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Half-time activities at Massabesic's homecoming football game on Oct. 14 featured a ribbon-cutting ceremony to officially open the new athletic complex. Participating in the ceremony, from left, are School Board Finance Committee Chair Dominic Vermette, Superintendent Larry Malone, School Board Chair Bruce Woodward cutting the ribbon, Massabesic Activities Director Brendan Scully and Massabesic Athletic Boosters President Jennifer Russell.

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## Ribbon cutting makes it official

By BRIGIT MCCALLUM  
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The Massabesic High School homecoming football game on Oct. 14 featured a unique halftime event this year, in the ribbon-cutting and official opening of the school's new and renewed athletic complex. At halftime Friday evening, attention was called to midfield, where RSU 57 School Board Chair Bruce Woodward, Superintendent Larry Malone, Board Finance Committee Chair Dominic Vermette, Massabesic Athletic Boosters President Jennifer Russell and Activities Director Brendan Scully were introduced. Mr. Woodward cut the ribbon and the announcer declared, "The New MHS Athletic Stadium is now officially open."

Members of that committee were mentioned and thanked for the tireless work they put in, including RSU 57 Business Manager Colin Walsh, School Board Member from Lyman Donald Beane, Former School Board Chair Karla Bergeron, Former School Board Member and Waterboro PTO President Heather Silva, Local businessman and Massabesic Graduate from Limerick James Carroll, local business people Leo and Sandi Binette, MHS Varsity Softball Coach Kevin Tutt and MHS Varsity Field Hockey Coach Michelle Martin-Moore. Two others who were part of the process were Former Superintendent John Davis and former school board member Josh Bisson. All were thanked for their leadership.

The event marked five years since the RSU 57 School Board formed a committee to develop a plan to renovate the athletic complex at Massabesic High School.

Another group that dedicated countless hours toward the realization of the athletic complex dream was the Massabesic Athletic Boosters. Boosters President

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## Scoreboard dedication

A ceremony was held on Oct. 6 at Sacopee Valley High School to dedicate a new scoreboard to Alexia Valente, a former Sacopee student and field hockey player who died in a car crash in October of 2013.

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## Town to host area businesses

By BRIGIT MCCALLUM  
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With the recent dissolution of the Waterboro Association of Businesses, Town Administrator Gary Lamb says, "We have to step up and fill the obvious void in town." To that end, the Waterboro selectmen and the Economic Development Committee are inviting anyone who owns a business, of any size, whether out of their home or in a storefront, to

come together for networking and information sharing on Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Waterboro Town Hall.

According to Lamb, the goal of the gathering is to allow for information sharing among business owners and anyone interested in the future of economic development for the town. Select Board Chair Dennis Abbott says their goal is to generate some enthusiasm for and among the

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## Sacopee student remembered

By CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

Sacopee Valley High School officials dedicated the new field hockey scoreboard (with baseball on the reverse side) in a ceremony just before their team's last home game of the season, bringing a three-year project to completion on Oct. 6. The scoreboard was dedicated to Alexia Valente, a Sacopee student and field hockey player who died in a car crash on Oct. 16, 2013.

Alexia, affectionately known as Lexi, played field hockey wearing number 2, but a 16 was painted on the ground on the edge of the field and on the scoreboard itself, as she was 16 years old when she died on Oct. 16.

Shortly after Lexi's passing, members of the field hockey team felt they needed to do something to honor Lexi and the sport she

loved – it was her favorite game. Former field hockey coach and friend of the Valente's, Terry Barnes, along with Justine Ruhlin, Chelsea Burnell and Colleen Allard, had a vision to put up a scoreboard for the field hockey field. Field hockey team members past and present, formed the "Score for Lexi" group, and were instrumental in raising money for the clock/scoreboard. They sold waters at sporting events, held a bake sale at the local car show, and more. Word spread quickly about the project, and field hockey teams around the state donated to the cause. "It's like a sisterhood," said Barnes. Sacopee graduate and field hockey players Justine Ruhlin and her college field hockey coach held a week-long field hockey clinic, and all funds raised from the clinic went to the "Score for Lexi" fund.

Lexi was a member of the class of 2015, and it was hoped that there would be enough funds by then for the scoreboard. Though there was a huge fundraising effort before her class and teammates went off to college, there was not quite enough for the scoreboard.

