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The 'Wright' team for the job

Local coppersmiths historically restore the State House dome



Owner of the Heritage Company, Victor Wright, working on the State House dome restoration project. COURTESY PHOTO



WINNER OF THE MAINE PRESERVATION 2014 HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD

By ANN FISHER
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The State House dome in Augusta now shines with new life, thanks to a Waterboro man and his skilled crew.

When the state of Maine needed a coppersmith to accurately restore the State House dome, Victor Wright of Waterboro, owner of the Heritage Company, turned out to be the right man for the job.

While the trade conjures up images of copper bowls, jewelry and pitchers, Wright concentrates on historically accurate restorations. In addition to being a third generation coppersmith, Wright also does slate roofing.

Some of the slate Wright uses is locally sourced and comes from what is known as "The Monson vein," in a town famed for its black slate, the only kind that is native to Maine.

Restoring the State House dome may be the most prestigious job he's ever done, but surprisingly, it's not the largest.

Wright and his crew also installed 12,000 pounds of copper on three interconnected homes and a central common space in Yarmouth that he called a "really cool, cool project."

Three couples, who had known each other since their college days, decided they wanted to live on the same property into their sunset years. For that project, The Heritage Company won the 2014 North American Copper in Architecture award in the New Construction category. It's one of several awards bestowed on the company over the years. Wright was also honored by Greater Portland Landmarks for slate work he completed on the Samuel Trask Block. The First Parish Church in Brunswick, Berwick Academy and the Victorian Mansion and the State House dome project have all been recognized by Maine Preservation.

His company has also completed copper and slate projects for the actress Glenn Close and her husband.

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The Heritage Company crew in front of the Maine State House dome. From left, Jamie Lord of Waterboro, Justin O'Neill of West Newfield, Ken Howes of Parsonsfield, Patrick Desmond of Alfred, Jeff Lord of Sanford, Roddy Woodworth of Waterboro, Kevin Wright of Waterboro, Rob Gray of Waterboro and Donald Fenderson of Waterboro. PHOTO BY VICTOR WRIGHT

RESTORATION

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When the state needed to find the skill and reputation required to complete the mammoth project in the capital, it's no surprise it turned to the Heritage Company, which was chosen from among three bidders.

"They were looking for a top-quality company," said Wright. "The right company to restore this dome."

The skill came naturally to Wright, whose grandfather and father were also coppersmiths.

"I just got it," Wright said about the math skills, pattern layout and fabricating that are inherent to the talent needed.

Wright and his late father founded the company after Wright graduated with an associate degree in engineering technology from UMO. He put himself through college by working with his dad.

"My father and I had been planning on this," he said about starting the business.

The youngest of six, Wright grew up on Ossipee Hill Road and graduated from Massabesic High School with the class of 1980.

The business began in 1983 in a 30-by 30-foot barn next to the family home, but after 10 years The Heritage Company outgrew that space and built a shop at 543 Main Street. Soon after they also outgrew that building and in 2004 built an even larger shop next door and called it The Day Field, which included office space for other businesses.

The business has grown to nine full-time employees and two part-time office workers.

Wright said the privilege of working on the dome is not lost to him. "It's a really beautiful structure," he said.

According to "A Brief History of the Maine State House," on maine.gov, Charles Bullfinch "The great New England architect," designed the Maine Capitol build-

ing. Bullfinch also designed the Massachusetts State House and the United States Capitol Building in Washington. The structure was completed in 1832. The dome was last renovated 108 years ago, in 1906.

But the subcontractors did not start the job at the base: they started at the top by repairing the copper and rewiring the 13-foot statue of the Lady of Wisdom that stands on the dome holding a pine torch. Wright was as intrigued by the history behind the statue, as he was by repairing it. According to one account he heard, an American Indian was charged to change the bulb in her torch by climbing up the statue's body. The torch is now powered by a bulb that lasts 10 to 15 years and is on a timer.

The Heritage Company crew started the repairs at the lady's feet and robe and worked their way up. A gilder applied the gold leaf finish.

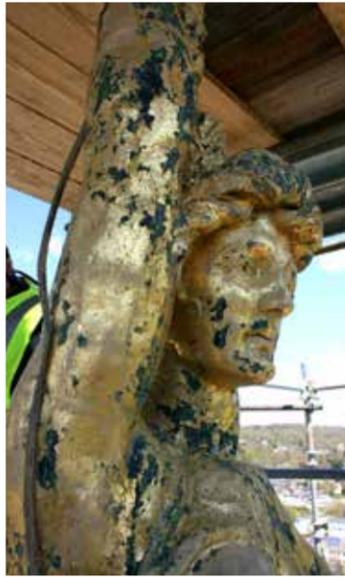
The coppersmiths then turned their attention to the dome, 132 feet high at its base and 163 feet at the top. The men worked their way down in phases with the scaffolding erected and moved incrementally down by another subcontractor.

Wright meticulously documented his work with more than 500 photos. The repairs needed were obvious from "108 years of storms; 108 winters ... takes a beating." Punctures made by hail could be seen, along with water damage from wearing points.

The company set up shop on site and also did some work back home in Waterboro and transported it to Augusta.

It was a slow, tedious process. The metal had to be bent in two directions and sometimes stretched. "Nothing was square," said Wright. The copper, which weighed 20 ounces per square foot, had to be measured, cut and fabricated for 16 coffers and 16 battens.

During the five-phase project,



The Lady of Wisdom statue was handmade out of 20-oz. copper over 100 years ago. The Heritage Company restored the copper-work and rewired the light in the torch.

the company also built a 12-inch by 12-inch by 36-inch copper time capsule, which was filled by more than a dozen legislators. Wright said he saw a gavel, a law book and "a lot of papers" go in before he sealed it and soldered "Dirigo 2014" on the outside.

Six months and 9,000 pounds of copper later, the dome and the cupola, topped by the Lady of Wisdom, shines brightly once again on Maine's capitol.

When asked if it was a hard job to complete, Wright replied, "Wicked hard, yeah. It was a long way from home."

But Wright stressed that the credit for his company's success should be shared among all his employees.

"It's a 10-man team," he said. "It was a huge effort by some very dedicated people."

For more information about The Heritage Company, visit www.heritagecompanyllc.com or find them on Facebook at "The Heritage Co. Coppersmiths LLC" for more photos of their work on the project.



A close-up of copper work on the top of the State House dome, cupola and the Lady of Wisdom statue.



Heritage Company crew members, Patrick Desmond of Alfred, left, and Justin O'Neill of West Newfield working on top of the State House dome, replacing the copper in a restoration project that took six months to complete.



Roddy Woodworth, left and Kevin Wright, both of Waterboro. PHOTOS BY VICTOR WRIGHT

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POLICE LOGS

from the York County Sheriff's Dept.
OCT. 6-17

Monday, Oct. 6

A 13-year-old was charged with assault on Ossipee Trail in Limington at 4:17 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 7

A 13-year-old was charged with assault on Ossipee Trail in Limington following a domestic disturbance at 7:38 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 8

David W. Caniglia, 46, of Sage Lane, Limington, was charged with failure to register a motor vehicle for more than 150 days during a motor vehicle stop at 7:39 a.m. on Ossipee Trail in Limington.

