

The Sorrento Newsletter

MARCH 2013

Sorrento Town Office (422-6889)

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The Town Office does not accept credit or debit cards. If you drive in to the Town Office during office hours and don't see a vehicle and think we are closed, think again. Check the red signs in the windows for **OPEN**. Many times the clerk is at the office with no vehicle.

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

**MONDAY--8am to 12noon &
2pm to 5pm**

TUESDAY--12noon to 6pm

WEDNESDAY--8am to 12 noon

**THURSDAY--8am to 12noon &
2pm to 5pm**

FRIDAY--8am to 12noon

TOWN OFFICE CLOSED

***** CHECK THESE DATES *****

Friday, March 8

Friday, March 22

Friday, April 5, closing at 11:00AM

If there is need of an unexpected closing, notice will be posted and it will be on the telephone message, when possible.

It is that time of year again – if there is a snow/storm that man nor beast should be out in, please call the Town Office to be sure the office is open. The office may be closed for the day or may be delayed in opening while waiting for plowing, shoveling and salting to be completed.

If you come in to the Town Office to have something NOTARIZED, you must sign the paper in front of the Notary Public. DO NOT sign a paper before you get to the Town Office and are standing in front of the notary.



ROADS POSTED

The Maine D.O.T. has posted their roads, so therefore Sorrento's roads are posted as you cannot get onto a Sorrento road without driving over a state road.

The Selectmen's meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

If you would like to discuss a specific subject with them, please call the Town Clerk so that you can be placed on the agenda. We thank you.

REMINDERS!!

There is no parking along the sides of the roads where the snowplows will be plowing - your vehicle can be towed if it is in the way.

Also, remember that there is no plowing the snow from your driveway into the roadway.
It is against the law.



POSITIONS/APPOINTMENTS OPEN -

Please call the Town Office if you are interested in one of the following

PLANNING BOARD - 3 positions

Appointed to the Planning Board on January 16, 2013 were John Mickel and Dan Bierman, Jr.

(To reserve the Sorrento Community Building or the Village Green, call the Town Office.

**USE AGREEMENT APPLICATIONS for the
SORRENTO COMMUNITY BUILDING
and the VILLAGE GREEN**

The Town's insurance carrier states that the Town must receive from anyone using the Community Building or the Village Green a Certificate of General

Liability (as well as Certificate of Liquor Liability, if applicable). This Certificate of General Liability **MUST LIST THE TOWN OF SORRENTO AS ADDITIONAL INSURED** and must be provided by any one or any group using either the Community Building or the Village Green.

REMEMBER!!! – IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR DOWNED TREES AND/OR WIRES OR WHATEVER EMERGENCY (fire, police, ambulance), YOU NEED TO

CALL 9-1-1.

The Fire Department will be toned out by Hancock County Dispatch. There is no number to contact the Fire Department directly – you need to call **9-1-1**.

MAINE RESIDENTS PROPERTY TAX AND RENT REFUND INFORMATION SHEETS

can be picked in the Town Hall lobby, or you may call and we will mail you one. The sheet tells you how to get online to make out your application or where to call or write for an application to be sent to you.

SALT WATER FISHING

Anyone 16 years of age or older who wishes to fish recreationally in saltwater needs to register in Maine. Customers will be able to register for free at the same time that they purchase their freshwater fishing license.

You should have your freshwater fishing license with you when fishing in saltwater to prove you have registered in Maine.

A person who wishes to fish in saltwater who does not want to purchase a fresh water fishing license must register on the Saltwater Registry. This is done on the regular license form. The state fee is \$0 and the agent/town fee is \$2. A person who wishes to purchase the Salt Water Registry item is required to provide a phone number.

If you are purchasing any other item on the license form, the fee for the salt water registry is \$0 for the state and \$0 for the agent/town.



FREE

from Sorrento Rescue

File of Life-(magnetic-to hang on refrigerator) has insert where you can record your name, address, doctor, and medications. If you have a medical emergency this will save a lot of time.

Emergency 9-1-1 magnet-lists the Poison Control Center number and you can list your doctor's number and the number to your pharmacy.

STICKERS!! for your safety:

Provided by the Sorrento Fire & Rescue and the SVFD Auxiliary

1. Next Generation Tot Finder stickers and brochure-Bedroom Door Fire Safety Program;
2. Children window stickers;
3. Handicap window stickers;
4. Petfinder window stickers.

These stickers can be picked up at the Sorrento Town Office.

