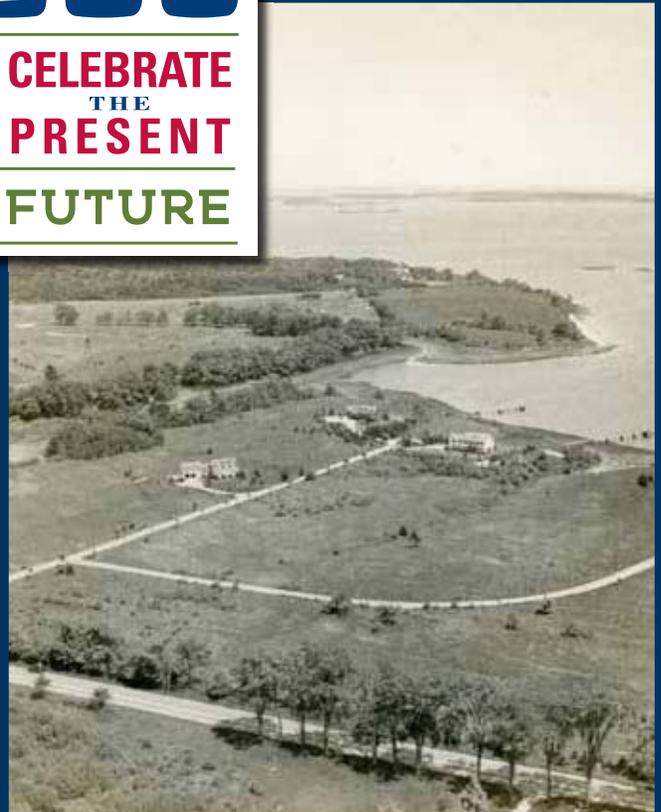


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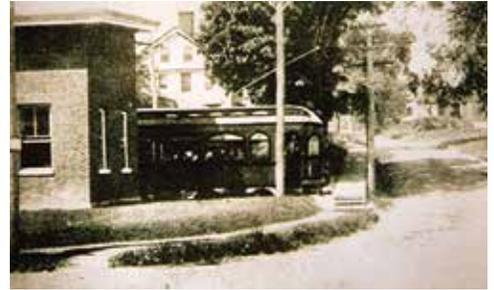
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West Falmouth Interurban at Mountain Road.



West Falmouth Storefronts, late 1800s.



1781 Map of the Coast of Maine. Courtesy Osher Map Library.

ON THE FRONT COVER

Clockwise from top right: unidentified Falmouth family farm in the late nineteenth century, aerial view of Bramhall Field circa 1946, Graves School circa 1880, Falmouth Town Hall in 1921. Photos on cover and above courtesy of the Falmouth Historical Society.



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January 2018

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

For two years, a group of dedicated residents has been planning a year-long program filled with educational and entertaining events to commemorate Falmouth’s 300th anniversary of incorporation. Committee members – with suggestions and assistance from community organizations, businesses, neighbors, friends, and family – have met regularly to consider how best to mark the town’s Tercentennial. The result is Falmouth300 – a series of events and programs designed to *Honor the Past, Celebrate the Present, and Invest in the Future* of our town.

To facilitate the planning and implementation of this ambitious endeavor, Falmouth300 joined with a number of partner organizations as well as financial sponsors. The efforts of our partners demonstrate the strong ties between the Town, its residents, schools, businesses, service organizations, and cultural institutions. The generous donations of our sponsors helped to fund this endeavor, allowing for a year-long calendar of events and the creation of long-lasting legacy projects. This is truly a community effort.

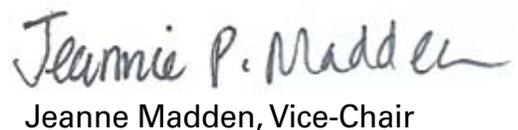
Special thanks to our sponsors, volunteer committee members, current and past Town Councilors, and Town staff, who all provided invaluable support to the planning of Falmouth300.

Falmouth300 will be educational, entertaining, and enjoyable for all the residents of our community. We invite everyone to join this showcase of Falmouth’s spirit and community pride as we commemorate this historic event.

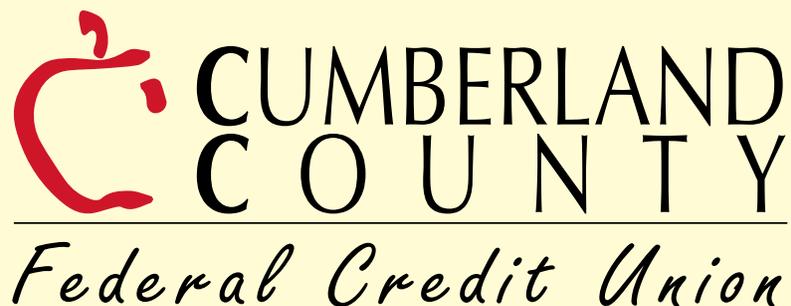
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■ July 23, Falmouth Parks and Community Programs "Concerts in the Park," featuring the Maine Pops Band, Village Park, Hat Trick Drive ★

■ "The Presumpscot River: An Environmental History," presented by Michael Shaughnessy, President, Friends of the Presumpscot River, hosted by Falmouth Memorial Library, part of the *Changing Landscapes, Shifting Tides: The Story of Falmouth Event Series*, presented by Stantec U★↔

■ July Donate300: Maine Soggy Dog, 251 U.S. Route 1, collecting dry food for cats and dogs, wet food for cats, and dog toys (no polyester toy fill please) to benefit the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland ↔

AUGUST 2018

■ August 6, Falmouth Parks and Community Programs "Concerts in the Park," Village Park, Hat Trick Drive ★

■ August 8, Plummer High School Lunch Bunch Alumni Luncheon U

■ August 8, Community Picnic & Street Dance presented by Back Cove Financial, Village Park, Hat Trick Drive 300 ★

■ August 23, 4th Annual Taste of Tidewater, to benefit the University of Maine Gardens at Tidewater Farm ★↔

■ August Donate300: Lebel & Harriman, LLC, 366 U.S. Route 1, Suite 2, collecting school supplies for area children in need ↔

SEPTEMBER 2018

■ September 27, Harvest Moon Farm Party, to benefit Falmouth Land Trust, Hurrricane Valley Farm U★↔

■ Falmouth Parks and Community Programs Great Outdoor Maine Week-Ends: Kayak to Clapboard Island ★

■ Falmouth Historic Sites Guided Tour, hosted by Falmouth Parks and Community Programs and the Falmouth Historical Society U

■ Exploring Falmouth Cemeteries, presentation and launch of Falmouth Cemetery Guide, hosted by Falmouth Memorial Library U

■ "Researching Falmouth's Quakers," presentation by Wayne Cobb, hosted by the Falmouth Historical Society U

OCTOBER 2018

■ October 6, Apple Day, Maine Audubon U

■ October 13, Annual Falmouth Fire-EMS Open House and Touch-a-Truck, Central Station, Bucknam Road ★

■ October 13-14, Class of 1958 High School Reunion U

■ October 18, Annual Harvest Community Supper, to benefit Falmouth Food Pantry, Falmouth Congregational Church, Falmouth Road ↔

■ October 18, "The History of Falmouth Congregational Church," a multi-media presentation hosted by Falmouth Congregational Church, Falmouth Road U

■ "The History of Falmouth," a play presented by Falmouth Schools Theater Department U

■ Falmouth Police Department Open House, 2 Marshall Drive ★

■ "Writing and Researching Falmouth History," Annual Meeting of the Falmouth Historical Society U

■ October Donate300: Falmouth Memorial Library, collecting hand-knit and store bought hats, scarves, and mittens to benefit Falmouth Food Pantry ↔

KEY

300 = Falmouth300 Signature Event

U = Honor the Past

★ = Celebrate the Present

↔ = Invest in the Future

NOVEMBER 2018

■ November 4, Annual Town-Wide Volunteer Fair, hosted by the Town of Falmouth and the Falmouth Community Volunteer Cooperative, Mason-Motz Activity Center, Middle Road ↔

■ November 6, Election Day, Falmouth High School Gymnasium ↔

■ November 11-12, Incorporation Day and Veterans Day Observances 300 U

■ November 29-December 1, Very Merry Falmouth presented by the Town of Falmouth and the Falmouth-Cumberland Community Chamber of Commerce ★

■ November 30, Falmouth300 Closing Fireworks at Very Merry Falmouth, presented by Bath Savings 300 U★

■ November 30, Merry Mix & Mingle, part of Very Merry Falmouth, hosted by Falmouth-Cumberland Community Chamber, Event Tent, U.S. Route 1 ★

■ "Danish Settlement in Falmouth," a multi-media presentation by Larry Dyhrberg, presented by Falmouth Historical Society, hosted by Emmaus Lutheran Church, Middle Road U

■ November Donate300: Norway Savings Bank, 266 U.S. Route 1, collecting canned goods to benefit Falmouth Food Pantry ↔

DECEMBER 2018

■ December 1, Ugly Sweater 5K & Merry Mile, to benefit Falmouth Memorial Library, part of Very Merry Falmouth, U.S. Route 1 ★↔

■ December 1, Hot-in-a-Pot Cook Off, part of Very Merry Falmouth, Event Tent, U.S. Route 1 ★

■ December Donate300: Falmouth Martial Arts, Mason-Motz Center, 190 Middle Road, collecting unwrapped, new toys to benefit Toys for Tots ↔

WATCH FOR THESE ADDITIONAL FALMOUTH300 SIGNATURE EVENTS

■ *Changing Landscapes, Shifting Tides: The Story of Falmouth Event Series*, presented by Stantec, monthly events exploring the interactions between humans and the landscape over Falmouth's 300-year history.

■ *The Story of Falmouth Traveling Exhibit*, presented by Leavitt & Sons Deli, at locations throughout Falmouth in 2018.

**IS YOUR ORGANIZATION PLANNING A
TERCENTENNIAL-RELATED EVENT THAT
YOU'D LIKE INCLUDED IN THE
FALMOUTH300 ONLINE CALENDAR?
EMAIL: FALMOUTH300@FALMOUTHME.ORG.**

NOTE: Events listed are subject to change. Some events are ticketed or require reservations. New events will be added as planning moves forward. Visit Falmouth300.org for updates on dates, times, venues, ticketing, and reservations. Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Falmouth300/ or sign up for updates sent right to your inbox at Falmouth300.org.



TOWN OF FALMOUTH RESOLUTION
Falmouth's Tercentennial Year 2018

- WHEREAS,** Falmouth will soon mark the 300th anniversary of its incorporation as a town in 1718; and
- WHEREAS,** The Town will commemorate this milestone with a variety of engaging, educational, and community-minded events and activities throughout 2018; and
- WHEREAS,** the Town's Ad-Hoc Tercentennial Planning Committee has collaborated with numerous community organizations to create a full calendar of events with something for everyone to enjoy, including lectures, exhibits, musical programs, trail hikes, festivals, dances, tours, and more; and
- WHEREAS,** the Committee has also overseen the creation of several legacy projects, long-lasting contributions to our community that will live well-beyond 2018; and
- WHEREAS,** the Council wishes to encourage all Falmouth residents to take the opportunity to *Honor the Past, Celebrate the Present, and Invest in the Future*, by participating in as many of these activities as possible throughout the coming year; and
- WHEREAS,** the Council wishes to recognize the continuing efforts of volunteers and Town staff, as well as the support of our sponsors and partners and the generosity of our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FALMOUTH ASSEMBLED THIS 13th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017, THAT:

The Town Council proclaims 2018 as Falmouth's Tercentennial Year and celebrates with all residents this opportunity to learn about and appreciate the history of our home town, to explore the many resources Falmouth offers us every day, and to become active participants in Falmouth's future.

Attest: *Ellen Planer*
Ellen Planer, Town Clerk

Date: *November 13, 2017*



Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

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December 2017

Citizens of the Town of Falmouth, Maine:

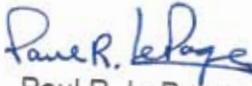
Congratulations and best wishes to Falmouth on its 300th birthday!

Falmouth has a long and storied history that predates our own state history. At 300 years old, your town has reached a milestone to remember.

As you celebrate your community and its longevity, it remains important to link the past with the future. We can all learn from our history and marking your 300th year is a wonderful occasion to teach, learn, and celebrate this history.

I wish Falmouth and its citizens many more years of success as an involved community.

Sincerely,


Paul R. LePage
Governor



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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to offer my congratulations as you celebrate the tricentennial of the Town of Falmouth. For three centuries your community has played an important role in Maine's history, and Falmouth continues to demonstrate the best qualities of our great state.

In colonial times, Falmouth served as a vital trading post, connecting the local Abenaki tribe to the colonists of New England. Since then, your community has contributed to the Maine economy through the farming, fishing, and shipbuilding industries, all while maintaining the scenic landscape that attracts so many residents and visitors. However, it is not only the natural resources that built this great community; it is the hard work of generations of its citizens from past to present.

The energy that so many have devoted to this exciting year-long community celebration is but one example of the spirit that has been nurtured here for three centuries. This spirit is evident in the planning of town events such as Falmouth Fest and Old Home Days, the Community Picnic and Street Dance, and Incorporation Day and Veterans Remembrance. Your town's civic pride reflected in this momentous occasion is fitting and inspiring.

I congratulate you all as you begin this year of celebration and wish the best for your town in the years to come.

Again, happy 300th birthday!

