

The Sorrento Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2013

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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, November 8

Monday, November 11 Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 13

**Tuesday, November 19
open 2:15 to 6PM**

**Friday, November 22
open 8 to 10AM**

**Thursday & Friday
November 28 and 29 Thanksgiving**

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.



Daylight Savings Time ended November 3. The Sorrento Fire Department wants to know if you remembered to check your smoke/fire and carbon monoxide detectors.

The weekly trash bags must be in trash cans - a sticker on each bag.



Beginning **December 5**, trash bags may be put out without being in trash cans, due to the difficulty of getting around in the snow, and as our practice the last few years. The bags must still have stickers on them.



Fly the flag:

November 11 - Veterans Day

November 28-Thanksgiving Day

December 7 - National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (fly half mast until sunset)

CHRISTMAS VISIT, SONGS, REFRESHMENTS



Santa will be visiting at the Sorrento Community Building with goodies **for children up through 5th grade on Sunday, December 8 at 2:00PM.** Along with Santa's goodies for the children, we will have songs, a story or two and refreshments afterwards.

If you are new to Sorrento since last Christmas, please call the town office with your child's/children's name(s) and age(s).

Everyone is welcome!!

A SORRENTO COOKBOOK



Be sure to check out the end of this newsletter.

FEMA ELEVATION CERTIFICATES

The Town of Sorrento participates in the **National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)** allowing residents to purchase flood insurance. If you have flood insurance you also have a FEMA elevation certificate. Please send a copy of this certificate (or bring it in so we can copy it) to the Town Office to file with your property records.

Thank you,
Rob Wilpan, Selectman

For those of you who have been waiting for **FairPoint** to **expand** their **broadband** in town, it has finally happened.

To find out if you are eligible for FairPoint's high-speed internet and to obtain information about prices and bundled plans, residential consumers can call 1-866-984-2001 and 1-866-984-3001 for businesses or visit www.FairPoint.com

FairPoint has expanded broadband service to an additional 80 homes and businesses in Sorrento.

High-speed connection areas include portions of the following roads in Sorrento: Andrews, Bass Cove, Bunker, Eyrie, Fred's Way, JB, Ledgewood, Ober, Pomola, East Side and Treasure Island.

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.

POSITIONS/APPOINTMENTS OPEN -

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

PLANNING BOARD - 3 positions open (of 5 member board)

Planning Board members are Elisabeth Heyward and Gerald Mehl.

We need a minimum of 3 members for a working Planning Board. We are **looking for 3 more members**

for the Planning Board so that we have the complete Board of 5 members.

Sorrento Representative to the Hancock County Planning Commission

1 position on the Harbor Committee (to complete the time left by the late Buddy Trundy)

2 positions on the Appeals Board

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.

(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.

NOTE FROM THE SULLIVAN TOWN OFFICE:

Sorrento residents have to go to the Sorrento Town Office **FIRST** and pay the excise tax on the vehicle you are registering. Motor Vehicle in Augusta says towns are not supposed to accept excise from other towns.

IF YOU COME TO SULLIVAN BEFORE PAYING YOUR EXCISE TAX IN SORRENTO, YOU WILL BE SENT BACK TO SORRENTO.



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. MAKE SURE WHEN YOU PURCHASE YOUR FRESHWATER FISHING LICENSE THAT YOU ASK FOR THE SALTWATER FISHING TO BE MARKED ALSO, IF YOU WISH TO SALTWATER FISH.

You should have your freshwater fishing license with you when fishing in saltwater to prove you have been 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 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 were due January 25, 2013. Interest on unpaid 2012 property taxes began on January 26, 2013.

The lien process on any unpaid 2012 property taxes was begun in October 2013. Liens will be placed on the unpaid properties 30 days from the mailing of the lien notice.

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 August, 2014.**

MAINE RESIDENTS PROPERTY TAX & RENT REFUND PROGRAM

This program has been repealed and replaced by a Refundable Property Tax Fairness Credit that can be claimed on the Maine Income Tax Form.

Starting January 14, 2014 on the 2013 Maine Individual Income Tax Form 1040ME, a worksheet will be included to calculate the amount of the credit.