But last year's graduating Class of 2016 had a healthy ending balance at the end of the year, and as their class gift, donated the funds necessary to purchase the scoreboard at last. However, there was more work needed to bring the vision to fruition.

The scoreboard was ordered and arrived in September. Day Logging fabricated the posts and welded them to fit. Shea Excavation and Eric Anderson mounted the scoreboard to the posts and put it in the ground. Les Fox did

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## Practicing fire safety

As part of fire prevention week, Goodwins Mills Fire-Rescue hosted an open house on Oct. 12. Attendees got to view fire apparatus, rescue equipment and practice extinguishing a real fire with the fire extinguisher trainer, Lt. T.J. Roma, who provided instruction on the safe use of fire extinguishers. (See related story on Page 4.)

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**RIBBON CUTTING**

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Jennifer Russell, a member of the ribbon-cutting crew, reflected on the different kinds of effort they poured into the project over the past five years, not only in raising money through activities and events, but in the work of educating and debating the merits of the project, especially when the first referendum vote did not pass.

Russell wrote, "As for the ribbon cutting, social media really helped remind me how much time and effort it took to gain the public's support for this project. Every day for the last couple of weeks, I've had "memories" pop up on Facebook from a couple of years ago at this same time. There are long threads where I was asked to educate and sometimes debate about why this project was needed, pictures of campaign signs, events on public forums and posts where it is very evident that there was fatigue, frustration and stress."

She says with all the construction and excitement of the past months, the struggle had moved to the background, but then, she reflects, "On the day of the ribbon cutting, when we saw our home bleachers packed full, our commu-

nity proud, and our football team fighting, well I got one of those memories and thought, 'Yup, it was worth it!'"

As for its impact on current students, Hope Saucier, Co-President of the Student Council, felt the new complex had a real impact on homecoming this year, observing that more students were involved than usual with a much higher level of school spirit. She observed, "A great number of students participated in homecoming week activities and the pep rally was a great turnout with green and white filled bleachers. There has also been a much greater amount of students supporting all sports that played on the new complex this fall."

Russell is "So proud to have been part of this committee and that all of our athletes and our community have a clean, safe, comfortable and compliant place to play and watch." And the District's message was, "We would like to thank the community for their support of this project and coming out to vote. We now have one of the best stadiums in the state of Maine and a facility our community to be proud of." Russell's final words are, however, "Now, onward to Phase two!"



The Massabesic Middle School's Students of the Month for September are Brittany Trott, Libby Shea, Ailia Haig, Dawson Tardif, Fallyn Couture, Harley Thibodeau, Molly Abbott, Elijah Wyman, Preston Kozloff, Felicia Raymond, Camden Yale, Zackary Verville, Dylan Gilpatrick, Bailey Baldwin, Jeremiah Maguire, Chloe Babb and Delia Harms.

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The Waterboro Economic Development Committee and Board of Selectmen are hosting a

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**Wednesday, October 26**  
**from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

**WATERBORO TOWN HALL**  
 24 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro

*All Waterboro business owners and employees are invited and encouraged to attend for light refreshments along with conversations with the business community and town officials.*

There will be a brief and informal presentation beginning at 6 p.m., and the topic is the November election. We will review the five statewide Citizen Initiative questions we will all be voting on this fall, along with a bonding question for possible addition to the Central Fire Station. We will also mention that signatures will be gathered at our polls Nov. 8th in preparation for a June 2017 ballot question on whether or not to replace our annual town meeting with referendum voting. We will have copies of the statewide ballot questions to help citizens get informed before voting November 8th.  
**Contact Town Administrator Gary Lamb at 247-6166 with any questions.**

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**RSU #57 NOTICE TO PARENTS**

**Come learn about the new parent home page for EMPOWER**

The new Parent Page for RSU #57's Learning Management System: EMPOWER will be available in December. Before the page goes live, please come to an informational/training session in a school near you.

Lori Lodge, District Curriculum Coordinator and Kevin Perkins, District Technology Director will be facilitating sessions in each of the community elementary schools. Over the past couple of years we have collected feedback and now have a more simplified parent view. We hope that parents will find this to be more user-friendly.