LAND USE/BUILDING ORDINANCE

Don't forget Sorrento's Land Use/Building

Ordinance. This ordinance is for property that would fall outside of the Shoreland Zoning area and therefore the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. A copy of this new ordinance can be picked up in the lobby of the Town Office.

If you are unsure if you need to apply for a permit, call John Fuhrman, Sorrento's Code Enforcement Officer, 963-2363. Failure to get a permit if needed can result in penalties and other costs.

MAINE SHORELAND ZONING HANDBOOKS

Received from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection – **Maine Shoreland Zoning, A Handbook for**

Shoreland Owners

Any Sorrento property owners who own shoreland here in Sorrento may come in to pick up this handbook.

For any differences between this handbook and the Sorrento Shoreland Ordinance, the Sorrento Shoreland Ordinance overrides the handbook.

A copy of the **Sorrento Shoreland Ordinance** can be purchased for **\$5** or you can just look at



a copy in the office if you do not wish to purchase one.

THE 2012 PROPERTY TAXES have been mailed out and were due **January 25, 2013**. Interest on unpaid 2012 property taxes began on **January 26, 2013**.

The **liens on the 2010 property taxes** are recorded at the Hancock County Registry of Deeds. Mortgage holders were notified at recording date.

The 2010 property tax liens will be due in May, 2013. Those left unpaid will be foreclosed.

The liens on the **2011 unpaid property taxes** have been recorded in the Hancock County Registry of Deeds and mortgage holders have been notified. These taxes will be due Spring, 2014.



TO NEW LAND OWNERS OR OLD LAND OWNERS – If you have bought or sold a portion of a lot of land, a map of the new division of the properties needs to be sent to the Selectmen/Assessors.

CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS

As of February 27, 2008, concealed weapon permit renewals and first-time applications now go through the **Maine State Police**, not the Town of Sorrento. If you need a first-time application or a renewal application, please call **624-7210** or go on line to maine.gov.

VITAL RECORDS – As of July 12, 2010 certified records of birth, marriage, & death increased from \$10 to \$15 and marriage licenses increased from \$30 to \$40. The State sets these rates.

AVAILABLE IN THE TOWN OFFICE

4" X 5" orange identification stickers for canoes, kayaks or rowboats. They have **IF FOUND – CONTACT** and space for your name and phone number.



All 2012 **BOAT REGISTRATIONS** expired on December 31. **MOST** of the 2013 boat registration renewals (those registered after **July 1, 2012** will not have renewals sent to this office from Augusta so please bring your 2012 registrations here with you when you come in to do your 2013 renewals) have been received from the State by this office.



Also...

If you own a **DOCUMENTED BOAT** there is no yearly registration fee. But there is a **yearly boat excise fee** (for which you are issued a boat excise sticker-similar to a boat registration sticker), payable to the town. This documented boat excise fee is due within 10 days of operation on State waters, or prior to July 1st of each year.

When you come in to pay your boat excise tax, please bring your documentation certificate with you. There will also be a Documented Boat Excise Tax Form for you to fill out. One can be sent to one if you call and let this office know.

MOORINGS AND ROWBOATS

ALL Sorrento waters come under the Sorrento Harbor Ordinance, so all moorings in all Sorrento waters will pay a fee.

Change for **mooring inspection**: has been changed from every 5 years to **EVERY 3 YEARS**.

DOGS

A list of unlicensed dogs has been given to the Animal Control Officer.

Animal Control Officers –

Marie Zwicker Cell 266-5027 460-8920

Beverly Merchant Cell 610-0892 (home)422-9504



2013 DOG LICENSES

WERE DUE BY JANUARY 1, 2013.

****Dogs must be licensed January 1 or when they reach 6 months of age.**

If you license your dog(s) **after** January 31 you will pay a **\$25 late fee** per dog along with the license fee.

****When licensing your dog, you must bring with you your dog's rabies certificate showing the tag number and date of expiration and your certificate of proof of spay or neuter, unless these are already on file at the Town Office.**

****If you lived and paid for your dog's license/tag in another town in Maine and now live in Sorrento, you must come in to the Town Office and exchange for a Sorrento license/tag.**

****Any dog living in the Town of Sorrento must have a**

Sorrento license/tag.



Spayed/neutered dog fee - \$6.00

Unaltered dog fee - \$11.00

PLEASE INFORM THE TOWN OFFICE IF YOU NO LONGER OWN A DOG. Thank you.