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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October 1, 2017

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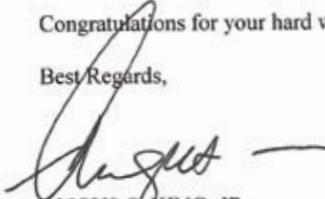
Dear Friends:

I am honored to add my voice to those joining to honor the Tercentennial of the Town of Falmouth. Falmouth has a long and proud history, and I am pleased to join with town officials, residents, and the Ad-Hoc Tercentennial Planning Committee to recognize this momentous occasion.

Falmouth is a vibrant Maine town, with a reputation for its safe neighborhoods, quality schools, and natural beauty. The Ad-Hoc Tercentennial Planning Committee's mission to "Honor the Past, Celebrate the Present, and Invest in the Future" is a wonderful way to mark 300 years of this special town. Celebrating the present by encouraging community spirit and civic pride is a wonderful way for Falmouth citizens to give back to those around them and also a great starting point to invest in the future. Thank you for everything you are doing to make Falmouth and Maine such a great place to call home.

Congratulations for your hard work to recognize this important anniversary.

Best Regards,



ANGUS SKING, JR.
United States Senator

*Congratulations
a great milestone!*



United States Congress
House of Representatives

Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate the Town of Falmouth on its 300th anniversary.

It's amazing to think how much has changed in the last 300 years. Back then, this was the frontier for English colonists and a dangerous place to live because of hostilities with the French and Native Americans. Since then, treaties have been signed, borders redrawn, and actions taken that live on in history books.

But it's important to remember the 300 years of Falmouth residents who lived that history and how their lives were touched by events in the nation and world. Generations of local men—and now women, too—have defended our nation. They've made their living in mills, farms, offices, and fishing boats. They've lived through the harshness of 300 Maine winters and the joys of 300 Maine summers.

What the next 300 years will bring, I couldn't say. But to date, Falmouth remains a beautiful place and a lovely community. I don't expect that to change.

Thank you again for the chance to reflect on this significant milestone.

Take care,

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress



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November 11, 2017

Attn: Erin Bishop Cadigan
Town of Falmouth
271 Falmouth Rd.
Falmouth, ME 04105

Dear Residents of Falmouth,

I am thrilled to be a part of the celebration marking Falmouth's 300th Anniversary. Thank you and everyone on the Tercentennial Planning Committee for your dedication to our town.

I was honored to serve on the Town Council for six years before representing Falmouth in the Maine Senate. This service helped me to get to know a great many people here and build on the great work of Town Councilors who served before me. Falmouth's core assets - its unwavering commitment to high quality public education, its excellence in public safety and the delivery of municipal services, and its pioneering success in preserving open space and wildlife habitats - are a great source of pride for all of us. I am grateful for the opportunity to continue serving Falmouth in the State Senate, where I am guided by the priorities of the people who live here.

This milestone offers a rare opportunity to reflect on Falmouth's history and what the town means to us all. I am continually struck by how lucky my family and I are to be a part of this community.

So congratulations again to all of my neighbors and friends. We have the great fortune to be part of a very special town, one which continues to lead the way for many other towns all over Maine. Here's to another 300 years!

Sincerely,

Cathy Breen
State Senate District 25



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August 16, 2017

Town of Falmouth
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To the Residents of Falmouth:

It is with great pleasure that I write to honor the town of Falmouth as it reaches its 300th anniversary. It is an honor to represent a portion of Falmouth in the Maine House of Representatives, particularly at this time of celebration.

The Ad-hoc Tercentennial Planning Committee has worked hard and done a remarkable job to mark this momentous occasion. I want to congratulate them on their efforts. We all look forward to enjoying the events they have planned.

We are also grateful to local businesses, both for their assistance with the coming year's festivities and all they have done over the years to support the community.

Finally, thank you to all town employees, as well as those who have ever volunteered their time, their labor and their expertise to help make Falmouth better and to keep it running smoothly each and every day.

Happy 300th birthday, Falmouth! May there be many hundreds more.

Sincerely,

Heather Sanborn
State Representative

District 43 Falmouth (part) and Portland (part)



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Teresa S. Pierce

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Dear Fellow Falmouth Residents,

It is my great honor to serve the town of Falmouth in the Maine Legislature and to extend my most heartfelt congratulations to residents of Falmouth on our town's 300th anniversary.

The tercentennial celebration allows us the opportunity not only to look on our history with fresh eyes but also to come together to celebrate and reflect on the present while envisioning and charting our future.

Our long history, beginning with the Abenaki, has included a great deal of growth and change over the years. Arthur Mackworth was the town's first European resident, building a house in the 1630s on the Presumpscot River, and the town grew to 62 families by 1753. Today's Falmouth was originally known as "New Casco," until Portland separated in 1786. During this early period the name Falmouth first became associated with the area. Massachusetts renamed the Casco Bay settlements "Falmouth" after a battle in the English Civil War which occurred in Falmouth, England.

From the 1760s to the 1940s, Falmouth was a fairly typical rural Maine town. The Presumpscot River, Piscataqua River and Mussele Cove drove sawmills, gristmills and even a carriage factory in downtown West Falmouth. Masts were harvested in Falmouth for the British and later Continental Navy. Trolley service from Portland to Falmouth Foreside beginning in 1889 catapulted the town into the modern era. Following World War II, Falmouth began to transform into the suburban community recognizable today.

In the span of fifty years, the town's population has skyrocketed from five thousand to more than eleven thousand residents. Today our community, which spans from the ocean on the Foreside to the hills in West Falmouth, has established itself as a community with an outstanding public school system, treasured open spaces, thriving business districts and civic-minded residents who care deeply about our town. With these amazing attributes, Falmouth's future is bright.

My thanks the Falmouth Town Council, the municipal staff and the Falmouth300th organizing committee and volunteers who have worked tirelessly to make our tercentennial celebration possible.

Happy 300th, Falmouth!

Teresa S. Pierce
State Representative

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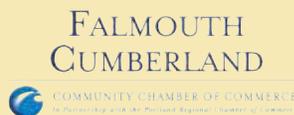
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Falmouth300 launched at Very Merry Falmouth with a spectacular fireworks display presented by ...



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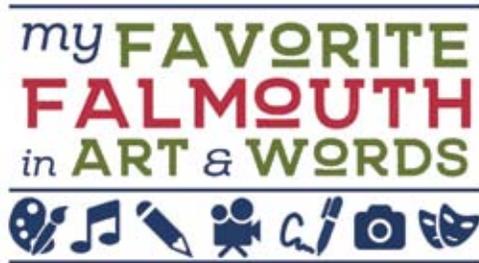
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BE A PART OF "MY FAVORITE FALMOUTH"

As we embark upon our 300th year as a community, Falmouth300 asks residents to consider, how do we understand our hometown? How do we perceive our community? Which places speak to us? Which landscapes define us? Where or what is our favorite Falmouth? The answer is as varied and numerous as the individuals who live here.



My Favorite Falmouth is a Falmouth300 multi-media project to articulate and document, through art and word, what makes Falmouth home to the people who live here. What place, landmark, vista, or view defines or personifies Falmouth for you? Residents are invited to submit their art piece or writing in a digital format. Submissions may take many forms including: painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, music, dance, audio, video, poetry, essay, etc. A presentation will be created incorporating these submissions and shown to the public during Falmouth300 events in fall 2018, as well as online via the Falmouth300 website.

This is not a competition. There is no registration fee. There is no jury and there are no prizes. This is just for fun. It is a community project to commemorate and celebrate Our Favorite Falmouth for future generations.



BUT WE DO HAVE SOME RULES:

- A maximum of two entries per person.
- Entries should be submitted in digital format to falmouth300@falmouthme.org with "My Favorite Falmouth Submission" in the subject line.
 - Written submissions and poetry may be included in the body of the email or as attachments (pdf or doc) and should be limited to 200 words.
 - Art submissions (music, art, photography, spoken word, video, etc.) should be included as attachments to the email.
 - Three-dimensional art pieces should be photographed and the scanned photo submitted.
 - Video and audio submissions are limited to 30 seconds.
 - Use the most commonly available digital format for the medium, one that requires no specialized software to open (for example, no Illustrator or Photoshop files).
- In the body of the email include:
 - Name, address, phone, email, age/grade (optional)
 - Title of piece (if any)
 - An optional statement (100 words max.) about your submission.
 - If the piece is specific to a location in Falmouth, please indicate where
- Deadline for entries is: September 15, 2018
- Falmouth300 reserves the right to reject any submission that it deems inappropriate or cannot be easily worked into the format of the multi-media presentation. The goal is to use all submissions, but the final product is dependent upon how many entries are received. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that all entries will be included in the presentation.
- Presentation of submissions will take place during one or more Falmouth300 events in late 2018. The multi-media presentation will also be available for viewing online.
- Submissions remain the creative and intellectual property of the creator and will not be used beyond what is identified above unless express permission is sought from the artist/writer.

For more information email:
Falmouth300@falmouthme.org



Cathy Breen
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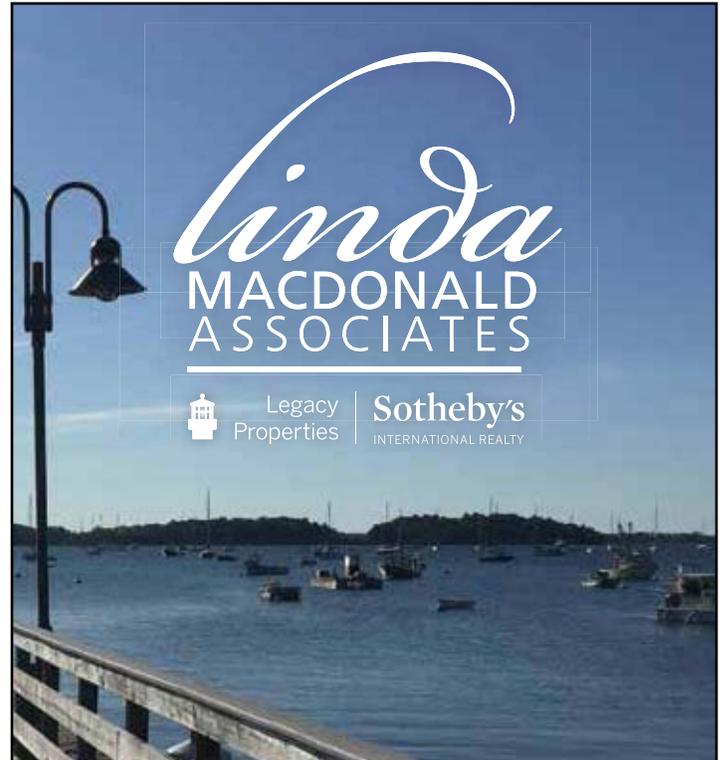
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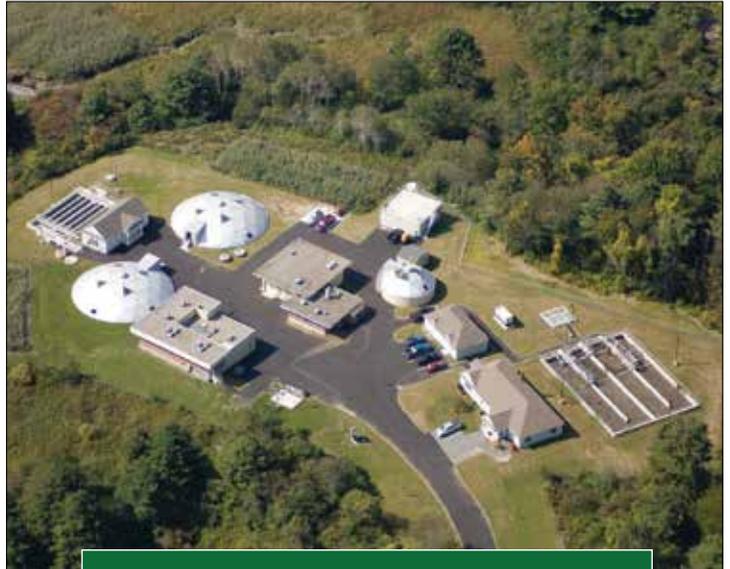
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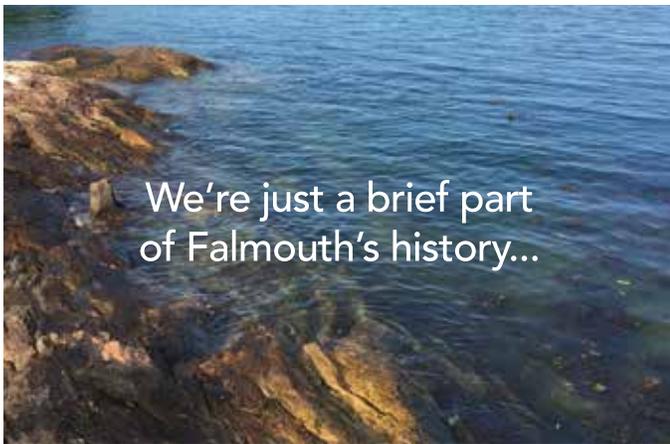
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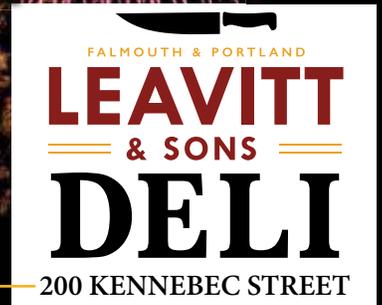
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1613 Map of Saco by Samuel de Champlain. Courtesy Library of Congress.