**The purpose of EMPOWER is to:**  
 Provide parents with a snapshot of where their child is with their learning  
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**Community Meetings will be held on:**  
 Monday, October 24th @ Line Elementary School 6-7pm  
 Wednesday, October 26th @ Lyman Elementary School 6-7pm  
 Tuesday, November 1st @ Alfred Elementary School 6-7pm  
 Monday, November 14th @ Shapleigh Memorial School 6-7pm  
 Tuesday, November 15th @ Waterboro Elementary School 6-7pm

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## Bartlett Adams, gravestone carver

Ron Romano's research into the life of Bartlett Adams led him to 70 different communities, in Southern Maine and elsewhere. He learned one reason Adams' work was so popular was because his was the first gravestone shop in the Portland area and he had no real competition. When he died he had carved 1800 stones in 150 cemeteries, or at least those were the ones found by Romano.

Other cutters worked under him, but his own work was distinctive. There was his winged face, an umbrella, willow tree, portrait and sunrise which can still be identified as his. Also, he signed his stones but his names are below the 'burial line' which is just below where the stone is buried so aren't easily seen. He learned of at least two in Alfred, one being Charles Griffin's (of the blacksmith family).

During his talk on Adams in the Shaker Museum this past Sunday, Oct. 16, Romano stated he had a stroke of luck when someone who owned the Adams family Bible, containing the fam-

ily genealogy, contacted him. He learned that only one of Adams' seven children had survived him, a daughter. Besides his stonecutting Adams worked a large farm in New Gloucester. He was responsible for creating the stone on the resting place of the hero of the famous battle between the Boxer and the Enterprise in Portland harbor but the present monument isn't the original because others became too weathered and had to be replaced. Romano's book, "Early Graves of Southern Maine: The Genius of Bartlett Adams" explains how a journeyman cutter became the best known stone carver in Maine.

## Historical committee

Most of the artifacts loaned for the last exhibit in the Alfred Village Museum have been retrieved by their owners, but if anyone suspects something was left behind, call a member of the committee.

Marge Anderson and this writer attended a workshop in Concord, New Hampshire this past weekend, on caring for costumes. It was sponsored by the Costume Society of America and because the Alfred museum has many antique clothes it was felt it could be very beneficial. It was held in the New Hampshire Historical Society, an especially beautiful building behind the state house. (A

farmer's market was being held at the side of the statehouse lawn at the time.)

Two new donations to the Alfred museum have included some very old fabrics from Campobello Island, including three pockets which would have been worn by women before pockets were sewn into their clothing. There is also a 1920's wedding dress once worn by Edna Roberts when beading was popular. Such donations require acid free boxes and acid free tissue paper if finances permit.

## Parsons library

New adult fiction at the library includes "among the Shadows" by Bruce Robert Coffin; "Commonwealth" by Ann Patchett; "Home" by Harlan Cohen; "The Pirate" by the popular Clive Cussler; "Presumption of Guilt" by Archer Mayor; "Pushing Up Daisies" by M.C. Beaton; and "Trespasser" by Tana French. There is also "The Hidden Life of Trees" which is non-fiction by Peter Wohlleben and "Age of Folly" by Lewis H. Lapham.

Patrons are reminded of the Trivia afternoon on Sunday, Oct. 30 from 1 to 3 followed by refreshments.

The Friends of the Library are holding a bake sale on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 8 on the Parish Church lawn. Contributions

are welcome at the library before 8 p.m. on Monday and at Conant Chapel after 8 a.m.

## Parish church

A Puritan Worship is planned for Sunday, Oct. 30, at 9:30 a.m. It will follow some traditional practices minus the lengthy sermon and chilly church. This is in honor of Reformation Sunday, "celebrating the birth of the Protestant Church." Women are encouraged to wear dark clothes, also men.

A new Noonong Study began Oct. 5 and will continue through Nov. 30 on Wednesdays from noon to 1:30 p.m. Participants should bring a bag lunch.

The monthly free supper at Alfred Parish Church will feature chili, salads, and desserts. It will be Monday, Oct. 24 from 5 to 6 p.m. in Conant Chapel.

## Village notes

Larry and Peggy Greer will hold an open house on Saturday, Nov. 5 in their new home on Back Road from 1 to 3 p.m.

When Lisa Cook in the town clerk's office was asked how the absentee ballots were going, she replied "Busy!" Because someone was in the office at the time it wasn't possible to get a count on early voters.

