:30-11:30a Departure 9:45a
Valhalla Recreation Center, Cumberland

Join our Parkinson's Discussion Group to connect with other people who share similar interests, challenges and hopes. This will be a gathering of people with common experiences or concerns who can provide each other with encouragement, comfort, and advice. Presented by Cumberland Active Living

We will strive to:

*Talk about your feelings and receive confirmation that there are others dealing with the same challenges

*Compare common symptoms and ways that each person has handled the symptoms

*Discuss issues that are unique to care partners and family members of people with Parkinson's disease

OceanView will continue to send a van to this gathering on the as we look to find a facilitator who can come to OV. Please sign up.

Podiatrist—Dr. Rybka

Wed., 4/8 9:00a-2:45p HTLa [lower level]

Please sign up with Activities for a 15 minute appointment.

OTHER SERVICES

Hair Salon with Jodi Evers ML3S

Call for appointment: 561-602-4200

Nail Services ML3S - on Saturdays

Call Elaine Fitz for appointment: 207-956-2962

Massage with Linda Dillingham HTLa

Please call Linda directly to make an appointment: 207-712-6889

Traveling nurse Joline L. Pothier will come to your home for *foot and toenail* care services; she is increasing her days at OV to 2x a month.

Call 207-229-7968 or email jolinelpothier@gmail.com

Let her know you are an OV resident.

Bath Savings Bank—Main Lodge 3rd floor, ML3c

A teller from Bath Savings spends one hour at OV on most Tuesdays at 9:00a. For residents they will cash a check, and they bring quarters. For patrons of Bath Savings other services can be performed as well.

OCEANVIEW RESIDENT ASSISTANCE FUND

RAF Special Campaign Update

Maggie Philbrick, chair of the Resident Assistance Fund Special Capital Campaign, is pleased to announce that more generous residents have stepped forward with pledges from their entrance fees to bring the total to \$294,000.

Some residents have questioned how the Board selects residents to be contacted. It is strictly an arbitrary process. We all begin on equal footing. We all have chosen to live at Ocean View, and we each have an entrance fee. Other than those two basic facts, that is all the Board knows about anyone's financial situation. Therefore, RAF members suggest residents who have lived here for several years are involved in OV's many activities, have shown an interest in the RAF, or are simply neighbors.

Because the RAF's goal is \$500,000 to bring the Fund to \$2Million—the amount the Board thinks it will need in the future to help residents who run into financial difficulty—Maggie will continue to contact community members to ask if they would consider pledging to the campaign.



OV LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The **Library Committee** meets on the first Tuesday of the month (4/7) at 3:00p in the OV Library. During meetings, residents are welcome to come and share their concerns (or praises) about the Library.

From the New Bookshelf

All the books in the OceanView library are gifts from our residents. We are grateful for your generosity; we added almost 40 books to the collection in March.

FICTION of note are *The Loneliness of Sonia and Sonny* by Kiran Desai, *The Paris Novel* by Ruth Reichl, *Buckeye* by Patrick Ryan, and *Emperor of Gladness* by Ocean Vuong.

NONFICTION There are several books relating to the sea for sailors and those who read about them. Lincoln Paine's history of maritime Maine, *Downeast*, gives an overview of the subject. More recreational reading includes *Marriage at Sea* by Sophie Elmhurst about a couple who spent months on a raft after a shipwreck!; *The Finest Hour* by Michael Tougias which describes the rescue of workers when two tankers split in half!; and *The Hard Way Around* by Geoffrey Wolff describing the life and varied experiences of Joshua Slocum, whose name will be familiar to sailors.

We're current with this bestseller, *Rope: how a Bundle of Twisted Fibers Became the Backbone of Civilization* by Tim Queeney ; and with Judith Enck's *The Problem With Plastics* which is the latest word on that product which might destroy civilization.

BIOGRAPHY We've added two books in this genre. Renown biographer A.N.Wilson offers *Goethe: His Faustian Life*. Wilson, never daunted by challenging subjects, takes on this complex personality who he argues "helped launch the West into modernity." The other biography is *Never Have Your Dog Stuffed* by Alan Alda. Would you compare these two as 'From the Sublime to the Ridiculous' or simply 'From the Serious to the Silly'? Did I mention that we have something for everyone this month in your library?

Barbara Briggs for the Library Committee

COMMUNITY COUNCIL REFLECTIONS

Nancy Wanderer, President

As we approach the June 9 primary election, I am struck by our good fortune to live in a community that actively shows respect and offers support to one another, despite any perceived differences in philosophy or political affiliation. Outside OceanView, our country is embroiled in controversy and division, which often erupts in violence. People with differing views don't feel safe discussing controversial topics with family and friends. Relationships are even falling apart because of political differences.

Although OceanView is not a democracy, we are able to express our opinions freely and work to make this a better place. Over the years, whenever controversy has occurred, we have always arrived at amicable solutions. If only our country and the world could resolve conflicts as well as we do.

One thing we can do to make a difference beyond OceanView is to vote in the primary on or before Tuesday, June 9. No matter where we have voted in the past, voting in Maine, and especially in Falmouth, should give us a special sense of pride. Maine had a higher rate of voter participation than any other state in the 2022 mid-term elections with eighty-nine percent of registered voters casting a ballot that year. In the 2020 presidential election, the voter participation for Falmouth was 87%, which made Falmouth the winner of the Coastal Cup, awarded for Presidential Election Turnout, in which Cape Elizabeth, Cumberland, Falmouth, Freeport, and Yarmouth compete for the honor of having the highest voter participation.

Although I couldn't obtain the statistics for Falmouth for the 2024 election, I did learn that the overall turnout rate in Maine from 2002 to 2024 was 64.9%, which is

11.5% higher than the national average. I was also assured that Falmouth's 2024 percentage was at least as high as it was in 2020. Best of all, the Coastal Cup is still proudly displayed in the Town Office. I have no doubt that one of the reasons Falmouth turns out so many voters is because OceanView residents vote in such high numbers. We are informed, engaged citizens, committed to making our community, our country, and the world a better, safer place for everyone.

This year, OceanView voters are poised to make a bigger difference than ever, thanks to the tireless efforts of Meg Flack and her Neighbor-to-Neighbor team, which has been helping to register new residents and anyone who has a new OceanView address. They have also been helping residents fill out and submit requests for absentee ballots, including on-going absentee ballots that arrive in the mail automatically for every election.

We all owe Meg and her team a debt of gratitude for giving OceanView residents a chance to make a real difference in the outcome of the June 9 primary and the general election in November. Too often, people our age are invisible. Our power to make a difference is discounted. We know, however, how wrong those perceptions are. Just because we are old enough for Medicare does not mean we have lost our passion for justice and the rule of law. Given our historical commitment to political engagement, and thanks to the help of Meg and her team, I believe we can shoot for 100% participation of OceanView residents in these next two crucial elections.

Whether you enjoy voting in person or casting an absentee ballot, please make sure you have a plan in place for voting in these all-important elections. Let's make our voices heard. Our democracy depends on our participation because, as Meg always reminds us, "Democracy is not a spectator sport."



FITNESS NOTES

Fitness Assessments

Annual Fitness Assessments at OceanView are a great opportunity to check in on your health, track progress, and set personalized goals for the year ahead. These assessments are free of charge, take approximately 20 minutes, and evaluate key areas such as strength, balance, flexibility, and overall mobility. The results help our Fitness team provide personalized recommendations for classes or personal training, and you'll also be able to compare your results year to year, as well as see how you compare to other men or women in your age range. Whether you are just

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getting started or maintaining an active routine, this is a simple and valuable way to stay on track. Call or stop by the Fitness Department to sign up today!

Fitness Presentation

Align Your Spine: Neck and Posture

Fri., 4/17, 1:30p HTL

Join Fitness Specialist Hannah Damron on a special fitness talk “Align your Spine and Support your Head” this April.

In this presentation we will discuss why neck alignment matters in spinal anatomy. We’ll address what “good” alignment looks like versus the 5 common types of postures we see every day. We will learn about how forward neck posture impacts our risk of falling and finally get a sneak peak at different stretches and exercises to use at home. Join Hannah’s fitness talk on Friday, April 17th at 1:30pm in Hilltop Community Room to learn more about not only posture related to the back, but also the neck, which is just as important for our health.



