



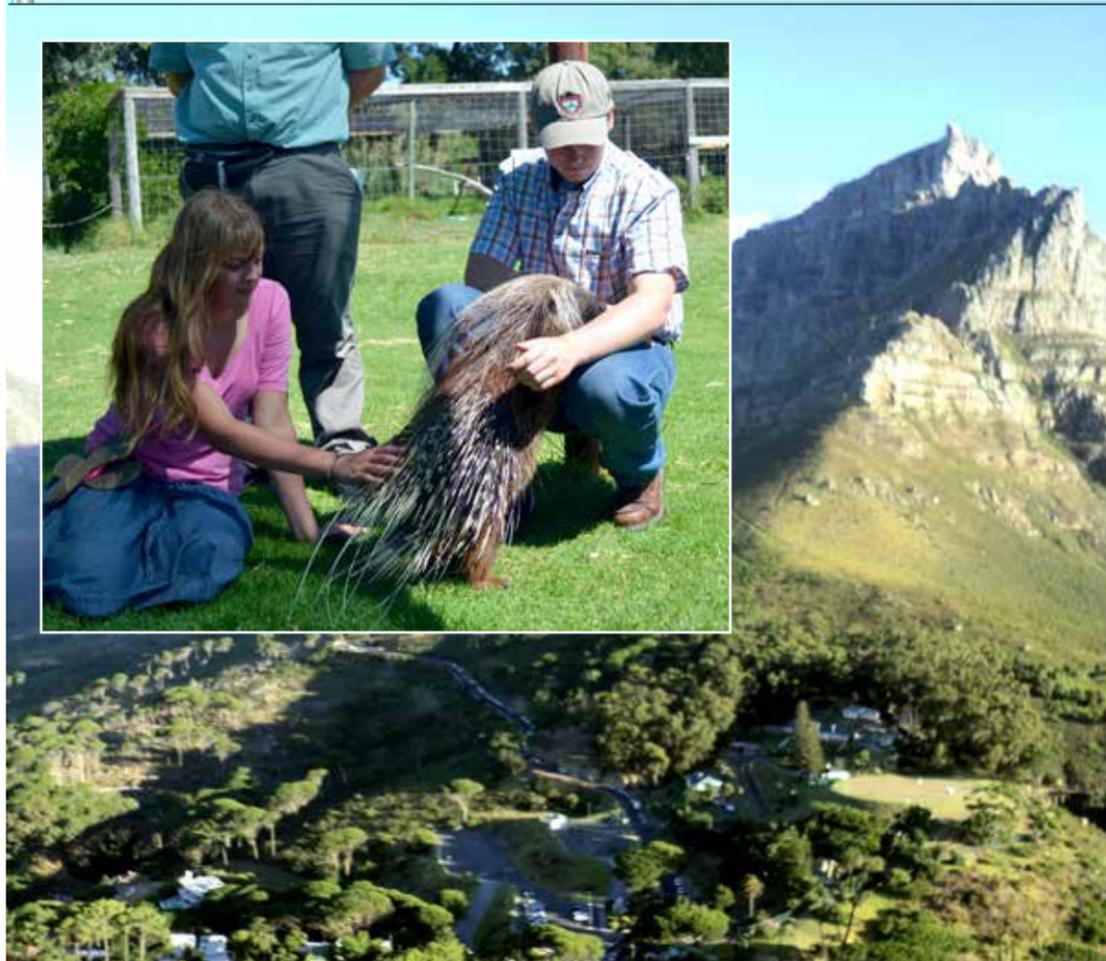
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Waterboro's Ryan Ford makes a new friend while on a recent mission trip.

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New horizons for church member

By ANN FISHER
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Ryan Ford's love of the Lord has taken him to two different continents so far, but the Waterboro teen said there are no boundaries when it comes to places he will go on faith.

Ford, 18, went on not one, but two, mission trips within the last six months because, he said, "I wanted to become bolder and more comfortable in sharing my faith with others."

"Jesus said in Mark 16:15, to 'Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature,'" and Ford said he is doing his best to fulfill that directive.

Ford usually leads a quiet life. He lives in Waterboro – where he was home schooled and earned his diploma in May – and works with his father in the family firewood business, Ford Heritage Farm.

But his faith is taking him in

new directions. The first foray took him to Bolivia in August through a mission trip organized by his church, East Waterboro Free Baptist. Ford credits the church pastor, Charles "Charlie" Storey, for his powerful influence.

From Dec. 28 to Jan. 28, Ford spent time in Cape Town, South Africa, in part to visit friends of his family who are missionaries there. Vicki (Clough) Young grew up in Shapleigh, where her parents, Wendall and Hilda Clough, still spend their summers. Ford is good friends with the couple's grandchildren, Timothy and Evangel Young.

When he articulated the reason for going on the mission trips, Ford said, "As Christians, we have a two-part message: a warning of punishment, and a message of forgiveness. And nowadays many Christians, myself included, are inclined to be lazy in this area. We

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Getting past the abuse

Caring Unlimited opens windows of opportunity for women in the Waterboro area

By SHELLEY BURBANK
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This fall, York County's domestic violence program, Caring Unlimited, lost the use of a meeting room and office in Limerick and relocated down the road to donated space in the Waterboro area. According to program staffers, so far the new space is working out well. "We open up windows of opportunities," said Bonnie Gagnon, outreach services coordinator. "Women in the program have journeyed beyond the abuse. Children as well."

According to Gagnon and outreach advocate Jane Farmer, women who have experienced domestic violence come to the meetings to attend peer-led support groups facilitated by Caring Unlimited staff and volunteer co-leaders. The advocates hope that even more women who are experiencing violence in their lives will find their way to the

meetings and take advantage of the opportunities for growth – both for themselves and their children.

"Groups are peer run. The women help each other with resources. Sometimes they know of resources we don't even know about," Farmer said. "They may make a new friend, a new ally."

"Three of the groups now have childcare provided during meeting times. It's a safe space for the kids to come and play and just be kids."

Gagnon, who has been working for Caring Unlimited for 17 years, added, "As we listened to what people needed, we decided to provide the childcare."