NOTE!!

DOGS: If you have a complaint about a dog(s) being on your property, running loose, barking, etc., you must sign a complaint form. This form states that you may be called to court to testify. Your name can be kept private until court time. If the person involved contacts you, this is witness tampering and can be addressed.

PET CARRIERS – If you have any pet carriers, small or large, that you would like to get rid of, please call the Animal Control Officers.

S.A.F.E. (Sullivan Animal Food Eatery): This is a pet food pantry that is open to residents of Sullivan and surrounding towns, **including Sorrento**. If you are having trouble making ends meet and feeding your pets, contact Kristine at the Sullivan Town Hall, 422-6282. The pet food, both dry and wet, for dogs and cats is available at the Sullivan Town Hall during business hours. Donations are gratefully accepted.

Voucher Program for Spay/Neuter:

Voucher program through the SPCA Animal Shelter if you need help with spaying/neutering your animals. They will pay 1/3, a participating vet will pay 1/3 and you pay 1/3. Please don't hesitate to ask for help. 667-8088

MAINE LAW NOW REQUIRES THAT ALL CATS MUST HAVE RABIES SHOTS.

There is no registration or license or fee as dogs have. But if an Animal Control Officer or other law officer asks to see your cat's rabies certificate for any reason, you must show them the rabies certificate.

CATS: If you have been feeding stray cats, it becomes your responsibility to take care of them, not the town's.



Animals and Cold Weather

Each year, thousands of pets left out in the cold suffer painful effects of frostbite or hypothermia, or even freeze to death. In freezing and sub-freezing conditions, often exacerbated by rain or snow, experts say it is a myth that dogs and cats can fend for themselves, any more than human beings can. Failure to take humane precautions for pets is often punishable by fine or imprisonment. In winter, a little common sense and compassion on the part of pet owners goes a

long way.

For starters, the skin on an animal – particularly ears, nose, foot pads, tails and any exposed areas such as the belly – can freeze in as few as 20 minutes in sub-zero temperatures, and it is not recommended to leave animals outside in temperatures below 40 degrees.

While certain hardy breeds with long, thick coats may fair better in the cold, most breeds cannot adapt to the elements and need sweaters for insulation and limited exposure time. If it's too cold for you to be outside, it's too cold for most domestic animals, and certainly not for hours on end. No matter what the breed, puppies, senior animals, those with arthritis or other frailties, and animals that are typically thin and/or have exhibited significant weight loss for any reason should never be out longer than necessary in winter, per the American Veterinary Association (AVA). According to the SPCA, in cold weather a car's interior acts like a refrigerator or freezer, so leaving an animal in a vehicle is definitely not recommended.

Finally, after a walk or exposure to snow and ice, clear away little ice balls that may collect between your pet's toes and cause painful freezing or frostbite. Toxic ice melting products like rock salt may also collect in paws (pet-safe varieties are available at pet stores), and rinsing and wiping well will prevent ingestion of chemicals that can cause irritation, vomiting and diarrhea when licked.

Signs of exposure in animals:

- *Fur stands erect (like goose bumps in humans), signaling decreased body temperature;

- *Shivering is triggered to generate heat;

- *Shivering becomes violent and animal becomes listless and uncoordinated, with hypothermia probable at this point;

- *Collapse and coma ensue, with major organs shutting down;

- *If frostbite is present, tissues are bright red, followed by pale color and then black (indicating death of tissue).

What to do:

- *Immediately seek veterinary help and use 24-hour emergency facilities if after hours; wrap animal in coat or blankets.

- *If veterinary care is not available and the animal is wet, immerse in lukewarm (not warm or hot) bath, gradually increasing temperature of water. Rub vigorously with towels for circulation. Apply warm packs such as hot water bottles to animal's arms if they have less fur, also to chest and abdomen. Warming with a hairdryer on medium heat can also help (wrap animal in blankets as soon as possible), as can a heating pad wrapped in towels (do not expose directly to animal's skin).

(Part of an article from the 2013 Farmers' Almanac.)

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

02/06/2013 – In attendance: Robert Wilpan, Dan Bierman, Harold Page, Esther Clement, Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement

Approved minutes from last meeting.

Signed certificates of appointments for Louis Sutherland, Jr. as Harbormaster and John Fuhrman as Shoreland Zoning Officer and Code Enforcement Officer.

Reviewed correspondence.

Signed disbursement warrant.