Swing into Spring! Starting April 2nd

Thursdays, 11:15a

Swing into Spring is back starting on April 2nd to help get ready for the upcoming golf season! The king and queen of the golf swing are your glutes and abs, so join us for exercises to strengthen your core and increase rotational power. We’ll also touch on balance and mobility to give you more consistent ball striking while adding some distance. This specialty class will get you all set for the start of the season while meeting with other fellow golfers! Thursdays at 11:15am in the HFP



Infrared Sauna at Oceanview

We’re excited to introduce our new **infrared sauna**, now available to all residents in the Hager Fitness Pavilion. Unlike traditional saunas that heat the air around you, infrared saunas use gentle radiant heat to warm the body directly, creating a comfortable, relaxing experience at lower temperatures. Regular use of an infrared sauna may help support **muscle relaxation, joint comfort, circulation, stress reduction, and post-exercise recovery**. Many people also enjoy the calming, quiet time it provides as part of an overall wellness routine. If you’re interested in trying the infrared sauna, **please call or stop by the Fitness Department**. The Fitness staff will be happy to provide **instruction, safety guidance, and answer any questions** before you get started. We look forward to helping you enjoy this new wellness offering!

Laughter Yoga *please sign up at the nook*

Mon., 4/27, 11:00a HTL

Class with Chris Chapman, Certified Laughter Yoga Leader. Here is a wonderful website that explains what Laughter Yoga is as well as it's history of how the practice began.” www.laughteryoga.org

There was a great article on WCSH’s 207 program in March about Chris’ Laughter Yoga class:

<https://www.newscentermaine.com/video/news/local/207/207-march-9-2026/97-14ba0dbe-a23d-41d7-9341-7109bfeeac70>

coverage starts at 7:00 minutes into the program.

Oneness Meditation with Anne Dean at OceanView and at Cumberland Crossing

Tuesdays at 11:00a in the Screening Room (SR)

Thursdays at 4:00p, 1 Firefly Ln or Northwind Farm

Anne Dean, anneldean@gmail.com

“The form of meditation I teach is a guided meditation and has an active component to it helping the meditator stay focused and present, instead of drifting off to wherever your mind is apt to lead you. There are 5 steps in the meditation and each step has been scientifically proven to shift the body and mind into a more calm and relaxed state. The meditation is 20 minutes long.

If you’ve been told meditation would be good for you and just never tried, or have tried and not succeeded, then this meditation might be the one that launches a positive meditation experience for you. We welcome both experienced and non-experienced meditators.

Come join us as we connect to a higher consciousness, calm our mind, relax our muscles, reduce our stress and lower our blood pressure, leaving us with a sense of overall well-being and deep inner peace.”

Residents who are new to Fitness—Which programs are best for you?

Give the Fitness Department a call to set up your **free** consultation, equipment review and fitness assessment.

Zoomed Classes

On the Lifestyle Calendar the classes which will be Zoomed are colored **RED and Bold**.

The link remains the same:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6041960161pwd=T3gwK3pMY1gxeUc0bk9uRUZxc2k2dz09>

Fitness also has a lot of **recorded classes** for you to enjoy if you can’t make it in-person or on Zoom.

They can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-mw-XsFMrFjXc5IgKa6mPQItNre2QZ9K>

THEATER & TICKETED EVENTS

Van—Portland Stage Company

Our Town

Thurs., 4/16, 1:00p 25 Forest Ave Portland
Tickets \$57-45 *van is full*

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize. Thornton Wilder's timeless tale of the tiny tragedies and victories of small town life resonates across the ages. Return to Grover's Corners, neighbor, and join us for this moving, heartfelt classic.

Vans—Good Theater

Grand Horizons

Sat., 4/18, 1:00p Stevens Square Theater, Portland
Tickets \$45 *5 van seats remaining*

Fifty years into her marriage to Bill, Nancy wants a divorce. As the family grapples with their new reality, each must reckon with their own imperfect past and how their love for each other might express itself in new and unlikely forms. By Bess Wohl

Vans—Portland Ovations

The Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Wind Ensemble

Tues., 4/21, 6:00p Merrill Auditorium
Tickets: \$30-75 *10 van seats remaining (2 vans)*

Featuring principals Fiona Cross on clarinet, John Roberts on oboe, Julie Price on bassoon, Stephen Stirling on horn, and Caroline Palmer on piano, the wind ensemble of the acclaimed Academy of St Martin in the Fields is recognized as “an ensemble of first-rate musicians, technically superb, generously expressive, and obviously enjoying themselves.” (Dallas Morning New). The wind ensemble’s



Ovations program includes works by J.S. Bach, Claude Debussy, Amy Beach, Amadeus Mozart, Erwin Schuloff, and others along with a newly commissioned work especially for the ensemble.

Vans—PSO Sunday Classical

Bach's B Minor Mass

4/26, 1:30p Merrill Auditorium
Tickets \$113-29 Call Porttix to order
9 van seats remaining (3 vans)

Eckart Preu, Music Director
Choralart Masterworks
BACH: Mass in B Minor

Considered to be the summation of all the composer's works—if not his greatest—Bach's Mass in B Minor is nothing short of a masterpiece. Full of lush harmonies and intricate orchestra line, it magnificently weaves together orchestra and vocalists to create a sublimely transcendent work.

Van—PSO Tuesday Classical

Bach's B Minor Mass

4/28, 6:00p Merrill Auditorium
Tickets \$113-29 Call Porttix to order
Vans are full

Please see description, previous

UPCOMING TICKETED EVENTS



Sea Dogs Baseball series 2026

originally published 3/3/26; still a few seats left

It's time for our “9-inning vacations” to Hadlock Field and the Portland Sea Dogs 2026 baseball season. The Portland Sea Dogs are a Minor League Baseball team that plays in the Eastern League. Established in 1994, the Sea Dogs are now the Double-A affiliate of the Boston Red Sox.

The dates we are attending include the following:

Date	Day	Van	Versus
5/20	Wed	5:00p	Reading Fightin' Phils
6/7	Sun	12:00p	Hartford Yard Goats
6/30	Tue	5:00p	Altoona Curve
7/19	Sun	12:00p	Somerset Patriots
7/30	Thurs	5:00p	Harrisburg Senators
8/23	Sun	5:00p	Reading Fightin' Phils
9/13	Sun	12:00p	Binghamton Rumble Ponies

Senior Reserved seats (with arms) are \$12.25 this year, so for 7 games the total is \$85.75 per person. Please make checks payable to “Portland Maine Baseball,” and drop off at the Front Desk or put in Marcia, Amy or Diane’s hand – PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CHECKS IN OUR UNSECURE DOOR BASKET. *Will take checks through Monday, 4/6.*

Looking for tickets for a Merrill Auditorium or greater Portland event? **Be sure to start at**

Porttix!

Don't overpay at a 3rd party site



Porttix is open Mon-Fri 11:00a-3:00p and 90 minutes before shows. 207-842-0800, bookmark <https://www.porttix.com/>

Tickets for **PSO, Portland Ovations, Opera Maine, the Kotzschmar Organ**, and even some area companies such as **Portland Ballet** at Westbrook Performing Arts Center and **Portland Conservatory of Music**, use Porttix as their trusted ticket partner.

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Sign up sheets are out on the Blue Clipboard; the following are all ticketed through Porttix (please see page 8 for contact info):

Van—Portland Ovations

Meredith Wilson’s The Music Man

Thurs., 5/14, 6:00p Merrill Auditorium

Tickets: \$55-125 7 van seats remaining

Van—Portland Ovations

Monty Python’s Spamalot

Thurs., 6/25, 6:00p Merrill Auditorium

Tickets: \$65-143 need 6 to send a van

SPAMALOT, which first galloped onto Broadway in 2005, features a book & lyrics by Eric Idle and music by John Du Prez and Eric Idle. The original Broadway production was nominated for fourteen Tony Awards and won three, including best musical. The musical comedy lovingly ripped off from the film classic, Monty Python and the Holy Grail, SPAMALOT features well-known song titles such as “Always Look on the Bright Side of Life,” “The Song That Goes Like This,” “Find Your Grail,” and more that have become beloved classics in the musical theatre canon.