Peter T. Horne II, 36, of Foxes Ridge Road, Acton, was charged with sale and use of drug paraphernalia and possession of a useable amount of marijuana during a motor vehicle stop on Milton Mills Road in Acton at 8:17 a.m.

A 16-year-old was charged with assault and criminal mischief following a domestic disturbance at 9:51 a.m. on Sokokis Avenue in Limington.

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Kasey I. Morrison, 18, of Devereux Road, Parsonsfield, was charged with speed in excess of 30 mph over the speed limit during a motor vehicle stop at 7:07 p.m. at the intersection of Ossipee Trail and Mildred Lane in Limington.

Thursday, Oct. 9

Jack R. Reynolds, 18, of Pigeon Brook Road, West Baldwin, was charged with possession of a useable amount of marijuana and sale and use of drug paraphernalia after

a call regarding suspicious activity on Old Wood Road in Parsonsfield at 9:27 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 10

Eric P. Bourassa, 26, of Ossipee Trail, Limington, was charged with displaying a fictitious certificate of inspection during a motor vehicle stop at 5:02 p.m. on Maple Street in Cornish.

Benjamin D. Hanson, 20, of Alfred and Collin T. Gallant, 18, of Irving Road in Arundel, were charged with illegal consumption of alcoholic beverages by a minor at 11:51 p.m. on Newfield Road in Shapleigh.

Saturday, Oct. 11

Jeremy B. Robinson, 25, of Beth Lane, Limerick, was charged with operating after suspension during a motor vehicle stop on Poleline Lane in Waterboro at 6:41 p.m.

A 17-year-old was charged with illegal transportation of drugs by a minor and sale and use of drug paraphernalia during a motor vehicle stop at 7:41 p.m. at the intersection of Main Street and High Road in Cornish.

Stephen Mark Coyne, 30, of Orchard Road, Acton, was charged with operating under the influence of alcohol/drugs during a motor vehicle accident at 8:44 p.m. on the Back Road in Shapleigh.

Monday, Oct. 13

Peter R. Bergeron Jr., 50, of High Road, Cornish, was charged

with operating after suspension and attaching false plates following a 1:59 p.m. call regarding suspicious activity on Maple Street in Cornish.

Tuesday, Oct. 14

A 15-year-old was charged with assault at 8:52 a.m. on the West Road in Waterboro.

Tina Grace Harmon, 39, of Hemlock Lane, Limington, was issued a warrant following a complaint at 4:13 p.m. on Hemlock Lane in Limington.

Wednesday, Oct. 15

Heidi Ann Dixon, 32, of South Carolina, was charged with operating without a license at a motor vehicle stop on Old Alfred Road in Waterboro at 3:20 p.m.

A 13-year-old was charged with assault and criminal mischief following a call regarding a disturbance on Ossipee Trail in Limington at 4:32 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 16

Justin Daniel Nichols, 29, of Parsonsfield Road, Limerick, was charged with possession or transfer of theft of services at 3:20 p.m. on Parsonsfield Road in Limerick.

Friday, Oct. 17

Kenneth Stanley Parker Jr., 46, of River Road, Windham, was charged with operating under the influence of alcohol/drugs following a motor vehicle stop at 3:48 p.m. on Ossipee Trail in Limington.

Simple machines



High school and elementary school students recently collaborated on a unit about simple machines. From left are, Ryan Howe, Abby Cummings, Alex Sharon, Trystin Keller, Jared Dore and Sean Wakefield.

COURTESY PHOTO

High school students mentor Lyman class

Joy Spencer

Ninth- and 10th-grade students from Ms. Lori Pennell's class at Massabesic High School organized a science workshop for the fifth grade in Mrs. Sarah Marines' class at Lyman Elementary on Nov. 13 to help them with the target they are working on, Simple Machines. The high school students explained and then demonstrated how simple machines can make work easier. Supplies used were the wedge, lever, pulleys, wheels, axles and an incline. The demonstrators had a slide show using digital slides to further explain the concept. The fifth-graders watched a video and identified the various machines as they recognized them. Students were then grouped into two teams to see which team could spot the most simple

machines. They were required to write down every simple machine they spotted. The high school students gave the younger children a challenge to use simple machines to move a weight 3 feet on a plane without touching it with their hands. This turned out to be a lively lesson with everyone participating in the assignment. At the end of the period all of the fifth-graders could not only identify all of the simple machines, but they could also understand how the items could be helpful.

The high school students met during their activity block time on a volunteer basis. All of the students chose to give up their free study time to participate in the class. One of the members in the group, Christian Silva, is going to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics in Limestone next year. Pennell said that she is going to miss him.

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Bids will be accepted until 2 p.m on Dec. 1, 2014.

TOWN OF WATERBORO

Sidewalk Snow Removal Bid

The Town of Waterboro is requesting bids for snow removal and sanding/salting of 0.4 miles of sidewalk located on West Road from Route 202 to the Massabesic High School entrance. The Town would prefer to hire snow blowing equipment but both plowing and snow blowing bids are encouraged. Sidewalk clearing/sanding/salting must occur within 24 hours after a snowstorm of three or more inches of snow or significant freezing rain event. The Town will provide all salt and sand but the contractor must transport this material from our DPW garage.

Bids are for 1 year with the option of a yearly renewal upon mutual agreement. A copy of the contract is available at the Town Office during regular hours. Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Sidewalk Snow Removal Bid" to the Administrative Assistant Office in Town Hall. The deadline for submitting bids is Monday, December 1st at noon and bids will be publicly opened in Town Hall at that time.

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The Comprehensive Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the Population section of the Comprehensive Plan. There will also be a viewing of progress on Natural Resources.

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Bridge-Building effort by OMSC and ATVers

Sunday, Nov. 23 the Ossipee Mountaineers Snowmobile Club and Ossipee Mountain ATVers will join to rebuild what is known as the Bicycle Bridge off of Deering Ridge Road in East Waterboro. The crew will meet at 8 a.m. at the snowmobile club, and work will begin at 9. They will remove the current failing bridge, and replace it with a bridge composed of 15 mats, which are square rough cut 4-inch by 16-inch logs. The clubs will split the cost.

The bridges and trails are designed for ATV and snowmobile traffic only, and emergency vehicles if necessary. It is against the law for any other type of vehicle to use the trails. This project will mark the end of the ATVers season, while the snowmobile club will be engaged in trail trimming and grooming all winter long.

Historical society holiday fair a success

This year's holiday fair at the newly renovated grange hall featured many ways to find unique gifts and services as the holidays approach. Donations by 75 area merchants made for a large silent auction. One hit of the day came when lucky Sheryl Harmon of Waterboro won the raffle for the quilt made and donated by WHS member Peg Walker. "The Red Barn," a painting donated by artist Roger Deering Jr., was on display as the next ongoing raffle item. Society members donated a variety of items that were sorted



TammyJo Girard, right, and her daughter Alicia selling their wares at the Waterborough Historical Society's annual holiday fair.