## FROM GOODWINS MILLS FIRE-RESCUE

### Celebrating fire prevention week

As a regular part of fire prevention week, Firefighters from the Goodwins Mills Fire-Rescue spent last Tuesday with the students at Lyman Elementary School. Each class was provided with age appropriate lessons on home fire safety, calling 9-1-1 and the importance of changing smoke detector batteries annually. Students also got a tour of an ambulance, fire engine and the equipment carried by firefighters on their vehicles. Firefighters provided a demonstration of firefighter protective clothing and breathing apparatus. They also showed the systematic way in which firefighter don this gear in less than two minutes.

Also as part of fire prevention week activities the Goodwins Mills Fire-Rescue hosted an open house on Wednesday night at the fire station. Over 140 residents attended the event. Along with a visit from Sparky the Fire Dog, attendees got to view fire apparatus, rescue equipment and practice extinguishing a real fire with the fire extinguisher trainer. (See related photo on Page 1.)

-Roger S. Hooper, Fire Chief

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- **Appointed supervisors:** Candidates are recommended by the District Board and appointed by the Commissioner of Agriculture.
- **Non-voting associate supervisors:** Candidates who express an interest in serving are appointed by the District Board to expand the pool of knowledge, interest, and volunteer assistance for District programs and projects.

We are currently seeking nominations for the offices of (1) Elected Supervisor and appointed non-voting Associate Supervisors. All resident registered voters in York county are eligible to serve as a supervisor and to vote in the election.

**Elected positions:** Nomination papers must be received at the District office by 4:00 pm on Oct. 31.

**Balloting:** Nov. 1 through 4:00 pm on Nov. 28, 2016.

**For nomination papers, a ballot, or more information on appointed positions, please contact the Election Supervisor at 324-0888 x 214 or melissabrandt@yorkswcd.org.**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Board of Selectmen voted, at its meeting on Sept. 27, 2016, to temporarily designate Deering Ridge Road starting at Bennett Hill Road to approximately 500 yards from Townhouse Road, accessible to ATV's through Dec. 1, 2016 or until ATV trails are closed. This is a trial because of the loss of a major trail across town. Comments from citizens are welcome as the Board of Selectmen deliberate whether or not to make ATV traffic on town roads permissible by ordinance in the future on selected sections of roads.

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business community and for the EDC as a body to support that goal. One focus of the meeting will be the upcoming elections, to review the five statewide Citizen Initiative questions on the ballot this fall, along with a bonding question of whether or not to fund an addition to our Central Fire Station and their impact of all of these on local business. In addition, Jim Southworth, an EDC member and owner of Due South Candles, is a Certified Amazon Web Service Designer. He will offer demos of how small businesses can learn to sell on Amazon, as well as how to use online marketing resources such as Google and Etsy.

All Waterboro business owners and employees are invited and encouraged to attend for light refreshments along with conversations with the business community and town officials. For more information, email Lamb at administrator@waterboro-me.gov.

## Historical society holiday fair set

The Waterborough Historical Society will hold its annual Holiday Fair & Silent Auction at the Grange Hall, 31 West Road, Waterboro on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Check out the crafters on two floors offering a variety of items, and break for lunch available downstairs. Bid on a bargain in the huge silent

auction featuring items and gifts cards donated by local merchants. For a unique gift for someone who enjoys local history, peruse the table of society merchandise. Crafters are invited to participate in the fair. To reserve an 8-foot table space for \$25, contact Jim Carll at carllj@sacoriver.net or 247-5878.

## Paving in Lake Arrowhead Community

Lake Arrowhead Community (LAC) residents living in the roughly 600 households accessed by Victoria Lane, east and west, and Keystone Drive will now have paved roads to drive on. The long-awaited improvement follows many months of preparation by the LAC Public Works crews to upgrade water mains and ditch and box-cut the roadways in preparation for this final step in the process. Victoria is also the site for a school bus stop, cluster mailboxes and a playground.

According to LAC Public Works Director Scott Davis, the paving project includes all of Keystone Drive, Victoria Lane, from Keystone to New Dam and Victoria West from New Dam to its end at Sunset Circle.

Davis describes Keystone's issues as "chronic." Crews had to deal with constant water main breaks over the years as well as water drainage problems that left the surface a field of potholes after rains throughout the year, and a quagmire during mud season. "About eight or nine years ago, we lost a dump truck when the road gave way under it and we had to haul it out with a bucket loader," he recalls.