Childcare volunteers are all given thorough training and undergo background checks. Farmer and Gagnon said volunteers come from many walks of life. There are teens who are volunteering for community service credits, according to the women, along with



Jane Farmer, outreach advocate for Caring Unlimited, stands in front of a quilt of squares created by individuals who have used the program's services. Each square represents either an aspect of healing from abuse or safety in homes.

COURTESY PHOTO

teachers, former educators and college students who are studying early childhood education. The volunteers provide games and crafts and playtime for the children while their mothers share information and provide support to each other.

The group in Waterboro meets during the day, but the advocates want women to know that the schedule is not set in stone. "We

are very grateful for some donated space in the Waterboro area," said Farmer. "It is a daytime group now, but it could become an evening group."

Although the new space is working out well, it has become difficult for some women in Limerick, Parsonsfield and other outlying areas to come to meetings now due to transportation issues.

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ON THE ICE *with the locals*



Brenda Morrill of West Newfield ice fishing on Rock Haven Lake. COURTESY PHOTO

Brenda Morrill
Rock Haven Lake,
West Newfield

Q: What kind of fish did you catch?

A: They were all trout.

Q: Did you keep them?

A: Yes! They are in the freezer for meals later on.

Q: How do you prepare your fish?

A: My husband, John, is going to try a different way this time, but I put it in cornmeal and fry it up in the fry pan. They were all 13 inches and one is more than enough for two people.

Q: What makes a great day of fishing?

A: Everyone says it's the weather, a calm day. I myself think it depends on how hungry the fish are!

Q: Where did you catch these trout?

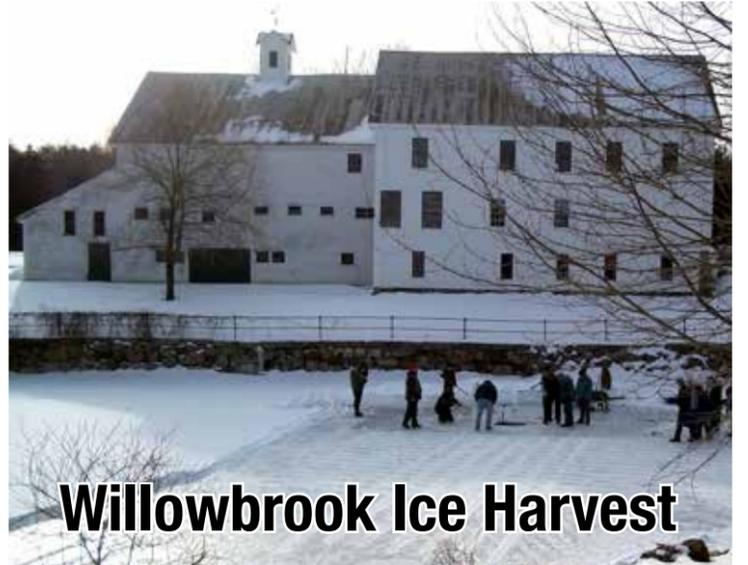
A: We went to Rock Haven. We went to a friend's ice shanty and dug six holes. We got three hits on the third hole in less than 15 minutes after we got there and then nothing else.

Q: What do you like about ice-fishing?

A: The whole idea of being with my husband...and catching the fish. My husband is always happy when I catch the fish. We always fish together. It is fun for both people.

By Shelley Burbank

Send YOUR ice fishing photos and answers to the above questions to news@waterbororeporter.com and you may be featured HERE "On the Ice"



Willowbrook Ice Harvest



Above, the grid pattern on the ice can be seen. Below, blocks of ice are harvested by hand. COURTESY PHOTOS

Ice harvest a success

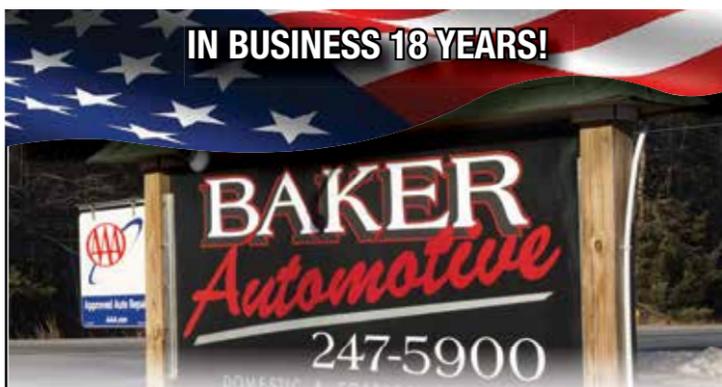
Bill Green arrived at the recent ice harvest held recently at Willowbrook Museum in Newfield with a camera crew and interviewed participants. The story will appear on Bill Green's Maine on Feb. 15 and is titled "Fire and Ice" as Green was also interested in Willowbrook's metal casting class in which students cast a pineapple door knocker in aluminum and door hinges, with a vine motif in brass.

The ice was crystal clear and 18 inches thick with 20 or more blocks harvested, weighing more than 100 pounds each using only

vintage ice harvesting tools. A grid was marked out on the ice using a horse-drawn ice groove (no horse used). There were 25 to 30 people that came out. The Curran Homestead Living History Farm and Museum of Orrington, Director Bruce Bowden assisted in the preparation and harvest. The Historical Society of Newfield opened their doors for hot cocoa, cookies and vintage Maine ice harvesting footage from Northeast Historic Film. Curran Homestead will have its own annual ice harvest on Fields Pond in Orrington on Saturday, Feb. 8 and Willowbrook will assist.



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Community Calendar

BENEFIT SNOW SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Massabesic High School athletic fields. Registration at 9 a.m. and games from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Co-ed teams of 10 to 12 players welcome. Ages 14 and up. \$10 per person includes lunch. Proceeds to support the family of Chris Ross, a 19-year-old from Waterboro fighting Hodgkins lymphoma. Call Nancy at 710-8869 to register a team. Also looking for volunteers and donations.

WATERBORO REPUBLICAN CAUCUS Saturday, Feb. 8 at Sanford High School immediately following the York County Republican Convention which begins at 9 a.m.