1623

Christopher Levett visits a Native American village along the Presumpscot River. He is the first settler in the Casco Bay area and establishes friendly relations with the local Abenaki.

1630s

Arthur Mackworth, the first settler in today's Falmouth, takes claim to land on the east side of the Presumpscot River, a nearby point, and island, later named Mackworth Island.

1631

Local Sachem Skitterygusset leads a raid against Walter Bagnall, a corrupt fur trader living on Richmond Island. Bagnall is killed.

1633

George Cleeve and Richard Tucker establish a small farm on the site of present day Portland.

1658

Falmouth, including South Portland, Portland, Westbrook, Falmouth, and Cape Elizabeth, first incorporates.

1675-1676

King Philip's War reaches Maine with the killing of the Wakely family along the Presumpscot River in today's Falmouth. Decades of war and violence follow.

1690

Fort Loyal in Portland is destroyed by French Canadian forces and their Native American allies. English settlers abandon all Casco Bay settlements.

1699

Renewed peace leads to the construction of a new fort in today's Falmouth. Fort New Casco is an English center for trade with local Abenaki and a stronghold along England's colonial frontier.

1701

Massachusetts officials meet local Abenaki-Pigwacket sachems at Fort New Casco to reaffirm peace. To symbolize the peaceful co-existence of these two peoples, stone cairns, called Two Brothers, are erected. The peace is short lived.



Sketch of Fort New Casco. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1821

John Watt is chosen as Falmouth's first representative to the new Maine Legislature.

1821

Rebecca and Samuel Blanchard deed land to the town for a town meeting house.



Falmouth's old meeting house. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1821

There are 13 school districts in Falmouth with school budgets averaging around \$50 a year.

1833

Falmouth opens its first high school, Oak Grove Academy.



Oak Grove Academy was moved to its current location visible from Middle Road and later became the lodge for a fraternal organization. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1848

The Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad becomes the first railroad to pass through Falmouth.

1853

An observation tower is constructed on Blackstrap Hill and becomes a popular tourist attraction.

1861-1865

Falmouth sends at least 102 men to battle during the Civil War. The majority served in the infantry.

1870s

Settlers from Denmark settle in the Woodville area and establish a church and school.

1885

Portland Yacht Club relocates to Falmouth Foreside.

1892

The Piscataqua Village Improvement Association organizes a library in the upstairs of Pearson's Store in West Falmouth. With 642 books it is open Saturdays from 2-5pm.

1899

To promote its line, the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company opens Underwood Springs Park, featuring a casino, hotel, and outdoor amphitheater.



Circa 1910 postcard of the trolley at Underwood Springs. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1898

Twenty-two Falmouth men serve in the Spanish-American War.



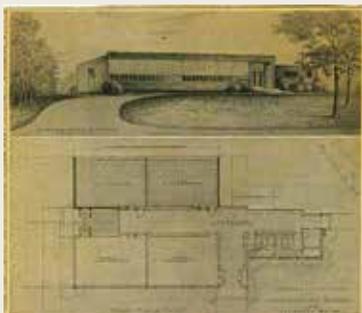
1916 postcard depicting West Falmouth Corners. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1899

Falmouth's current Town Hall is constructed.

1931

Falmouth's first free high school is constructed at the corner of Lunt and Middle Roads.



This 1949 news clipping shows a rendering and floor plan of Falmouth's new junior high school. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1941-1945

The U.S. enters World War II. At least 316 Falmouth residents serve and six die in the line of duty.

1944

The Falmouth Memorial Library Association incorporates with the goal of establishing a library as a memorial to Falmouth veterans.

1946

Hurricane Ski Slope opens in West Falmouth.

1947

The Maine Turnpike, running through Falmouth, opens. The Spur is added a few years later.

1947

American Legion Post #164 is chartered.

1948

Falmouth builds its first junior high school, currently the Mason-Motz Center on Middle Road.

1950

Falmouth Lions Club established.

1950-1953

Of the 202 casualties in the Korean War from Maine, one came from Falmouth.

1952

Falmouth Memorial Library opens in its current location.



The Iverson home, shown here in 1908, was donated to the Falmouth Memorial Library Association for use as a memorial library. Courtesy Falmouth Memorial Library.

1951

Falmouth's four fire companies join together to form the Falmouth Fire Department.

HISTORIC TIMELINE

1718
Falmouth, including Portland, South Portland, Westbrook, Cape Elizabeth, and today's Falmouth, known as New Casco, is officially incorporated.



1719
Falmouth's residents convene to assign a clerk and choose selectmen.

1725
45 families live in Falmouth on Portland Neck. Only one family lives in New Casco at this time.

1754
New Casco establishes its own parish, the Third Parish of Falmouth, a precursor to Falmouth Congregational Church.

1765
Cape Elizabeth and South Portland break away from Falmouth.

1767
High winds, described as a hurricane, clear a path from Sebago Lake across Duck Pond (today's Highland Lake). Afterwards, the area is known as Hurricane Valley.

1775
The burning of Falmouth destroys the majority of buildings on Portland Neck.

1775
The parish of New Casco sends 17 cord of wood and a letter of encouragement to the revolutionaries in Boston to relieve suffering due to lack of necessities.

1780-1880
Era of shipbuilding in today's Falmouth.

1786
Portland separates from Falmouth.

1812
Falmouth privateers take active part in the War of 1812 against Great Britain.

1814
Westbrook and Deering separate from Falmouth.



1820
Maine becomes a state. Peter M. Knight and Nathan Bucknam are delegates from Falmouth to the State's Constitutional Convention.

1907
Fire destroys Underwood Casino.



Casino at Underwood Springs Park. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1911
Water from Underwood Springs wins the Gold Medal and Grand Prize at the Paris Exposition.

1913
A new bridge at Smelt Hill is the longest single cement span in the State of Maine at that time.

1913
The Falmouth Foreside Fire Company organizes.

1913
Portland Country Club relocates to Falmouth Foreside.

1914
Portland to Lewiston Interurban service, with stops in Falmouth, begins and continues for 19 years.

1917-1918
US enters World War I. Several Falmouth residents, including high school students, enlist.

1918
The town allocates funds for the commemoration of Falmouth's 200 year anniversary.

1920
George Thornton Edwards, resident of Falmouth Foreside, writes the official Maine Centennial Song, "State of Maine, My State of Maine."

1922
Falmouth celebrates Old Home Day.



1922 Old Home Day celebration on the grounds of the Falmouth Congregational Church. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1925
The town purchases a Reo Speed Wagon Fire Engine for \$3,000. The engine is currently on display at the Falmouth Historical Society.



1925 Town Reo Speed Wagon Fire Engine. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.



This Old Home Day float from Graves School won First Prize for Education. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1955-1975
Vietnam War. Falmouth suffers no casualties in this conflict.



Circa 1968 aerial of the Legion Fields complex. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1956
The Falmouth Playground Association, with land leased from the American Legion, establishes a central area for sports and recreation.

1957
Falmouth appoints its first full-time police chief.

1957
A wharf is constructed at Town Landing to make water available for boating during low tide.



Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1957
Falmouth builds a new high school on Woodville Road, currently today's middle school.



1957 Falmouth High School Dedication Program. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

1962
Falmouth adopts a council-manager form of government.

1965
Plummer School is converted to an elementary school.

1966
Falmouth Historical Society is founded.

1976
Falmouth marks the 200th anniversary of the United States of America with a celebration and historic publication.

1981
Falmouth Land Trust is established.

2001
Falmouth Rotary Club chartered.

2011
Falmouth opens a new elementary school on Woodville Road.

2011
Forbes Magazine ranks Falmouth a "top city to live and learn."

2018
Falmouth commemorates its 300th anniversary.



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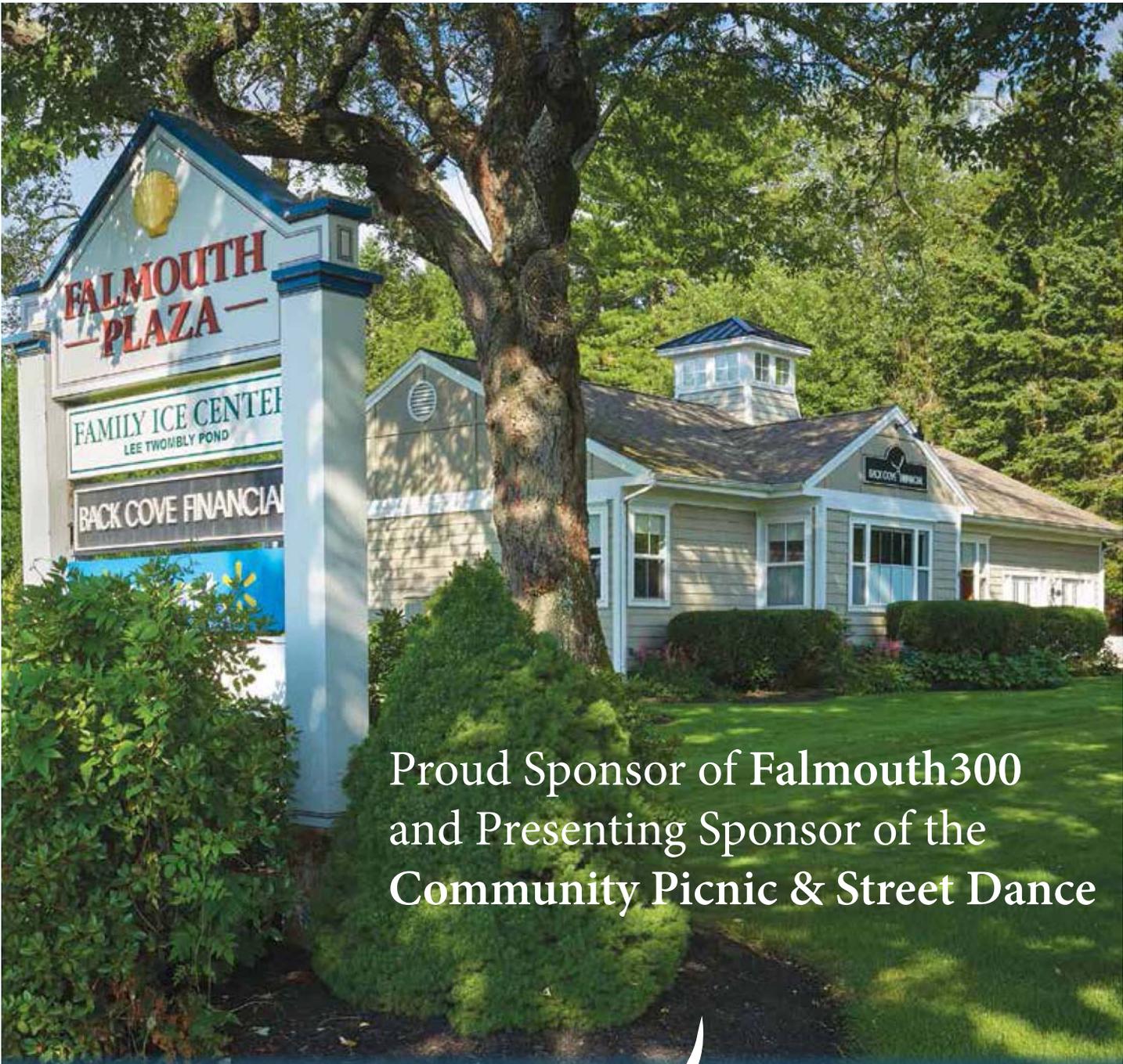
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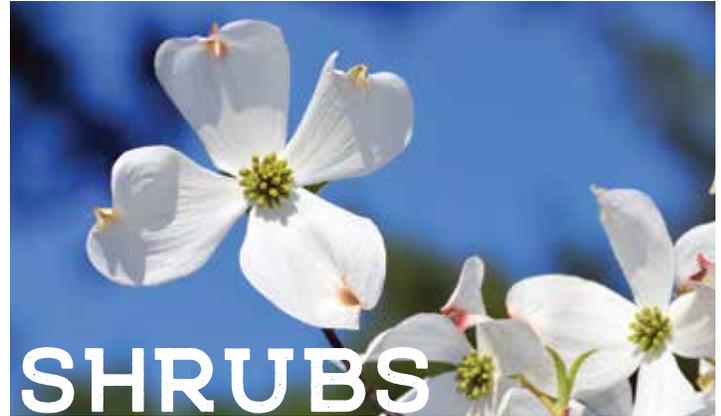
Including native plants in your landscaping is a simple and impactful way to mark Falmouth's Tercentennial in your own back yard. The Falmouth Conservation Commission has compiled a list of native plants to help homeowners invest in the future by improving Falmouth's natural resources one yard at a time.

Native plants are defined as those species that originated here or arrived here without any help from humans. Non-native plants were brought here intentionally or accidentally. When a non-native plant is transported to a new place, it often leaves behind its natural enemies (such as disease or predators) that keep it in check. As a result, some non-native plants become invasive when relocated. Their spread cannot easily be controlled and can impact, and even harm, the native plants growing nearby. This in turn changes the surrounding habitat, which affects wildlife and can even lead to the extinction of some species. We encourage you to work some native plants into your landscape.