PHOTO BY BRIGIT MCCALLUM

into categories, and placed into 23 baskets that were sold.

Eighteen vendors offered a variety of arts, crafts, and even chair massages. A lunch of homemade chop suey, hot dogs, and salad filled finger rolls was offered, with rolls donated by the Brothers Bakery in Alfred.

Jeannie Grant was in charge of the crafters, while Jim Carll and Dianne Holden organized the luncheon, and Peg Walker, Jeannie Grant, and Brenda Hamilton coordinated the silent auction.

Waterboro Fire/ EMS October statistics

There were 47 incidents dealt with by WFD - EMS during the month of October. There were two structure fires, 37 emergency medical service calls, two electrical wiring/equipment problems, two service calls, one for a person in distress and one for unauthorized burning, and four good intent calls. Two were cancelled en route, one turned out to be controlled burning, and one was a suspected hazardous materials release investigation with no hazard found.

Community Calendar

CHRISTMAS FAIR The Springvale First Baptist Church at 429 Main St., will hold its annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Nov. 22 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The popular Greens Room, Cookie Walk, crafts and gifts, food table, Trash & Treasure and new this year a Pet Walk (no pets—just treats!) Brunch will be served during the fair.

COATS FOR KIDS The Bullying Prevention Team at Line Elementary School is holding a Coats For Kids campaign at the school. Coats can be brought in the week of Nov. 24 up until Dec. 12.

HOLIDAY FAIR Saturday, Dec. 6 at Massabesic High School, the 20th annual Holiday Fair, sponsored by the Waterboro Elementary School PTO, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bake sale, lots of crafters and vendors, moon bounce, pictures with Santa, children's games, 50/50 raffle, penny raffle and lunch available. For more information call 423-5551.

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR Saturday, Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at South Hiram Elementary in Hiram. Crafters and vendors wanted. Raffles, baked goodies, kids room, etc. Contact Missy Cox at mcox.southhirampct@hotmail.com or 625-3205.

SHAKER CHRISTMAS FAIR Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Shaker Village on Route 26 (707 Shaker Road) in New Gloucester. Join this decades-old, annual holiday shopping tradition in the 1880 Trustees' Office where holiday treats await. Don't miss the White Elephant Room—where one person's cast-offs are another person's treasure. Proceeds benefit three local food pantries. FMI: usshakers@aol.com, www.shaker.lib.me.us or follow us on Facebook at Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village.

HOLIDAY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS at Woody's Sports Grille, Tuesday, Dec. 9 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Waterboro Association of Businesses, all businesspeople are invited to come and socialize in a casual setting. A great networking opportunity. Door prizes and appetizers.

HOLIDAY RAFFLE The annual holiday raffle to benefit the Community Library on John Street in Lyman is underway. Items include but are not limited to a holiday quilt, crocheted baby blanket, a visit from Santa and a child's wooden airplane rocker. Tickets \$1 each or 6/\$5 until the date of the drawing on Dec. 9. Winners will be notified by phone. Tickets available at the Community Library and at various Lyman/Dayton businesses on Saturday mornings. For more information, call 499-7114.

Send your nonprofit calendar listings to news@waterbororeporter.com

BIRTHS

Southern Maine Health Care

Ayva Grace Boucher was born on Oct. 24, 2014 to Justus Boucher of North Waterboro. Maternal grandparents are David Boucher of Biddeford and Marie Gerry of North Waterboro.

Killian Todd Legnard was born on Nov. 4, 2014 to Matthew Legnard and Katelyn Hunter of North Waterboro. Maternal grandparents are Regan Wright and Amy Hunter of Wakefield, New Hampshire. Paternal grandparents are Greg Legnard and Tammy Devoe of Waterboro.

Brock Andrew Perry was born on Nov. 5, 2014 to Shaun and Michelle (Cunningham) Perry of Biddeford. Maternal grandparents are Randy and Donna Cunningham of Gray. Paternal grandparents are Pearl Morin of Saco and Archie Perry of Waterboro.

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Bill Housley models a woodturned maple hat at an artist reception at the Limerick Public Library on Oct. 29. He turned the wood while it was frozen because it was easier.
PHOTO BY SHELLEY BURBANK

In 1948, a young Bill Housley made a hand-tooled cutting board in the shape of a fish and gave it to his mother. He was in the fifth grade, and he never thought much about that cutting board until recently. "My mom's been using it all these years, and I never knew it," Housley told a group of people assembled at the Limerick Public Library on Oct. 29 to hear the ornamental woodturner talk about his craft and to examine examples of his work. The cutting board now hangs in his shop, where he creates all kinds of fine wood products, both functional and beautiful.

Housley's interest in woodworking stuck with him from those formative years. "I've loved wood my whole life," said Housley, who lives with his wife Jeanine in Limerick, and is a dentist by trade. When was looking for a hobby, woodturning immediately came to mind. In 2003, he enrolled at The Woodworking School in Damariscotta, where he learned how to use one tool every day for four months.

Housley said he is glad he did it at that time. The school is no longer in operation, he said, and the space is now an art gallery. "I was lucky to have gone to this particu-

lar place."

From a studio attached to his garage, Housley now creates items both beautiful and functional. He started with little things like pens, bottle stoppers and simple bowls, and now he creates artisanal-quality ornamental boxes, urns, pepper mills, cheese platters, and more. He crafts bowls from locally-sourced burls, platters from exotic woods, and is beginning to experiment with different finishes like airbrushed aniline dyes. "I'm feeling that is more fun than just cranking out utilitarian items," he said, handing around an example of a piece made of ash that was first stained with a black dye and then worked with liming to create a two-tone effect in the grain.

The most intriguing piece of equipment that Housley discussed was his rose engine lathe, an ornamental lathe first designed in the early 19th century at the start of the Industrial Revolution in England. The rose engine lathe was then mostly forgotten because the machines were expensive and only the wealthy could afford them. Within the last couple of decades, however, two men, one from Maine and the other from Pennsylvania, began experimenting with creating modern rose engine lathes. Housley purchased one (his is the #37 Lindow White Rose Engine), and has been working with the tool to create ornamental carved patterns in his woodturning designs ever since.

Housley said he gets inspired by attending woodturning club events or another artisan's shop. "They'll come in with some new dye or technique. You don't want to copy, but you can take the inspiration and create your own." Often customers or retailers will tell him what they are looking for and ask if he can create it. For instance, he began making wooden lighthouses for a local artisan gallery as a request.

Housley's work can be found at Kitchen and Cork and The Cheese Iron in Scarborough, at Full Circle Gallery in Cornish, and the League of New Hampshire Craftsman, of which he is a juried member, in Meredith, New Hampshire.

More information and photos can be found on his website at <http://billsturningz.com>.