THE LYMAN REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE will be holding its monthly meeting on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 10 a.m. at the Community Library in Goodwins Mills. We will make the final draft on our revised paper and also discuss our caucus which will be held Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. also at the library. All Lyman Republicans and undeclared are invited.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM Sunday, Feb. 9 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 255 Old Alfred Road, East Waterboro. Authorized instructors are donating their

time to the cause of great outdoor activities. Students 10-12 years of age are to be accompanied by a parent or guardian during the full program. Maximum capacity is 40 students. To register, contact Rebecca at 294-1194.

WAB MEETING The next meeting of the Waterboro Association of Businesses will be held on Monday, Feb. 10 at 5:30 p.m. at the Reporter office, 545 Main St. (The Dayfield), 2nd floor. Visit www.waterborochamber.org for a copy of the agenda and minutes from previous meetings.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER Sat, Feb 15, 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Mill Building at the Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church, Rt. 35, Goodwins Mills.

VALENTINE'S DINNER & DANCE Saturday, Feb. 15, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the Waterboro Grange Hall, 31 West Road, South Waterboro. \$20 per person includes a pasta buffet from 6:10 to 6:45 p.m. DJ Michael C. will provide the music. BYOB and no one under 21 will be admitted. Tickets are on sale at Woodsome's Feeds & Needs and Woody's Sports Grille. Proceeds will benefit the Waterborough Historical Society. FMI call 247-5926.

WINTERFEST Sunday, Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Abenaki Draft Horse Club, Dukes Lane, Lyman. Horse drawn sleigh

rides, sledding, food and drink and blacksmithing demonstrations. Free admission. Sleigh rides \$5 for adults, \$3 for ages 15-18, children 14 and under free if accompanied on ride by an adult.

MASSABESIC LIONS The Massabesic Lions Club is holding Bingo Nights on Mondays, starting at 6 p.m. at the Regional Medical Center in Waterboro. The club is located on Route 202 in Waterboro.

FREE MEALS KITCHEN York County Shelter Programs sponsors Springvale Free Meals Kitchen at the Springvale Baptist Church, Main St., Springvale on Tuesday and Thursdays. Social time with hot coffee and treats is at 10:30 a.m., hot meal is served from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.. The Sanford Free Meals Kitchen is held Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Masonic Temple, Elm Street, Sanford with social/coffee time at 10:30 a.m. and hot meal from noon to 1 p.m. Residents of any town are welcome to attend.

Submit nonprofit calendar items to:
news@waterboro-reporter.com



Brigit McCallum of North Waterboro went for her first snowmobile ride thanks to the free rides offered at the Ossipee Mountaineers Snowmobile Club's recent anniversary celebration. To left, Michael Bernier and to the right, Roger Letendre who provided the tour through the trails behind the clubhouse.

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Fishing derby

This year Alfred's American Legion Post 134 is joining Post 55 in Limerick to sponsor its first annual fishing derby on Little Ossipee in Waterboro on Sunday, Feb. 16. This will replace the one previously held for 12 years. There will be two divisions, one for adults and one for children. Cash prizes will be awarded for the heaviest fish, for children, and heaviest bass for adults. There will be more than \$2,500 awarded in prizes, plus trophies. There

will also be many raffle drawings throughout the day.

Tickets are available at Lakeside Market in East Waterboro, Limerick Village Variety, Merrill's Country Store in North Waterboro and at the Route 5 Boat Launch on Little Ossipee. Tickets are \$15.

The derby runs 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration ends at 9 a.m. and proceeds benefit Veteran's Assistance, the NJROTC Scholarship Fund, and Maine Dirigo Boys and Girls State programs.

Measure to benefit vets proposed

The Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee held a public hearing recently at Canadian Forces Base in Gagetown, New Brunswick on a measure by Democratic state Sen. John Tuttle.

Tuttle wants the federal government to acknowledge the serious harm that has come to Maine's National Guard veterans from exposure to Agent Orange and other harmful chemicals.

"Too many of our veterans have been denied coverage for disabilities caused by their exposure to these harmful chemicals at Gagetown," said Tuttle, a veteran of the Maine National Guard. "It is time the federal government provided all our veterans with the care and benefits they deserve."

According to Tuttle, "The U.S. government has refused to acknowledge any connection between the soldiers' illnesses and their exposure to these chemicals." Tuttle's resolve will recognize the environmental hazards present at Gagetown and the resulting potential health risks and disabilities.

"We all agree that part of our nation's duty to the men and women who serve includes making sure that we take care of the treatment and care of any injuries or disabilities caused by their service," Tuttle said. "It is our moral obligation to care for them and their families."

The committee will hold a work session on LD 1632, "Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management To Request

the Federal Government To Recognize Environmental Hazards at the Military Training Center in Gagetown, New Brunswick and

the Resulting Health Risks and Disabilities Suffered by Certain Members of the Maine National Guard," later this session.



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- SAT. AND SUN., MARCH 8 & 9, 9AM-5PM:** *Woodworking: Create a Shaving Horse Class.* Tuition: Non Members \$275, Members \$265.
- SAT., MARCH 15, 10AM-4PM:** *Blacksmithing: Make Hardware.* Tuition: Non-Members \$125, Members \$115.
- SAT. & SUN., MARCH 15 & 16, 10AM-4PM:** *Blacksmithing: Make a Draw Knife and Other Tools.* Package deal for "Create a Shaving Horse Class" (20% discount). Intermediate students can make a free involving a forge weld. Tuition: Non-Members \$275, Members \$265.
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- SAT., MARCH 29, 9AM-3PM:** *Blacksmithing/ Flint-Napping: Flint & Steel Survival Fire-Making Class, with Outdoor Cooking.* Tuition: Non-Members \$125, Members \$115.
- SAT., APRIL 5, 12-3PM:** *Pewter Casting Jewelry for Kids and Adults* (3 Hours). Ages 12 and older. \$65 Non-Members, \$55 Members.
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- ONGOING, BY ARRANGEMENT:** *Blacksmithing for Teens* (4 Hours). Tools and materials provided. We may use propane forges rather than coal forges during the winter. \$75 Non-Members, \$65 Members.

Further details about workshops on our website and blogs.
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NEWFIELD

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Auxiliary more active

A revitalized Newfield Auxiliary met at the public safety building for a work session to go through the kitchen to clean and decide what is needed for supplies.

At a meeting held Jan. 29, two new members were welcomed; membership now stands at an even dozen.