Opera Maine—Roméo et Juliette by C. Gounod

Thurs., 7/23 7:30p

Sun., 7/26 2:30p at Merrill Auditorium

Tickets \$175-35 at Porttix (see page 8)

Experience the timeless passion of Shakespeare’s most popular love story through the beautiful music of Charles Gounod’s Roméo et Juliette. With soaring melodies and heart-stopping drama, Opera Maine’s 2026 production of this renowned classic will celebrate the power of young love and the price of destiny. *We will send a van to each of the performances, pending 6 signed up.*

ONGOING/REPEAT ACTIVITIES

OceanView Chorus

Mondays & Thursdays, 11:00a BBC

Rehearsals are scheduled for Mondays and Thursdays from 11:00 to 12:30p, preparing for the Spring concerts on May 13 & 15. Chorus is open to all residents. There are no auditions required, so please join us as we enjoy making music together.

Questions? Please reach out to Bill Gatchell, Chorus Manager 207-781-5131, or email

wmgatchell@gmail.com Please note new email address. If no answer, please leave a voice message on the phone.

OV Community Council

Mon. 4/13, 3:00p BBC

Please email President Nancy Wanderer at

wanders8899@gmail.com or call 207-837-4738 with your comments and concerns, and especially if you want to get on a future meeting agenda.

To sign up for meeting online please go to:

<https://portal.fullcount.net/customer-portal/>

Tuesday with Nancy Tues., 4/7, 1:00p HTL

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**On-Campus Van Service available to select events!
Questions? Call Jim at 781-4460**

There is no fee for this service! All we ask is that you be diligent about signing up and cancelling, so that the service can be run efficiently for everyone participating.

COTTAGE RESIDENTS: During construction, as parking is affected, we are asking that you use this van (or walk) to Activities instead of bringing your car to the Lodges Complex.
OV: If you haven’t signed up for the van, please call 30 minutes in advance to be picked up: 955-0675.

When you sign up: please do so in the special column or slip marked “ON-CAMPUS VAN”

Pick-ups start approx. 30 minutes before the event starts—please be ready! Return trips will be made when the festivities end.

**APRIL OV ON-CAMPUS VAN
pick-up time:**

- ◆ Thursdays 9:30a Men’s Discussion HTL
- ◆ Thu/Fri Movies SR *see list pg. 16*
- ◆ Mon/Thu 10:30a Chorus BBC
- 4/1 3:30p Wine & Cheese Birthday—BBC
- 4/6 12:00p Kindergartener’s Visit—HTL
- 4/8 10:30a Women’s Discussion Group—HTL
- 4/9 2:30p J. Sartoris, Restorative Justice—HTL
- 4/13 2:30p Community Council—BBC
- 4/15 10:30a Women’s Book Group—HTL
- 4/16 2:30p Candidate Graham Platner—Lunt
- 4/17 1:00p Fitness Presentation—HTL
- 4/17 2:30p New Resident Welcome Gathering—HTL
- 4/29 3:00p The Happy Hour with FDR—Lunt
- 4/30 1:00p Tea with Eleanor Roosevelt—Lunt

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Handcrafters Group

Second & Fourth Mondays (4/13, 4/27)

1:00-2:30p CR

The Handcrafters Group means to be inclusive of knitters, crocheters, those who do needle-point, cross-stitch, embroidery, who sew and quilt, spin, or any hand-crafts we have not thought of. If this includes you, we hope you will try our group out. We encourage and inspire each other and sometimes lend a helping hand or give a bit of advice while we work on our own projects. Questions? Call Donna Knoblock (797-2909).

Duplicate Bridge

Fridays at 12:30p CR

In the Card Room of the Library.

If you would like to know more or join in, please contact John Bischof at 781-2391.

Bridge Mondays at 6:30p CR
Thursdays at 6:30p CR
Saturdays at 1:00p CR

Mahjong Wednesdays at 1:00p CR

Bible Fellowship

Tuesdays, 10:00a HTL

This is a non-denominational study group led by a rotation of area pastors. Following the New Revised Common Lectionary, we first read and discuss the scriptures that will be used in the upcoming Sunday church services.

We explore and refresh participants' Bible knowledge that applies to the wide variety of faith backgrounds, beliefs, and experiences of those attending. Discussion is welcomed and encouraged, though not required. Monthly lectionary readings will be available at the Sign-up Nook or delivered by request. You are encouraged to read each passage prior to the meeting; bring your Bible with you. Questions? Please call Tom Simmonds, 781-0044. The monthly lectionary is available on the OV Portal.

Art for Fun/Dabbler's Group

Tuesdays at 10:00a ML2

Art for Fun is our resident dabbler's gathering.

No pressure—stop by and explore painting, pastels, or any other portable medium. Please bring your own art supplies.

Game Night

Tuesdays 6:30p CR

Come to the OV Library to socialize and play games! We have a backgammon set, cribbage boards, a deluxe Scrabble board and more in the storage room. Choose

FREE OPERA FILMS for

OV & CC Residents, Builders & PWLs!

Opera Maine is excited to partner with OceanView at Falmouth to present a second series of famous opera performances from around the world. Let's come together as a community to enjoy and discuss opera.

Saturday afternoon beginning at 1:00p:

April 18th at 1 p.m. (Doors open at 12:30 p.m.)

OceanView's Lunt Auditorium

74 Lunt Road, Falmouth, ME 04105

Total Run Time: 2 hours, 54 minutes.

Intermission: There will be an intermission after Act 2, and OceanView will provide light snacks and beverages.

"Hamlet" by Ambroise Thomas—Metropolitan Opera

Shakespeare's most famous tragedy takes on new life in Ambroise Thomas's grand French opera, presented from Barcelona's Gran Teatre del Liceu. With its sweeping drama and rich



lyricism, this rarely

performed masterpiece offers a powerful fusion of poetry, passion, and psychological depth.

In this acclaimed production, Simon Keenlyside delivers a riveting portrayal of the tormented prince, matched by the brilliant Natalie Dessay as

the fragile, heartbreaking Ophélie—her mad scene a tour de force of vocal fireworks and emotional intensity. Opera Maine is excited to once again partner with OceanView at Falmouth to present a special series of famous opera performances from around the world. Let's come together as a community to enjoy and discuss opera.

Registration is required. Seating is limited—

Residents & PWLs: sign up with the Front Desk.

Guests: RSVP via this link:

<https://www.operamaine.org/events/film-series/>

Opera Maine is selling tickets to its patrons who will also attend these films.

Coming Up: May 16—Capuleti e Montecchi

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a game or bring a favorite, bring your coloring or your crosswords... and play on!

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German Conversation Group

Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays

4/8, 4/22 10:00a @FH

OV staff member Lisa Theiler Ertman facilitates a gathering of German-speaking residents. All levels of proficiency are welcome. Speaking or practicing a foreign language is great brain exercise as well as a lot of fun!

Women's Discussion Group

Wed., 4/8, 11:00a, HTL

The purpose of The Women's Discussion Group is to engage in civil discourse in order to educate ourselves on subjects of mutual interest, while remembering to respect and encourage different points of view. All women are invited. Please sign up, and come join us.

Men's Discussion Group

Thursdays at 10:00a HTL

An unscripted discussion on a wide variety of topics of interest among OceanView men from varied backgrounds: businessmen, doctors, professors, soldiers, liberals, conservatives, and men who just want to chat. Please join us!

AARP Fraud Alert Show w/ Phil & Pam

Thurs., 4/9, 10:00a Zoom

An AARP Fraud Watch monthly update program with (OV resident) Phil Chin and Pam Partridge. To learn more about the program and register: <https://states.aarp.org/maine/monthly-fraud-watch>

Van—Grocery Shopping

Thursdays 4/2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Shaw's @ 9:30a

Hannaford @ 12:45p

Trips to the Falmouth grocery stores usually run 35-45 minutes at the store for basic items pick-up. Personal transportation can be scheduled for other times.



Van—Walmart

Tuesdays, 1:00p: 4/7, 4/21

You can also ask to go to the Falmouth Memorial Library or your Route 1 banking institution instead, please note it when you sign up.

Van—Trader Joe's –OR– Whole Foods

Tues., 4/28, 1:30p

Note: This van will concierge to either store.

