

# CHINA CONNECTED

May 6, 2023

China Branch Mills China Weeks Mills South China  
Village Village Village Village

*Where little villages come together*

On Wednesday, I visited the Golden Agers group. They reported that this was the largest attendance to date with 22 people present. Many were playing Bingo while others were enjoying Cribbage and some of the many other games available. The Golden Agers gather from 10:00 a.m. until noon every Wednesday in the portable at the town office complex. The group is always looking to welcome additional participants and there is no specific age requirement to join only the desire to have fun and meet people. The group also has two trips planned for later this summer. One is to Cabbage Island and the other is to Greenville for a cruise around Moosehead Lake. For more information, contact the town office at (207) 445-2014 X 3.

The China Four Season Club requested to use parts of the Pleasant View Ridge Road and Bog Brook Road for an ATV access route. If approved, the ATVs would be allowed to use the portion of the roadway for the movement of vehicles, exclusive of shoulders and auxiliary lanes. The Select Board will hold a public hearing on the proposal on May 22, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Those along the proposed route will receive a notice of public hearing in the mail shortly. A map of the proposal is posted on the town's website under the public hearing section.

Here is one final reminder for the public hearing scheduled for this Monday night, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the town office on the June municipal ballot which includes the municipal budget and ordinances. The hearing is held prior to the start of the Select Board meeting.

Happy Mothers' Day to all moms and those filling a mom's role!

*"You can't have a good day with a bad attitude, and you can't have a bad day with a good attitude."*

Becky Hapgood  
Town Manager

**REMINDER!**



**Anyone visiting the Transfer Station must have a placard to enter. Placards can be obtained at the town office.**

**PROPASS**

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## Absentee Ballots

**Absentee Ballots will be available on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.**

RSU ballots will be available on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

**You may request a ballot by phone 445-2014 x3, or in person at the town office.**

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The Annual Town Business Meeting will be held by written ballot on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 in the portable building at the Town Office complex.



**All Municipal Services will be CLOSED on Monday, May 29, 2023**

**MEMORIAL DAY**

### Spring Clean Up Day at Thurston Park

Saturday, May 21, 2023 at 9:00 am  
Rain Date is Sunday, May 22, 2023

Bring loppers, pole saws, work gloves if you have them, some tools will be available.

Wear work gloves and don't forget your bug spray!  
Dress appropriately for tick protection.

## BE AN INFORMED CHINA VOTER

Public Hearing on Warrant Articles for the Annual Town Business Meeting

Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m., Town Office Meeting Room, 571 Lakeview Drive

**Subject:** 32 Articles presented by written ballot at the annual town business meeting. All China residents are encouraged to attend in person or through ZOOM and ask questions. To access the ZOOM link please visit china.govoffice.com, go to the calendar and click on May 8<sup>th</sup>. You may also view the meeting by using the Livestream tab to the left on our website. Questions can also be submitted to info@chinamaine.org.

## Code Guy Corner

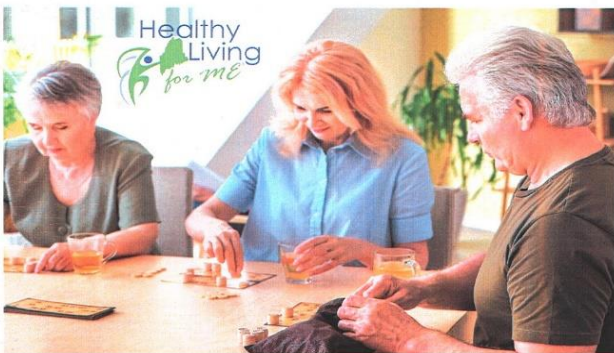
Hello once again! Summer is looming and I'm sure many of you are gearing up to flood (too soon?) me with permits. I surmise you also have a few questions to ask while submitting said permits. Instead of just giving the answers to you (that'd be too easy), let's have some fun with it. Quiz Time!

- I. What are the setbacks from property lines (road, sides, and rear)?
- II. What is the minimum lot size in square feet for Residential uses?
- C. What is the setback from Three Mile Pond and China Lake?
5. Where can I too find all this exciting information?

Congratulations! Walk tall, keep your chin held high, and shoulders back. You are now honorary well-informed residents. To certify your newfound knowledge, I have no badge for you to wear other than a smile. The best part is it compliments any outfit, so wear it often.

Nick French  
ceo@chinamaine.org

Answer Key: I. 25', 10', & 15' II. 40,000 C. 100' 5. [china.govoffice.com](http://china.govoffice.com) under Ordinances, Policies, and Orders



### BINGOCIZE®

**DATE:** August 29, 2023 – November 2, 2023 (Start-End)  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (Start-End)  
**Location:** 571 Lakeview Drive, China Town Office Portable Building (in-person)  
**Workshop contact:** Monica Hawk  
mhawk@spectrumgenerations.org, 207-620-1642

Please contact Monica to register!

*Creating a Healthier Maine*



- Q. What is Bingocize?**
- A.** Bingocize is an interactive, group workshop that includes a total of 20 class sessions. Workshop participants meet for 1 hour, twice weekly for 10 weeks.
- Q. Who can benefit from Bingocize?**
- A.** The workshop is ideal for individuals looking to reduce falls, increase physical activity, and learn about healthy habits while playing the fun-game of Bingo. Caregivers, friends, and family members can also benefit from this program as they learn skills and resources to support their loved ones.
- Q. What does Bingocize do for participants?**
- A.** Bingocize combines a bingo-like game with exercise and health education. The program has been shown to increase older adults' functional fitness, health knowledge, and social engagement.



Please Join Us for Senior  
Game Day  
in the Portable building!  
Wednesdays 10 am – 12 pm

### From the Assessing Office...

Spring is here and that means we might be seen all over town. About 260 building & CEO permits were issued in the year April 1, 2022 through April 1, 2023 and the properties need to be checked for their status as of April 1<sup>st</sup>. We also have about 150 other properties that had permits in the previous years and were not complete as of last April 1<sup>st</sup>. Pat does most of the field work. He is a friendly gentleman with white hair and drives a white SUV. His vehicle displays a sign reading "Assessor." Bill is another friendly gentleman usually in a black SUV and Kelly drives a red SUV. Much of what we do is from the road but if we need to speak with you or measure a new structure we would knock on your door before walking around your property. If you have any questions, you can call 445-2014 ext. 6 or email [kelly@chinamaine.org](mailto:kelly@chinamaine.org).

### JOB OPPORTUNITY CHINA REGION LAKES ALLIANCE (CRLA)

The CRLA is accepting summer job applications to work for the Courtesy Boat Inspection (CBI) Program and the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC). This year the CRLA encourages the **electronic submittal** of the application. You can also print, complete and submit by mail.

The 2023 Job Application is available at the following sites:  
<https://www.crlamaine.org>

Type in the CRLA Website above, the application is at the top of the page.

<https://china.govoffice.com>

Go to the Town of China's Homepage, look to the left-hand side tabs, and click on the China Region Lakes Alliance.

Applications must be submitted online or **mailed** directly to the CRLA Post Office Box **and postmarked on or before Saturday, May 13, 2023.**

CRLA  
P.O. BOX 6339  
CHINA VILLAGE, MAINE 04926



**\*\* CRLA is an Equal Opportunity Employer \*\***



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