BUSINESS NEWS



Market owners recognized

Sandi and Leo Binette, owners and operators of Lakeside Market in East Waterboro were recently named 2014 Entrepreneur of the Year (in the medium-sized business category) by York County Community College's Center for Entrepreneurship.
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Girl Scouts in Troop #127 in Waterboro recently got into the Halloween spirit by carving pumpkins to create Jack-o-lanterns which were then donated to the residents of Southridge Rehabilitation & Living Center in Biddeford. From left, Hannah Collins, Molly Michaud, Hailey Smith, Emma Rideout, Erica Martin and Emily Ireland.
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A new way to farm

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Explaining how Wolf Pine Farm on Mouse Lane in Alfred operates, owner Tom Harms said, "Most of the food we harvest is already sold."

That's because the farm is involved in CSA, or Community Supported Agriculture. It's the latest way to make a living on a farm without going to a farmers market, although they have done that, or selling to buyers who market the produce themselves.

Community members buy shares and pick up their share at the farm, although a few are delivered in the summer. For the first share this fall there were four pounds of potatoes, three pounds of carrots, a bunch of kale, 1½ pounds of leeks, two bulbs of garlic, butternut squash, delicata squash, 1½ pounds of onions, a bag of salad greens, three pounds of sweet potatoes, parsley, cabbage or fennel, and posted farm choices. If that seems like a lot for one family, shares can be split with a friend. A pantry share can include jams, pickles, salsa and flour.

This first share was smaller than last year's, but Tom and his wife Amy Sprague expect the second share offered in time for Thanksgiving to be quite large, and include cranberries, eggs and a couple other items. Summer shares include tomatoes, carrots, beets and other seasonal vegetables plus berries. This was the fourth season strawberries were offered.

There are other area farms involved in CSA, like Black Kettle Farm in Lyman, Two Toad Farm in Lebanon and Frinklepod Farm

in Arundel, named for a toddler's favorite book, "Uno's Garden."

Behind the barn are two large plastic growing houses. In one, tomatoes have finally finished producing. These are their seedling houses for next season. Not everything is produced on their farm. Rolled oats, for example, were purchased from a farmer in Aroostook. Salad greens come from Sunset Farm. And they have started raising summer livestock. In 2013 it was chickens and, this summer, pigs. The fencing seemed fine until the morning 18 pigs escaped. It was a lot of pigs to corral.

They presently have 400 winter shares sold. Last summer it was 60 shares, but they say they could do more. They began farming in 2000 by going to farmers markets. In 2001 they started with CSA. Amy had worked as an apprentice one year (the latest method of learning how to farm is being a farm apprentice) but at that time Tom did computer work at home.

"I was her apprentice," he said about how he began farming, and he now devotes all his time to the farm. They met while attending Boston University and had part-time jobs in a public research group. "She was my boss," he admits.

How do prospective farmers find positions as apprentices? "MOFGA (Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association) helps people find placement," Amy said.

The barn which once housed sheep, horses and hay has been divided into four walk-in coolers for the vegetables and one walk-in freezer. In the packing room two assistants, Su Lachance and



Amy Sprague and Tom Harms of Wolf Pine Farm with daughters Maggie and Delia. This family has found a different way of farming. PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS

Michelle DiMeglio, prepare leeks for the shares. Lists of shares are posted about the room.

Delia, who is 10, and 9-year-old Maggie also help. "Maggie likes to pull carrots," said her mother.

What are their plans for the future? "Getting better at what we do," Tom said.

The couple started with an old farm which had gone from dairy to chickens to sheep and straw-

berries. This next step in marketing produce is becoming popular throughout Maine. It will be interesting to see what kind of farming the future holds for young farmers.

ALFRED

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Rumblings which led to revolution

Bruce Tucker shared his research this past week with the Alfred Historical Society on the events in Maine which led to the Revolutionary War. William Phillips, the early proprietor of Sanford and surrounding villages, took an oath of submission to Massachusetts in 1662. He was appointed a major in the local militia, was appointed a justice of the peace by the royal commissioners, and all seemed well between himself and the Bay Colony. But the colony was ruled by Puritans, who considered themselves divinely inspired and tried to extend their influence over the vast territory of Maine. Phillips resisted this control by Massachusetts. When Phillips' wife failed to attend church they ordered her arrested.

Then Bryan Pendleton was assigned by the Bay Colony to see that orders from Massachusetts were carried out. Phillips objected to Pendleton's authority, and traveled to Boston to straighten things out. He was promptly arrested in Boston when he refused to post bond "to assure his good behavior." After a week in jail Phillips agreed to pay; when freed he immediately fled to the safety of Maine. But here he found himself land rich but poor in money.

To pay his debts, Phillips sold off land to Bay Colony merchants and politicians. Gov. Leverett of Mass. was given land to pay off a 50-pound debt, Abraham Heamon of Biddeford, England, received a quarter interest in his "mill, land

and lumber production" to pay a 232-pound debt.

Meanwhile, the Native Americans were becoming increasingly resentful of their lands being taken from them. In Rhode Island, the Wampanoag Tribe went on the warpath. In Maine the Saco and Androscoggin tribes attacked the Phillips Garrison in Saco; when the garrison ran out of ammunition, the settlers left for the Winter Harbor Garrison. The war raged on, with William Phillips' mills destroyed, his source of wealth was disappearing.

The war ended in 1678. The treaty stipulated English hostages be returned, with tribal members receiving payment in corn for rental of their land. A peck of corn was required by each English family, but a bushel of corn by Maj. Phillips because his holdings were so vast.

The 19,000 acres inherited by his family received little attention for 45 years due to the Indian Wars. Then shares were inherited by another generation, circulated, sold, used to pay off debts or favors. Much of the dealings took place in public houses like the Royal Exchange Tavern in Boston, where back room deals were made.

At a meeting there, the Phillipstown heirs appointed committees "to protect their interests" and settle boundaries. Two young men attending a 1736 meeting were Thomas Hutchinson and Andrew Oliver, both inheriting Phillips' land through their wives, and hoping to benefit from it. Merchant Sam Adams and his contemporary Thomas Cushing, both involved in the Phillips inheritance, favored a "land bank" method to aid the depression of the 1730s. Hutchinson and Oliver, higher on the economic and social scale,

wanted a "silver bank," but wanted access given just to wealthy men. Both schemes were to solve the economic problems of the colonies. Both were voted down by the Legislature. Hutchinson had a hand in this, helping to suppress the land bank scheme.

Adams' son, who deeply resented the loss of his family's wealth via the failed land bank scheme, became a political organizer, writing and speaking on the rights of the common man.

Oliver, less affected economically, was appointed by England to collect taxes, and so became wildly unpopular with Americans, who felt they had suffered enough. His effigy was burned in Boston, his coach burned and wine cellar raided. Hutchinson, the loyalist governor, was equally unpopular, and had his home completely destroyed by a mob, all papers burned, "including a great number of public papers," with destruction of certain papers relating to the grant of the New Plymouth Company on the Kennebec. This may have been a goal of the mobsters.