02/20/2013 – In attendance: Rob Wilpan, Dan Bierman, Harold Page, Esther Clement, and Dwayne Clement.

Guest: Greg Trundy

Approved minutes from last meeting.

Greg in to give progress report and turn in bills on finger floats.

Voted to accept the Howard Wellman Conservation LLC proposal for restoration workshop at the old cemetery.

Reviewed correspondence.

Signed disbursement warrant.

Voted and approved updated General Assistance Ordinance.

OK'd final improvements by Builder's Edge to the old firehouse.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

(as available)

Sorrento Code Enforcement Officer/Shoreland Zoning Officer—

Permits issued in February: none

Sorrento Community Building Committee

--No report submitted this month--

Sorrento Harbor Committee

-No report submitted this month-

From Coastal Recycling

(Sorrento Director-Austin Wilpan)

From the Sorrento Fire Department

FIRE PERMITS

Commercial burn permits

**are available November 15
and expire on April 15**

You are required by Maine law to have a permit to burn, even for a small pile of grass clippings or leaves. A Forestry Warden will be called if you burn without a permit, possibly resulting in you being summonsed to court and fined.

The person who signs the fire permit is responsible for the fire. Do not leave any fire unattended.

To obtain a burn permit contact:

Fire Chief Joey Clark (422-6570 or cell 812-2208)

Dep. Fire Chief Dwayne Clement (422-6889 or

422-3622 or cell 479-6049)

Asst. Fire Chief Mike Parker (422-6755)

Asst. Fire Chief Brian Clement (422-3503)

Chief Engineer Craig Clement (460-8851)

Required for burning:

*****at least two adults to attend the burn,***

*****some form of water supply and hand tools must be on hand,***

*****and it is recommended you have a cellular phone or other communication device to call for assistance should the fire escape.***

YOU are responsible to see that the fire is out before leaving.

Following are the calls, classes, work sessions, & training for the Sorrento Fire Dept. for the month of February:

02/05/13 – Sorrento and Sullivan fire departments and rescue squads were called to a 2-vehicle 10-55 on Route 1 in Sullivan. Responding from Sorrento with Engine 824 and Rescue 845 were Dwayne Clement, Mike Parker and Craig Clement.

02/10/13 – Sorrento and Sullivan fire departments and rescue squads were called to a 2-vehicle 10-55 on the intersection of Route 1 and Route 200. Responding with Engine 824 and Rescue 845 were Dwayne Clement and Brian Clement.

02/11/13 – Sorrento Rescue and Sullivan Rescue responded to a medical call in Sullivan. Responding with Rescue 845 was Dwayne Clement.

02/11/13 – Sorrento and Sullivan fire departments and rescue squads were called to a 2-vehicle 10-55 on Route 1 in Sullivan. Responding with Rescue 845 was Dwayne Clement and Craig Clement with the tanker.

02/12/13 – Regular monthly Fire Department and Auxiliary meetings. Attending were Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement, Brian Clement, Jon Mickel, Dudbridge Taylor, Ken Monroe, James Sullivan, Patty Sullivan and Esther Clement. 7 to 8:30PM.

02/16/13 – Regular monthly truck and station checks.

Attending were Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement, Dudbridge Taylor, Craig Clement, Jon Mickel and Ken Monroe.

02/19/13 – Sorrento Fire and Sullivan Fire were called to the Nautilus Road for a tree hanging over the road. Attending from Sorrento were Dwayne Clement and Brian Clement.

02/19/13 – Dwayne Clement and Dudbridge Taylor attended the Hancock County Firefighter Association's meeting and supper, hosted by the Sullivan Fire Department.

02/21/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on Route 1 in Sullivan. Responding with Rescue 845 for Sorrento was Joey Clark.

02/21/13 – Sullivan Fire and Sorrento Fire responded to a call on Fremont's Corner in Sullivan for a possible chimney fire. Responding for Sorrento was Joey Clark and Ken Monroe.

02/24/13 – The Schoodic Region Emergency Services Assn. (SRESA) was toned out to a structure fire in Prospect Harbor. Attending were Winter Harbor, Gouldsboro, Sorrento, Sullivan and Franklin with Hancock and Eastbrook on standby. Trucks 824, 832, 845 and 864 responded from Sorrento with Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement, Mike Parker, Jon Mickel and Craig Clement.

Tips on emergency preparedness can be found at <http://www.maineprepares.com>.