Native plants come in all shapes and sizes, offering a wonderful variety to the homeowner. Because they are adapted to local environmental conditions, native plants require far less care and less water, and they provide a natural habitat for native wildlife and important pollinators. Here are a few options to get you started.



Balsam Fir (*Abies balsamea*)
Native Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*)
Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*)
Shadbush, Serviceberry (*Amelanchier canadensis*)
Paper Birch (*Betula papyrifera*)
American Hornbeam, Musclewood (*Carpinus caroliniana*)
Pagoda Dogwood (*Cornus alternifolia*)
Black Tupelo, Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*)
Red Pine (*Pinus resinosa*)
White Pine (*Pinus strobus*)
White Oak (*Quercus alba*)
Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*)
White Cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*)
Canadian Hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*)



Downy Serviceberry (*Amelanchier arborea*)
Bearberry (*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*)
Black Chokeberry (*Aronia melanocarpa*)
Summersweet (*Clethra alnifolia*)
Sweetfern (*Comptonia*)
Red Twig Dogwood (*Cornus sericea*)
Witch Hazel (*Hammamelis virginiana*)
Winterberry (*Ilex verticillata*)
Mountain Laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*)
Sweetgate (*Myrica gale*)
Northern Bayberry (*Myrica pennsylvanica*)
Staghorn Sumac (*Rhus typhina*)
Blueberry (*Vaccinium*)
Withered Viburnum (*Viburnum cassinoides*)
Nannyberry Viburnum (*Viburnum lentago*)
Mapleleaf Viburnum (*Viburnum acerifolium*)



Columbine (*Aquilegia Canadensis*)
Milkweed species (*Asclepias species*)
New England Aster (*Aster novae-angliae*)
Marsh Marigold (*Caltha palustris*)
Joe Pye Weed (*Eupatorium maculatum*)
Checkerberry Wintergreen (*Gaultheria procumbens*)
Blue Flag Iris (*Iris versicolor*)
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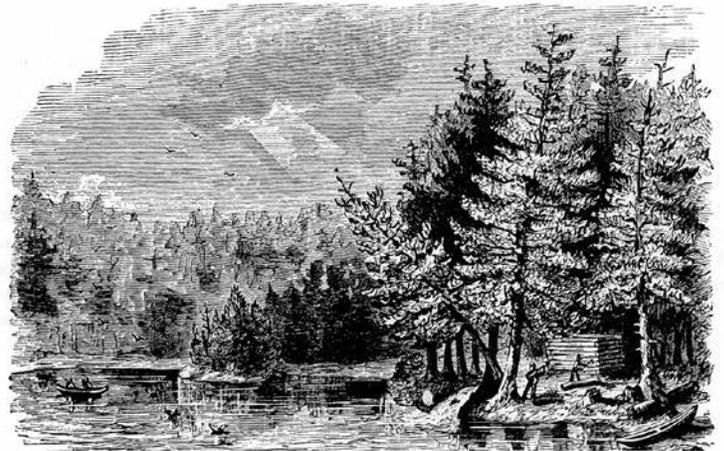
EARLIEST INHABITANTS

The story of Falmouth, Maine begins long before its incorporation in 1718. Thousands of years before European explorers arrived in Maine, Native Americans made their home along Casco Bay. Twelve thousand years ago, as glaciers retreated, Paleo-Indians, followed big game into what is now Maine. Between ten thousand and seven thousand years ago, as the climate became more temperate and tundra gave way to wooded forests, Maine's indigenous populations shifted from a lifestyle of large game hunting to one of seasonal migration. They moved throughout the year between favored locations for hunting, fishing, and food gathering. With the invention of new tools for food processing and improved methods of transportation, Maine's Indians expanded their diet and began to establish trade networks. With new food sources, their population grew. Another warming trend brought the advent of agricultural production. In southern Maine, Native Peoples harvested corn, beans, and squash. The invention of ceramic pottery brought improved food storage and production, allowing for increased populations living in more permanent settlements along coastal areas.

We do not know what the earliest inhabitants of Casco Bay called themselves. English and French explorers traveling along the coast of Maine in the early 1600s provided the first accounts of the area and the people who lived there, whom they called "Wabanaki," the Algonquin word for "dawnlanders." As many as one thousand Wabanaki made their home in a village called Ashamahaga, located on the Presumpscot River. Here they tended their farms, harvested clams, fished the ocean and rivers, and hunted deer and wild fowl. The peaceful existence of this community was not long lasting. A decade-long war against neighboring tribes and a series of epidemics—diseases introduced by European settlers—decimated Maine's indigenous population. By the time the first Europeans established settlements in the Casco Bay area, the native population was severely reduced.

A TIME OF CONFLICT

The first European settler in the Casco Bay region was Christopher Levett who, in 1623, established an outpost on an island in Casco Bay. In his journal, Levett recounts his travel up the Presumpscot River to the falls where he met and was entertained in the home of Skitterygusset, the sachem (leader) of the Presumpscot. Arthur Mackworth was the first settler in what is today's Falmouth. He arrived around 1632 and secured title to Mackworth Island, the nearby point, and a significant parcel of land on the east bank of the Presumpscot River. At about this same time, George Cleeve and Richard Tucker established a small farm on the site of present day Portland. Over the next twenty years, a community began to form around Casco Bay and, in 1658, these settlements were brought together under the control of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and given the name of Falmouth.



This 1871 rendering depicts Cleeve and Tucker establishing their farm. Courtesy Library of Congress.

The Wabanaki initially welcomed Europeans as both partners in trade for European goods and possible allies against their native enemies. Yet, these relatively peaceful relations were short-lived as increasing numbers of Europeans began to settle in the region. Tensions increased, leading to disputes over land and competition among traders. Conflict broke out in 1675, beginning several decades of violence. The English struggled to defend the scattered "ribbon settlements" of Casco Bay. In a retaliatory killing, Abenaki men raided the homestead of the Wakely family who lived on the Preumpscot River in today's Falmouth, killing three generations of the family and taking a young girl captive. Attacks such as these eventually drove surviving settlers to completely abandon Falmouth. This cycle of violence, abandonment, tentative peace, and resettlement, repeated itself time and again.

Meanwhile, the conflict between England and France for supremacy in the New World further fueled tensions between the native population and white settlers. In an attempt at peace, and at the bequest of local Abenaki, the English agreed to build a new fort on a point of land east of the mouth of the Presumpscot River. It is believed the fort was located on the grounds of today's Portland Country Club. Named Fort New Casco, it was conceived as a convenient place of trade for the Abenaki and headquarters for defense of England's northern frontier. The site became a frequent venue for negotiations, councils, and treaties. Peace was reaffirmed there in June 1701 when Massachusetts officials again met with local Abenaki-Pigwacket sachems to further negotiations. To symbolize the peaceful co-existence of these two peoples, stone cairns were erected and called Two Brothers. Two islands just off shore later were named in memory of this event. Unfortunately, the peace would not last. Hostilities again surged between France and England, playing out in increased violence throughout New England.

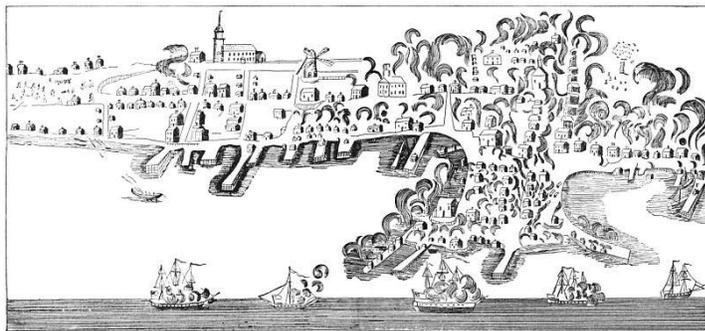
BECOMING FALMOUTH

Falmouth was officially incorporated in November 1718. Its boundaries included today's Portland, South Portland, Cape Elizabeth, Westbrook, and Falmouth.

Falmouth, as we know it today, was located within this larger community and sometimes referred to as New Casco. Most families chose to settle in the populated Falmouth Neck, today's Portland, but a few carved out homes in the dangerous and unprotected area along the Presumpscot River and near Mussel Cove. From the 1720s on, settlers flooded into Maine. By 1753, 62 families called New Casco their home and, over time, residents were able to establish a secure enough economic base to support a minister, a milestone in the formation of a strong community.

The wooded lands of early Falmouth proved crucial to its early economy. Wood was harvested for building materials and fuel. Many of Falmouth's earliest settlers established lumber mills along the Presumpscot and Piscataqua Rivers, and at Mussel Cove. In these early days, Maine's tall white pines were its most precious commodity. Falmouth was a crucial supplier of masts for the British navy, bringing an economic boom to the settlements of Casco Bay. A large number of Falmouth residents worked in the mast trade. Some of the earliest ships built in Falmouth were mast ships, constructed to carry huge cargoes of masts to England. Today's Falmouth boasted several shipyards, along the Presumpscot River, Skitterygusset Creek, and near Lady Cove close to Waite's Landing.

their neighbors on the Neck to protest a proposed tax on all printed paper. By 1775, in a show of resistance to colonial rule, Falmouth voted to support several boycotts of British goods. Tensions between the elite merchant class on Falmouth Neck, local militias, and the British grew, culminating in the burning of Falmouth (today's Portland) by British forces that same year. When fighting broke out between colonists in Massachusetts and the British, Falmouth sent a company of soldiers to Boston to aid the rebellion against England. At least ten men from New Casco marched with them and served in the Revolutionary War. They are buried at cemeteries throughout Falmouth.



The burning of Falmouth in 1775.

As the 1700s drew to a close, the mast trade dwindled and today's Falmouth became primarily a community of farmers. Gradually, the interests of New Casco's rural community began to diverge from the merchant economy of Falmouth Neck. The difference in priorities between these two communities became too difficult to overcome and Portland separated from Falmouth in 1786. Cape Elizabeth and South Portland had already broken away in 1765. Westbrook followed in 1814.

THE 1800S

In 1820, Falmouth voted 136 yeas to 35 nays to separate from Massachusetts and become the state of Maine. Peter M. Knight and Nathan Bucknam served as delegates to the state's Constitutional Convention, held in Portland. John Wait was Falmouth's first representative to the Maine Legislature.



Falmouth Corners at the intersection of Falmouth, Bucknam, and Middle Roads, in 1895. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.



Spinning wheels, like this one on display at the Falmouth Historical Society, were a fixture in most New England homes. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

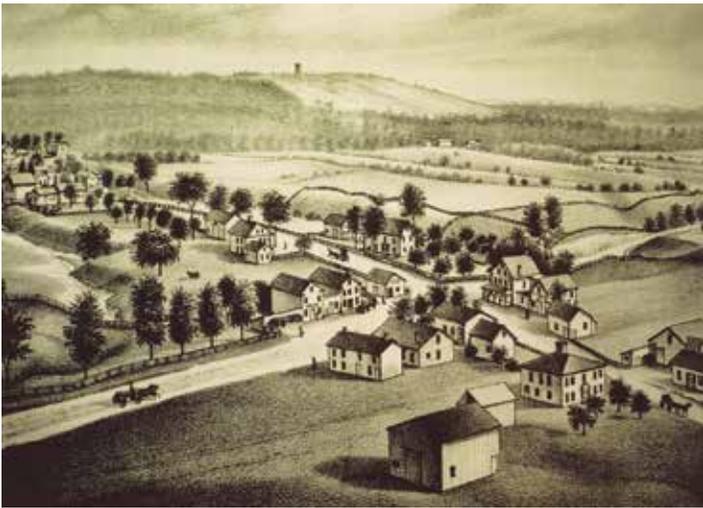
Families settled early Falmouth. The men worked as farmers, fishermen, shipwrights, or in the lumber or mast trade. As the settlement grew, trades and occupations expanded to include bricklayers, coopers, stonemasons, and blacksmiths among others. Falmouth's women maintained their homes, raised children, planted gardens, and tended livestock. They

contributed to the domestic economy by selling the fruits of their labors, including butter, eggs, wool, yarn, and cloth. Children worked alongside their parents, helping to ensure the family's survival in what was still very much a wilderness.

INDEPENDENCE

With the fall of Quebec City to the British in 1759, the French surrendered their foothold in the colonies. Without the aid of their French allies, the few remaining Native Americans migrated west and north. After some one hundred and thirty years since white settlers first came to Casco Bay, Falmouth residents could now live in relative peace and security.

Yet, a new battle lay on the horizon. Decades of war with France left England deeply in debt. To raise funds, the Crown levied a series of unpopular taxes upon the colonists. In 1765, residents of New Casco joined



1880 Bird's eye view of West Falmouth at the intersection of Falmouth, Gray, and Mountain Roads. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

Falmouth's close connections to Portland determined its pattern of growth. Rather than settling around a village center, residents established themselves throughout Falmouth along various roadways leading out of Portland and usually within close range of a water source and mill site. These neighborhoods boasted their own churches, schools, stores, and social clubs. The unique character of these "hamlets" remains a distinct feature of Falmouth even today.

During the 1800s, Falmouth sent soldiers to battle in three major wars including the War of 1812 and the Spanish American War. When Confederate forces fired on Fort Sumter in 1861, Maine's governor called for the formation of ten regiments of volunteer infantry. Of the 73,000 Mainers who served in the Union Army, Falmouth sent at least 102 men to battle during the Civil War. Soldiers from Falmouth saw heavy fighting in units that sustained some of the highest percentage of casualties of all federal regiments.