Adams was shocked by the violence and preached non-violence. But these events set in motion the colonists' determination to separate themselves from England, and the Revolutionary War was born.

News from the pews

Thanksgiving and Memorial Sunday will be observed Nov. 23. Those donating turkeys or pies for the York County Food Pantry may bring them in.

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Putting the 'fun' in fundraiser

BY SHELLEY BURBANK
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Comedian Bob Marley filled the Massabesic High School auditorium on Monday evening, Nov. 17, in a fundraising event to benefit Project AWARE. Marley gave the performance free of charge, which meant that money from the sales of 300 tickets--over \$5,000--went a long way toward reaching the group's goal of \$10,000 that will be used to create public service announcements and a film to raise awareness about bullying, self-harm and suicide prevention.

"For me it was more than a great comedy show!" said Project AWARE's coordinator, Carl Lakari. "The evening was also about a group of amazing young people who came together to plan and carry out this effort in support of making a difference."

Students from the group played various roles in Monday's event: taking tickets, emceeing the evening, holding a bake sale and 50/50 raffle, thanking sponsors, and providing information about the project. Marley tickled the funny bones of the audience for an hour of hilarious Maine-brand humor aimed at our short summers, long winters, and difficulties in giving directions--all delivered in his version of a "Mainah" accent. He also had some tongue-in-cheek advice to young people about what to expect regarding marriage and parenting. A group of jokes about the differences between Starbucks and Dunkin' Donuts was another highlight of Marley's routine.

Biddeford Savings Bank was the main sponsor for the event. Southern Maine Health Care, RSD Graphics, Lakeside Market and Saco Valley Credit Union also sponsored.

Lakari added, "Also a lot of credit goes to Massabesic High School staff, including Principal Chris Elkington, Guidance Director Steve Urbach, and social worker Janis Johnson for supporting this great project."

Project AWARE's next undertaking will be casting roles for a short film about teen suicide. The script was written by the students and tells the story of a high-schooler, Jillian, who struggles with her home and school relationships. Casting for a number of parts, including a few adult roles, will take place at the Massabesic High School Auditorium on Thursday, Dec. 11, 7:40 to 10:40 a.m. and Saturday, Dec. 13, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign up in the Massabesic High School guidance department or call 282-5598 or write to projectaware@maine.

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SPORTS

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The Bonny Eagle U13 Girls Soccer travel team won the state championship on Nov. 9 and then the Tri-State Championship Cup held in Pembroke, New Hampshire on Nov. 15. Front row, from left: Madison Johnson, Lauren Jordan, Madison Scribner and Paige Quilty. Back row, from left: Randi Robinson, Madison Boothby, Olivia MacIsaac, Emily Ginter, Dani Niedermeyer, Grace Elwell, Katie Silva, Emily Byrne, Leah LaFrance, Julia Zampini, Maddie Cole, Makayla Galbreath and Cassidy Grass. The team was coached by Cindy and Brent Grass. COURTESY PHOTO

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THE NEWS STAMPEDE

Massabesic Mustang Nation



Local teachers start optimal business

A delivery truck landed on Limerick's side of Lake Arrowhead recently, dropping off Optimum Apex to company founder Steve Gallo and his wife, Sara, who both teach in Regional School Unit 57. According to Steve Gallo, Optimum Apex is a supplement that increases aerobic activities, enables a much faster recovery, improves overall human health and optimizes human hormones for athletic performance.



by Jack Melanson

exposed that companies are able to use the term "proprietary blend" in order to keep their formulas secret. However, this loophole allows companies to put whatever they wish in the product, including steroids and other addicting substances to keep the buyer interested. Some products even fail to improve any physical aspects, and are simply on the market for revenue. The documentary showed how some of the PEDs are made with foreign labor at a cost of \$1.10 and sold for over \$60.

Gallo's supplement was engineered after a successful blog he published for "no-nonsense" people who were seeking legitimate supplements. The blog became much more popular than Gallo ever expected, and filled his passion with confidence, which led to the creation of Optimum Apex.

Gallo said his product contains no ingredients that are unhealthy for human consumption. No sugars, banned substances or artificial dyes are present, yet the product tastes of subtle pink lemonade.

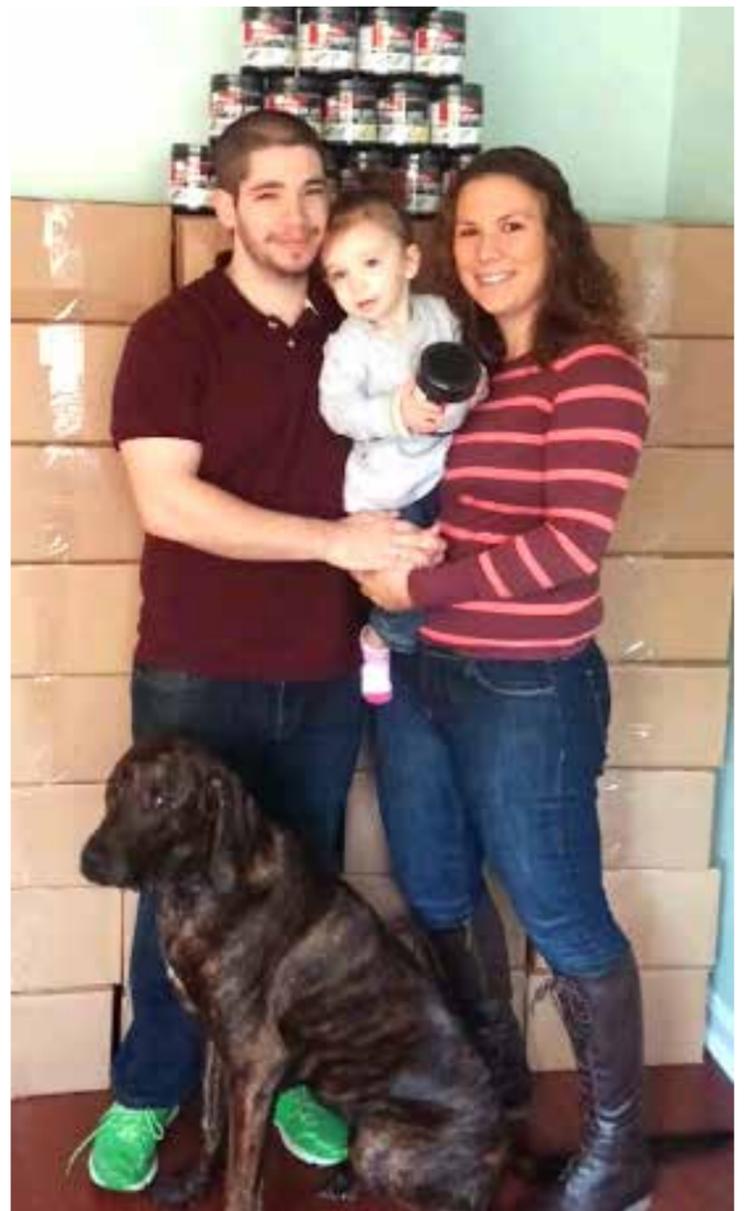
Gallo teamed up with his high school sweetheart, Sara Gallo, to whom he has been married for four years. The couple work together through the engineering, financial support, marketing, office work, and overall day-to-day duties. The two have dedicated their lives to developing the youth of the area socially, academically and physically. Mrs. Gallo teaches math at MHS, while coaching softball. Mr. Gallo works at MHS as a substitute teacher during the day and as the strength coach for student athletes in the afternoon. The couple has a daughter, Nora, who is almost 2 years old who, without knowing it, has been a huge motivator for the Gallos. "We got into the business to show our girl that you can make your dreams happen wherever you are, and that business can always be accomplished the right way, even when everyone else is doing it the wrong way" said the Gallos.