HOMEOWNERS OR RENTERS WILL BE ELIGIBLE WHO MEET ALL OF THE

FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS: Residents during any part of the tax year; owned or rented and lived in a home in Maine during any part of the tax year; had Maine adjusted gross income of not more than \$40,000; paid property tax on a home during the tax year that was more than 10% of your adjusted gross income, or paid rent that was more than 40% of your adjusted gross income.

Forms can be downloaded from the following website:

<http://www.maine.gov/revenue/forms>

or call 624-7894 to request a form.

Questions??? Call 626-8475



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.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Whether you register your boat(s) and get registration stickers, or your boat is documented and you only get excise stickers, these stickers need to be put on the boat, in the correct areas. THIS IS STATE LAW.

MOORINGS AND ROWBOATS

The 2013 mooring/rowboat applications/payments were due by July 15, with late fees of \$25 per week accruing after that date.

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

Animal Control Officers –

Marie Zwicker Cell 266-5027 460-8920

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



**2014 DOG LICENSES
WENT ON SALE
OCTOBER 15**

****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 and The Ark 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. Call the SPCA at 667-8088 or The Ark at 546-3484 and ask for a voucher. You make the appointment, they fax the voucher to the vet., you take your pet in.

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.



TALES FROM P.A.W. – Marie Zwicker, President

Welcome to the first edition of the P.A.W. (Protecting Animals Welfare) Newsletter. We will be putting this out quarterly. This will update you on the happenings of our Animal Welfare/Animal Advocacy/Rescue and TNR group. That's a lot we do and accomplish for a small group of people but we do it because we love animals and want them to be protected. Please visit our facebook page.

You can find the total newsletter at the Sorrento and Sullivan town offices. Pick up a P.A.W. newsletter and read about some of our cats' stories. Are you looking for a new member to your family? We have some lovely cats in foster.

FOSTER HOMES FOR CATS

Anyone have any room in your heart and home to foster or adopt some stray cat or cats.

Foster homes are badly needed for cats until they are adopted or put in an available humane society.

Please call Marie at 460-8920 or 266-5027 if you have any questions about this.

The P.A.W. newsletter that you can pick up at the Sorrento or Sullivan town offices will give you information on some of the cats being fostered and looking for a home.

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

10/02/2013 – In attendance: Rob Wilpan, Dan Bierman, Sr., Craig Clement, Esther Clement, Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement,
Guest: Neil Wilpan

Approved minutes from last meeting.

Neil Wilpan in about Coastal Cleanup and how much was collected.

Signed municipal sewer extension contract with Olver Associates.

Accepted Robert Johnson's bid for Town Center Parking Lot and accepted County Concrete bid for paving the Town Center. Craig Clement abstained from voting.

Reviewed correspondence.

Signed disbursement warrant.

10/16/2013 – In attendance: Rob Wilpan, Dan Bierman, Sr., Craig Clement, Esther Clement, Joey Clark and Dwayne Clement.

Guests: Terry Noyes, Bob Gilman

Approved minutes from last meeting.

Reviewed correspondence.

Signed disbursement warrant.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

(as available)

Sorrento Code Enforcement Officer/Shoreland Zoning Officer—John Fuhrman, 963-2363

Permits issued in October:

Barbara & Lindsay Fauth, 306 Ocean Ave., - construct a 10' x 35'7" addition

REMINDER: As of January 1, 2013 all contractors doing soil work in the shore land **must** have State Certification and **must** furnish a copy to code enforcement for **every** shore land project.

Sorrento Community Building Committee

--No report submitted this month--

Sorrento Harbor Committee

-No report submitted this month-

From Coastal Recycling

(Sorrento Director-Austin Wilpan)

Minutes-

From the Sorrento Fire Department

FIRE PERMITS

Commercial burn permits are available October 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 September:

09/30/13 – Sorrento Rescue and Sullivan Rescue responded to a medical call on the East Side Road in Sorrento. Responding in Rescue 845 for Sorrento were Dwayne Clement and Brian Clement.