Officers are: president, Jan Heacock; vice president, Shirley Campbell; treasurer, Ann Winn Johnson, and secretary, Annie Dailey.

According to Johnson, members assist fire and rescue when necessary and will be on a calling chain as needed to provide coffee and food at the scene of emergencies and help with whatever else is needed.

The next meeting is scheduled at the Public Safety Building on Water Street for Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m., when information about CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) will be discussed. Regular meeting dates and times will also be considered.

Johnson has completed online classes with six modules (basic information) to give people "a very good idea of how we are to help in our community."

According to materials distributed by Homeland Security, CERT teams are trained to support emergency responders. They may be asked to help victims, provide damage assessment information and organize other volunteers at the site of a disaster.

Members can also be asked to help at emergency shelters, with crowd control and during evacuations. CERT team members can also assist with a community's emergency plans, preparedness and outreach. For more, see www.citizencorps.gov.

Help available

Would you or someone you love need help during an emergency? Residents can ask to be added to the list for a well check by local emergency responders by picking up a registration form at K & D Corner Store, Moulton Lumber or the town offices. A form can also be request through the York County Emergency Management Agency.

Those with a medical condition and or those needing help getting around after a weather event or natural disaster are encouraged to register. Call 324-1578 for more information or Newfield EMA Director Tom Johnson at 793-2633.

Emergency response

There were 11 calls for Newfield Rescue in January; eight calls resulted in transport to a hospital.

Newfield Fire Department responded to five calls in January. Saturday morning, Jan. 11 there were two calls in response to the icy road conditions. Several vehicles slid off the road, and at times routes 11 and 110 were shut down. On Jan. 24 there was a motor vehicle fire on Lost Mile Road. Newfield also responded to a structure fire in Limerick on Jan. 29, as well as mutual aid on Jan. 30 for a structure fire in Alfred.

Hearing postponed

The planning board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 5 was canceled due to bad weather. During the second half of the meeting a public hearing about the population section of the comprehensive plan being researched was scheduled, but the meeting has been postponed until further notice.

Library news

Long-awaited new bookshelves have been built and installed at the Newfield Library, thanks to Dave Neville and Mirror Lake Construction.

School notebook

The Line School PTC will be hosting a Family Fun Night Wednesday, Feb. 12 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Students and their families are invited to decorate cookies and make Valentine's Day card crafts. A flier was sent home with information and for parents to sign up to donate decorations.

The PTC will meet earlier that day from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m., and would welcome all contributions to help support both students and teachers at Line.

The musical "Flakes" will be presented by the second and third graders at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13.

Time to dance

A Valentines Day Dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 15 from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Newfield Town Hall with music by DJ Reggie Monroe. Tickets are \$10 each and are available at the municipal offices. Proceeds will benefit the town's heating assistance fund.

CARING UNLIMITED

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"Two or three show up regularly," Farmer said. She and Gagnon encourage women to call Caring Unlimited if they are interested, even if they can't make it to Waterboro at this time. "We are open to meeting the demands of the community with the staffing resources we have," said Gagnon, who also explained that staffers are still in touch with some former group members who no longer attend meetings. "They use the hotline, plus some of them just stopped coming because they've reached a good place in their lives."

Caring Unlimited's 24-hour hotline is usually the first point of contact between a client and the program, the advocates said. The hotline is answered by staff and volunteers who listen, validate, and believe the caller's story. "I usually get calls from women who need some information or protection orders or just need to talk. Usually that's the first time someone has done that for her," said Farmer. "Then they can come into the office and discuss it, we give them paperwork to fill out, give them information they can read. Women sometimes need to explore new housing options, or they are looking to go back to school to become more financially self-sufficient."

Through the hotline, women can also come up with a safety plan for themselves and their children. "Maybe she's not ready at that time, but as she's breaking down the barriers of the violence, she often remembers there is a support group and will call again," said Farmer.

"Often the group is the first time a woman sees others who have also been abused. She gets support without judgment, options to explore, and validation," the advocates explained. "We

don't judge where she's at, and the members agree not to judge. Women become empowered in their own decision-making. It breaks the isolation. They realize they aren't the only ones."

Though the work can sometimes be challenging, especially as government budgets have slashed funding for programs like Section 8 housing vouchers, Farmer said it is rewarding to see women escaping the violence.

When asked about the best part of her job, Farmer replied, "Seeing her recognize she is empowered to make her own decisions for herself and her children."

"That and seeing the children change. Maybe they were shy or uncomfortable when the first came in, but they learn to take ownership of it, to play and do crafts. It's their space, their place to play. And then mom feels good about a decision that was tough when she sees the growth of her children."

Two major fundraisers take place every year to help finance the work at Caring Unlimited. "We just had the Atlantic Plunge on Jan. 1," said Gagnon. This year, according to the organization's website, 62 people braved the frigid ocean water and raised over \$15,000 for programs and services.

In July, the 7th Annual Nicole's Run/Walk takes place and usually brings in similar funds. Other individuals, groups, and organizations donate money and conduct fundraisers, as well, throughout the year.

Community members who are interested in volunteering are encouraged to call Caring Unlimited and ask for volunteer coordinator Betsy Fleurent. For help, call the hotline at 800-239-7298. Jane Farmer can be reached at 490-3227, ext. 123 and Bonnie Gagnon can be reached at 490-3227, ext. 106.

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Fire and rescue recognized

During a recent banquet held in the Captain's Galley in Old Orchard Beach by the Alfred Fire and Rescue Departments, recognition was given to several who deserved special merit for their work this past year. These included Fire Chief David D. Lord for 25 years in the department. Besides a plaque he was presented a self-contained breathing apparatus that will be useful to the department. Peter Gilman was recognized with a plaque as Firefighter of the Year and Casey Lord as EMT of the Year.

Recognized for 10 years of service were Ben Harris, Lise-Lotte Nichols and Mark Hussey. Chris Carpenter was recognized for five years of service. Assistant Chief Judy French received the Lifesaving Award for arriving on scene prior to the ambulance and performing CPR, reviving a patient.