1909 view from Falmouth shore with steamboat. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

THE 1900S

By the 1900s steam boats were regularly docking at Falmouth's Town Landing, running from Portland to Freeport and to Casco Bay's islands. Eben Ramsdell, then the postmaster of New Casco, and an aspiring developer, divided his land into small lots, selling them to summer residents who built small cottages. Known as

the Auburn Colony, the development ushered in a new era as Falmouth became known as a summer destination. Trolley service extended from Portland through Falmouth Foreside and provided Portland's wealthy classes with easy access to Falmouth's scenic coast and resort-like amenities. The construction of Underwood Springs Casino and Park in 1899, and the opening of the Portland Yacht Club (1885) and Portland Country Club (1913) ensured even more tourist traffic to Falmouth.

When America joined World War I in 1917, at least fourteen Falmouth residents, including several high school students, enlisted. The war inspired the townspeople to set aside \$50 for Memorial Day observances and to help fund the establishment of a war memorial at Pine Grove Cemetery.

In the 1920s, Falmouth began to see a new trend called net in-migration, a population increase greater than the difference between the number of births and deaths. Demographers attribute this to the rise of the automobile, which increased mobility and allowed people to live further away from where they worked. With these changes the role of Falmouth's town government began to expand beyond the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges, distributing aid to the poor, and overseeing schools. The Town purchased large equipment such as snow plows, buses, fire engines, and tractors, installed hydrants and electric lights, took over the care of several cemeteries, established parks, and allocated spending to promote tourism. In 1918, the Town voted to allocate money towards a commemoration of its 200th anniversary and, in 1922, funded an Old Home Days event. Increased governance required more space for Town offices and officials, thus, in 1927, a second story was added to the Town Hall originally built in 1899.

World War II brought another population boom to Falmouth. Casco Bay served as a base for America's destroyer fleet, resulting in an influx of military personnel between 1941 and 1944, many of whom lived on the Flats. Of the 316 Falmouth residents known to have served in the war, six died in the line of duty. On the home front, the residents of Falmouth honored their service members through public displays, memorials—including the Falmouth Memorial library—and fundraisers to help the war effort. The Town also established a Civil Defense Committee which operated well-beyond the war. After the war, Falmouth veterans returned home and established by charter American Legion Post #164 in 1946.

GROWTH AND CHANGE

Falmouth experienced significant growing pains from 1947 to 1957. To address this issue, the Town organized its first Planning Board in 1948 and created its first zoning ordinance in 1952. During these boom years, the school population increased 81%, leading to the construction of a new middle and high school. Land use at this time was still primarily agricultural. The construction of the interstate highway system, including I-295 and the Maine Turnpike, physically divided the community in half, with the majority of residents living east of I-95. These new roads decreased travel time for commuters who found Falmouth's proximity to Portland and its rural character attractive, further propelling the town's dramatic growth.

Growth also led to the development of new recreational opportunities for Falmouth's residents. The public pier and beach at Town Landing were improved and parking expanded. The Town maintained Skitterygusset Pond on Lunt Road and a small pond in West Falmouth near Gray Road for ice skating. In 1956, the Falmouth Playground Association formed to create a central area for sports and recreation. In conjunction with the American Legion, which provided a 99-year lease on approximately 27 acres on Depot Road, the community-wide endeavor resulted in the creation of three baseball fields, two tennis courts, a surface area for badminton, volleyball or basketball, and a skating rink. With these new public facilities in place, an athletic program began in 1957 at the junior and senior high schools.

From its incorporation in 1718, Falmouth was governed by a Town Meeting style of government. Elected selectmen formed the administrative body and residents met annually to vote on proposed budgets and policy decisions. In 1962, however, Falmouth shifted to the Council-Manager form of government used today. Under this system an elected Town Council provides political leadership while a Town Manager and other professionals are hired to implement the policies established by the Council and manage day-to-day operations.

In 1963, Falmouth's first Town Plan noted that the town's proximity to Portland would ensure steady residential and commercial growth for the foreseeable future. Most residents at this time found their employment and family incomes through opportunities elsewhere in the region, despite what the 1963 Plan identified as economic opportunities of "major magnitude" for employment within Falmouth. The plan proposed continued commercial development, like the new Falmouth Shopping Center on Route One and new commercial development at the intersection of Gray Road, the Falmouth Spur, and the Maine Turnpike. Additionally the plan advised industrial development both on Gray Road and on Route One north of the Spur. The plan also noted that aside from school sites, Falmouth had almost a total lack of public land, and recommended the acquisition of land for future schools, recreational and conservation areas, and municipal uses. At about the same time, community members, recognizing the need to preserve Falmouth's history, established the Falmouth Historical Society in 1966.



1970 Falmouth Town Shopping Center. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

A NEW CENTURY

The closing decades of the 20th century saw a significant loss in Falmouth's farm land and forests due to increased development. Falmouth's citizens responded to this loss by supporting the creation of a Conservation Commission and the efforts of the non-profit Falmouth Land Trust to conserve land for recreation and wildlife habitats.

In the 21st century, Falmouth continues to grow. Today, over 11,000 people make Falmouth their home. The town covers approximately 32 square miles from the coastline to rural areas further inland. As was the case in the last three centuries, Falmouth is still a vibrant and changing community.

Falmouth's schools are ranked as some of the best in Maine, attracting families to settle here. Its proximity to Portland and ease of access to the interstate and turnpike still make it a practical choice for commuters. Today, however, more individuals come to Falmouth to work than leave it for employment elsewhere. Falmouth also boasts a significantly high number of residents who work from home or remotely. Falmouth is also home to a large and active senior community. As more residents age in place, Falmouth has met the need with the creation of specialized senior programming and a Senior Citizens Center.

As this new century of growth and change continues, residents and Town officials are more committed than ever to balancing the preservation of Falmouth's rural character, with the need for smart growth and economic development, in order to maintain a thriving, vibrant, and attractive community for future generations.

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Town Landing Market 1920s



Get out there, explore your community, get involved, and give back!

There is so much to do in Falmouth! We've compiled a list of 375 activities and experiences you can enjoy right here in our home town. Explore 300 activities from the list below during our 300th year. Work through the list on your own or as a family, a couple, or a group of friends. What's the prize? A new-found appreciation for everything Falmouth has to offer and the knowledge that the place you call home is an amazing place to live!

GET OUTSIDE

Swim

- Town Landing
- Mackworth Island
- Highland Lake

View Wildlife

- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Hadlock Community Forest
- Hardy Road Conservation Area
- Falmouth Town Forest
- Falmouth Community Park
- Riverpoint Conservation Area
- McCrann/McLaughlin Preserve
- Woods Road Community Forest
- Trails at Falmouth Corner
- Walton Park/Presumpscot Falls Park
- Pleasant Hill Preserve
- Ledgewood Preserve
- Tidewater Farm
- Falmouth Nature Preserve/Mill Creek Preserve
- Underwood Park
- Pinegrove Preserve
- Maine Audubon
- Mackworth Island
- Suckfish Brook Conservation Area

Hike/Walk

- Walton Park/Presumpscot Falls Park
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Falmouth Corners Preserve
- Falmouth Community Park
- Falmouth Nature Preserve/Mill Creek Preserve
- Falmouth Town Forest
- Hadlock Community Forest
- Hardy Road Conservation Area
- Tidewater Farm
- McCrann/McLaughlin Preserve
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Pleasant Hill Preserve
- River Point Conservation Area
- Suckfish Brook Conservation Area
- Woods Road Community Forest
- Falmouth Community Park
- Trails at Falmouth Corner
- Mackworth Island
- Ledgewood Preserve
- Underwood Park
- Pinegrove Preserve
- Maine Audubon
- Route 1 Multipurpose Pathway
- Falmouth Land Trust Property Trails
- Hurricane Valley Farm Trails of Falmouth Land Trust

Cross Country Ski

- Hadlock Community Forest
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Hardy Road Conservation Area
- Falmouth Town Forest
- Falmouth Community Park
- McCrann/McLaughlin Preserve
- River Point Conservation Area
- Woods Road Community Forest
- Trails at Falmouth Corner
- Pleasant Hill Preserve
- Ledgewood Preserve
- Tidewater Farm
- Falmouth Nature Preserve/Mill Creek Preserve
- Underwood Park
- Pine Grove Preserve
- Maine Audubon
- Mackworth Island
- Suckfish Brook Conservation Area

Tennis

- Legion Field
- Huston School Park
- Falmouth Schools Complex
- Private Courts

Golf

- Falmouth Country Club
- Woodlands Country Club
- Portland Country Club

Snowmobile

- Hadlock Community Forest
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Falmouth Community Park

Picnic

- Falmouth Community Park
- Legion Field
- Stillings Field on Blackstrap

Snowshoe

- Ledgewood Preserve
- Mackworth Island
- Hadlock Community Forest
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Hardy Road Conservation Area
- Falmouth Town Forest
- Falmouth Community Park
- McCrann/McLaughlin Preserve
- River Point Conservation Area

- Trails at Falmouth Corner
- Pleasant Hill Preserve
- Woods Road Community Forest
- Tidewater Farm
- Falmouth Nature Preserve/Mill Creek Preserve
- Underwood Park
- Pine Grove Preserve
- Maine Audubon
- Suckfish Brook Conservation Area

Boat/Kayak/Canoe

- Highland Lake Boat Launch
- Presumpscot River
- Clapboard Island
- Mussel Cove
- Town Landing
- Blackstrap Canoe Launch
- Walton Park/Presumpscot Falls Park

Fish

- Walton Park/Presumpscot Falls Park
- Town Landing
- Highland Lake
- Hadlock Community Forest
- Riverpoint Conservation Area
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Falmouth Nature Preserve/Mill Creek Preserve
- Blackstrap Canoe Launch
- McCrann/McLaughlin Preserve
- Mussel Cove
- Mackworth Island

Bird Watching

- River Point Conservation Area
- Maine Audubon
- Falmouth Nature Preserve/Mill Creek Preserve
- Mussel Cove
- Mackworth Island
- Suckfish Brook Conservation Area
- Highland Lake

Off Road Biking

- Ledgewood Preserve
- Hadlock Community Forest
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Hardy Road Conservation Area
- Falmouth Town Forest
- Falmouth Community Park
- River Point Conservation Area
- McCrann/McLaughlin Preserve
- Woods Road Community Forest
- Pleasant Hill Preserve
- Falmouth Nature Preserve/Mill Creek Preserve
- Pine Grove Preserve
- Suckfish Brook Conservation Area

Hunt

- Hadlock Community Forest
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Hardy Road Conservation Area
- Woods Road Community Forest
- Suckfish Brook Conservation Area

Horseback Riding

- Hadlock Community Forest
- North Falmouth Community Forest
- Blackstrap Hill Community Forest & Preserve
- Hardy Road Conservation Area
- Falmouth Town Forest
- Falmouth Community Park
- Woods Road Community Forest

GET CULTURED

- Attend a Falmouth300 Event
- Go to a dance
- Join a book club
- Read a book set in Falmouth
- Enjoy a Community Program Summer Concert
- Attend a choral concert
- Attend a band concert
- Attend a theatrical production
- See a dance performance
- Go the movies
- Listen to a musical performance
- Paint en plein air
- Attend a Falmouth Memorial Library Program
- Check out a book
- Download a book
- Snap some photos of Falmouth
- Explore an historic Falmouth cemetery
- Watch a skating show
- Research your ancestors
- Attend an historic lecture on Falmouth
- Attend an author talk
- Take a historic tour of Falmouth
- Browse a newspaper or magazine
- Take a garden tour
- Check out or rent a DVD

EAT OUT

- Book a business lunch
- Grab a pizza
- Enjoy a lobster roll
- Get carry out
- Order a gourmet sandwich
- Make it an Italian
- Indulge in a pastry
- Celebrate with a decorated cake
- Get a coffee at the drive thru
- Visit a food truck
- Fill your bowl at the salad bar
- Treat yourself to a sweet
- Enjoy a burger
- Carb-load on pasta
- Watch the game with wings
- Go for extra spicy
- Romantic dinner for two
- Too-tired-to-cook night
- Girl's night out
- Get supper at the club
- Grab an appetizer
- Celebrate a birthday
- Meet for coffee
- Order dessert
- Savor some seafood
- Celebrate an anniversary
- Do lunch with friends
- Organize a breakfast meeting
- Enjoy a meal with a view

- Picnic in a park
- Bring in bagels for the office
- Pick some fresh produce

SHOP FOR A CAUSE

- Falmouth High School Spirit Store
- Annual Lions Club Auction
- Ski Swap to benefit Falmouth Ski Club
- Christmas Trees to benefit Falmouth Hockey
- Falmouth Schools Fundraisers (magazine, gift wrap, holiday gifts, etc.)
- Falmouth Education Foundation Rummage Sale
- Annual Yard Sale to Benefit OceanView Resident Assistance Fund
- Falmouth Memorial Library Book Sale
- Scout Troop Fundraisers
- Maine Audubon Gift Store
- Falmouth Little League Calendars
- Falmouth Swim Team Wreaths
- Mattress Sale to benefit Falmouth Football
- Church Holiday Fairs
- Field Hockey Poinsettias
- The Bargain Barn at the Transfer Station
- Falmouth Historical Society books or gifts
- Shop300 online store
- T-Shirt to benefit Falmouth Land Trust