Please mark your preference when you sign up so that the driver will know how many are going to each place: there is not time for you to visit both stores on one trip. The van drops off at Whole Foods first, then goes to Trader Joe's. Departing from Trader Joe's

For any in-person activities, please sign-up at the Nook by the Activities Office, or call/email

dianem@oceanviewrc.com



In addition to the usual notice that you can sign up by calling or emailing if you are unable to get to the sign up nook, we are excited to introduce, due to popular demand, our new **on-line sign up** through the same application which Dining Services is launching for dining reservations, called Full Count. When you log into Full Count, you will also see Activities programs, which you can sign up to attend. You can add a one (1) for just yourself, or if you are signing up yourself and a spouse, you can indicate two (2), and there may be a prompt for you to note if you need a ride to the event, to include the pick-up location. As we become accustomed to using the platform, the plan is to migrate over more of the signups to this online service.

Please be on the lookout for an email from the Front Desk staff with the details for logging in and using the platform. The login page is at

<https://portal.fullcount.net/customer-portal/>

Again, the staff at the Main Lodge Front Desk will be sending out individual usernames & passwords (via email or printed out if you do not have email) throughout the first week of April – the first sign up for both Cumberland Crossing and OceanView activities will be separate events on Monday, 4/13, so it gives you time to receive your information and learn how to use the platform, and for us to work out any needed adjustments.

This phased approach will allow us to provide support, gather feedback, and make adjustments along the way. We appreciate your patience and flexibility as we work to improve your overall experience.

Please remember, signing up in advance allows us to efficiently plan set up of seating, refreshments and van needs. Thank you.

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when shoppers are finished, they will pick up at Whole Foods on the way home. *There are seats to wait at Whole Foods.*

ACTIVITIES—NEW

Wine & Cheese Party—April Birthdays

Wed., 4/1, 4:00p, BBC

Join us for our monthly wine and cheese party and help celebrate those with April birthdays!

All residents are invited to attend this monthly gathering—**please sign up. If you are a cottage resident, sign up in the right-hand column and let us know if you need a ride or are walking to the event. Lodges residents please use the left column.**

Kindergarteners Visit

Mon., 4/6, 12:30-1:15p HTL

Join in as students from Falmouth Elementary School visit us for some educational adventures—this year we are getting Kindergarteners! Three classes of students will rotate opportunity to visit throughout the school year. Reading together, playing games, just a great opportunity to spend some time with some young people—*please sign up.*

Readers Theater Group

Mon., 4/6, 3:00p HTL

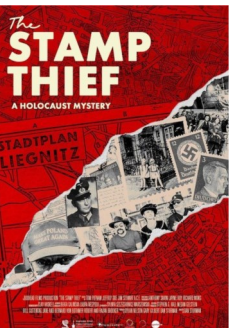
What is reader's theater?

Readers Theater is a style of theater in which the actors present dramatic readings of narrative material without costumes, props, scenery, or special lighting. Actors use only their scripts and vocal expression to help an audience understand the story. This "performance of the voice" does not require memorization. At this time, the group will be gathering monthly to read plays and other materials out loud together for themselves, with no planned performances.

Marketing Event—Maine Jewish Film Festival

The Stamp Thief: A Holocaust Mystery RSVP

Tuesday, April 7th at 2:00 p.m.—Lunt Auditorium
Please join us for a showing of *The Stamp Thief: A Holocaust Mystery*, part of the



Maine Jewish Film Festival. About the Film:

From an Oscar, Peabody, and Emmy award-winning team, *The Stamp Thief: a Holocaust Mystery* is part detective story, part heist film, and part untold history. The documentary investigates a tale dating back to the Holocaust, that a mysterious Nazi stole priceless

stamp collections from concentration camp victims and buried the stolen stamps in a small town in Poland.

Embarking on a real-life Argo-like adventure, one-time *Seinfeld* producer Gary Gilbert sets out to confirm the story and recover the stamps. His tactic: a fake movie shoot. His goal: to return the stamps to their rightful owners, hopefully delivering a small measure of justice more than 70 years after the Holocaust.

This event is free and open to the public, but registration is required.

Residents can sign up with the Front Desk or here: <https://oceanviewrc.com/event/the-stamp-thief/>

LOCATION CODES:

BBC —Commons Room in Blueberry Commons	LIB —Library on ML2
CC —Cumberland Crossing	LUNT —Lunt Auditorium
CR —Card Room behind Library	ML1c —Main Lodge 1st Floor Conference Room
DR —Dining Room, Main Lodge	ML2 —Main Lodge Activity Room, 2nd Floor
FH —Falmouth House	ML3c —Main Lodge Conference Room, 3rd floor
FS —Fitness Studio - Hilltop	ML3S —Main Lodge Salon, 3rd floor
GG —Gazebo Grille	NW —Northwind Farm CC
GR —Game Room	SR —Screening Room
HFP —Hager Fitness Pavilion	WF —Whipple Farm
HTL —Community Room in Hilltop Lodge	WO —Wellness Office ML3
HTLa —Hilltop Amenities	

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Women's Discussion Group

Wed., 4/8, 11:00a, HTL

The Women's Discussion Group invites you to a special program open to everyone!

Frances Perkins is known as "the woman behind the New Deal." FDR made her his Secretary of

Labor, the first woman cabinet member. She was responsible for many of the significant accomplishments of his presidency—social security, unemployment insurance, the minimum wage, the 40 hour work week, workplace safety standards, and much more. Her grandparents' home on the Damariscotta River in Newcastle was the place she returned to year after year for rest and rejuvenation. Now the homestead has become a National Monument. Please join us for a talk by Mary Reid, program director of the Frances Perkins Center, who will tell us about the life and legacy of this incredible woman, and a National Monument you may want to visit.

Two books of interest:

The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life and Legacy of Frances Perkins by Kirstin Downey
Becoming Madame Secretary by Stephanie Dray



Discussion with Cumberland County District Attorney Jacqueline Sartoris

Thurs., 4/9, 3:00p HTL

We are pleased to welcome Jacqueline Sartoris, the District Attorney in Cumberland County, to speak about the revised restorative justice program, the work her department is doing on responding to sexual

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assaults and the major federal grant they obtained to test the backlog of rape kits, and the other ways her office is updating their work to respond to and prevent crime in Cumberland County.

**Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Concert Series
"Piano Four-Hands" Favorites Return**

Fri., 4/10, 2:30p, Lunt Auditorium
At Lunt Auditorium on Friday afternoon, April 10 (2:30pm), a popular pair of highly-regarded Post-Graduate-Level Pianists from The Osher School of Music at USM will make their 6th appearance at a "Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Soirée", with a performance on the Lunt'Steinway Model-L Concert Grand. Each is professionally busy with studios on the teaching faculty at the highly-regarded "317 Main Community Music Center" in Yarmouth. Josie DiPhillippo and Abby Curtis Neilsen will both "Individually" perform solo classical works, and then "With Four-Hands" combine talents on a duo-playing masterpiece—the difficult "Six Morceaux, Op. 11" by Sergei Rachmaninoff. This event is resident sponsored by the "Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Music Series" group; resident music lovers who support classical music performances. While the group is assisted by OceanView Activities with scheduling of room use and on-campus Transportation [please make reservations with Transportation well in advance if you need a ride], the members of the Sfz! group itself financially support their own content. All residents are welcome to join "S'forzando Sfz!" and attend its concerts. For information about participating or signing up for these concerts, contact Sue or Hank Schmitt. [Sue: ragtimersue@gmail.com; Hank: kingpenguinpops@gmail.com; both 619-7334.]

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Van*—First Class Mail: A Correspondence in Poetry with Gibson Fay-LeBlanc and Stuart Kestenbaum

Fri., 4/10, 5:00-6:30p—Free, but must register Portland Museum of Art *need 6 to send a van <https://www.portlandmuseum.org/event/first-class-mail-a-correspondence-in-poetry-with-gibson-fay-leblanc-and-stuart-kestenbaum/>
Poets Gibson Fay-LeBlanc and Stuart Kestenbaum have been corresponding since December 2024, sending letters in the form of poems to one another through the US mail. Their letter writing was inspired by an epistolary poetry project developed by Maine Poet Laureate Julia Bouswma that paired Mainers with partners from different parts of the state to exchange poetry letters. The poems could take any form and address any subject matter. While

the initial project was scheduled to last for four months, Kestenbaum and Fay-LeBlanc are continuing to correspond, addressing topics ranging from family life to the changing seasons to the turbulent state of the world. They've been surprised and moved by their investigations and look forward to seeing how things look every few weeks from Portland and Deer Isle, respectively.