"We wanted to stay in Maine, and make a name for ourselves in our home. Business can and will be done here. We want to make a local legacy for Nora," said Gallo.

The couple's future plans include creating a pre-workout product, and maybe even a fat-loss product, both with the same integrity.

For more information, Steve Gallo can be reached at stevegallo@corpuscompendium.com. The Optimum Apex website is www.corpuscompendium.com.

Jack Melanson is a senior at Massabesic High School in Waterboro and the president of the student council. He can be reached at jackmelanson@waterbororeporter.com.



Steve and Sara Gallo of Limerick, hold their daughter Nora with their dog Ender as they stand proudly in front of their newly received packages of Optimum Apex, a health supplement created by Steve Gallo.

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OPINION

Thanks to Sarah Hale

Sarah Joseph Hale died in 1879 at the age of 91. She was born in Newport, New Hampshire on Oct. 24, 1788. You may already know this, but in 1847 Sarah began a life-long campaign to make Thanksgiving a national holiday. She began her campaign as an editor for



by
Jon Simonds

The Ladies Magazine of Boston, the first magazine for women, edited by a woman. She held the traditional celebration in the same high regard as Independence Day and felt the entire country should recognize the last Thursday of November as Thanksgiving Day, a day in which we, as a nation, give thanks for the things we have and hold dear.

She was so determined to make this happen, she directed a letter to President Lincoln and the president responded by urging the nation to join together in giving thanks on the last Thursday of November. This, however, did not satisfy Sarah who demanded Congress act. Her efforts fell upon deaf ears until 1941. Sixty-two years after her passing, the United States Senate and House of Representatives passed a bill stat-

ing Thanksgiving would occur annually on the fourth Thursday of November. Franklin D. Roosevelt, on Nov. 26, signed the bill into law.

In many of her essays, Sarah Josepha Hale described Thanksgiving as a day in which family and friends gathered around the table for

a feast, not so unlike the feast enjoyed by the pilgrims back in 1621. More important than the turkey and the stuffing, the cranberry and the corn, however, is the joy of being able to spend a quiet day with your loved ones. After all, we never really know from one year to the next, who amongst us will no longer be able to join us in our gathering of family from year to year.

Sarah, no doubt, would be appalled with the sudden subscribers to another famous writer: Ivan Pavlov. Pavlov was born in Ryazan, Russia in 1849 when Sara was 61. Pavlov probably didn't pay much heed to Thanksgiving, growing into a Nobel Prize winning physiologist. You may know him as the father of "Pavlov's Dog," a theory relating to con-

ditioned responses to different stimulants. Recently retail corporations have taken Pavlov's experiments to a whole new level. Pushing stores to open on Thanksgiving Day with the mere promise of pre-Black Friday sales, offering lower than lower prices on every item in the store. Corporations really don't care about family gatherings or national holidays because many are nations unto themselves, and what Pavlov illustrated with dogs, American superstores are illustrating with mobs of people.

The ghost of Sarah, however, may be reaching down from the heavens turning back the hands of time. T.J. Maxx and Marshalls are two stores who will not open on Thanksgiving Day, feeling their "employees deserve to spend time with family." Ace Hardware, Gamestop, Barnes and Noble and Bed Bath and Beyond will also remain closed. Sarah, who also gave us Mary and her little lamb, is no doubt watching and urging all of Pavlov's dogs to stay home, enjoy your family and have the happiest of Thanksgivings.

Jon Simonds lives in North Waterboro and is the author of "Brooklyn Encounters," a collection of short stories available on Kindle.

Henrietta Turkey

by Louanne
Romaneck

So today I went to the turkey farm and picked one out for our Thanksgiving Day meal. I decided to give the turkey a name and called her Henrietta. I let her ride in the front seat on the way home and, of course, I seat belted her in because I wanted her to be safe. I told Henrietta that I wanted to make a deal with her to show her that I am not an inhumane person by taking her life for granted. I told her that if she laid a million-dollar golden egg for us I would spare her life and return her to the farm. She gave me a turkey grin and gobbled in a way I knew she accepted the challenge. When we got home I told Henrietta to make herself at home, after all it could be her last days on Earth and I felt she had the right to enjoy them. I went about my business and Henrietta was busy scoping the place out. After awhile I didn't see her and then I found her in the garage looking frantic and going through our paint supplies. I didn't

think anything of it and went about my business. After awhile I found Henrietta looking in the fridge. I think Henrietta was planning a scheme. I could hear Henrietta upstairs making a lot of noise, so I went upstairs to see what she was doing and there she was, spray-painting an egg with some gold paint she found in the garage. She looked at me with those big turkey eyes and I just gave her a sad look and said, "So I guess you can't lay us a golden egg," and she just hung her head low and gobbled in a way that I knew meant "No." Knowing her fate, she started plucking out her feathers, letting them drop one by one onto the floor. I guess she figured she'd save me some time doing it. Now I felt bad, and so I told Henrietta to stop plucking her feathers out and that I would take her back to the farm because I didn't have the heart to take her life. She was so happy that she started doing the chicken dance. I loaded Henrietta back into my car and, in all the excitement, I forgot to put her seatbelt on. I told her she could stick her head out the window to smell the fresh air, which she happily did. And then in a "whoosh" Henrietta went out the window. It wasn't a pretty sight with feathers going everywhere. I stopped the car to see if Henrietta survived but unfortunately she didn't and, while I felt guilty for forgetting to put Henrietta's seat belt on, the truth of the matter was that I still needed a turkey for Thanksgiving. At least her final moments were happy. Besides she would have ended up on someone's dinner table anyway.

The end

P.S. The moral of this story is: Make sure that you live life to the fullest because you never know when it could end.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

Jeannie Grant
Waterborough Historical Society

to our events (attending meetings, baking, cleaning, volunteering to sell merchandise, setting up events, picking up after events, etc. etc. and all of the behind-the-scenes operations), we thank you most sincerely.

Kudos to local brewery

I would like to take a moment to express my thoughts about the open house that was held at Gneiss Brewery. I am talking about the new brewery that recently opened in Limerick, and just celebrated their one year anniversary on Oct. 11. We attended the celebration and it was very exciting and enjoyable. The pulled chicken and pork sandwiches catered by the Lincoln Pub in Cornish were excellent. An array of other pot luck items were very tasty as well, especially Dick's homemade signature potato salad. The crab cakes were to die for. And I must say, the beer paired well with everything.