PATRONIZE THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY

- Get a hair cut
- Consign something
- Get your nails done
- Get a massage
- Buy flowers
- Drop off your dry cleaning
- Open a savings account
- Fill up with gas
- Pick up a hostess gift
- Purchase a good book
- Get a facial
- Get a pedicure
- Get your eyes checked
- See a chiropractor
- Update your insurance
- Set a mood with new lighting
- Try acupuncture
- Choose a greeting card
- Mail a package
- Pamper your pet
- Browse for antiques
- Update your home décor
- Pick out a new outfit
- Service your car
- Get a checkup
- Buy back-to-school clothes
- Have your hearing checked
- Get a flu shot
- Pick up a newspaper
- Get your teeth cleaned
- Stock your pantry
- Pick up pet supplies
- Purchase a plant
- Take home a toy
- Put air in your tires
- Try on some shoes
- Start investing
- Get your taxes done

- Update your wireless plan
- Buy a piece of art
- Hire a photographer
- Get something framed
- Straighten your teeth
- Stock up your tool box
- Hire a contractor or handyman
- Pick up hobby supplies
- Pick up a prescription
- Stock up on office supplies
- Get your car inspected
- Hire a plumber
- Get your trees trimmed
- Purchase a nice bottle of wine
- Landscape your yard
- Get your lawn mowed
- Hire a lawyer
- Conduct Craigslist sales at the safe spot at Falmouth PD
- Stroll through the Farmer's Market

BRING THE KIDS

- Play on the playground at Underwood Park
- Go crabbing at Town Landing
- Attend a school-sponsored fair or festival
- Listen in at Falmouth Memorial Library story time
- Visit the playground at Legion Field
- Go for ice cream
- Sign up for Falmouth Memorial Library Summer Reading Program
- Swing and slide on the playground at Mason-Motz
- Touch a truck
- Fly a kite at Community Park
- Visit the Graves School playground
- Build a ferry house on Mackworth Island
- Ice skate at Lee Twombly Pond
- Enjoy the playground at Huston School Park
- Dip your toes at Town Landing
- Skip stones at Mackworth Island
- Trick-or-Treat
- Sled the big hill at Portland Country Club
- Play at the playground in Huston Park
- Attend the Fire and EMS Open House
- Run in FEF's Color Run
- Participate in the annual Halloween Parade

GET INVOLVED AND GIVE BACK

- Support your Falmouth team by attending a game or meet
- Honor a veteran
- Register to vote
- Get a library card
- Become a Falmouth Rotarian
- Write a letter to the editor
- Attend a Town Council meeting
- Become a member of Falmouth Historical Society
- Attend a Falmouth church function
- Join the Falmouth Lions Club
- Sign up for a Community Programs' activity
- Join Falmouth Land Trust
- Support Falmouth Education Foundation
- Join a Falmouth Schools PTO
- Join a Falmouth Parent Booster Group
- Join a Falmouth Garden Club
- Serve as a volunteer on a town committee
- Become a member of Maine Audubon

- Volunteer!
- Donate food to the Falmouth Food Pantry
- Donate items to the FEF Annual Rummage Sale
- Donate books to the Library Book Sale
- Take a town survey
- Connect with the Town of Falmouth on social media
- Organize a neighborhood service project
- Vote (June 2018)
- Vote (November 2018)
- Donate items to the Lions Club Auction
- Attend a school board meeting
- Help your neighbor
- Recycle electronics at the Rotary Electronics Recycling Collection Day
- Join a Falmouth Service Club
- Become a member of a Falmouth Non-Profit

GET SOME EXERCISE

- Join a free monthly hike with Ranger Rick of the Falmouth Land Trust
- Walk laps at the Mason-Motz Activity Center
- Join a gym
- Take an exercise class
- Ice skate
- Play pick up hockey
- Join a pickle ball league
- Take a bike ride
- Go for a jog
- Play soccer at Community Park
- Do some yoga
- Run in the Ugly Sweater 5K
- Take part in the Ugly Sweater Merry Mile Fun Run/Walk
- Play basketball at Huston School Park

LEARN SOMETHING NEW

- Ice skating
- Martial arts
- Yoga
- Piano
- Singing
- Painting
- Ukulele
- Knitting
- Master gardening
- Canning
- Speed skating
- Tennis
- Racquetball
- Sailing
- Kickboxing
- Snowshoeing
- Golfing
- Stand-up paddleboarding
- Pilates
- Meditation

MY OWN DISCOVERIES

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20 minutes of aerobic activity (cardio, gardening, shoveling snow, etc.) counts as 1 mile. 1 hour of activity = 3 miles. Take a walk, ride a bike, hike a trail, go for a swim. Log your miles for a chance to win prizes.



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MOVE

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your miles.



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Use the log sheet on the opposite page to begin tracking your miles. Submit an online progress report every time you hit 25 miles. With each submission your name is entered into our monthly drawings for great prizes. Log 300 miles to be eligible for our grand prize drawing valued at \$300.

Falmouth300 Fitness Tip: Explore300 (page 38) is full of great ways to get moving, clock miles, and get fit.



MONTHLY LOG SHEET

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Download additional log sheets at Falmouth300.org. Submit an online progress report for every 25 miles logged.



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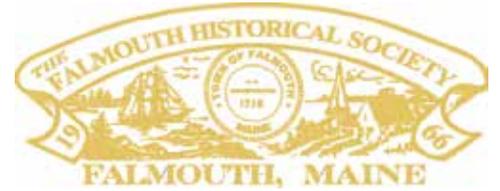
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The Story of Falmouth

SELF-GUIDED HISTORY TOUR

Courtesy of



1. Wilson Tavern—The Wilson Tavern on Blackstrap Road was built in 1752 and was a stage stop on the route between Portland and Lewiston. Today it is a private home.

2. Norton Farm—Norton Farm, on Blackstrap Road, built in 1742, was originally a tavern on the road between Portland and Lewiston. From 1946 to 1976, the farm was home to the Hurricane Ski Slope.

3. West Falmouth Grange and Knights of Pythias Hall—Located on Falmouth Road just before the intersection of Gray and Mountain Road, the West Falmouth Grange and Knights of Pythias Hall was built in 1898. Two Falmouth fraternal organizations held meetings as well as plays, suppers, musical programs, and fairs here.

4. Huston School/Winn Road Fire Station—Huston School was built in 1925 on the corner of Falmouth and Winn Roads where previous schools have stood since the 1780s. It was named for Stephen G. Huston, chairman of Falmouth's school board. In 1980, the school board voted to close the Huston school, which was demolished to make room for the newly constructed West Falmouth Fire Station.

5. Town Hall—It is not clear when Falmouth's first Town Hall was constructed, but in 1850 it was described in town reports as "badly in need of repairs." The current Town Hall at 271 Falmouth Road was built in 1899 and the second story added in 1927.

6. Presumpscot Falls Park—Presumpscot Falls Park overlooks the Presumpscot River on Allen Avenue Extension. As many as one thousand Wabanaki made their home in a village called Ashamahaga, at the falls of the river. Early Europeans also settled along the river, building mills and later shipyards. The river served as a power source leading to other manufacturing interests including the Smelt Hill Power Station, the first hydroelectric plant in Maine.

7. Pleasant Hill Chapel—The Pleasant Hill Chapel, on Pleasant Hill Road, was built in 1879. In 1936 the building was turned over to the Pleasant Hill Chapel Association which held events, socials and other entertainment here. In 1999, Portland Landmarks awarded Louise and Howard Rieche an award for their work in preserving the historic character and detail of the building, which is now a private residence.

8. Graves School—Graves School on Pleasant Hill Road was built in 1880 and named for Crispus Graves who willed money to the school district. It had four grades on each level and was a school until 1947. It was converted to a residence in the 1970s. The bell, purchased from the Sears and Roebuck catalog around 1911, and paid for by student-raised funds, still hangs in the bell tower.

9. Plummer Building—Falmouth High School, designed by Portland architect John P. Thomas, was built in 1931 on the corner of Middle and Lunt Roads. In 1965, the building was converted into an elementary school and renamed for the former maintenance supervisor, Sampson D. Plummer. It was used as an elementary school until 2011. The building, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was converted into senior housing in 2017.

10. Oak Grove Academy/Odd Fellows Lodge—Oak Grove Academy was Falmouth's first high school, built in 1833 and open until the early 1850s. It was moved to its current location on Checkerberry Lane (backing onto Middle Road) by a massive production involving townspeople and 75 yoke of oxen. The Independent Order of Odd Fellows, a fraternal organization, purchased the building for use as its lodge in 1885. Today it is a private residence.

11. Old D.W. Lunt School—Best seen from Middle Road, this former two-room elementary school was built in 1867 and named for the former superintendent of schools. Now a private garage, the drive and parking area were once the school's large playground. A new Lunt School was built on Lunt Road in 1867.

WANT MORE FALMOUTH HISTORY?

There are many more historic sites in Falmouth.

Sign up for a guided historical tour with the Falmouth Historical Society and Falmouth Community Programs in 2018.

Info: www.falmouthme.org/parks-and-community-programs
or www.thefhs.org

Falmouth is still home to many historic sites and buildings. Use this handy self-guided tour to navigate some of them.

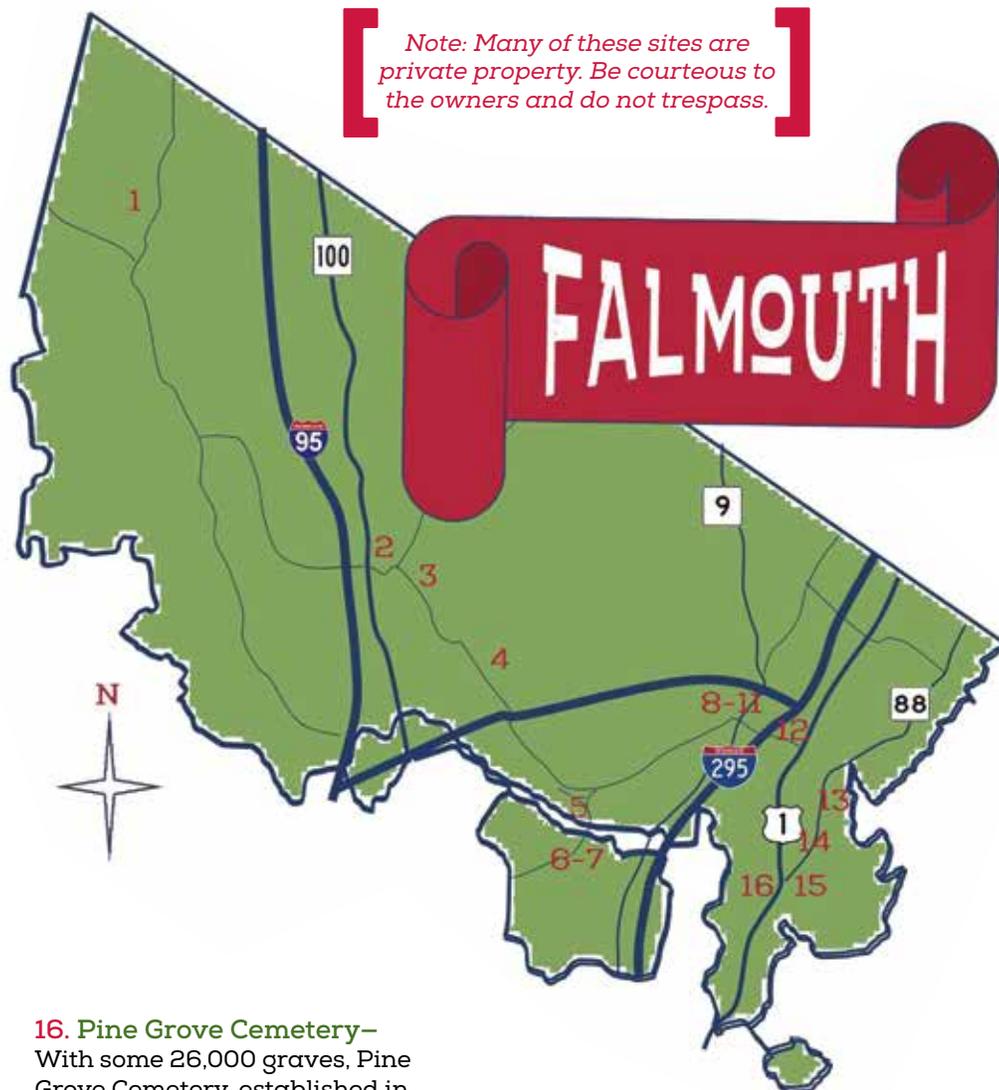
Note: Many of these sites are private property. Be courteous to the owners and do not trespass.

12. Bucknam Tavern—The Bucknam Tavern on Middle Road was built in 1776 on what was called Kings Highway and served as a post office, inn, and a stop on the stage route between Portsmouth and Bangor.

13. American Legion, Legion Fields, and Veterans War Memorial—Falmouth's American Legion post #164 was established in 1946. The post building on Depot Road was built in the 1950s. In 1957, the Legion provided approximately 27 acres for the creation of sports fields for community use. The Veterans War Memorial was dedicated on November 11, 2014.

14. Mussel Cove Park—Mussel Cove off Old Mill Road was a site for several of Falmouth's earliest mills, including grain and lumber. Samuel Bucknam had a mill here as early as 1710. Establishing a mill site was a priority for early settlers. Mills were necessary to hew rough timber into planking for construction and shipbuilding. As a result, the number of mills per town was well regulated and mill owners occupied lucrative positions.

