

February 2021

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THE WESTPORT ISLAND COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2021

Westport Community Association
6 Fowles Point Road,
Westport Island, ME 04578

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"Tulips at a Party"

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Newsletter Submissions

If you have an interest in contributing to the Westport Island Newsletter please contact Rose Bodmer at lulusbarnshop@gmail.com or 215-7039. The deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month. I would love to hear from you!

HAPPY FEBRUARY

BIRTHDAY!

Dedee Greenleaf-Hodgdon
Tonya Jean Richardson

Eben Greenleaf **80**

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Did You Know?

The same precautions were used during the 1918 'Spanish' Flu pandemic as are being used today to avoid Covid-19.



Learn about the similarities between the two pandemics, and how Westport Islanders and Mainers were affected then and now. Visit the **Westport Island in Times of Pandemic, Epidemics and Outbreaks** exhibit at the new Westport Island History Center (Wright Landing house) on Sundays, 11 am to 1 pm. Or contact us for a private viewing.

Gaye Wagner, gdwagner1@gmail.com
Joan Bradford, masonjoan58@gmail.com

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Westport Island Helping Hands

To all of the Residents, non-residents, friends, and family of Westport Island: The Westport Island Helping Hands would like to take this opportunity to extend our gratitude for all of the generous donations we have received this last year. Thank you so much!! This last year has certainly been an unusual year and one of uncertain times for so many. Our food pantry is full and it is our wish that we reach out to all of our small island community that we are here for you if you need anything. We are just a phone call away please do not hesitate to call. We are open by appointment only, which we feel is more personable and less intimidating to anyone needing our assistance. We also will help with fuel assistance in emergency situations. Fuel is supplied in 150 gal. increments upon request. All requests are handled in a prompt, polite, and confidential manner. Please contact Linda or Michael if you are in need of fuel assistance.

Transportation & Other Services: Volunteers can usually provide transportation with some prior notice. We also are available to help during storms, power outages, and other emergencies. If you find yourself in need of assistance, of any type, please give one of us a call (see the list of members) and we will help in whatever way we can. If we are unable to help, we can often provide the name of an organization that can help. All requests are confidential.

Helping Hands Board Members are:
Michael Cromwell, President, 380-5885
Linda Davis, Vice President, 882-5464
Adam Webber, Treasurer, 350-0925
Donna Gregory, Secretary, 882-7371
Marcia Richardson, 882-6270

**To the kind
folks who walk
the side of the
road and pick
up the trash.**

You
Rock!

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Broadband & Cable Committee

Request for Letters of Support for Broadband

The Broadband and Cable Committee is preparing to apply for a Connect Maine grant which would be used to make high-speed internet available to all of Westport Island - and they need your help. The application requires evidence that the community is in favor of this initiative, in the form of letters of support. If you are in favor of this project please supply a short letter or email indicating your support for the expansion of broadband internet access - and why you are in favor of it. Your letters or emails are requested by **Feb. 12, via mail at Westport Island Town Office, 6 Fowles Point Road, Westport ME 04578, Attn: Broadband and Cable Committee; or email to westportbroadband@gmail.com.** Please make sure that your address is included in either the letter or email.



Westport Island History

Friends of Westport Island History notecards are available for purchase at the town office or the Westport Island History Center. Sets of 8 cards for \$10 or \$1.50 each.

WCA looking for New Members

Westport Community Association is looking for new members who would like to join the committee to help promote projects or ideas in the best interests of residents of Westport Island and to bring together a sense of community. If this sounds interesting to you, contact Debbie Lorenson at dclorenson@aol.com. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM.

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