



Jane Austen Society of North America—Maine Region  
**Jane’s Birthday Meeting**  
**Saturday, December 14, 2019**

**St. Mary’s Episcopal Church Parish House**  
**43 Foreside Road, Falmouth**



**Panel Discussion on *Northanger Abbey***

**Panelists: Wayne Olsen, Linda Perkins, Bill Sayres**

- 10:30 am            Registration**
- 11:00 am            Panel Discussion**
- 12:00 noon        Lunch, birthday cake, toasts**
- 1:00 pm            Business meeting**
- 1:15 pm            “The Traveling Companions” A Play in One Act  
 (with apologies to Jane Austen) by W.P. Hamilton**

**RSVP by December 7** to Sheila McGarr by email: [smcgarr1@maine.rr.com](mailto:smcgarr1@maine.rr.com) or phone 207-878-3459, or mail form below, with check, to 148 Hennessey Dr., Portland, ME 04103. Register online at <http://www.jasnamaine.org>.

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JASNA-Maine December 14, 2019 Meeting – Registration Form

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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| Meeting fee: \$15 per member (\$5 for students) | \$ _____       |
| \$20 for non-members                            | \$ _____       |
| <b>Guests are welcome!</b>                      | Total \$ _____ |

Checks for the meeting fee are payable to JASNA-Maine

**PLEASE CHECK BELOW IF YOU CAN OFFER HOSPITALITY HELP:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I will bring a \_\_\_\_\_ salad to the meeting
- \_\_\_\_\_ I can help with serving    \_\_\_\_\_ I can help with cleanup

**Please contact Linda Perkins** to let her know if you can bring a salad and/or if you will be available to help with setup, serving or cleanup:

**Linda Perkins 207-847-3194 or [lindaperkins77@gmail.com](mailto:lindaperkins77@gmail.com)**

She would especially appreciate alternatives to tossed green salads, such as slaws, fruit salads or molded salads!

We will provide beverages (still and sparkling water, cider, and sparkling cider for toast).

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### **A Message from our Regional Coordinator, Barbara Briggs:**

As noted on the invitation, both Jane Austen's birthday and Northanger Abbey will be celebrated on December 14. Our panel will no doubt give us fresh insights of Catherine Morland and her adventures in Bath and at the Abbey. I'll be rereading NA because there is always a detail found in rereading that I overlooked or forgot from my last reading and I want to fully appreciate those ideas that our panel might put forth. Best reason of all, settling into NA promises calm, retreat from world chaos, release of tense muscles and embrace of delicious ease.

"Oh, it is only a novel!" you might quote, but what a novel, "...only some work in which the greatest powers of the mind are displayed, in which the most thorough knowledge of human nature, the happiest delineation of its varieties, the liveliest effusions of wit and humour are conveyed to the world in the best chosen language." As only Jane could write it.

### **New Members**

We extend a warm welcome to the following people who have joined JASNA-National in recent months and chosen Maine as one of their Regions:

## Upcoming Events - 2020

Saturday, April 25

Saturday, September 12

Saturday, December 12

*The sketch on page 1 is scanned from a postcard with the notation: Seascape with "Jane Austen" and Ram Island Lighthouse, Cape Elizabeth, Maine. It is by William Hamilton, longtime JASNA member formerly of our Region.*

JASNA-Maine Region Executive Committee

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Hospitality Committee: Karin Jackson & Ann Standridge

## **Directions to St. Mary's, 43 Foreside Road, Falmouth**

### **From the North:**

**Take I-295 S for 17.8 miles**

**Take Exit 10 (US-1/Falmouth/ME-9/Bucknam Rd), go 0.4 miles**

**Keep left to take the ramp toward Falmouth**

**Turn left onto Bucknam Rd**

**Turn right onto US-1 S**

**Turn left onto Depot Rd**

**Turn right onto ME-88 S/ Foreside Rd**

**St. Mary's is on the left**

**Your destination is 0.1 miles past Waites Landing Rd. If you reach**

**Colonial Village, you've gone about 0.2 miles too far.**

### **From the South:**

**Take I-295 N toward Falmouth**

**Merge onto US-1 N via Exit 9 toward Falmouth Foreside – go 2 miles**

**Turn slight right onto Foreside Rd/ME-88**

**St. Mary's is on the right**

**Your destination is 0.2 miles past Colonial Village. If you reach**

**Waites Landing Rd., you've gone about 0.1 miles too far.**