There were smiles on all the faces of those who attended, and the live music provided by two bands was enjoyed by all. This was a memorable afternoon and we hope there will be more of these events planned in the future.

Thumbs up to Gneiss Brewery.
Gerald and Kimberly Hastings
Sanbornville, New Hampshire

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Marion Bryant
Line Good News

Society gives thanks

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LETTERS

Sounds like sour grapes by Simonds

Let's talk a little about Jon Simonds' column in the Nov. 14 edition of the Reporter. It was titled "Reasons to be cheerful: part 3."

According to Mr. Simonds' column, "We've long known the full moon tends to bring the crazies out. So I suppose it's no small wonder Paul LePage is celebrating his second term as Maine's most beloved governor." So what is he trying to say? Is it that a majority of the citizens in Waterboro are crazy because they gave their votes to LePage? And, frankly, I do think that most of the citizens have a positive feeling about our governor. He may not be "beloved" as Simonds alludes to, but he is one of the few politicians that the citizens of Maine have sent to Augusta that has and will continue to do what he promised during his campaigns. Too bad we can't say that about more of the politicians who will promise anything to get elected but conveniently forget those promises the day after they are sworn in.

It sounds like sour grapes on Simonds' part, if you ask me.

Another comment made, "Suffice to say, the majority of the voting public is not happy with these results translating into another four years of Paul LePage." In case he didn't notice there were three candidates in the race and in cases like that, it's almost impossible for the winner to gather a "majority" of the votes cast. Furthermore, it's not an automatic assumption that those who gave their votes to Cutler were voting AGAINST LePage; they were voting FOR Cutler. If Cut-

ler hadn't been in the race, I have to think that many of those votes would have gone to LePage; ergo, he would have gotten the majority vote. Let's face it, folks, I think Cutler's plans for Maine were more aligned to LePage than the liberal Democrat Michaud.

Again, this all sounds like sour grapes to me.

Finally, his statement that "LePage wants to continue his reduction of such entitlements as food stamps and health care for those working folks who are content with minimum wage jobs and likely agree with his opposition to raising the minimum wage." First of all, let's call welfare what it is. Just because the federal government calls it entitlement doesn't mean that every Tom, Dick, and Mary is entitled to get on the list for taxpayers' money. If people are content to work at a minimum wage job, then that's fine with me; but I don't think that it's my responsibility to use my tax dollars to subsidize that person's income. Let's remember that there is always fraud with welfare, and I commend LePage for trying to clean it up. Welfare should go to those who truly need it. It shouldn't go to those who have learned to work the system and will do so until caught and stopped. It should be noted that over 30 percent of every tax dollar collected in this state- that's over \$30 out of every \$100- goes to some sort of welfare program ... or, as Simonds likes to call them, "entitlements."

Still sounds like sour grapes to me.

Carmine Castaldo
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OBITUARIES

Stephen Wayne Roberts, Jr.

Stephen Wayne Roberts, Jr., age 40, passed away on Nov. 16, 2014 in Biddeford.

He was born on March 11, 1974, the son of Stephen Wayne Roberts Sr. and Janet Caron Roberts. He attended Biddeford schools and worked for the City of Biddeford.



Stephen Roberts

Stephen was a single father of 2 wonderful boys, Dustin and Dominic Roberts, both of Biddeford. He loved riding ATVs with his boys. He never missed his boys' football games or wrestling matches. He lived for them. He touched the heart of many people. He was known for a heart larger than himself. He never turned anyone down, if they needed a hand, you could always count on him.

He has left behind his boys, Dustin and Dominic Roberts of Biddeford; his parents Stephen Wayne Roberts, Sr. and Janet (Caron) Roberts; a stepdaughter, Lyssa Jean Agesty that, not only did he attend all her dance lessons, but he also did all the alterations on her little dance outfits, even sewing sequins; his brother, Brian Arthur Roberts of West Newfield; a niece, Jennifer Daney of Wisconsin; many aunts, uncles, cousins and many many friends.

Visiting hours will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21 at the Dennett Craig and Pate Funeral Home, 365 Main Street, Saco. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 22 at Goodwins Mills Cemetery, Lyman.

William Laurence "Bill" Darling

William Laurence "Bill" Darling, 63, of Lyman, died peacefully late Thursday evening, Nov. 13, 2014 at Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough following years of declining health.



William Darling

He was born in Melrose, Massachusetts on April 23, 1951, a son of Claude William Darling, Jr., and Isa W. (Clisby) Darling. He grew up in Malden, Massachusetts, where he was educated. Following High School, he enrolled at Northeastern University in the School of Business. He met his future wife, the former Janice Bradeen, while he was on his coop job at the Prudential Building in Boston. They were married in 1972 and graduated together in 1974.

Bill then began a long career in Banking, working at Century Bank. He moved to Maine in 1975, and began working at Casco Bank, which eventually became the Bank of Boston. He was then transferred back to Boston to work at the home office. Bill commuted daily leaving his family to live in Maine which he loved. Bill then accepted a job with Kennebunk Savings Bank, so he could be with his family. He worked

there for nearly 18 years being head of mortgage lending for much of that time, before retiring for health issues.

In earlier years, when daughters Laura and Amanda were in school, Bill was a fixture at every event in which they were involved. Whether dance or gymnastic meets, he was there for each and every one. He also loved to spend time with the grandchildren, but regretted not being able to spend quality "Papa" time with them due to his illness.

He was active in Lyman town government, serving on the Budget Committee for several years. He loved being a volunteer at SMHC in Biddeford, A banker and educator, Bill wrote and edited the American Institute of Banking text books. He taught for 25 years, more than 1000 students the principles, law and joy of banking. He was an innovator, leader, and educator in the field of Banking. He was also a fan of the transportation industry, especially buses and trains. He had a love of cats and owned several over the years.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his siblings, sister Doris Miller in 2014, and brother Eugene Darling in 2008.

He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Jan Darling of Lyman; two daughters, Laura Darling-Bako and husband Louis of Worcester, Massachusetts, Amanda Roy and husband Brian of Lyman; three grandchildren, Lukas Bako, and twins Megan and Alexa Roy.

Visiting hours were held Nov. 18 at Bibber Memorial Chapel, 67 Summer Street, Kennebunk with a memorial service on Nov. 19 at Goodwin Mills United Methodist Church in Lyman. Should friends choose, memorial donations in his name are encouraged to: Friends of Feral Felines, 651 Forest Avenue, Portland, ME 04101.

Arrangements are in care of Bibber Memorial Chapel, 67 Summer Street, Kennebunk, www.bibberfuneral.com.

Eleanor A. Morton

Eleanor A. Morton, 80, of Acton, died on her birthday, November 13, 2014 at the Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough. Her family released her into the loving hands of those who had gone on before her.



