HOMETOWN TRIVIA · WATERVILLE, ME

How well do you know Waterville?

Circle the answer you think is right. Answers are on the last page.

1. Which famous public figure was born in Waterville in 1933?

A. William Cohen
B. George J. Mitchell
C. Edmund Muskie

2. Which famous public figure was born in Waterville in 1953?

A. Bruce Poliquin
B. Susan Collins
C. William Cohen

3. About how many people lived in Waterville in 1950?

A. 41,000
B. 7,200
C. 18,000

How well do you know Waterville?

4. The Old Waterville High School dates back to about which year?

A. 1951
B. 1911
C. 1871

5. Which county is Waterville in?

A. Knox County
B. Hancock County
C. Kennebec County

REMEMBER WHEN · WATERVILLE

Let's talk about home

Read one aloud and let the stories come. There are no wrong answers on this page.

- George J. Mitchell was born right here in Waterville in 1933. Do you remember George J. Mitchell from the news?
- Bruce Poliquin was born right here in Waterville in 1953. Do you remember Bruce Poliquin from the news?
- In 1950 about 18,000 people lived in Waterville. What is the biggest change you have seen in town since then?
- The Old Waterville High School dates back to 1911. Have you ever been there, or driven past it?
- Where did people in Waterville go for an ice cream cone on a summer night?
- What was downtown Waterville like on a Saturday when you were young?

WORD SEARCH · WATERVILLE

Around Waterville

O C Y N P A R A D E M I P T O
L F I R E H O U S E T A E S I
I B G U A M S O S K D U N E T
B C I C H B A N D S T A N D O
R T E I P O L I Q U I N S T F
A R P C M L P E N R R I B U R
R O O T R I B T A S A S T V R
Y L S O V E T A A I T L U B C
L L T H O N A C K L A R U L G
A E O A I I L M H E R V E A B
A Y F A D I N E R E R I E E K
C R F Y T O A S O L L Y T O T
M P I G W A T E R V I L L E G
A E C L P I C N I C F R E N L
L K E A E P L A A S K R E K B

- [ ] BAKERY
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- [ ] FIREHOUSE
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- [ ] LIBRARY
- [ ] MAINSTREET
- [ ] MITCHELL
- [ ] PARADE
- [ ] PICNIC
- [ ] POLIQUIN
- [ ] POSTOFFICE
- [ ] TROLLEY
- [ ] WATERVILLE

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Answers and sources

1. George J. Mitchell George J. Mitchell was born in Waterville in 1933.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q368920 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_J._Mitchell

2. Bruce Poliquin Bruce Poliquin was born in Waterville in 1953.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q4978147 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bruce_Poliquin

3. 18,000 The 1950 census counted 18,287 people in Waterville.

Sources: https://www2.census.gov/library/publications/decennial/1960/pc-s1-supplementary-reports/pc-s1-9.pdf · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Waterville,_Maine

4. 1911 The Old Waterville High School dates back to 1911.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q26258532 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_Waterville_High_School

5. Kennebec County Waterville is in Kennebec County, Maine.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q997170

Word search answers. Every word reads left to right, top to bottom, or diagonally downward. None run backwards.

O	C	Y	N	P	A	R	A	D	E	M	I	P	T	O
L	F	I	R	E	H	O	U	S	E	T	A	E	S	I
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Y	L	S	O	V	E	T	A	A	I	T	L	U	B	C
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A	E	O	A	I	I	L	M	H	E	R	V	E	A	B
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C	R	F	Y	T	O	A	S	O	L	L	Y	T	O	T
M	P	I	G	W	A	T	E	R	V	I	L	L	E	G
A	E	C	L	P	I	C	N	I	C	F	R	E	N	L
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