Marston-Kotzschmar Club Concert

Sun., 4/12, 2:30p HTL
"M-K Club" meets monthly, and since several members live at OceanView and members take turns hosting, we enjoy the benefit of hosting their concerts in our Hilltop Community Room a couple of times a year. This concert will feature a quintet, a trio, Evelyn Burckle on piano and talented 8th grader Mickie Johnson doing jazz and popular pieces on the piano. Please sign up.

iZōsh Spring Program

Sun., 4/12 at 3:00p
Lunt Auditorium
How does a PhD in African Art from Harvard lead one to



establish a school for girls in Tanzania? How does a school then multiply into other schools, a medical clinic and a science lab ?

Dr. Aimée Bassire taught at Bates College for over 23 years and has published on contemporary African Art, photography and Sukuma culture in Tanzania. Come hear Dr. Bassire share her story of journey from scholar to beloved benefactor of at-risk girls.



iZōsh, 'Women investing in Women,' is a women's group which will meet at Lunt Auditorium on Sunday April 12 at 3:00p. Women will gather to learn from our speaker, grant micro loans from

our pooled resources and celebrate doing good together.

Come as a guest with no pressure to participate financially—just enjoy the company of like-minded women and learn about what we can do together to change the life of a woman held back by extreme poverty. You'll be very glad you came! Should you need a ride to Lunt or have any questions, contact Sally Dunning, Nancy Struve or izoshmaine@gmail.com

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Neighbor-to-Neighbor Voter Services Are Available!

Democracy is not a spectator sport! Help make democracy work by ensuring you can vote in the June 9th primary election that will determine the candidates for federal offices and for State and County offices in the November general election.

How: Trained Neighbor-to-Neighbor Voter Service volunteers will be available to help their OV neighbors...

- Update your voter registration, if needed, e.g., you have a new Maine address since you last voted.
- Register to vote, if needed, e.g., you are a new Maine resident. Please bring your Maine driver's license or Maine state ID to register.
- Apply for Ongoing Absentee Ballot Status for anyone who is disabled or age 65 or older by the election date.
- Apply for a one-time absentee ballot for the June 9th election.

When: Monday, April 13th – immediately following Community Council

Where: Hilltop Lodge Community Room (HTL)

Note: The last opportunity to meet with OV Neighbor-to-Neighbor Voter Service volunteers prior to the June 9th primary will be Wednesday, May 6th – 11:30 am to 12:30 pm – in the Main Lodge conference room across from the Front Desk.



Book Talk*—*We Share the Same Sky : A Memoir of Memory & Migration* by Rachel Cherrotti

Tues., 4/14, 3:00p

**tentative—more information to come*

Rachael Cerrotti is an award-winning writer, educator, curator, and podcaster who works in the field of narrative nonfiction storytelling. Through an interdisciplinary practice, she explores stories rooted in inherited memory, migration and grief. She was the Inaugural Storyteller in Residence for USC Shoah Foundation and has been a fellow with The Witness Institute and New America. She currently produces and hosts *Along The Seam*, a conversational podcast about the role of the past in our present day lives. She writes a series of essays on Substack to accompany the podcast as well.

OV Women's Book Discussion Group

We alternate fiction and non-fiction and all books are readily available by request at the Falmouth Public Library, most appearing also in Large Print, E-book, Audio Book or Spoken CD. Come and join us for a lively, informative discussion!

The 2026 reading schedule is available in the OV Library and in the Signup Nook. See you there! Questions? Marta Bent at 781-2912.

April's Book

Wed., 4/15, 11:00a—HTL

At Home: A Short History of Private Life

by Bill Bryson, led by Nancy Bennett

May's Book

Wed., 5/20, 11:00a—HTL

The Personal Librarian, by Marie Benedict, led by Ethel Carmolli

The remarkable, little-known story of Belle da Costa Greene, J. P. Morgan's personal librarian—who became one of the most powerful women in New York despite the dangerous secret she kept in order to make her dreams come true.

Cumberland Crossing Community Book Group

Wed., 4/15, 11:00a, Northwind Farm

We encourage new residents to join us for our 11 AM discussions at Northwind Farm, which are also offered on Zoom.

April's Book

Forget the Alamo: The Rise and Fall of an American Myth, by Bryan Burrough, Chris Tomlinson, and Jason Stanford

Three noted Texan writers combine forces to tell the real story of the Alamo, dispelling the myths, exploring why they had their day for so long, and explaining why the ugly fight about its meaning is now coming to a head.

Marketing Event—Frederick Moyer in Concert

Wed., 4/15, 3:30p Lunt Auditorium

RSVP Front Desk—Seating for residents is limited.



Frederick Moyer is one of the most exciting pianists before the public today. Equally at home with Bach, Beethoven and Rachmaninoff, as well as Ellington and Gershwin, his recitals are creative, engaging and entertaining and generally include time honored favorites as well as pieces that audiences may be hearing for the first

time. Also featured is his MoyerCam, a projection system that allows the audience to see his hands as he plays.

This performance will include works by Mozart, Schubert, Grieg and Oscar Peterson.

“Frederick Moyer has established a vital musical career that has taken him to forty-four countries and to such distant venues as Suntory Hall in Tokyo, Sydney Opera

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House, Windsor Castle, Carnegie Recital Hall, Tanglewood, and the Kennedy Center. He has appeared as piano soloist with world renowned orchestras the across the country, and in Singapore, Netherlands Radio, Latvian, Iceland and London Symphony Orchestras, Hong Kong and Japan Philharmonic Symphony Orchestras, the National Symphony Orchestra of Brazil, and the major orchestras of Australia. His many recordings on the Biddulph, GM and JRI labels reflect an affinity for a wide variety of styles. In recital, his delightful commentary from the stage brings the audience into the heart of the musical experience. Moyer’s wide-ranging interests have led him to undertake many unique and ground-breaking projects, often involving software that he writes himself.”

FCP Travelogue

The English Midlands and Cardiff with Rick Scala
Wed., 4/15, 6:30p, HTL

The Falmouth Community Programs *Travelogue Series* offers the opportunity to explore the beauty and customs of lands both far and near, as presented by guest speakers. Do you have a travel adventure to share? Contact Kim Doyon at FCP, 207-699-5302



Senate Candidate Graham Platner

Thurs., 4/16, 9:30a, Lunt Auditorium
Courtesy of John Wasileski and at the request of several residents, we welcome Graham Platner, candidate for the US Senate to speak. *Please sign up*



OV Writers Group

Thurs., 4/16, 1:00-2:30p HTL
Welcoming OV writers and would-be writers who are willing to share ongoing efforts in finding the right words for writing reminiscences, stories, poetry, or essays. Part of our meeting is actively writing to a prompt, and the other part is sharing our writings with the group without criticism. As we have time to reflect on past experiences and adventures, writing can be a most satisfying activity.

Fitness Presentation

Fri., 4/17, 1:30p HTL
Please see page 6 for description

OV New Residents Introduction Gathering

Fri. 4/17, 3:00p BBC
Please join us as we gather to welcome and introduce newcomers to the OceanView community. Invitations to speak have gone out to new residents, RSVP. Any resident can sign up to attend the program to welcome newcomers. Refreshments will be served.



Poetry Reading Group

Mon., 4/20, 1:00p, HTL
Join us as we gather to share poetry out loud, either our own or our favorites. We’ll be by the fireplace - check around the corner.

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Watch for Details SOON! Mark your calendars for October 5-8, 2026!

In lieu of a Campobello trip this year, John Wasileski has arranged with our Travel Concierges, Ray & Laura Ramage, for a 4-day, 3-night resident trip to Quebec City. Accommodations, breakfasts and dinners will be at the Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac. Lunches will be on your own during the several land and water sightseeing and educational excursions. Coach transportation from OceanView will be provided by Custom Coach of New England.



Take Me Out To Fenway—Boston Red Sox Trip!