Sullivan Sorrento Playground News

A REMINDER!! – The official policy of the playground is **"carry in, carry out"**. Your efforts to keep this special area clean for all to use are appreciated.

If you would like to donate to the playground, you can leave your donation off at either the Sorrento Town Office or the Sullivan Town Office or it can be mailed. Please make checks payable to the Sullivan Sorrento Playground Fund.

The Sullivan-Sorrento Playground Committee has instituted a volunteer effort to maintain the area and keep it looking nice. If you would like to help with the ongoing care, please call the Sullivan Town Office.

Empty returnable cans and bottles are still being taken for the playground. **Please leave them at Tee Tee's Redemption at Buteau's Alley.** She will get the money to Lynn at the Sullivan Town Office – make sure to let Tee Tee know if you want the money to go to the playground or to P.A.W.S. (Protecting Animal Welfare).

There are items on sale in the Sullivan Town Office to benefit the playground.

To check for shellfish area openings or closings:
Call the **DMR Shellfish Sanitation Hotline** at 1-800-232 4733.

SHELLFISH ORDINANCE
Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Conservation

Ordinance



If you would like to harvest shellfish in Sorrento, a commercial or recreational shellfish license is required. **The licenses run from July 1 to June 30.** "Peck" or recreational licenses may be purchased at the Sorrento Town Hall. **A resident recreational license is \$6.00; a non-resident recreational license is \$11.00; 16 years and under and 65 years and older is only the \$1.00 agent fee.** Resident commercial licenses must be purchased at the Ellsworth City Hall. Non-resident commercial licenses are awarded annually by lottery.

A copy of the ordinance may be obtained in the lobby of the Sorrento Town Hall or at Ellsworth City Hall.

Shellfish warden Mike Hall is routinely patrolling the shoreline. Violators will be prosecuted for noncompliance. Local harvesters will work with DMR and other parties to work on conservation measures.

When used in the context of this new ordinance, the words "shellfish", "clams" and "intertidal shellfish resources" mean **soft shell clams** (*Mya arenaria*), **quahogs** (*Mercenaria mercenaria*), **razor clams** (*Ensis directus*), **hen clams** (*Spisula solidissima*), **eastern oysters** (*Crassostrea virginica*) and **European Oysters** (*Ostrea edulis*).

ROADSIDE TRASH



Starting April 4, 2013 you will once again
need to put your trash bags
(each with a trash sticker)
in trash cans for pick up,
as per our Sorrento ordinance.

Get your trash out early!

Each trash bag must have a Sorrento trash sticker on it—bags without stickers will not be picked up. Put the bags in trash cans (other than as stated above for winter). Per our contract with Harris Disposal, the trash bags are **not to exceed 40 pounds in weight when full.**

If something – a bird, animal, whatever – gets into your trash bags and scatters your trash, **you** are responsible for the cleanup – not Harris.

PLEASE NOTE—If a Thursday is a holiday, Harris will do the trash pick up on Friday.

COASTAL RECYCLING
in Hancock - 422-6766
Making it easier to recycle!

Hours:
Wednesday through Saturday
7AM to 4 PM.

There are brochures for Coastal Recycling available in the Town Hall lobby. These explain what they will and will not take.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING PICK UP



The months of **October through June** will have curbside recycling pick up **only the 4th Thursday** of those months.

The months of **July through September** have pick ups the **2nd and 4th Thursdays** of those months.

Roadside recycling pick up is done by Tatum Mclean of Gouldsboro. Please call him at **266-7908** if you have a problem.

Be sure that you have your recycling correctly separated. There are guidelines in the lobby of the Town Office as to how they are to be separated.

Note: The guidelines are the same as the Coastal Recycling guidelines (**note: except-roadside recycling does not pick up scrap metal**). If not separated correctly, they may not be picked up.

Recyclables must:

- * Be clean and dry
- * Separated into containers by category as shown in the Coastal Recycling handouts in the Town Hall lobby (come in and pick up a handout)
- * Be left out by 7:00 AM

**Dates for the next two months are -
March 28 and April 25**

Have your road-side recycling out EARLY!

Have your recycling out at 7:00 a.m.

Set it apart from your trash pick up so there is no mix-up.

Make sure it can be seen.

If you use plastic bags, it is a good idea to use a different color than you use for your trash bags. Clear bags are good.

Roadside recycling does NOT require stickers.

TAKE NOTE

There is a business here in Sorrento who will pick up metals for **FREE**.

Guyette's, Inc.