10/02/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on the Old Mill Road in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento was Jon Mickel.

10/03/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call to the Tunk Lake Road in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento in Rescue 845 was Dwayne Clement.

10/05/13 – Regular monthly truck and station checks. Attending were Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement, Brian Clement, Dudbridge Taylor, Craig Clement and Todd Daley. 8 to 10AM.

10/05/13 – Sullivan Fire Department and Sorrento Fire Department were called tires on fire on a truck on Route 1 in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento were Joey Clark and Jon Mickel. Sorrento was advised to stand down as the fire was put out with fire extinguishers.

10/05/13 – Sorrento Rescue and Sullivan Rescue responded to a call from Hancock Fire to set up for Lifeflight landing in Hancock for a medical emergency. Responding for Sorrento in Rescue 845 were Dwayne Clement and Jon Mickel.

10/08/13 – Meeting. SVFD Auxiliary and Fire Department. Attending were Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement, Esther Clement, Judy High, Craig Clement, Jon Mickel, Ken Monroe and Todd Daley.

10/10/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on the Bert Gray Road in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento with Rescue 845 was Dwayne Clement.

10/13/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on the Sunrise Trail portion in Sullivan. Attending for Sorrento were Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement, Brian Clement and Jon Mickel.

10/14/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on the Bert Gray Road in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento in Rescue 845 was Joey Clark.

10/14/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento with Rescue 845 was Joey Clark and Jon Mickel.

10/19/13 – Sorrento Rescue and Sullivan Rescue responded to a medical call on Beech Street in Sorrento. Responding with Rescue 845 were Dwayne Clement, Ken Monroe and Jon Mickel.

10/19/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on Tunk Lake Road in Sullivan. Responding with Rescue 845 was Dwayne Clement.'

10/21/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on the Morancy Road in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento in Rescue 845 were Dwayne Clement and Brian Clement.

10/24/13 – Meeting and preparation for Fire Prevention at Mountain View School. Attending from Sorrento were Joey Clark, Dwayne Clement and Jon Mickel. 6 to 8PM.

10/25/13 – Fire Drill and Fire Prevention Program at Mountain View School. Attending from Sorrento with trucks 824, 845 and 851 were Dwayne Clement, Jon Mickel and Joey Clark, respectively. 7 to 10AM.

10/26 & 27/13 – Fire Chief's Class in Ellsworth. Attending was Joey Clark.

10/26 & 27/13 – EVOC(emergency vehicle) training in Sullivan. Attending was Jon Mickel.

10/28/13 – Sullivan Rescue and Sorrento Rescue responded to a medical call on Route 1 in Sullivan. Responding for Sorrento with Rescue 845 was Dwayne Clement.

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

FRENCHMAN BAY REGIONAL SHELLFISH WARDEN-Mike Hall

Michael A. Hall
Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Warden
400-6183

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*).

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.



ROADSIDE TRASH

Beginning December 5 you may be put out your trash bags (each with a trash sticker) without being in trash cans, as is our practice through the winter months. Don't forget that if you do this, there is the chance of animals or birds getting in to your bags and it is your responsibility to clean it up.

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. 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 -
December 5 (due to Thanksgiving)
and
December 26

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 if you have them.

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).

REFLECTIVE 9-1-1 SIGNS

Reflective 9-1-1 signs can be purchased at the Sullivan Town Office. They are \$10.00 each and they make them there. Make sure you have your correct 9-1-1 number.

P.A.W. (Protecting Animals Welfare)

RAFFLE

P.A.W. IS HAVING A RAFFLE TO BENEFIT THEIR PROTECTING ANIMALS WELFARE ORGANIZATION

Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Sullivan Town Office.

\$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00

There are some good prizes. Stop in and see the list.

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.

TITLES

**A vehicle is required to have a title in the State of Maine if it is 1995 or newer:
all motor vehicles,
trailers over 3000 lbs. (empty),
motorcycles with engines 300CC or higher.**

From the Sullivan Town Office –

**Make note:
Sullivan Town Office will be closed
December 24 to January 2.**

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 –

New message from the Sullivan Town Office –

Sorrento residents have to go to the Sorrento Town Office FIRST and pay the excise tax owed on your vehicle. Motor Vehicle in Augusta says towns are not supposed to accept excise from other towns.