Thurs., June 4th – 1:35p

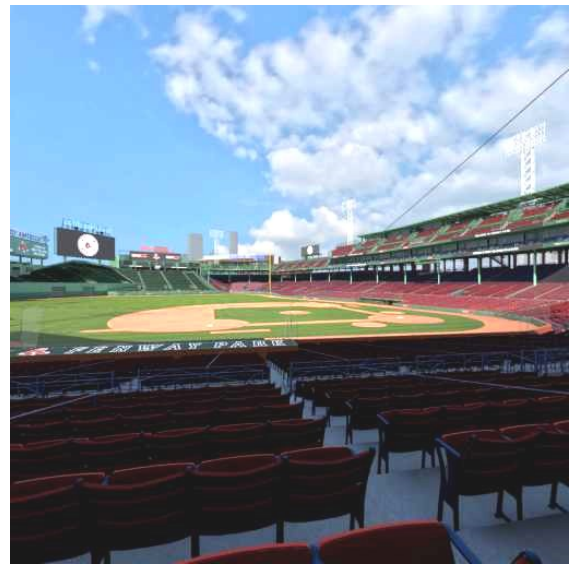
(coach departs 10:30a)

Game vs Baltimore Orioles

OceanView is subsidizing half of the cost, bringing the resident cost down to \$138 per person. This includes the private VIP Charter Coach with restroom, and your ticket. Our seats are under cover so we'll go—rain or shine! Any refreshments or souvenirs purchased at the park are 'on your own'. You may bring snacks with you on the coach, but **ONLY** regular plastic water bottles into the ballpark.

We have 23 tickets for OV, CC & HLG - see approximate view from the seats >>. There will be one or two staff members accompanying, depending on how many residents we have.

To sign up, please go to <https://portal.fullcount.net/customer-portal/> email dianem@oceanviewrc.com or a phone message (781-4464 x114)



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Cumberland Crossing Monthly Coffee with Don

Mon., 4/20, 3:00p Northwind Farm

Guests Speakers TBD

Space is limited—please sign up with Amy or

To signup online please go to:

<https://portal.fullcount.net/customer-portal/>



Drug Take Back Days—April 21-23

Bring any expired or unwanted prescription and OTC drugs to the Front Desk for drop off, to be safely disposed of by law enforcement.

“The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications.”

Directions: Empty any and all pills together into a zippered plastic bag; leave liquids/creams in their containers. If you are able, kindly remove products from blister packs. Please do not bring regular Health & Beauty items that can be disposed of in the garbage. Bring to Main Lodge Front Desk 4/21-23 for pickup by Falmouth Police. Official, national day is Saturday, 4/25, at Falmouth Police Department.

See also: <https://eyesopenforme.org/>

<https://www.dea.gov/takebackday>

Artist Dialogue Group

Tues., 4/21 2:00p ML2

Art Dialogue Group will meet in the Art Room across from the Library on 2nd Floor.

Please bring ideas, samples of work or information about attending art related events.



OV & the Environment

Tues., 4/21, 3:00p in the Screening Room

See box on p. 17 for description

Cumberland Crossing Speaker Series *Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro at Age 70 with Gonzalo Verdugo*

Wed., 4/22, 3:30 PM, Northwind Farm.

Please sign up with Amy Cunningham at

amyc@oceanviewrc.com or

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Inspired by a Haitian proverb, “Beyond mountains there are mountains,” the year former Cumberland Crossing resident **Gonzalo Verdugo** turned 70, he challenged his two brothers to hike Mount Kilimanjaro— the tallest mountain in Africa at over 19,000 feet high. Who made it to the top? In this session, he will share pictures and personal reflections of this unforgettable adventure.

Van—Opera Maine Gala

Thurs., 4/23, 5:00p (return 8:30p or so)

Ocean Gateway, Portland

Courtesy of John Wasileski, we have complimentary tickets allocated for resident use—please let Activities know if you would like a ticket. If we have more

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OV and the Environment

This lecture series provides an opportunity to hear experts on a large variety of topics about the environment, and to discuss these topics.



April 21 (Tuesday!), 3:00 PM Screening Room

How can someone who works in climate science stay hopeful? That's the question at the heart of **An Optimist**, a new 10-minute documentary by Allison Silverstein, featuring **Mike Doan, Staff Scientist, Friends of Casco Bay**. Get a peek into their science and monitoring work, see what it's like for someone who faces the data every day—and hear where he draws hope from. And then hear from Mike Doan in person afterwards

Future scheduled meetings (third Mondays at 3 pm in HTL)

April 22 (Wednesday) 5:30 pm, Falmouth Memorial Library, Bonnie Yelverton will be repeating her February OV talk about the **Plastic Life Cycle**, in case you missed it.

May 18, Matthew Kearns, son of OV's Tom Kearns, will talk about work with providing renewable energy to meet datacenter demand, and about working under the current government in DC.

June 15, Roger Wheeler, Friends of Sebago Lake, will continue to report on research on the effect of large dams on climate.

Contact : bknoblock@maine.rr.com / bonnie.yelverton@gmail.com

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interest than availability, we will draw names on April 10th.

Save Democracy Group

Thurs., 4/23, 4:00p HTL

SAVE DEMOCRACY is a group of women who assemble every month to discuss and implement plans for supporting local, state and national pro-democracy efforts. If you want to receive the emailed newsletter, which has lots of info, analysis and action ideas, send an email to savedemocracyov@gmail.com and ask to be added to the list.

Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Concert Series "Honoring Women Composers" at a Classical Music Concert

Fri. 4/24, 2:00p, Lunt Auditorium

On Friday afternoon, April 24, at Lunt (2:00pm), an accomplished threesome of young classical musicians will perform a concert primarily honoring women composers. Already well into what look to be solid careers, this will be "*Trio La Mer's*" inaugural appearance at a "Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Concert" (with likely many to follow). After recently enjoying the trio perform a recital at the Portland Conservatory of Music Auditorium, Sue & Hank "*on the spot!*" signed them up to reprise the concert (and include some duo works as well) at a Sfz! event. Flutist Dr. Isabelle Pazar, violinist Ellie Aker, and pianist Joseph Stacy will delight you with both their talents and stage personalities. All are on-the-rise quality professional musicians. Featured works by female composers will be *Suite* by Mel Bonis; *Oiseaux* by Aleyna Brown; *Capriccio* by Geraldine Greene; and *Trio* by Madeleine Dring. You will enjoy them all... and a bit more. After years of study, members of the group have earned performance degrees from prestigious U.S. and international conservatories and universities. This event is resident sponsored by the "Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Music Series" group; resident music lovers who support classical music performances. While the group is assisted by OceanView Activities with scheduling of room use and on-campus Transportation [please make reservations with Transportation well in advance if you need a ride, and expect the program to extend to 75 minutes or so], the members of the Sfz! group itself financially support their own content. All CC and OV residents are welcome to join "S'forzando Sfz!" and attend its concerts. For information about participating or signing up for these concerts, contact Sue or Hank Schmitt. [Sue: ragtimersue@gmail.com; Hank: kingpenguinpops@gmail.com; both 619-7334.]

Wine Tasting Group

Mon., 4/27, 4:00p BBC

April wine tasting will be a blind tasting of three red wines and three white wines. Participants will try to identify the wines only knowing they are white and red. We will purchase enough wine for the residents who sign up by Monday, 4/20. Please cancel by 4/20 if you cannot attend. Be sure to bring \$5 per person to help cover expenses as a *Resident Supported* event.

Men's Breakfast

Tues., 4/28, 8:30a DR

Breakfast Buffet and Men's Fellowship. OV Chefs will be cooking up fresh omelets, crispy bacon, delicious pancakes or French toast with Maine maple syrup, and more. *Please sign up by Friday 4/24 for this tasty activity.*

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Book Talk with OV Resident Tony Federer
Threads from My Tapestry

Tues., 4/28, 3:00p HTL

Join OV resident Tony Federer as he discusses his recently published biography, *Threads from My Tapestry*. Copies of his book will be available for purchase for those who are interested, \$30.

Food Forum with Dining Services

Wed., 4/29, 11:00a BBC

Discussion with Director of Dining regarding cuisine and service for those who partake in any aspect of Dining Services. Also, **Demystify Your Dining Plan**—come with your questions and learn how to get the most out of your meal plan. You may call Ed Fertig, Dining Director, at 207-332-6115 with your questions

Special Events for Residents—

John Wasileski has invited the talented interpreters from *Roosevelt Campobello International Park* to present their educational programming on both Franklin D. and Eleanor Roosevelt, respectively. Please sign up, as space will be limited.

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Happy Hour with FDR

Wed., 4/29, 3:30p Lunt Auditorium

Immerse yourself in history and join us for an interactive, educational experience as RCIP's knowledgeable interpreters guide you through Franklin D.