422-3908

Removal of metals - washers, dryers, , autos, etc.

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF

HEAT ASSISTANCE:

Call 211 – a 24/7 call center program providing information about programs and services available to Maine people.

LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) Fuel assistance with oil, kerosene, wood, pellets, propane or electricity.

Home Weatherization & Energy Related Repairs – Programs to fund improvements to make a home more energy efficient and comfortable. These could include home insulation, caulking, weather stripping and furnace repair or replacement.

Eligibility Screening for Other Assistance Programs. Approved LIHEAP applications opens opportunities for other available programs.

Energy Crisis Intervention Program (T.H.A.W. Fund) – is a one time, emergency assistance benefit for ¼ tanks or less or disconnection. This is a low-income, first come, first served basis program funded by donations to WHCA for fuel assistance.

Call WHCA for more info @ 546-7544 or the Ellsworth office @ 664-2424.

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE \$100 PER MONTH TO HELP PAY FOR YOUR GROCERIES?



Call the Senior Help Line at 1-877-ELDERS1 (1-877-353-3771 tollfree) or go to www.maine4a.org for more info.

(SNAP)The Maine Food Supplement Program is a USDA nutrition program that provides Mainers with extra money for food. A senior with a monthly gross income less than \$1,723, or \$2,333 for 2 people, is likely to be eligible. It is worth it to find out.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION LABELS FOR EDUCATION

Mountain View School is collecting box tops and labels for education.

There is a box for these boxtops and labels on the counter here at the town office. Check your cans boxes and bring in these tops and labels if you have any.

These are used to earn various items that the students can use at school.

Outside Sorrento

DOWN EAST SUNRISE TRAIL

This trail is an 85 mile multi-use recreational trail that starts in Hancock.

It can be used by walkers, bikers, skiers, horseback riders, ATVs and snowmobiles.

Parking is in the designated parking area on Railroad Siding Road (off Washington Junction Road).

P.A.W.

(Protecting Animals Welfare)

This is an animal advocacy group of volunteers who may be able to assist you with animal issues and questions. We are working on Trap/Spay/Neuter (T/N/R) programs, fostering and all other ways that we can help animals in the Hancock County area. We meet once per month. Contact Marie Zwicker, Sorrento A.C.O. at 460-8920 for any inquiries about the group and how they might assist you with your animal questions, problems or concerns. If you are interested in becoming a member of P.A.W.S., call Diane at 422-3789 if you want to find out more.

**There is a donation can on the counter of the
Sorrento Town Office**



The collected donations have been, and will continue to be, deposited in the bank to help address animal issues and concerns. P.A.W. received its Articles of Incorporation from the State of Maine, so are now recognized non-profit in Maine.

If you know of any animals being left outside too long or without shelter...please call the animal control officer.

P.A.W.S. may also be able to help with your vet bills if you are unable to pay them.

If you need help feeding your pets, you can go to the Sullivan Town Office for pet food. Don't let your pets go hungry or get rid of them because you can't afford to feed them. P.A.W.S. is ready to help. There is dog and cat food and also gerbil and guinea pig food.

If you can donate – cat food is needed.

SPAY/NEUTER VOUCHER PROGRAM AVAILABLE AT THE SPCA OF HANCOCK COUNTY

Voucher program available if you need help with spaying or neutering your animals.

They will pay 1/3, a participating vet will pay 1/3, and you

would pay 1/3.

Call the SPCA at 667-8088 or The Ark at 546-3484.

Don't be afraid to ask for a little help – spaying & neutering makes for a happy, healthy pet.

From the Sullivan Town Office –

Attention:

Lynn is the Sullivan Town Administrator and is not always available to answer everyone's question. Please ask the person answering the phone and if they can't answer your question they will get someone who can. The ladies working behind the counter are Kristine Guyton and Helen Gordon. Thank you.

The Sullivan Town Office says –

In a note from the Sullivan Town Office –

You MUST pay your auto excise in the town that you live in - before you come to Sullivan or other office to get registration stickers or plates.

When you come to the Sullivan Town Office to complete your vehicle registration, make sure to have your insurance card (it must show date of expiration). They must see your insurance card!

Excise Tax: Excise tax on your vehicle must be paid in the town you live in BEFORE you go to Sullivan or wherever you get your registration.

When registering a vehicle, you must have your insurance card and mileage with you. You must have your INSURANCE CARD, not your insurance bill (this is State law!). If you complete your registration in Sullivan, you can have a copy of your insurance card faxed from your insurance company to the town office at 422-4785.