Eleanor Morton

Eleanor was a true matriarch of her family and one special lady. She was a loving mother, sister, daughter, aunt, Nana, Grandma and Great Grandma. She was able to stay home with her children and she nurtured them and fed them with her excellent cooking. She was famous for making her mother's recipe for chocolate fudge-marshmallow cake and her Wednesday night spaghetti suppers. Eleanor always had goodies for her grandchildren. Many memories and stories were made from her summer pool parties.

With a strand of her own hair woven in, Eleanor made each one of her children and grand children their own afghan. Eleanor had an open door policy where the neighborhood kids felt welcomed and

loved. She listened intently to their problems and then would give them advice with a cup of tea and buttered toast. The smell of her kitchen still brings a smile to her family. Eleanor worked outside the home when the children were older. She worked at Elcon and at Pratt & Whitney as a quality control inspector. Eleanor didn't learn to drive a car until the 1980's and stopped driving after she retired. Following the death of her husband, John Sr., in 2013; it was her grandchildren that encouraged her to get back behind the wheel.

Eleanor loved to play board games and was ruthless when she played Scrabble! She loved tending her rose bushes, flower gardens and feeding the birds. She was an animal lover and throughout her life had cats, dogs, chickens and ducks running around. They were as cherished and well fed as her kids. With her large and ever growing family, Eleanor never missed giving a card (with lottery tickets or scratch tickets inside) for any occasion! She enjoyed going to the White Mountains and White Lake National Park in New Hampshire.

Eleanor could be strong willed at times; yet her one desire in life was to see her children become strong, happy and independent adults. She can rest knowing that her legacy of caring for others will continue within the lives of her children and grandchildren. She will be dearly missed by those who had the good fortune of knowing her.

Eleanor is survived by her children, Elaine Tibbetts and husband John of Lyman; Walter Barstow and wife Yvonne of Casselberry, Florida; Michael Bedard of Clermont, Florida; John Bedard and wife Marion of Shapleigh; and Deborah Bedard of Springvale; her step-children, John Morton and wife Rachel of Wells; Suzanna Underwood and husband Gary of Alfred; Leslie Bedard and wife Joanne of Springvale; Steven Bedard of Illinois; and by her siblings, Marilyn Cheney of Lynn, Massachusetts; Richard Kala and wife Lorraine of Riverside, Rhode Island; Robert Kala and wife Carolyn of Malabar, Florida; Janet Vachon and husband Martin of Mariaville; David Swett and wife Nila of Sanford and Brian Swett of Sanford many grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband of 23 years, John Morton, Sr.; her step-children, Charles, Robert and David Bedard; and by her sister, Linda Kala.

A funeral service was held Nov. 20 at the Autumn Green Funeral Home with committal prayers and burial after at Maplewood Cemetery in Parsonsfield.

To leave a message of condolence for the family, visit www.autumngreenfuneralhome.com

With Eleanor's love of children, memorial donations may be made to the Make-A-Wish Maine, 477 Congress St., Suite M 1, Portland, ME 04101.

David M. Lord

David M. Lord, 55, of Windmill Farm in Springvale, died on Friday, Nov. 7, 2014 following a brief illness.

David was born in Saco on June 4, 1959, the son of Willis and Barbara Roberts Lord of Lord Rock Farm in North Waterboro. As a youngster, he helped out on the farm and attended school in Alfred and day programs at Camp Waban. David enjoyed riding on the farm tractors with his father, calling in the cows at milking time and, after a hard day's work, swimming at Little Ossipee Lake. He loved practical jokes and was a prankster, often giving himself away with his devilish



David Lord

chuckle and excitement to see how his victim would respond.

In 1987, David moved to Elm Street in Sanford to live in a group setting hosted by Waban Project's Inc. Dave's outgoing personality endeared him to many. His new living arrangements allowed him to work at LifeWorks and explore the community; where he enjoyed meeting new people and sharing his opinions. David loved the American flag and was always certain to shake a serviceman or servicewoman's hand every time he saw them. He had his own special table at the Sanford Public Library where he took great pleasure in reviewing the library's many magazines. He was also a frequent visitor at the Sanford Fire Department across from his home. His favorite pastime was putting puzzles together. Dave taught himself to print by copying numbers and letters from the calendar.

David enjoyed attending social events and dances hosted by Waban and the local community. Although his speech was difficult to understand, David had a voice for singing. He participated in a local church choir and took great pleasure in belting out various songs, often to the chagrin of his work or house mates. Amazing Grace was his favorite hymn. He had a special appreciation for marching band music and parades.

David always looked forward to attending the Maine Special Olympics where he was an active participant until 2011. He won many medals and ribbons for his prowess with the shot put, softball and Frisbee toss, and 50 and 100 yard dash. For a guy born with a hole in his

heart, he sure could run!

Although Dave could be gruff and opinionated at times, he had a soft spot for children; especially babies and people in need of a comforting hand or word. When his housemates and caretakers at Windmill or Elm Street were down, he would often give them a pat on the back or say a comforting word to let them know they were ok and were not alone. Those that visited him in his final days shared many stories of his compassion for others and his fun-loving nature.

David was predeceased by his parents and brother-in-law, Frederick Fay.

David is survived by his sisters, Judith Fay of Alfred and Avon Park, Florida; Patricia Joyce of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; and Janice Meyer and her husband Philip of Lexington, Kentucky; his niece, Christine Ohman of Lyman; his nephew Scott (and Jennifer) Ohman and KC Ohman of North Waterboro; and great nieces and nephews, Ashlee, Bailey, Richard Todd and Jonathan Ohman. He is also survived by his aunts and uncles, George and Gladys Roberts of Alfred and Paul and Ruby Roberts of Sanford; and Marjorie Blair of Exeter, NH; along with many cousins.

David's family would like to extend their sincere thanks and deepest appreciation to Sharon King, David's longtime caretaker, friend and advocate. David and Sharon shared a special bond that was evident even in his final hours.

The family also wishes to extend their heartfelt appreciation to the many administrators and staff who enriched David's life at 'Elm Street' and LifeWorks, Clair Thompson and the entire staff at Windmill Farms for their excellent care and compassion these last few years, the doctors and nurses at Southern Maine Healthcare and Hospice of Southern Maine. Your dedication to enriching the lives of those with special needs is so very much appreciated and deeply admired.

A graveside service will be held in May 2015 at the Elder Grey Cemetery in North Waterboro with Pastor, Brian Blair officiating. All are welcome to attend to celebrate David's life and share their memories and stories.

To leave a message of condolence for the family, visit www.autumngreenfuneralhome.com.

Memorial donations may be made to Waban Projects, Inc., 5 Dunaway Drive, Sanford, ME 04073.



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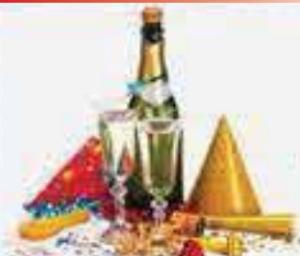
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