Three received medals of merit, and these were Peter Gilman, Gene Gilman, and Anna Allard, for their work on a Back Road fire. Receiving Basic Firefighter status were Peter Gilman and Krista Lord. Firefighter I and II was attained by Anna Allard. Acting Lieutenant Recognition was given to Tim Benoit, Thomas Gil-



Alfred Fire Chief David D. Lord. COURTESY PHOTO

man III and Greg Roussin. Jarrett Clarke was promoted to captain and Lise-Lotte Nichols was promoted to registered nurse.

Master of ceremonies for the affair was Assistant Chief Mike Fraser. All firefighters and emergency workers were thanked for a job well done in 2013

On track

Those who enjoyed Connie Struder's tracking stories during the Conservation Commission's Winter Speaker Series last year will want to attend this year's presentation. It will be 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13 in town hall. She is involved in White Pine Programs and has new slides and stories of her adventures tracking Maine wildlife. She has a large

collection of casts and signs of various wild animals to share.

The program is free and open to the public.

Church officers nominated

Alfred Church and Parish members met following the morning service to hold the 350th annual church meeting. Approval of the reports and changes to the by-laws were accepted, along with the 2014 budget. The 2014 nominations were as follows: moderator, Joyce Krahling; vice moderator, Janet Tucker; clerk, Dorothy Miller; treasurer, Ray Dupee; financial secretary, Su LaChance; assistant financial secretary, Janet Tucker.

Following the meeting a potluck luncheon was held.

Village Notes

The Alfred Festival Committee will meet Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the town hall conference room.

The next Acoustic Country Jam in the American Legion Hall will be 1-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8. Food and beverages will be available.

Town hall news

Codes Enforcement Officer Glenn Charette states there were two permits issued in January, one to John Toomey for a new home on Hay Brook, and one to Bruce Zalneraitis for a dog food commercial business on Woodland Ridge Road.

Flipping fun



Flipping into February was a great success on Feb 1. Children enjoyed bouncy houses, racing the obstacle course, playing games, face painting and balloon creations, of flowers, animals and swords. There were visitors from North Berwick, Sanford, Waterboro and Lyman. Above, Massabessic High School volunteers, from left, Katelyn Bourque, Keilly Lynch, Sarah Redman, Bailey Ohman, Seamus Lynch and Cale Thornton. Below, Trace, a second-grader at Alfred Elementary School shows off his face painting and balloon sword.

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Junior wrestler Mike Risti took first place in the 195-pound division and was awarded the Most Outstanding Wrestler trophy at the annual Concord, N.H. invitational held Saturday, Feb. 1.

Massabesic split their squad that morning, with eight wrestlers attending the Concord meet and others heading to Deering for a meet with the Rams and top-ranked Marshwood.

Samantha Strandburg (120) logged her first varsity victory at Deering, but all eyes were focused on Concord, especially Risti, who stood to avenge a loss one month prior to Concord's Ndi Walters.

Risti got his day started with a quick pin of Zack Feudner of John Stark High School. He followed with a second-round pin of Noble's Robert Worell.

Walters stepped onto the mat to face Risti in the final. He had topped Risti 8-7 in a blood-soaked affair one month earlier, one of just three losses (43-3) this year. An inadvertent elbow split the Mustang's head open above his eye, resulting in a near five-minute delay. Had the bleeding not stopped within five minutes Walters would have been awarded an

injury default win.

Risti did manage to return, looking like a soldier with a banded head wound, but with time suddenly an issue it was all he could do to finish the bout.

Revenge came for Risti this time and it was quick, as he jumped on Walters early and pinned him 75 seconds in.

Also at Concord: Leo Amabile (106) was sixth. Tyler Everett (132) and Trevor Burns (170) each were runners-up. Nick Staples (138) and Tanner Andrews (220) placed fourth. Jordan Drain (285) was fifth.

Massabesic will head to Sanford Saturday, Feb 8 for the Western Maine championships.

Western, Southwestern championships on tap

Saturday, Feb. 8 is a the biggest day of the season thus far for Massabesic's wrestling team, indoor track & field teams and swimming teams as dozens of athlete's will compete in regional championships in their respective sport.

The wrestling team will visit Sanford, men's and ladies track teams will be at USM and men's and ladies swim teams will be at Westbrook.



As the Massabesic family cheers her on, Samantha Strandberg celebrates her first varsity win.

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ON THE ICE

Rink gang showing improvement

Massabesic's varsity ice hockey team was still in search of their first victory with just four games left in the season (0-13). The Mustangs stepped up to the varsity level this year after placing a junior varsity squad in the SMAA last year.

Building the program was clearly the goal for this season and already a positive impact is showing. In their first six contests the Mustangs were shutout, but over the next seven, following some juggling of their forward lines, Massabesic has potted seven goals and their all-around play has clearly improved.

Massabesic will look to keep the positive momentum flowing as they hit the ice for the season's final five games.



Maine: Home to Olympians

Russell Currier, 26, of Stockholm, Maine, has earned a berth on the U.S. Men's Olympic Biathlon team (a combination of cross-country skiing and rifle shooting) during the 2014 games in Sochi, Russia.

The first-time Olympic athlete represents the best of the Maine Winter Sports Center in Aroostook County, which has trained dozens of Olympic hopefuls from around the country.

But he isn't the first athlete to represent the state in the Olympics. Seth Wescott won gold at the 2006 and 2010 Olympic Games in the snowboard competition. Today he is part owner of The Rack restaurant near Sugarloaf Mountain and ski resort, dubbed by Outside Ski Magazine as its "favorite après bar in the East."

Olympic athlete Julie Parisien was one of three siblings from Maine to compete as an Olympic skier nearly a decade ago. And many other famous Olympians from Maine have achieved some of the highest honors in sports

history, including: Julia Clukey (luge); Anna Goodale (gold medalist rowing); Anna Willard Pierce (middle distance running); Bill Swift (baseball); Dan Bolduc (hockey); Ian Crocker (gold, silver and bronze medalist swimming); Jeff Turner (basketball); Joan Benoit (gold/first-ever women's Olympic marathoner); Megan Sweeney (luge); and Rick DiPietro (ice hockey).

Opening ceremonies for the 2014 Winter Games in Sochi begin at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7 for those streaming live and will air at 7:30 p.m. on WCSH channel 6.