When you pay your excise to the Town of Sorrento, you will receive 2 copies (a white copy and a yellow copy) of your registration needed to take to Sullivan (or wherever you complete your registration). Please fill out the white copy before coming in to Sullivan. This will save time.

The Sullivan Town Office does not take debit or credit cards.

Also, if you are required to file SR22 insurance you will need to go to Ellsworth to register your vehicle after you pay your excise in your town

SORRENTO-SULLIVAN RECREATION CENTER
BINGO on Tuesdays – put on by, and to benefit, the Sullivan Fire Department. Home cooked meals and great desserts. Raffle items, pull tab tickets. Come have some

fun and meet some new friends. You might even win some money!

The Sorrento Sullivan Recreation Center hall is available to rent for receptions, parties, anniversaries, suppers, etc. You do not have to be a resident of either town to rent. New tables, and a kitchen available.

Call 422-6282 and we will set you up with an application. Reasonable rental fees!!!

Donations are still being accepted for renovations.

Anyone wishing to join the Rec. Center Board please give Helen a call at 422-6719. If you don't want to join you can just be a helper!

(The Sorrento Sullivan Recreation Center Board is looking for some SORRENTO members!!)

THRIFT STORE IS OPEN

Tuesdays – Open at 1:00 p.m & most Saturdays.

Benefits the Pet Fund and the Recreation Center.

Donations are welcome but do not leave them outside the Rec. Center door. Call 422-6282 or 422-6504 to find out when to drop them off.

We do not take electronics. Goodwill will dispose of these for you for free.

FRENCHMAN BAY LIBRARY NEWS

The Library is located in the southern wing of the Sorrento Sullivan Recreation Center on US Hwy #1.

Hours: Monday 5-8 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 1-5 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Librarian: *Barbara Sawyer*

Assistant Librarian: *Gayla Thorsen*

Email: fb librarian@frenchman.lib.me.us

Website: <http://www.frenchman.lib.me.us>

Board Chair: *Myra Hornberger*

Contact: 422-2307

Frenchman's Bay Library

PO Box 215

Sullivan, ME 04664

Check us out on Facebook.

The Frenchman's Bay Library is one of six Maine libraries to receive a grant from the Library Foundation. This will help us add approximately 70 new books in our children's collection. More info coming.

Good Night, Good Books: Mondays, 6:30 pm.

Guest Readers:

March – Giselle Robertson

May – Diana Arney

If you like to read and cannot come to the library, we can bring books to you. Call 422-2307. Leave a

message if we aren't in and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

March Book Club will meet on March 18 at 2:00 p.m. The March book is "The Secret Garden".

The Library has baby booties and baby hats for \$2.00. Our library book bags are \$5.00. Come in and check us out and check out a book.

Reminder: The Library has WIFI.

THE ELLSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Friday--9:00 to 5:00

Wednesday and Thursday--9:00 to 8:00

Saturday 9:00 to 2:00

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Pre-School Story Times

Tuesdays at 10:30am

Recommended for 4 & 5 year olds

Thursdays at 10:30am

Recommended for 2 & 3 year olds

Fridays at 10:00am – Laptime

Recommended for 0 to 24 months

SULLIVAN SORRENTO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Sullivan Weekly Bulletin of January 6, 1882 contained the following news:

Thermometer 15 degrees below zero at seven o'clock morning of Saturday at W. Sullivan.

and

"Old Rum, we guarantee "Old Rum", the finest 5 cent cigar in Sullivan.

Dunbar Bros. Sole Agent

Looking for old maps or deeds to your property? Need an old obituary? Many resources are now online and can be accessed on the computer. Come in to the Historical society at the Sorrento Sullivan Recreation Center on Tuesday from 1 to 3 PM and we can help you find what you are looking for.

**JOIN YOUR SOCIETY
DUES**

for the Sullivan-Sorrento Historical Society are being collected for the period June 30, 2012 through June 29, 2013.

Please mail to:

Sullivan-Sorrento Historical Society
P.O. Box 44
Sullivan, Maine 04664

Enclosed are my dues as checked:

_____ Individual \$10.00
_____ Family \$10.00
_____ Life Member \$100.00
_____ Donation

Name: _____

Address: _____

e-mail _____

Visit the web-site: www.Ellsworthme.org.sshs

The Historical Society is located in the Sorrento-Sullivan Recreation Center in Sullivan – come in the front right-hand doorway, up the stairs, then first door on the right.