Roosevelt's life and achievements, sharing fascinating stories, insights, and anecdotes that illuminate the life of one of America's most influential leaders.

Tea with Eleanor

Thurs., 4/30, 1:30p Lunt Auditorium

Explore the extraordinary story of Eleanor Roosevelt and her life of activism and public service, led by expert interpreters. The program is served with New Brunswick-made King Cole tea and homemade cookies.

COMING UP IN MAY

Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Concert Series
Once Again: Ragtime and More!
with Sue Schmitt

Fri., 5/1, 2:00p, Lunt Auditorium

Just hours after April turns into May, Sue Schmitt will perform another of her annual shows, this time titled "*FUN!Let's Have An April 31 Piano Concert!!*". Of

course, she actually will play this "Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz!" piano gig on Friday afternoon, May 1st at Lunt Auditorium (2:00). Sue's gratis presentation to our community:

"Ragtime Rhythms, Speak'easy-Standards and MORE" will be dedicated to and honor the 200+ supporters who make the "*Sfz!*" Concert-Series happen. But for this event, Sue also invites any CC and OV resident to attend and enjoy a celebration of great hits by Scott Joplin, Fats Waller, W.C. Handy, Dale Evans, Charles Chaplin, Irving Berlin and others. Also to be performed will be Memorable 20s-30s-40s Tunes, and Movie and Broadway Themes from over the Decades. Guests will be welcome if they directly contact Hank Schmitt to sign up. This event is resident sponsored by the "Downbeat; S'forzando Sfz! Music Series" group; resident music lovers who support classical music performances...

Van—Cumberland Crossing Yarmouth Riverfront Woods Walk

Fri., 5/1 time TBA

Plan for a 3-3.5 hour event: Cumberland Crossing resident Linda Grant will act as our docent for the afternoon, sharing some of the history of the preserve

with us. We will stop at Riverfront Woods in Yarmouth along the Royal River. The path has interpretive Wabanaki language signage. The path is flat with gravel and accessible for walkers and wheelchairs. There are benches along the path. The walk is approximately 1 mile. We will then be stopping at other sites along the river to learn more about the mills and about where the Forest

Paper Company spanned the river in its pulp production mills.



SCREENING ROOM

Welcome to the Screening Room! With full capacity to seat attendees in our 36 seat theater, we have returned to single showings of most films in the Screening Room; showing newer or anticipated popular films twice. ***Please be sure to sign up for movies at the sign-up nook.***

We want you! Do you enjoy coming to the movies? Are you technically inclined? Can you manage your TV remote at home, switching from cable to your DVD or Blu-ray player, or locating streaming services? In just a few short steps we can teach you how to run the movies in the Screening Room—key to having our night and weekend films up and running. Please talk to Amy or Marcia in Activities if you would like to learn how.

At Cumberland Crossing—Northwind Farm

Matinee Movie Monday

Mon., 4/13, 3:30p door at 3:00p

Searching for Sugar Man

2012 PG-13 96 min.

Two South Africans set out to discover what happened to their unlikely musical hero, the mysterious 1970s rock n roller, Rodriguez.

Monday April 13th movie features “Searching for Sugar Man,” the 2013 Oscar and BAFTA award winning film about Sexto Rodriguez, “the greatest 1970’s folk icon who never was.” A mystery story, the film is both a tragedy and an inspiration as three South African fans follow a trail of lies and deceit to uncover who Rodriguez was, why he never achieved fame in the United States, and what Motown did with royalties from his recordings. World-wide fan ratings gave “Searching for Sugar Man” ratings of 4.8 on a 5 point scale, and film critics heaped praise on the film for its compelling story, authenticity, music and thrilling ending. CC viewers will leave Northwind Farm uplifted, inspired and happy. Snacks available at 3pm, showtime promptly at 3:30pm.

Sign up at <https://portal.fullcount.net/customer-portal/>

or Sign up with Amy at amyC@oceanviewrc.com

Opera, Dance & Theater on Film

Screening Room

Tues., 4/14 – 6:30p ***Raymonda***

2011 NR 154 min. Ballet

Soloists: Olesia Novikova, Friedemann Vogel,

Mick Zeni; **Orchestra, Chorus:** Corps de

Ballet and Orchestra of Teatro alla Scala;

Conductor: Michail Jurowski;

Choreographer: Sergei Vikharev

This La Scala premiere marks the most faithful version of *Raymonda* yet to the original, which met with triumphant success in St. Petersburg in 1898. Based on a medieval legend with ladies, knights, crusaders and Saracens, cathedrals and castles, the libretto had all the ingredients needed to spark the imagination of the young Alexander Glazunov in his first ballet score and the infinite wisdom of Marius Petipa, who complemented it with an enormously rich and endless succession of dances. Drawing on notation from the Harvard archives, original designs housed in the St Petersburg State Museum of Theatre and Theatre Library, La Scala presents the last great work from the glory days of the Imperial Ballet.

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Wed., 4/1 – 6:30p ***The Color Room***

2021 TV-PG 111 min. Comedy

With her eye for innovation, artist Clarice Cliff breaks the glass ceiling and revolutionizes the workplace at a pottery factory in 1920s England. **Cast:** Phoebe Dynevor, Matthew Goode, Kerry Fox, David Morrissey

Thurs., 4/2 – 2:30p ***Woman in Gold***

2015 PG-13 109 min Drama

Maria Altmann, an elderly Jewish survivor of World War II, sues the Austrian government for the return of artwork the Nazis stole from her family. **Cast:** Helen Mirren, Ryan Reynolds, Daniel Brühl

Sat., 4/4 – 6:30p ***The Princess Bride***

1987 PG 99 min Comedy

While home sick from school, a boy's grandfather reads him the story of a farmboy-turned-pirate who encounters numerous obstacles, enemies and allies in his quest to be reunited with his true love. **Cast:** Cary Elwes, Robin Wright, Mandy Patinkin, Chris Sarandon, Christopher Guest, Wallace Shawn

Wed., 4/8 – 6:30p ***Enemy of the State***

1998 R 132 min. Drama/Thriller

rescheduled from last month

A lawyer becomes targeted by a corrupt politician and his N.S.A. goons when he accidentally receives key evidence to a politically motivated crime. **Cast:** Will Smith, Gene Hackman, Jon Voight, Regina King, Lisa Bonet, Jack Black

Sat., 4/11 – 6:30p ***Sentimental Value***

2025 PG 123 min. Period Drama

An intimate exploration of family, memories, and the reconciliatory power of art. **Cast:** Renate Reinsve, Stellan Skarsgård, Inga Ibsdotter Lilleaas, Elle Fanning

Oscar winner, Best International Feature Film



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Wed., 4/16 – 6:30p *Unbroken*

2025 TV-14 96 min. Documentary
This documentary tells the story of seven Jewish siblings who survived Nazi Germany through their own resilience and the courage of strangers.

Sat., 4/18 – 6:30p *Nuremburg*

2025 PG-13 148 min. Drama
A WWII psychiatrist evaluates Nazi leaders before the Nuremberg trials, growing increasingly obsessed with understanding evil as he forms a disturbing bond with Hermann Göring.

Cast: *Rami Malek, Russell Crowe, Michael Shannon, Leo Woodall, John Slattery, Richard E. Grant, Mark O'Brien, Colin Hanks*

Wed., 4/22 – 6:30p *Erin Brockovich*

2000 R 132 min. Drama
A flamboyant law firm secretary works tirelessly to gain justice for a small town wrecked by a utility company's pollution. **Cast:** *Julia Roberts, Albert Finney, David Brisbin, Aaron Eckhart*

Thurs., 4/23 – 2:30p *Rental Family*

2026 TV-MA 90 min. Dramady
An American actor in Tokyo struggling to find purpose lands an unusual gig: working for a Japanese "rental family" agency, playing stand-in roles for strangers. He rediscovers purpose, belonging, and the beauty of human connection. **Cast:** *Brenden Fraser, Takehiro Hira, Mari Yamamoto*



APRIL 2026 BIRTHDAYS

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BEYOND OCEANVIEW

Noonday Concerts – English Baroque

Thurs., April 2nd, 12:15p

Portland Conservatory of Music, 28 Neal St Portland

Music For a While

Join PCM's early music faculty for the unique sound of the English baroque!