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Friday, Feb. 14

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SPORTS

HOOPS WRAP-UP

Massabesic's varsity boys basketball team was scheduled to visit Sanford (11-6) for their final contest of the season on Thursday, Feb. 6. Two days prior, on senior night the Mustangs fell to 4-13 after a 59-37 loss at home to Noble (10-7).

Before the opening tip-off the Massabesic seniors Trevor Mack, Tyler Bear, Caleb Campbell, Zach Peters, Cale Thornton, Andrew Wicklund and Noah Gerry, as well as senior cheerleader Kaitlyn Laverriere, were honored in a brief ceremony along with their parents.

On Friday, Jan. 31 host Thornton Academy (11-6) beat Massabesic by a 17-point margin, 70-53.

The lady Mustangs picked up their second win of the season (2-15) against a winless Noble squad, 55-30 on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at home. Emma Derochers led all scorers with 20-points. Karlie Pike chipped in with 11 and Jolena Lampron added 10.

The Mustangs hosted powerhouse Thornton Academy (15-2) four days earlier and put up a good fight, but fell 46-30.

Massabesic was set to host Sanford for their final contest on Friday, Feb. 7.



From left, Trevor Mack, Noah Gerry, Caleb Campbell, cheerleading coach Naomi McCormack, boys' basketball coach Ramone Jones, Kaitlyn Laverriere, Cale Thornton, Tyler Bear, Andrew Wicklund and Zach Peters on Senior Night at Massabesic High School. PHOTO BY KERRY DEANGELIS

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Sock fundraiser

The class of 2016 is having a Mustang Nation sock fundraiser and will be taking orders in the school cafeteria during lunch blocks from Feb. 10 to 14. Money is due at the time of ordering. Socks are \$12 a pair.

Junior College Night

Due to the snowstorm on Feb. 5, Junior College Night has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the high school. Learn all of the ins and outs of the college search and admissions process, as well as valuable tips on

what colleges look for. There will be presentations on financial aid, standardized testing for college and early college studies. Underclassmen who want to get a head start on the college process and their parents and guardians are also welcome.

LYMAN PARKS & RECREATION

Sanford-Springvale YMCA
8-week Winter Swim Lesson Program
 (for children ages 6 months* to 12 years)

WHERE: Sanford-Springvale YMCA, Sanford
WHEN: Saturdays, Feb. 22 to April 12, 2014

TIMES:

- Water Babies:** 6 months to 3 years with parent*
11:30 a.m.-Noon (max of 12)
- Preschool 4-6 years:** 11:30 a.m.-Noon (max of 20)
- 7 and up:** Noon-12:30 p.m. (max of 20)
- Open swim for all ages:** 12:30-1:00 p.m.

*Lessons will consist of a half hour instruction and a half hour free swim.
 *Parents must accompany children 6 months to 3 years of age.
 Water babies are required to wear a water diaper.*

COST: \$32.00 for 8 weeks

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PAYMENT: Payment due by Feb. 13, 2014.
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OPINION

Local Hannaford makes his day

You have to reach all the way back to 1883 along the Portland waterfront for a small produce store run by an Arthur Hannaford to appreciate just how long Hannaford's has served the people of Maine. In 1902 brothers Howard and Edward joined him, prompting the trio to incorporate the name Hannaford Bros. Co. By 1920 they were the leading seller of quality produce in all of New England. Things were going so good for the brothers by the late 1930s that they purchased the Red & White grocery chain, entering into the grocery business.

In the 1960s Hannaford's went on a spending spree, purchasing Sampson supermarkets and Progressive Distributors and becoming the second-biggest grocery chain in all of New England. This is an extremely great story about a successful family from Maine, but in the corporate world when bigger fish feel threatened by growing fish they do what any major corporation would do. They buy the small-



by
Jon Simonds

er fish out. So, in an effort to keep Hannaford's from expanding south and competing with the Food Lion chain, Food Lion's parent company Delhaize America made the Hannaford Brothers an offer they couldn't refuse.

The boys from Brussels, where Delhaize is located, bought more than a grocery chain from the brothers Hannaford. It seems they bought a philosophy. In a day and age when most companies put profits before people, customer satisfaction still reigns supreme at Hannaford's. Just prior to the Great Recession, Hannaford's launched a massive consumer research study and found a great majority of the buying public held a deep desire to live healthier lifestyles, but were confused by the massive amount of nutritional information available at the time. So Hannaford launched Guiding Stars, the first program ever to offer nutritional navigation. It simplifies the whole nutritional process. If you'd like to learn more about healthier eating

you can find Guiding Stars on the Hannaford website.

Hannaford's is about studies, research and better serving their customer base. I recently learned of a program called Point of View. Management trains everyone from cashiers to stockers to pay attention to their shoppers and, if they see an opportunity to literally make a person's day, then do so. I was the recipient of said program and would never have known anything about it if I hadn't been weighing a choice between the usual hamburger rolls or something called sliders. Shoppers are creatures of habit and I'm no different. We buy what we know and like. Money doesn't come easy these days, so why throw it at something we're not sure of. I dropped the sliders back in their display and a bakery manager came charging down the aisle like a Seattle Seahawk, snatching a bag of sliders off the shelf, slapping an 'It's On Me' sticker on the wrapping and dropping it in my cart.

"What's this?" I asked.
"Try it for free," she said. "It's on me."
I pointed out the meat department and all those sirloins I was

gazing at and we shared a laugh before she went on to explain the Point of View program. It doesn't happen every day to every customer. It's just a particular situation in which the employee is empowered to give a customer an opportunity to try something new at no cost to the customer.

We take an awful lot for grant-

ed in our day-to-day experiences. The local Hannaford has spoiled me. I find the happiest and most pleasant workers in my Waterboro store. You can't shop for that at Wal-Mart - or anyplace else, for that matter.

Jon Simonds is a contributing writer for the Reporter and lives in North Waterboro.

LETTERS

Indian outreach commission hard at work

The Maine Wabanaki-State Child Welfare Truth & Reconciliation Commission (TRC) is celebrating its one year anniversary. Created to uncover, document and explore the experiences of Wabanaki individuals with the state child welfare system, the TRC has spent the past year engaging with Wabanaki communities, DHHS workers and non-native community members from across the state.

