



# connecting to place

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## THE NEWSLETTER OF VAUGHAN WOODS & HISTORIC HOMESTEAD



THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THINGS IN LIFE ARE NOT JUST THINGS. THEY'RE  
PEOPLE AND PLACES, MEMORIES AND PICTURES. THEY'RE FEELINGS AND  
MOMENTS, SMILING AND LAUGHTER . . .

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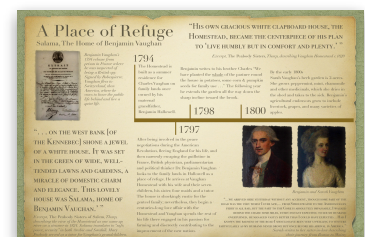
### A Place to Share

In 2019 we celebrated the 225th anniversary of Vaughan Homestead! Built in 1794 the house served the diverse needs of seven generations of one family. In a timeline designed to celebrate the occasion, VWHH staff and volunteers chronicled the many things that the place has meant to the family and now to the community. A place of refuge for British political radical Benjamin Vaughan, a place to protect for Captain William Oliver Vaughan, a place to restore for colonial revivalist William Warren Vaughan, a place for recreation for socialite Mary Vaughan Marvin, and finally a place to conserve and a place to share . . . take a



2019 Garden Party participants carry on a portrait tradition!

look at the full timeline in our new online exhibit at [vaughanhomestead.org/225yearsofhistory/](http://vaughanhomestead.org/225yearsofhistory/), and turn the page to see the many ways in which the community participated in VWHH in its 225th year!





# Annual Report

*Supported By Donations, Grants and Sponsors in 2019:*

## Community Programs

- Annual Maypole Dance
- Bee Hotel Building Workshop for Kids
- Tuesday House Tours July-August
- Thursday History Hikes July-August
- Family Movie In The Barn
- Fall Community Celebration
- Folk Friday Music Nights
- Cigar Box Guitar Workshop for Kids in partnership with Hallowell's Luthier's Festival & Vision Hallowell

## Educational Programs

- Hall-Dale Elementary School 3rd Grade Simple Machines Field Trip
- Historians Love Maps Outreach Program to Hall-Dale 3rd Grade
- 3-Day Maker's Movement Program for Hall-Dale High School 9th-11th Graders
- Hall-Dale Summer Recreation Program Visits June-August

## Conservation & Stewardship Projects

- Upper Brook Trail Restoration
- High Arch Bridge Abutment Repair
- Trailhead Improvements



*Vaughan Woods neighbor and local musician Mark Horn (aka Professor Smartypants) calls the 5th annual Maypole Dance on the lawn of Vaughan Homestead.*



*Hall-Dale Summer Recreation Program 5th graders race twig boats in Vaughan Brook.*



*Hallowell Historian Sam Webber shares the City's history from 1797 - 1850 in a talk organized by Row House and hosted by VWHH in the Garden Pavilion this August.*



## Student & Service Projects

- Kennebec Valley Community College outdoor cooking shelter
- VWHH Summer Internship Program
- Kennebec Land Trust interns assist with outdoor education programming
- Teen Service Crew
- UMA Service Project
- Augusta Boys and Girls Club



*KLT interns Joe Hazelton and Jonah Raether with VWHH interns Kirsten Pelletier and Grace Davenport.*



*Augusta Boys & Girls Club teens install birdhouse in VWHH garden. The teens made the birdhouse in their wood shop and donated it to VWHH this fall.*



*Students at the Kennebec Valley Community College cut and donated the timbers for our new outdoor cooking shelter! The shelter was completed in the fall and will be ready for cooking under in the spring of 2020.*



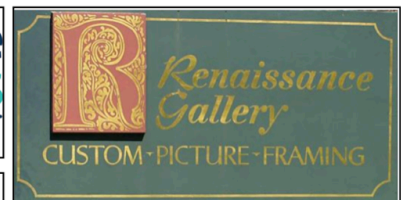
*University of Maine students residing at the new Stephen's Commons dorms pose for a photograph in the VWHH garden after a morning of trail work in Vaughan Woods as part of their freshman orientation in August.*



*Hall-Dale High School student Isaac Anderson continued his summer volunteer trail crew service into the school year - here he is picking apples!*



# THANK YOU TO OUR 2019 SPONSORS



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