Crews from F.R. Carroll pave Keystone Drive on the Waterboro side of Lake Arrowhead Community this week. LAC Public Works crews have been preparing Keystone as well as parts of Victoria Drive for months for this final phase that will allow access to roughly 600 residences, a major school bus stop, cluster mailboxes and a playground there. PHOTO BY BRIGIT MCCALLUM

The LAC crew's work of replacing the water mains and ditching and improving the gravel road there over the past few years has made for much improvement, he says. "But, this will certainly be a win-win for everyone, us included. We won't have to continually baby-sit the roads, and people will have good surfaces to drive on."

## Pantry update

Progress is apparent at the site of the future Waterboro Community Pantry on Townhouse Road. The most immediate need at this time, according to project manager George Harnois, is for a lot of clean fill and help with the site design. The green metal roof donated and installed by Waterboro's Her-

itage Company is now in place, volunteers from Lowe's installed insulation this week, and the well has been drilled by Atlantic Well. The next step is to get the water into the building and the pumps installed. CMP is getting power in and sheetrock is in place.

Pantry committee chair Cleo Smith says, "What we need is lots of fill for the grounds as part of our

land is quite low compared to the pantry. We also hope to find someone to donate time and material to blacktop the driveway, and we're also looking for some shelves for the cool room and cellar." She would also like a "wishing well" cover to protect the well pipe. To offer support for the project in any way, contact Smith at 247-5967 or Harnois at 247-1050.



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PROBATE NOTICES

Notice is hereby given by the respective petitioners that they have filed proceedings in the following matters. These matters will be heard at 9:00 A.M. or as soon thereafter as they may be on the seventh day of November, 2016 at the York County Probate Court, 45 Kennebunk Road, Alfred, Maine, 04002. The prayers for relief may be granted on or after the hearing date if no sufficient objection be heard. This notice complies with the requirements of the Maine Probate Code and Probate Rule 4. **THIS IS A RETURN DAY ONLY. NO APPEARANCE IS NECESSARY. HOWEVER, ANY OBJECTIONS MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO HEARING AND MUST COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE COURT RULES.**

KATHERINE P. BOWE, late of Evanstown, Illinois, deceased. Petition for Formal Probate of Will and that he may be appointed Personal Representative, without bond, presented by Anthony C. Bowe of Brooklyn, New York. Attorney for the Petitioner is Milda A. Castner of Bergen Parkinson, LLC, 62 Portland Road, Suite 25, Kennebunk, Maine, 04043, telephone number - 985-7000.

ROBIN ALLYSON HOOSE of Limerick. Petition that the name of Robin Allyson Hoose may be changed to Robin Allyson Atwood, presented by Robin A. Hoose of 10 Staples Hill Road, Limerick, Maine, 04048, telephone number - 838-8397.

MICHELLE MARIE ROBINSON of Dayton. Petition that the name of Michelle Marie Robinson may be changed to Michelle Marie Rogers, presented by Shannon Grant and Nathan Grant, mother and father of said Michelle Marie Robinson, minor, of 19 Woodline Drive, Dayton, Maine, 04005, telephone number - 294-1969.

AMANDA ELAINE BOWDEN of Sanford. Petition that the name of Amanda Elaine Bowden may be changed to Amanda Elaine Gossiaux. Presented by Amanda Bowden of 16 Breary Avenue Apt. 2, Sanford, Maine, 04073, telephone number - 604-8001.

Dated: October 11, 2016

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# SPORTS

## FIELD HOCKEY



Massabesic's Emma Rutledge scored two goals vs. Westbrook on Oct. 19. for a 5-1 win. PHOTO BY CAMRYN CHAMPLIN

# Field hockey ladies advance

## Solid effort paces 5-1 win

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS  
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Emma Rutledge had a pair of goals and Lydia Wasina stopped eight of nine Westbrook shots to help lift the visiting Mustangs varsity field hockey team to a 5-1 win over #4 seeded Westbrook in

the second round of the playoffs on Wednesday, Oct. 19.

Massabesic entered the contest with a 10-3-1 mark and the fifth seed. They had dropped a 1-0 decision to the Blue Blazes (11-3-1) back on Oct. 7 and the loss was their third over a four game stretch.

Ten minutes into their first playoff game Emma Desrochers took a pass from Morgan Pike and put the Mustangs up 1-0.