Formally seated last February, the five Commissioners: Carol Wishcamper, gkisedtanamoogk,

Sandy White Hawk, Matt Dunlap and Gail Werrbach, have been busy setting the mandate into action. In addition to meeting the logistical needs of establishing a functioning TRC, the commission has been visiting regularly with native communities to create working relationships and foster meaningful conversations.

The TRC held its first official community listening session at Sipayik in November, and is scheduled to attend events at each of the remaining tribal communities and Wabanaki Health and Wellness before the end of the year. Commissioners will also be attending private statement gathering sessions within communities, and the TRC will be hosting several public events across the state.

In addition to facilitating structured truth commission listening sessions, the commission has been actively working to promote understanding of the TRC and its process through events such as recent engagements with Justice Albie Sachs of South Africa and Commissioner gkisedtanamoogk's recent TEDx talk.

While it has been only one year since the five commissioners were seated, there is an undeniable sense of urgency within the TRC. Under a formal mandate signed in 2012 by all five tribal chiefs and the governor of Maine, the commission has just 18 months remaining in which to complete its task. At the close of this time, a final report will be issued and disseminated across the state, summarizing the findings of the commission, as well as making formal recommendations. Despite the tight time frame, expectations are high.

In carrying the work forward, the commission continues to work closely with Maine Wabanaki REACH, a cross-cultural organization working to ensure that the voices of Wabanaki people are heard and their experiences respected.

For more, see www.MaineWabanakiTRC.org or their FaceBook page, or call 664.0280.

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Children's Division - \$1.00 (15 and under)
Final Weigh In - 3:00pm



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2nd \$ 500	\$250	3rd \$25 & Trophy	
3rd \$ 250	\$100		



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Community Matters More with Bangor Savings

Hollis Public Library is one of the 68 nonprofit organizations competing for \$100,000 in grant money through the Bangor Savings Bank Foundation.

The foundation began its annual grant-making initiative, Community Matters More, Feb. 1; votes will be accepted until Friday, Feb. 28 and winners will be announced in April.

Since its inception in 2007, Community Matters More has provided more than \$600,000 in total grants to hundreds of Maine nonprofits.

Each of the 68 nonprofits listed on the ballot will receive at least a \$1,000 grant for participating in the program, and the top 20 write-ins with the most public support will also receive a grant from the Bangor Savings Bank Foundation. The top vote-getting

organization in each of the eight regions (including write-ins) will receive \$5,000.

It is easy to vote online at www.bangor.com/cmm. Paper ballots are also available at any of the 57 Bangor Savings Bank branches statewide, and at each of the participating nonprofits.

Last year, The Children's Discovery Museum in Augusta used its \$5,000 grant to address a crucial exhibit need. "The Ocean Touch Tank is one of the most popular displays at the museum. The tank's motor broke last year and we had to close the exhibit," said Executive Director Carrie Arsenault. "Thanks to the Community Matters More grant, we were able to repair the motor, replace the animals and re-open the exhibit."

MISSION

(Continued from page 1)

chicken out for all kinds of reasons, and we shouldn't. Christ gave us a command, and we need to do it, both for the sake of obedience to Him, and for the sake of warning our friends and co-workers of the seriousness of sin. Sure some people don't like it, and it can be hard, but that was the whole point of my going; to make easier and more effective, what is usually difficult and challenging."

Upon his return Jan. 28, Ford said he was still trying to get acclimated to Maine weather after the month-long trip to South Africa. After experiencing temperatures in the 70s and 80s, "It was strange coming back in to winter," he said.

Ford spent his first two days with the Youngs, who live in Mui-zenberg, a beautiful coastal suburb between the South Atlantic and the Indian Ocean. "From the air you can see where it (the Indian Ocean) joins the Atlantic Ocean," Ford said.

He spent the bulk of his time, however, with 25-30 other young adults at a "very rustic" camp run by Frontline Fellowship. Based in South Africa, The Great Commission Course offers a mix of summer camp-type activities and workshops on mission work and witnessing. Mornings were spent listening to motivational speakers, while every other afternoon found the 50-plus participants witnessing on the streets, train stations, squatters' huts - wherever they could reach the people of South Africa.

"The poverty was pretty bad," said Ford. It was not unexpected, but he added that the sight of "acres and acres and acres of squatter huts - we have ice shacks that are built better" - took him aback.

He found the most receptive to the message were the Xhosa and the Zulu. Afrikaners and the British were the hardest to witness to, Ford said. Almost all were fluent in English, he said, even though South Africa officially recognizes

11 languages.

At the end of his stay at camp, Ford was able to spend time with his hosts and go sightseeing, including the penguins which were all but tame. "You could walk right up to them," Ford said.

While in South Africa he sampled ostrich stew, which he described as "rather interesting. I thought it was very good."

The Youngs wanted their guest to try crocodile, which they said was very salty and fatty - but they could not find any.

In contrast, Ford called his church-sponsored trip to Bolivia "a proper mission," where he worked with a couple who run a radio ministry in Sucre. During his two-and-a-half week stay Ford helped distribute hand-held radios that broadcast both the gospel and agricultural news to the non Spanish speaking population called Quechua. "We ended up spending more time living with them in their houses," Ford said, adding, "In their culture, they are taught that radio is contact with the outside world.

"It's: 'My house and my wife and my radio.'"

The Bolivians "gobbled them right up. They are very receptive to Christianity."

The agricultural news is important because Ford said, many Bolivians remain superstitious, and hearing how the weather affected their farms would help disprove their belief in evil spirits.

Ford said he felt God called him to take the trip to Bolivia - "It was more of a duty call.

"The trip to Cape Town was more the reward."

Despite two successful mission trips, Ford does not feel called to work overseas as a missionary, but was quick to add, "I'm open to whatever God has for my life."

"Christ is the center of my life," he later said. "and no matter what is brought into my life, I want to please Him, and bring Him honor, even should that mean a life as a missionary."

AWS reduces cost to spay

For the fifth year in a row, the Animal Welfare Society will be offering deeply discounted cat spay/neuter surgeries for the month of February to low-income cat owners living in York County. A reduced fee of \$10 will cover the surgery, a rabies vaccine and a health exam.

The promotion is being held to honor World Spay Day, an international event that brings attention to neutering as a successful means of saving the lives of companion animals.