15. Pine Grove School—Pine Grove School was built on Route 88 in 1916, but was destroyed by fire just days before it opened. The new one-room school opened in 1917. The grounds surrounding the building were deeded to the Town in 1924 and became Pine Grove Park. In 1941 two classrooms were added. The building served as a school until 1977. Today it operates as a pre-school.



16. Pine Grove Cemetery—With some 26,000 graves, Pine Grove Cemetery, established in 1885 on Foreside Road near St. Mary's Church, is the largest of Falmouth's cemeteries. In the original section of the cemetery are stones dating back to the eighteenth century, including Nathaniel Jones, who died in 1745, and is listed as the oldest recorded occupant of the cemetery. Falmouth's first minister, Rev. Ebenezer Williams, who died in 1799, is also buried here. The cemetery is also the final resting place of several Civil War veterans. Across Route 88 is a World War I Soldiers Memorial dedicated to those who died serving in that conflict.

17. Gilsland Farm—For thousands of years before European settlement, the lands around Gilsland Farm were home to Wabanakis and their ancestors. In the mid-1800s, Silas Noyes bought the property and built a red, wood-framed house, which still stands today. In 1911, David Moulton purchased the property as a summer retreat and raised Jersey Cattle here. Between 1974 and 1994, Maine Audubon acquired the property through a series of gifts from Moulton's descendants.



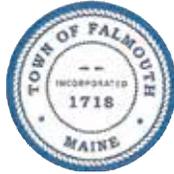
HAVE A HEART, LEND A HAND

Falmouth300 and the Falmouth-Cumberland Community Chamber of Commerce have partnered with these generous Falmouth businesses and organizations to **MAKE 2018 A YEAR OF CHARITABLE GIVING.**

Stop by the businesses or organizations below during their designated month with a donated item to help them reach their target goal of 300 items for the charity of their choice.

JANUARY

Town of Falmouth, Town Hall
 271 Falmouth Road
 (207) 781-5253
 Hours: Mon 7:00-5:00; Tues-Thurs 8:00-5:00
www.falmouthme.org



Boxed cereal (cold & hot) to benefit Falmouth Food Pantry

FEBRUARY

Gorham Savings Bank (both branches)
 65 Gray Road #12 (207) 878-7457
 202A U.S. Route 1 (207) 347-2355
 Hours: Mon-Thur 8:30-4:00; Fri 8:30-5:00;
 Sat 8:30-Noon
www.gorhamsavings.bank



Non-perishable food items to benefit Falmouth Food Pantry

MARCH

Ricettas
 240 U.S. Route 1
 (207) 781-3100
 Hours: Sun-Thurs 11:30-9:00;
 Fri-Sat 11:30-10:00
www.ricettas.com



Dry pasta and pasta sauce to benefit Falmouth Food Pantry

APRIL

Centerpoint Martial Arts
 65 Gray Road
 (207) 536-1363
 Hours: Mon-Thurs 3:30-8:00;
 Fri 3:30-7:00; Mon, Wed, Fri 9:15-10:15; Sat &
 Sun 8:00-Noon
www.centerpointmartialarts.com



Food, personal hygiene products, and backpacks for at-risk and underserved kids to benefit The Locker Project

MAY

Falmouth Hearing Aids
 4 Fundy Road
 (207) 541-9295
 Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00-5:00
www.falmouthhearingaids.com

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Non-perishable food items to benefit Portland Vet Center

JUNE

Town Landing Market
 269 Foreside Road
 (207) 781-2128
 Hours: Mon-Sun 7:00am-8:00pm
www.townlandingmarket.com



Peanut butter to benefit the Falmouth Food Pantry

JULY

Maine Soggy Dog
251 U.S. Route 1
(207) 835-6100

Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-6:00; Sun 10:00-4:00
www.mainesoggydog.com



Dry food for cats and dogs; wet food for cats;
dog toys (no polyester toy fill please) to benefit the
Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland

AUGUST

Lebel & Harriman, LLC
366 U.S. Route 1, Suite 2
(207) 773-5390

Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30
www.lebelharriman.com



School supplies to benefit area school children in need

SEPTEMBER

Are you a Falmouth business or
organization that would like
to join the Donate300 Challenge?

Contact Famouth300@falmouthme.org
to learn more about this
worthwhile program.

OCTOBER

Falmouth Memorial Library
5 Lunt Road
(207) 781-2351

Hours: Mon & Fri 9:30-5:00;
Tues-Thurs 9:30-8:00; Sat 9:30-5:00
www.falmouthmemoriallibrary.org



Hand-knit or store-bought hats and mittens to benefit
Falmouth Food Pantry

NOVEMBER

Norway Savings Bank
266 U.S. Route 1
(207) 781-7450

Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00-4:00; Fri 9:00-5:00;
Sat 9:00-Noon
www.norwaysavings.bank



Canned food items to benefit Falmouth Food Pantry

DECEMBER

Falmouth Martial Arts
190 Middle Road
(207) 838-1545

Hours: Mon & Wed 4:00-7:30; Tues & Thurs 4:00-
6:45
www.fmamaine.com

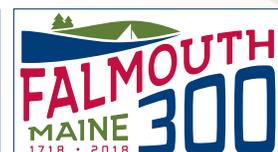
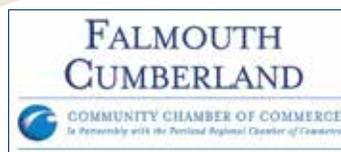


New, unwrapped children's toys to benefit Toys for Tots

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270 Route 1, Falmouth 207.781.4255 info@theforesidetavern.com
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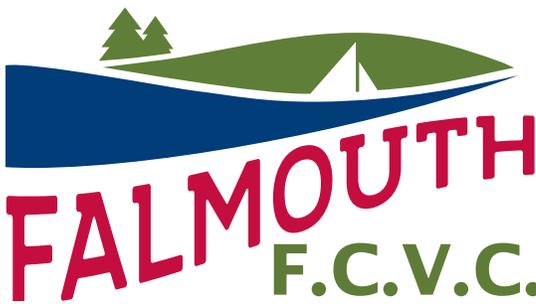


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Connecting the Community through Volunteering
volunteerfalmouth.wordpress.com

The FCVC is a legacy project of:  and is coordinated with member organizations through: 

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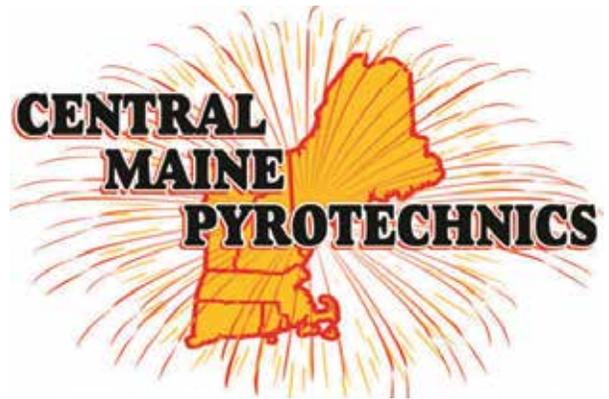
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SERVICES DIRECTORY

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TOWN HALL

COUNCIL-MANAGER GOVERNMENT

The Council-Manager form of government was established in Falmouth in 1962. Since that time, the Town has had a Town Manager who is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Town while an elected Town Council provides political leadership, including making policy, passing ordinances, voting appropriations, and having overall supervisory authority in the city government.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 7:00 am–5:00 pm
Tuesday–Thursday 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Friday Closed

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-781-5253
Fax 207-781-3640

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Public Works Department manages: engineering and capital improvements projects including road reconstruction and paving; streets and right-of-ways including public road maintenance, drainage systems, street sweeping; snow plowing; solid waste, recycling and the Transfer Station, including curbside trash and recycling services, composting; and fleet maintenance.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday–Thursday 7:00 am–4:30 pm
Friday 7:00 am–11:00 am

CONTACT

Address 101 Woods Road
Phone 207-781-3919

TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station, located at the site of the former landfill facility on Woods Road, provides residents with a wide range of recycling and disposal services, including food waste, household hazardous waste, paint products, Christmas trees, and more. For a complete list and disposal rates visit: <https://www.falmouthme.org/transfer-station>

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday Closed
Tuesday 12:00 pm–4:00 pm
Wednesday Closed
Thursday 12:00 pm–4:00 pm
Friday 7:00 am–5:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am–5:00 pm

PARKS AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

It is the intent and purpose of the Falmouth Parks and Community Programs Department to provide supplemental educational, active and passive recreational, cultural and social opportunities for members of our community.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Tuesday 8:00 am–6:00 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Thursday 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Friday 8:00 am–12:00 pm

CONTACT

Address Mason-Motz Activity Center
190 Middle Road
Phone 207-699-5302

FOOD PANTRY

Falmouth Food Pantry is located adjacent to Town Hall in the space formerly occupied by the Falmouth Police Department. For over 30 years the Falmouth Food Pantry has been serving the needs of citizens in Falmouth and surrounding communities (Cumberland, Yarmouth, Portland, and Westbrook).

Food and supplies may be dropped off at the Falmouth Food Pantry during operating hours, the Town Hall & Falmouth Memorial Library during business hours, or Falmouth churches.

HOURS OPEN EACH MONTH

- 1st and 3rd Monday from 9:00–11:00 am
- 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday from 9:30–11:30 am
- 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursday from 4:30–6:30 pm

The Pantry is not open on major holidays or school "Snow Days." If you need emergency assistance, please call 632-2687.

ASSESSING

The Role of the Assessor's office is to establish a value for all real & personal property for tax purposes and to maintain ownership records as required by the State of Maine. The Town of Falmouth has partnered with the Cumberland County Regional Assessing Program.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday–Friday 8:00 am–4:30 pm

CONTACT

Cumberland County Regional Assessing
25 Pearl Street
Portland, Maine 04101
Phone 207-699-2475
Email assessor@cumberlandcounty.org

FALMOUTH COMMUNITY TELEVISION CHANNEL 2

FCT Channel 2 (Digital 121) is a Governmental and Educational facility. The core of our programming consists of local governmental and school meetings, special school events, and a message board that runs community service announcements. Weekly program schedules and on-demand video can be found online at: <https://www.falmouthme.org/cable-tv-fct-channel-2>.

REGULAR BROADCAST SCHEDULE OF TOWN MEETINGS

Planning Board - 6:30 pm (monthly)
School Board - 7 pm (monthly)
Town Council - 7 pm (twice monthly)

The most recent meeting is rebroadcast each day at 9 a.m. & 7 p.m. until the next live meeting is held. Then that meeting is rebroadcast at those times. Board of Zoning Appeals Meetings are not broadcast live but can be viewed online within 24 hours after the meeting.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday–Thursday 9:00 am–5:00 pm

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-699-5317



*Hurricane Ski Slope, circa 1950.
Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.*



Allen Avenue Extension, 1968. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Code Enforcement Division is responsible for:

- Administering and enforcing the Zoning and Site Plan Review Ordinance and the Floodplain Management Ordinance.
- Administering and enforcing Federal, State, and Local regulations governing construction projects.
- Ensuring compliance with these rules and regulations by reviewing plans prior to construction and conducting ongoing inspections.
- Issuing all permits associated with construction projects, e.g. building, plumbing, heating, and electrical.
- Providing research, technical, and staff support to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 7:00 am–5:00 pm
Tuesday–Thursday 8:00 am–5:00 pm

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-699-5310
Fax 207-781-3640

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

FALMOUTH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY HOTLINE (207) 699-5241

Please call the EMA hotline for up-to-date information during a large-scale emergency. The EMA hotline will contain information about road closures, power outages, evacuation orders, and emergency shelters.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday–Friday 8:00 am–4:30 pm

CONTACT

Address 8 Bucknam Road
Phone 207-781-2610 (during daytime business hours)
EMA Hotline 207-699-5241
Fax 207-699-5268
After Hours Phone 207-781-2300 (Falmouth Dispatch)
Emergency Number 9-1-1

FINANCE

The Finance Division is responsible for all financial transactions, revenue, and disbursements of the Town, which include processing warrants and payrolls. This Division manages all cash, investments, and insurances as well as all debt service and writing bonds. We are responsible to annually complete a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and both an Operating and Capital Budget. Managing the Purchasing process is also part of the Finance Division's responsibilities. The Purchasing process includes the maintenance of all bid specifications, bid tabulations, and bid awards.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 7:00 am–5:00 pm
Tuesday–Thursday 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Friday Closed

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-781-5253
Fax 207-781-3640

FALMOUTH FIRE AND EMS

Falmouth Fire-EMS responds to nearly 2,000 emergencies each year. The Fire-EMS Headquarters is located at Central Fire Station at 8 Bucknam Road. Falmouth Fire-EMS provides on call emergency services from three stations. Each station is commanded by a Captain, and each apparatus has an assigned Lieutenant and a crew. Our three ambulances combine to run over 1,000 medical calls each year.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday–Friday 8:00 am–4:30 pm

CONTACT

Address 8 Bucknam Road
Phone 207-781-2610
Fax 207-699-5268
Emergency Number 9-1-1

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

The Information Systems Department is responsible for providing development, maintenance, training and oversight of the Town's computer and information systems, including supporting users remote sites, servers, hardware and software, GIS, web site, phone system, security system, and the Town's wide area network.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday–Thursday 8:00 am–4:30 pm
Friday 8:00 am–12:00 pm

CONTACT

Address 2 Marshall Drive
Phone 207-699-5219

LONG-RANGE PLANNING/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 7:00 am–5:00 pm
Tuesday–Thursday 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Friday Closed

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-699-5340

MARINE UNIT

The Marine Unit of the Police Department provides emergency services for the waterfront of the Town and the four islands within town borders. Located within the waterfront are public beaches, two yacht clubs, the Town Landing pier facility with its associated boat launching ramp, and approximately 1,150 pleasure and fishing boats. The Marine Unit conducts joint patrol with the U.S. Coast Guard, Cumberland County Sherriff's Department, Maine Marine Patrol, and surrounding Harbor Masters. In addition to providing security and emergency services from this area, the division monitors parking in the two parking lots for the public beaches and pier and the inspection and placement of all moorings as well as issues annual and daily permits for the use of the facility. The marine unit also conducts water quality testing for the beaches.