Lurette Saul, soprano

John Ross, traverso

Sylvia Schwartz, baroque violin

Timothy Burris, lutes

Marina Minkin, harpsichord

Music by Eccles, Handel, Blow, Purcell, Rosseter, and Dowland.

Free/RSVP <https://porttix.com/whats-on/nd-english-baroque/>

Sat., 4/25 – 6:30p *Blue Moon*

2025 R 100 min. Drama
An eccentric, newly sober Broadway lyricist reflects on his life and career as he resentfully toasts "Oklahoma!", his former partner's hit new musical.

Cast: *Ethan Hawke, Margaret Qualley, Bobby Cannavale, Andrew Scott, Patrick Kennedy*

Wed., 4/29 – 6:30p *Mrs. Doubtfire*

1993 PG-13 125 min. Comedy
After a bitter divorce, an actor disguises himself as a female housekeeper to spend time with his children held in custody by his former wife. **Cast:** *Robin Williams, Sally Field, Pierce Brosnan, Harvey Fierstein*

Thurs., 4/30 – 2:30p *Theater Camp*

2023 PG-13 109 min. Comedy
The eccentric staff of a rundown theater camp in upstate New York must band together with the beloved founder's bro-y son to keep the camp afloat. **Cast:** *Ben Platt, Molly Gordon, Noah Galvin, Jimmy Tatro*

Sue Given (Main Lodge), always knew she wanted to be a teacher. Raised in Portland, she experienced the first thrill of working with children while helping to teach a Sunday School class of 5-year-olds. After graduating from Gorham State Teachers College, she began her career in education.



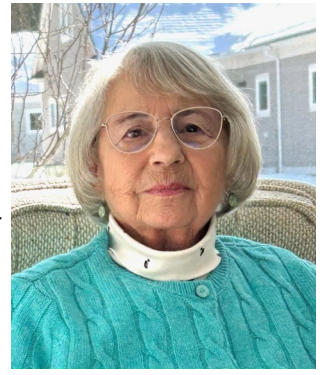
Sue first worked as a third-grade teacher and later took an interest in remedial reading. Most of the time, however, she was a substitute teacher in the Gray-New Gloucester area, where she often subbed for women on maternity leave as well as for the day, after receiving a 6:00 a.m. phone call. Sue loved substitute teaching because of the strong relationships she established with both the students and the teachers, who often asked for her to be called to take over their classrooms when they couldn't be there.

During this time, Sue married and had two children, Jeff and Janet. Tragically, Sue's husband died of a heart attack after 30 years of marriage, and Janet died of colon cancer at the young age of 49. Teaching was what helped Sue survive these terrible losses. Starting each day with a room filled with energetic seven- and eight-year-olds invariably took her mind off her sorrows. Exhibiting her compassion, Sue volunteered at Camp Sunshine in Casco, where she babysat for children with cancer while their parents went out for an evening during their weeklong stay at the camp.

Janet has five grandchildren, some of whom live on the West Coast and others closer by in Connecticut and Boston. Every summer, the whole family gathers for a week in Jonesport, where Sue has been spending the summer in her cottage on the beach for the past 25 years. She loves to read (especially on the porch of her Jonesport cottage), knit, and play bridge. Ironically, as a life-long Mainer, Sue loves spending time with friends from the Portland-based Newcomers Group, with whom she frequently goes out to dinner and plays bridge twice a week. Although she enjoyed taking a river cruise a few years ago, she is happiest spending time at home in Jonesport and OceanView.

(NW, 10/25)

Diane Neveu (Cumberland Crossing) is familiar with the New England lifestyle, having grown up in Woonsocket, RI. Her life with her husband, Ray, has been defined by close family relationships, involvement with their church and volunteer organizations, and the pursuit of further education and careers.



Diane and Ray married in 1961 and moved to Pittsburgh, PA, where Ray earned a doctoral degree in business administration from the University of Pittsburgh. In Pittsburgh, Diane worked for the Graduate School of Public Health. They moved to Terre Haute, IN, in 1965, where Ray taught at Indiana State University School of Business.

They then moved to Cincinnati, OH, in 1968, where Ray joined the faculty of the University of Cincinnati. It was there that Diane achieved an undergraduate degree in the humanities. She talks with pleasure about "Diane's Night Out," during which Ray took over cooking and watching their six children while she attended night classes.

The family relocated to Portland, ME, in 1982, when Ray joined the faculty of the Business School of the University of Southern Maine. Diane continued on to earn a second undergraduate degree at USM in social work. She then developed a social work career at the Agency on Aging, where she enjoyed working with both clients and staff for many years.

Diane developed a meaningful life after taking care of her family for many years. Living in Maine has brought many pleasures, including boating. She and Ray enjoyed exploring the coast of Maine in several boats over 25 years. The growing family gifted them with 14 grandchildren, who often visited to enjoy their home in Cape Elizabeth near Crescent Beach. Their lives centered around their extended family and their local church.

Diane and Ray were planning their next move to Cumberland Crossing when, sadly, he became ill and passed away as they were completing their cottage in our community. Cumberland Crossing has proven a good choice for Diane, however, and she is making friends and a home for herself.

(PK, 11/2025)

Kirk Kreisher arrived at Cumberland Crossing in February 2025 after living in Colorado for five years. He and his wife moved west to Colorado after retiring from Penn State University. Kreisher has two children. His son lives in Asheville, North Carolina. His daughter and grandson live nearby in Yarmouth, Maine. Family has always been important to him. After his wife, Laney, died, it was natural for him to return east to be closer to family. His real estate agent suggested Cumberland Crossing; she has two parents who live there. Encouraged by his daughter, he chose Maine as the setting for this new chapter.



Kreisher grew up in the small town of Mifflinburg in central Pennsylvania. He enjoyed hiking, hunting, sharing a beer with friends, and working on building projects with his father. He studied architectural engineering in college. Although he did not follow directly in his father's footsteps — his father was an electrical engineer — it was natural for him to attend nearby Penn State University. His studies included a term abroad at University of Leeds. Traveling throughout England and Europe introduced him to European students and their global perspectives. Kirk and Laney met in college and married soon after graduating.

Kreisher began his engineering career in private practice, working for 13 years in Billings, Montana. Penn State University eventually drew the family back to Pennsylvania, where he worked for 24 years before retiring in 2017. Living near a vibrant university community provided a special environment in which to raise a family.

Today, Kreisher can often be seen taking long walks around the neighborhood and enjoying new friendships. He volunteers with Habitat for Humanity, using his building skills to support community needs. He finds nothing more fulfilling than lending a helping hand.

(PK 01/2026)

Andrea and John McCall (Cottages) came to OceanView from South Portland, where they lived for nearly 40 years. Before that, they followed very different yet connecting paths.



John grew up in a clergy family in Oregon, Illinois, and Wisconsin. Andrea's Air Force family was in Germany when she was born, then on bases all across the United States, moving so often that she went to secondary schools in four different states.

John became politically engaged as a 17-year-old college freshman, marching with Martin Luther King in Selma, AL. Andrea was an activist against the Vietnam war in high school while her father and brother served in Southeast Asia. Both are still politically engaged, though in "age-appropriate" ways.

John's decision to go to theological school (at Chicago Theological Seminary) was natural, following in the footsteps of both parents and two grandparents. On the other hand, Andrea's decision to attend Colgate Rochester Divinity School as a first-generation college student from a non-religious family was surprising but prompted by early and lifelong spiritual experience and curiosity.

Neither is a Maine native, but each had chosen northern New England before they met as United Church of Christ (Congregational) clergy colleagues in New Hampshire in 1985. They married in 1986 and moved to Maine in 1989 with their infant son. John was a parish minister for 42 years, the last 24 in South Portland. Andrea, a pastor in Vermont and New Hampshire, pursued post-graduate study in American religious historiography and served as Associate Dean of Students and Interfaith Chaplain at USM.

In retirement since 2013, they have loved travel and volunteering in the community. Andrea loves yoga, gardening, and reading, and John pursues a long-held avocation in family history and genealogy. They're delighted that their son and daughter-in-law live nearby so they are able to care for their little grandson regularly.

Spirituality has been central to John and Andrea's lives and careers, though since retirement they have not participated in any formal way. Their spirituality is far less traditional now, but remains a core of who they are as lifelong spiritual seekers.

(AMcC, JMcC, & CMcD, 2/2026)