The Sullivan Sorrento Historical Society Museum is open from 10AM on Saturday, in addition to Tuesday, 1 to 3 PM. The Museum is also open by reservations. For more information call 422-6277.

For more information on programs or the tour call 422-0995 or email gandjedwards@gwi.net or see Donna at the Historical Society from 1:00 -3:00PM on Tuesdays.

EMMAUS SHELTER GENERAL WISH LIST

These items are used daily and they would welcome donations:

Plastic twin mattress & pillow covers
Pre-paid phone cards and postage stamps
Dish & laundry detergent & dishwasher tabs
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Coffee – regular & decaf
Sugar, margarine, butter
Adult Advil, Tylenol, Ibuprofen
Batteries, pens & markers

Items Available at the Sorrento Town Hall:

Sorrento, A Well Kept Secret--\$15 (\$20 if mailed)
A Bicentennial History of Sullivan, ME--\$42.15 (+\$5 if mailed)

Sorrento Fire and Rescue Golf Tees - Bag of 6 for \$.50
or three bags for \$1.00

NOW IN!!!

LED Flashlight Keychain - \$3.50

(Sorrento Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary)

2013 Day Planner/Calendar Pocket Pal – includes notepad, ID area, lists of holidays, auto service record, mileage between some US cities, First Aid for Emergencies, weights and measures, toll-free numbers, Web sites, time zones, area codes listing some maps with

plenty of room to put in your daily appointments or notes...and it is only about 3" x 6"! **\$5.00**
(Sorrento Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary)

In Home Care

State of Maine Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) is available to care for you or your family member in your home. A CNA helps you maintain your independence by providing a variety of tasks, including personal care based on an individual care plan, housekeeping, food preparation, and laundry. Call 422-3219 for more information or email dedam@panax.com and ask for Liz Dedam.

Coastal Lawn Mowing and Caretaking – snowplowing available. Call Greg Ring 422-0934

Willy's Mowing is looking for a few more driveways to plow. Most driveways are \$20. This next spring I am offering a recession price of \$25 per mowing (no trimming). Please call 460-7718. willy1960@yahoo.com

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The Swap Meet

What would you like to buy sell, or swap?

Please send or call in with your would-likes.

FOR RENT:

HOUSE FOR RENT: Summer and Fall, 2013

"Westcove", the Worrell's house above the boatyard in Sorrento, is available for parts or all of June, July, August and September of 2013. Big, rambling, welcoming and warm. Fully outfitted. Great house ... fun to live in.

*Washer, dryer, dishwasher and fully equipped kitchen

*5+ bedrooms can sleep 8 to 10 people

*Close to the village and activities

July and early-August renters may purchase weekly/monthly membership in the Sorrento Village

Improvement Association (SVIA); such membership allows access to facilities and programs for Sailing, Swimming, Golf, Tennis and Croquet.

Rates vary by week and are discounted for multiple, contiguous weeks of stay.

CONTACT: Bob Worrell; rgworrell@hotmail.com.

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Charming house with view of Sorrento Harbor.

Three large rooms and bath, furnished. \$750 per month, Plus utilities. Call 422-3235.

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NEWSLETTER NEWS

Please **submit items by the 23rd of the month** to Esther Clement, Sorrento Town Office, 79 Pomola Ave., Sorrento, ME 04677-3126 or fax 422-3737.

Clarification of Letter in Down East Magazine

in the February issue

for the section 'Where in Maine?' Cheryl Kugel of Sorrento sent in a letter identifying the spot. Down East Magazine published her letter as follows –

I instantly recognized the house in December's "Where in Maine?" It was built by my great-grandfather for Dr. Sumner and his family in Sullivan. The lofty peak of Schoodic Mountain on Mount Desert Island can be seen from several wonderful vistas along Route 1 as it passes through the town.

This was not the letter Cheryl had written – parts were changed. Her letter should have been as follows –

I instantly recognized the house in the right background of this serene picture. It was built by my great grandfather C.E. Hale for a young Dr. Sumner and his family in the lovely town of Sullivan. The village sits on the banks of the Taunton River and along Frenchman's Bay in Hancock County. The lofty peak of Schoodic Mountain and the range of mountains on Mt. Desert Island can be seen from several wonderful vistas along Rt. 1 as it passes through the town.

**Answers to Moe-Moe.
Call 422-3219.**

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