CONTACT

Address Town Landing Road
Office 207-781-7317
Police Dispatch 207-781-2300
Fax 207-781-7317

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – PLANNING DIVISION

The Planning Division is responsible for:

- Providing research and technical assistance to the Town Manager, Town Council, Planning Board, Community Development Committee, Conservation Commission, other department heads, and our citizens.
- Providing comprehensive review of development proposals requiring Planning Board approval including subdivisions, private ways, site plans, and certain uses within the Shore Land Zone.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 7:00 am–5:00 pm
Tuesday–Thursday 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Friday Closed. Appointments are encouraged.

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-699-5303
Fax 207-781-3640

Service Directory continued on next page

POLICE

We believe it is our responsibility to strive to provide service, leadership, protection and community involvement with our citizens, who in partnership with us, strive to make the Town of Falmouth a safer and more pleasant community in which to live.

CONTACT

Address 2 Marshall Drive
Phone 207-781-2300
207-781-4154 TTY
Fax 207-781-3448
Emergency Number 9-1-1

SCHOOLS

www.falmouthschools.org

FALMOUTH DISTRICT OFFICE

51 Woodville Road
Office Hours Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm
Phone 207-781-3200
Fax 207-781-5711

FALMOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

58 Woodville Road
Phone 207-781-3988
Fax 207-347-3130
Nurse Direct Line 207-347-3152

FALMOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL

52 Woodville Road
Main Office 207-781-3740
Fax 207-321-0108
Guidance 207-781-9886
Fax 207-321-0108

FALMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

74 Woodville Road
Phone 207-781-7429
Fax 207-781-3985

TAX COLLECTION & VEHICLE REGISTRATION

SERVICES

- Vehicle Registrations
- Property Tax Payments/Personal Property Tax
- ATV/Boat/Snowmobile Registrations
- Landfill/Town Landing Stickers
- Solid Waste Permits
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses
- Dog Registrations (October 15th- January 31st)

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 7:00 am-5:00 pm
Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am-5:00 pm

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-781-5253
Fax 207-781-3640

TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk is the keeper of the public record, for the past and the present. The Town Clerk's Department is responsible for: issuing licenses, permits; supervising and coordinating elections; maintaining voter registration information; recording vital records; providing administrative support to the Town Manager and Town Council, boards and committees; providing information and notices to the public and town departments on the town website; administration of the General Assistance program for the town.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 7:00 am-5:00 pm
Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am-5:00 pm
Friday Closed

CONTACT

Address 271 Falmouth Road
Phone 207-781-5253
Fax 207-781-3640

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

The Water Pollution Control Department's primary mission is to provide the highest possible sewage treatment in the most cost-effective manner for our ratepayers. In so doing, we underscore our commitment to improve the water quality of the Presumpscot River Estuary and Casco Bay.

HOUSE OF OPERATION

Monday-Friday 7:00 am-3:00 pm

CONTACT

Address 96 Clearwater Drive
Phone 207-781-4462
Fax 207-781-2052

TOWN BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Appointments Committee.....	207-699-5305
Bicycle-Pedestrian Planning.....	207-699-5340
Board of Assessment Review.....	207-699-5303
Board of Sewer Appeals.....	207-699-5303
Board of Zoning Appeals.....	207-699-5310
Community Development Committee.....	207-699-5335
Community Park Connector Committee.....	207-699-5313
Conservation Commission.....	207-699-5337
Economic Improvement Committee.....	207-699-5340
Finance Committee.....	207-699-5335
Harbor / Waterfront Committee.....	207-781-7317
Human Services Committee.....	207-699-5305
Land Management & Acquisitions Committee	
SUMMER Town Landing/Harbormaster.....	207-781-7317
and Falmouth Parks.....	207-699-5302
Library Board of Trustees.....	207-781-2351
Long Range Planning Advisory Committee.....	207-699-5340
Long-Range Planning/Economic Development.....	207-699-5340
Ordinance Committee.....	207-699-5335
Parks & Community Programs Advisory Committee.....	207-699-5313
Planning Board.....	207-699-5303
Recycling & Energy Advisory Committee.....	207-699-5337
Route 1 North Committee.....	207-699-5340
Route 100 Committee.....	207-699-5340
Senior Advisory Committee.....	207-699-5335
Shellfish Conservation Committee.....	207-781-7317
Tercentennial Committee.....	207-699-5335
Town Landing	
Office.....	207-781-7317
Police Dispatch.....	207-781-2300

GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION

POLLING

Falmouth High School Gym, 74 Woodville Road
Polling hours are 7:00 am-8:00 pm

All Local, State & Federal Elections are administered and supervised by the Town Clerk. The Annual Municipal Election is held on the second Tuesday of June. This election is for the purpose of electing Town Council and School Board members. November elections are held the first Tuesday following the first Monday of the month.

WHERE DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?

You may register to vote at your town hall, through any Motor Vehicle branch office or at voter registration drives. Completed voter registration cards may be delivered by hand or mailed to your town office. On election day you can register to vote at the polls. If you are registering to vote within two weeks of the election, you must show proof of residency.

You must be at least 17 years old and turn 18 years old before the next election to register to vote.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

You may request an absentee ballot by contacting the Town Clerk's office at 207-699-5320. Absentee ballots will be available 30 days prior to the election.

DISTRICT INFORMATION

Falmouth is divided into two separate districts, District 44 and District 43.

TOWN OF FALMOUTH ONLINE SERVICES

REGISTRATION RENEWALS

- ATV & Snowmobile Registration
- Boat Registrations
- Motor Vehicle Registration Renewals
- Community Programs Registration & Facilities Scheduling
- Online Board & Committee Application
- Online Mapping

LICENSES

- Dog Licenses
- Driver License Renewals
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses

PAYMENTS

- Burning Permits Purchasing Service
- Crash Reports
- Portland Water District Bill Payments
- Tax Payments

**SIGN UP FOR E-ALERTS FROM
THE TOWN OF FALMOUTH AT
WWW.FALMOUTHME.ORG/SUBSCRIBE**



Falmouth Town Hall, 1970s. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.



Town Landing, 1950s. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.



Falmouth brickmakers.
Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.



Haying in Falmouth.
Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society



Falmouth Community Day

AT HADLOCK FIELD



Join us on May 12th for Falmouth Community Day
with the Portland Sea Dogs!

Binghamton Rumble Ponies (AA Mets) vs. Portland Sea Dogs (AA Red Sox)
Saturday May 12th, 2018 | Game Time - 1:00 PM | Gates Open - 11:30 AM



Join the Sea Dogs

as we celebrate the tercentennial and all things Falmouth at Hadlock Field.

For additional details and information on how to purchase individual tickets,
visit www.Falmouth300.org

Special corporate packages and unique opportunities to involve your group are
available! To learn how to get involved contact
Dennis Meehan at (207) 874-9300 or dmeehan@seadogs.com

207.879.9500

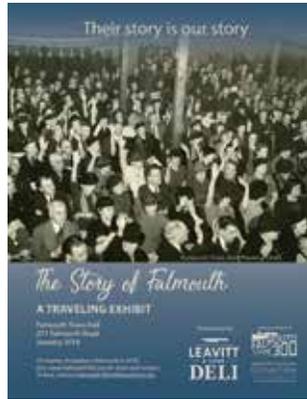
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MAKING NEW HISTORY

The commemoration of Falmouth's 300th year has inspired a number of "legacy projects." These long-lasting and visionary projects will benefit our community well beyond 2018.

THE STORY OF FALMOUTH TRAVELING EXHIBIT

This 12-panel exhibit explores Falmouth's history, beginning with the story of its first inhabitants 12,000 years ago and concluding in modern times. Covering topics such as early settlement, recreation, governance, war, and education, the exhibit is the first-ever to explore Falmouth's unique story. Generously sponsored by Leavitt & Sons Deli, the exhibit will be showcased throughout Falmouth in 2018, and can be displayed in the future at special events or used by the schools for educational purposes. A digital version of the exhibit will be available online via the Town's website and an archived digital copy placed in the Falmouth Historical Society.



FALMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY DIGITIZATION PROJECT AND ENTRY RENOVATION

Housed in the collections of Falmouth Historical Society are hundreds of images, newspaper clippings, artifacts and other items of historical significance. Newly moved to their museum on Woods Road, volunteer society members are in the process of indexing and digitizing these artifacts using archival accessioning software to ensure their preservation for future generations. In addition, through generous donations of community members, the Society will upgrade its entry way to include a new wheelchair ramp, brick pathway, lighting, and doorway to improve access to its museum and research center.



TOWN OF FALMOUTH: MURAL PROJECT

Hanging in the hallway on the first floor of Town Hall, the "Falmouth Mural" is one of the Town's most intriguing mysteries. Where did it come from? Who painted it? Where did it originally hang? Plans are underway to conserve and restore this beautiful and unique representational map of Falmouth's history which dates to the 1930s, and is recognized as a significant work of art in the state of Maine. Volunteer community members are helping Town staff create a companion book highlighting the history of Falmouth depicted in the mural's painted vignettes. The project has been supported through a generous donation by Southworth Products Corporation.



MY FAVORITE FALMOUTH: A MODERN-DAY TIME CAPSULE

Inspired by the mural project, My Favorite Falmouth invites Falmouth residents to share a version of their favorite Falmouth place through art or word. Submissions will be gathered in 2018 and compiled to form an engaging multi-media presentation celebrating today's Falmouth and documenting this time in our community's history. The presentation will be showcased to the public during a special event in late 2018 and made available on the Town website. An archival digital copy of the presentation will also be housed in the collections of the Falmouth Historical Society as a modern-day time capsule for future generations to enjoy. See page 16 in this guide for information on how to participate in My Favorite Falmouth.



FALMOUTH MEMORIAL LIBRARY RENOVATION AND EXPANSION

Dedicated as a memorial library in 1952, the Falmouth Memorial Library will break ground on a newly expanded library in 2018. The expansion project will address structural issues, upgrade technological infrastructure, improve energy efficiency, and add 8000+ additional square feet of work, collection, and programming space, making it a modern, state-of-art facility for future generations of Falmouth residents. The volunteer expansion campaign committee recognizes the opportunity the new library affords to invest in the future of our community on the eve of its fourth century.

HISTORICAL RESEARCH AND WRITING

Many local researchers have, for years, been exploring Falmouth's rich history. The tercentennial has inspired them to share their findings in 2018 with the community through lectures, presentations, and publications of their work. Researchers include: Marge Devine on Falmouth's early history and its role in the French and Indian Wars up to 1763, Ford Reiche on the History of the Presumpscot River and Pleasant Hill neighborhood, Larry Dyhrberg on Danish settlements in Falmouth, Wayne Cobb on the Quakers in Falmouth, Lee Hanchett on early transportation in Maine (including Falmouth), Falmouth Congregational Church on the church's role in Falmouth's history, and the Tercentennial Planning Committee on a general history of Falmouth. The Falmouth300 calendar includes multiple opportunities to learn more about this important research, all of which contributes to a broader understanding of Falmouth's place in history.

THE FALMOUTH COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER COOPERATIVE

During the planning for Falmouth's Tercentennial, several Falmouth non-profits, who collaborated on Falmouth300 projects, recognized the value in working together beyond 2018. The result was the establishment of the Falmouth Community Volunteer Cooperative (FCVC). The FCVC strives to improve the quality of life in our community by encouraging collaboration between Falmouth-focused nonprofit and civic organizations to maximize their missions, goals, and programs and to promote volunteerism and community participation. Under the oversight of Falmouth Memorial Library, the FCVC maintains a centralized website that includes: links to contact information for member organizations, a centralized calendar of events and meetings, and listings for immediate volunteer opportunities. The group plans to meet regularly, seek opportunities to collaborate, and promote volunteerism through the annual Town-Wide Volunteer Fair, as well as on the FCVC website. Find more information about the FCVC and participating organizations, visit: <https://volunteerfalmouth.wordpress.com/>

TOWN LANDING INTERPRETIVE PANELS

Two permanent interpretive panels are under development for placement at Town Landing which will orient visitors to the scenic view of Casco Bay and provide an historic overview of Falmouth's role in Maine's maritime history. The panels will be installed in summer 2018.

Congratulations to the Town of Falmouth on its 300th Anniversary!

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From our humble 19th century beginnings in Portland's Old Port, Southworth has developed into a world leader in the design and manufacture of innovative material handling products and solutions. Our Falmouth headquarters is home to business development, engineering, finance, human resources, IT, marketing, product design and sales teams working daily with colleagues and customers from coast to coast and across the Americas, Asia and Europe.

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