Emma Rutledge gave Massabesic all the offense they'd need with a goal off a rebound in front with two minutes left in the first half.

Westbrook had early pressure

in the second half, but the Mustangs defense, with Wasina behind them, stood tall.

Jackie Bearse's goal ten minutes in made it 3-0 (Kaylee St. Laurent assisting), but Westbrook popped in a goal just one minute later to keep it within reach at 3-1.

Thoughts of completing the comeback were put to rest when Rutledge scored her second goal half way through the frame, pushing the score to 4-1.

Sophia LaFrance made it 5-1 with five minutes left and Massabesic cruised to victory and a date with top seeded Falmouth on Saturday, Oct. 22 at 4:30 p.m. in Falmouth.

## Soccer

### Soccer Wrap

Massabesic's varsity soccer teams finished their season's with identical 2-12 records. The men put themselves in a position to advance to the post season with a stunning win over then undefeated Deering (11-1-2) on Oct. 6, but they fell 1-0 to Portland two nights later and powerhouse Scarborough handed them some humble pie with an 8-0 thumping a week later.

That left just a lone contest with rival Bonny Eagle which the Scots (5-7-2) easily won 5-0 giving them the final playoff spot and keeping Massabesic on the outside.

The lady Mustangs two wins came against Westbrook back on Sept. 16 and against Biddeford on Oct. 1.

Sophomore Skylar Renaud had a hat trick in both victories for Massabesic.

## SACOPEE DEDICATION

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all the electrical work and wiring. At the dedication ceremony, Sacopee Athletic Director Chris Hughes thanked all the members of the community who helped make this dream a reality. So did Barnes, who said, "I promised Steve and Sherry (Lexi's parents) that I would see this through. Thank you for making this happen."

Unfortunately, Lexi's Mom was not able to see the scoreboard. She passed away in 2015 after a courageous battle with cancer. But Adrianna Valente Hand, Alexia's sister, attended the dedication ceremony with her grandmother, Janet Harmon. "I would like to thank the hard work of Terry Mosson Barnes and the field hockey team," she said. "They treat each other as family, and that is demonstrated in the hard work and dedication they put into raising the money for the scoreboard. Lexi would be honored to know how much everyone misses and loves her."

Harmon added, "I would like to thank our lovely community for keeping Alexia's memory alive. It is really appreciated by her entire family."

Continuing to keep Lexi's memory alive, last Saturday, Oct. 16, was the third annual Love for Lexi 5k Run/Walk, on the third anniversary of Lexi's passing. Registration was \$20 and all proceeds from this event went the Alexis "Lois" Valente Memorial Scholarship with over 70 people participating. The Kezar Falls and South Hiram Fire Departments controlled traffic during the event, Poland Spring donated water for the participants, and over 15 local businesses sponsored the now annual event. These businesses help pay for the t-shirts, and contribute raf-

file items. Each participant is given a raffle ticket and gets a prize.

This is a fun, non-timed event. "Lexi had always wanted to do the Color Run with us," said family friend and Love for Lexi organizer, Marylou Stacey. The name, "Love for Lexi" came easily to Stacey, who said, "If you knew her, you loved her, and she loved you." She gave everything her all, and lived her life to the fullest.

The event raised just about \$4,000, and \$1,500 was from one participant who gathered sponsorships. Mary Pingree, who has participated in Love for Lexi with her daughter Ashley every year said, "I think The Love for Lexi walk is important as it keeps the memory of Lexi alive while also supporting a senior at Sacopee going on to continue their education. It's a fun, easy community event that many people look forward to every year."

If you would still like to donate to the Love for Lexi Scholarship Fund, make your check payable to Love for Lexi, and send it to :Marylou Stacey, 164 Tripptown Rd, Hiram, ME 04041. For more information, contact Stacey at 625-4526 or find Love for Lexi on Facebook.

Close family friends of the Valentines, Stephanie Humphrey has participated each year with her daughter Brittany, added, "The Love for Lexi 5k means the community coming together to remember and share the memories of a beautiful young woman who was taken from us too early. As the love and support grows each year, my family and I are amazed by the wonderful people who surround us. Lexi's love of life is shown through the people she touched and that also lives on in the 5K, the scholarship, and now the new field hockey scoreboard."

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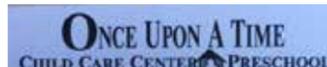
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