IF YOU COME TO SULLIVAN BEFORE PAYING YOUR EXCISE TAX IN SORRENTO, YOU WILL BE SENT BACK.

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.

Kitchen available.

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

Need a space for a yard sale? Rent a space here for \$20.00.

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 to 5:00p.m
& Saturdays 10am to 2:00pm..

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.

SULLIVAN SORRENTO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Arabella (Belle) Wooster, daughter of Henry L. Wooster, a master mariner of Sullivan, was born in 1840. She married Hollis Higgins of Trenton. He became captain of the brigantine the Mannie Swan and together they sailed the seven seas. According to newspaper reports, they kept "exotic animals" on the Mannie Swan. The Mannie Swan was retired in 1920, but not before famous painter Antonio Jacobsen painted her. A photocopy of the painting is at the Museum.

There was a ship built, probably in Franklin, named the Belle Wooster. The historical society is purchasing a print from the Penobscot Marine Museum of a painting of the ship.

In later years, after Captain Higgins died, Arabella returned to Sullivan and lived with her sister, Elizabeth Simpson. She died in 1924 at 75 years of age and is buried in the North Ellsworth Cemetery.

If you have more information of Arabella Wooster Higgins, please contact Jeanne Edwards at 422-0995, or gandjedwards@ghi.net.

We don't have a curator at this time so call ahead before you go.

Please call Jeanne or Gary Edwards to make an

appointment. 422-0995.

We are also looking for residents from Sullivan and Sorrento to be Board members. Board members help plan programs, attend Board meetings, which are generally monthly, and have an interest in local history and genealogy. Anyone interested, please call Jeanne Edwards at 422-0995.

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.

JOIN YOUR SOCIETY

DUES

for the Sullivan-Sorrento Historical Society are being collected for the period June 30, 2013 through June 29, 2014.

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.

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*

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.

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.

Thank you to Ryan Daley, for demonstrating fire equipment & the Rescue Truck at the October P.J> Story Time.

If you would like to be a guest reader, call us @ 422-2307 to discuss a time and date.

Framed, matted photos and prints have been donated to the library. They are for sale: \$25.00 for small & \$35.00 for large. They will make great birthday, Christmas, anniversary or house warming gifts.

The Maine Readers' choice Award Winner is: "A Land More Kind Than Home", by Wiley Cash.

Save these important dates:

Saturday, November 23, 10-2PM – Holiday Bake Sale. Location: The library. The money from this sale will go to the purchase of new books and media. If you would like to donate a baked item call or stop by.

Sunday, January 26, 2014, 1-3PM. Souper Chili Lunch. We have moved the time up for this so everyone will be home before dark. We will have a small raffle.

We hope to see you at these events as they are important fund raisers for the library.

Ask us about **A Blind Date With A Book.**

Work is progressing on our Maine area. We will let you know the date of the unveiling.

Good Night, Good Books:

November 4 Linda Malaussina will be our guest reader. She'll bring her reading therapy dog to visit with the children.

Remember to check our website: <http://www.frenchman.lib.me.us/> and let us know what you think.

If you have an extra hour and would like to volunteer, we would love to have you.

Reminder: The Library has WIFI.

Free Ancestry.com

Connection to the Maine State Library

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

ANNUAL HOLIDAY CONCERT

The Acadia Hand Bell Choir will open the holiday season with their annual concert on **Wednesday, December 4 at 7PM**. The free concert will be held on the main level of the library. A special evening for the entire family to enjoy.

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November Art Show: The Wednesday Painters return to the Riverview Room with a group show of their works!
December Art Show: To Be Announced

November Display Case: Friends In Action
December Display Case: Acadia Skating Association

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

No story hours during Christmas week.

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Children's & Teen Programs

Special Saturday Story times

Saturday, November 16, 10:30am

Where the Wild Things Are Listen to the story, make Wild Thing masks, and go on a scavenger hunt around the library to find character cut outs!

No Special Story Time in December.

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The Reading Pros

After School Book Club

The book club will meet on **Fridays, November 1 and December 6 at 2PM**. Books and activities are recommended for 3rd through 5th graders and all are invited to join. For more information, contact Abby at 667-6363 or amorrow@ellsworth.lib.me.us.

Legos @ the Library

Building fun for all kids and teens on **Fridays, 2PM, on November 8 and December 13**. Bring your Legos or use ours and get creative with your friends in the Riverview Room.

Puppets!

At **2PM Fridays, November 15 and December 27** – This group is for grade school age children. Kids will learn how to make puppets then how to use the puppets they have created. They will also write an original puppet play and perform it at a Special Saturday Story Time next spring!

Bibliophile Read-A-Thon

This group for 6th through 8th graders will meet at **2pm on Fridays, November 22 and December 20**.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

will meet on **Wednesdays at 3:30pm on November 6 and December 4** at the library. Serving on our TAB counts toward your community services hours and you will have fun too! Open to all teens in 9th through 12th grades.

Catching Fire

Wednesday, November 20, 6PM

the movie – Games and activities based on the book and movie.

ADULT PROGRAMS

The Ellsworth Public Library Knitting Workshop

Saturdays, 10AM to 12 noon,

November 2, November 16, December 7 and December 21

Come knit or crochet with us on the first and third Saturdays of each month in the knitting nook (3rd floor). Knitters and crocheters of all levels are welcome!

"Tightwad Exchange" Brown Bag Session

Wednesdays, Noon to 1PM

November 6 and December 4,

Join others who are looking for ways to save money, stretch the budget, and share frugal ideas. This is a brown bag meeting, so feel free to bring your lunch.

"The Ellsworth Public Library Book Discussion"

Thursdays, 6 to 7:30PM

November 7, Discussion on the *Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot.

December 5, Discussion group will meet for the Annual Pot Luck Dinner – Yankee Swap. Discussion on *Remarkable Creatures* by Tracy Chevalier.

"The Ellsworth Chess Club".

Thursdays, 6 to 7PM

November 7, 14, 31

December 5, 12, 19, 26

Meets every Thursday evening at the Library. New members are welcome.

“Caregivers’ Support & Education Group”

Tuesdays, 2PM

November 12, December 10

This is a monthly support group for anyone who is caring for someone else. You can attend one meeting or come each month. The group is facilitated by Dottie VanHorn, LSW of the Eastern Area Agency on Aging, and Mary McKillop of the library staff.

The Ellsworth Public Library Writers Group

Thursday, November 21, 6 to 7:30PM.

New and experienced writers are invited to gather and share ideas. The group offers friendly critique, encouragement, resources, and writing prompts.

Financial Fitness

Wednesday, November 20, Noon to 1PM

Wednesday, December 18, Noon to 1PM

Understanding the myriad of financial issues facing us each day can be a challenge and finding reliable information can be challenging as well. Roberta Kuriloff, Attorney-at-Law, Tricia Quirk, C.P.A., and Anne Gibson, Certified Financial Planner, will be available to discuss any financial or estate topics you might have. So bring your lunch and your financial questions and join us in the Riverview Room.

Hospice Appreciation – What do You Know?

Thursday, November 14, 6PM

When you hear “hospice” do you think of grim death and dying scenarios? Did you know that those in hospice service view it as one of the most positive things they can do? In recognition of National Hospice Awareness Month, this program will share information about what hospice is – and isn’t – that just may surprise you. In honor of Veterans Day on November 11, also included will be information about Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County’s Veterans and Caregivers Outreach Program. Join us for a celebratory experience. Our presenter will be Jody Wolford-Tucker, the Executive Director of Hospice volunteers of Hancock County.

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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**

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)

Sorrento Fire and Rescue ‘For the Cure’ T-shirts.

Dark blue shirts and pink shirts. Sizes M, L, XL, XXL.

\$12.00



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:

FOR RENT – Mooring in Sorrento, upper harbor (Sorrento Harbor) 422-6514

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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.