Sharon Secovich, spay/neuter coordinator at AWS and co-founder of Spay Maine, notes that animal shelters and rescue groups across Maine are preparing for "kitten season." Kitten season is the time of year when cats give birth, flooding shelters with litters of kittens. In Maine, kitten season begins in early spring and ends in late fall. With an average gestation period of 64 days, a cat can easily have three or four litters each year.

"If that isn't enough reason to have your cat spayed or neutered, a cat can become pregnant as young as 4 months old," said Secovich. "It is basically kittens having kittens."

Secovich is referring to the common misconception that cats must be at least 6 months of age before getting the surgery, though many kittens will go through their first heat cycle well before 6 months of age.

"It is very safe for kittens to be spayed or neutered at an early age," said Dr. Steve Askin, VMD and owner of the shelter spay/neuter clinic at AWS. "We typically perform these procedures any time after 12 weeks of age. The recovery period is much quicker, and we can vaccinate against rabies at the same time."

In 2013, AWS cared for 1,746 cats and kittens. Many of these cats came to the AWS because their owners could not afford to have them spayed or neutered or because they were unwanted kittens born to unsprayed cats. However, due to many years of work promoting spay/neuter awareness and assisting pet owners with surgery costs, AWS has seen a marked decrease in the number of cats and kittens needing shelter.

For a list of all low-cost spay/neuter options in Maine go to www.SpayMaine.org.

EVENTS

ANIMAL CARE AND HANDLING PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN Saturday, Feb. 15, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Join the Animal Welfare Society Humane Educator and a shelter pet at the Children's Museum and Theatre of Maine on Free Street in Portland for a program on animal care and handling. The Children's Museum is at 142 Free St., Portland. For more information, call Animal Welfare Society at 985-3244.

AWS VACATION YOUTH WORKSHOPS Feb. 17-21 children ages 7 to 10 can spend the day at the Animal Welfare Society interacting with pets, playing games, and doing crafts. Snacks are provided, but students bring their own lunch. Workshops run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call the humane educator at 985-3244 ext. 109 or email garret@animal-welfaresociety.org.

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OBITUARIES

William Stephen Howard

William S. Howard, 66, of North Waterboro, died knowing he was loved by his family Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2014, when he passed away at the Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough.



William Howard

Bill was born on June 3, 1947, in Lowell, Mass. the eldest son of William Gabe and Marjorie (Wyman) Howard of Marlborough and Worcester. He grew up in Waltham and Framingham. Bill lived for 14 years in Medway, where he attended Mass and supported activities at Fatima Xaverian Shrine in Holliston. Before Betania 2 Spiritual Retreat Center was built, Bill frequented "The Land" in Medway to the point that many pilgrims visiting the holy site thought he was the caretaker of the property.

Bill graduated from Framingham South High School in 1965 and entered the Marine Corps, where he served until February 1969. He was honorably discharged with a Purple Heart he received from an injury he sustained in the Vietnam War. Bill attended one year of college at Bridgewater State, then worked at Raytheon in Waltham before working at New England Electric Systems, in Westborough, Mass., retiring from computer programming after 21 years.

On Sept. 9, 1982, Bill married Kathryn (Andrew) Howard. In 1997, they moved to Wells, where they lived for 10 years before moving to North Waterboro.

When Bill was 8 years old, he took early painting lessons from the sisters at Notre Dame in Waltham and picked up painting later, taking lessons from Jaime Alfonso of Ashland, Mass. Mostly, Bill was a self-taught artist; continuing to paint in retirement using the mediums of pencil, oils, acrylics, watercolors and pastels. Family and friends were delighted when they received a print of his work. Bill donated to church auctions where he attended services and only asked that folks donate to those that needed a little extra. In Maine he attended St. Mary's and St. Matthew Roman Catholic Churches.

Bill was predeceased by his next younger brother, Wayne M. Howard and is survived by John G. Howard of Shrewsbury, Mass. and James A. Howard and his wife Susan of Naples, Fla.

Besides his wife Kathryn, Bill leaves behind his son Joseph Howard of Salem, Mass. and daughter Holli Howard of Palmetto, Fla; stepchildren, Karl Peterson and his wife Cindy of Naugatuck, Conn. and Megan (Peterson) Blosch and her husband Mark of Bristow, Okla.; his grandchildren, Nora "Eddy" and Matthew Blosch, Isabel Howard, Nina and Emily Peterson; many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews, friends and

former co-workers.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held later in the spring with burial to follow with military rites at the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery in Springvale.

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

Memorial donations in Bill's memory may be made to Gosnell Memorial Hospice House, 11 Hunnewell Rd., Scarborough, ME 04074 or to Beacon Hospice, 42 Brickyard Court, York, ME 03909.

The Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak St., Alfred is respectfully handling arrangements.

James M. (Jim) Waterhouse

James M. Waterhouse, 52, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at home Jan. 30, 2014, after a courageous battle with cancer.



Jim was born Jan. 12, 1962 in Sanford, to Beatrice Creedon and Errol Waterhouse Jr. He grew up in Sanford and was an active member of Sanford High School's drum line/marching band and 1978 championship baseball team. Prior to graduation in 1980, he enrolled

in the Delayed Enlistment Program for the United States Army. While home on leave in April 1982, Jim married Mary E. Hurd of Springvale. He served seven years active duty between Kansas, Germany and Texas and received an honorable discharge in July of 1987. After moving his family to Acton, he worked as a mechanic for several organizations and corporations for 25 years. In recent years, he transitioned from the garage to the Barnyard Family Day-care located in his home, where he was a well loved music teacher to the children that attended.

Jim and his family attended Acton Milton Mills Baptist Church of Acton where he and his wife served as members for 20 years. During that time, Jim was an integral part of the church's softball team, where he became infamous not only for his passion for the game, but for his intimidating dog bark. He resumed his passion for drumming as part of the worship team, Psalm 89 and in recent years continued at The Journey Church in Rochester, NH (Now located in Barrington, NH).

He will be best remembered as Santa Claus at Acton Elementary School's annual Holiday Bazaar, SSYAA youth football coach, AMMBC youth group leader, die-hard Colts and Red Sox fan and loving husband, father and "Upa".

Jim leaves behind a very close knit family: his wife of 31 years,

Mary (Hurd) Waterhouse, his five children; Heather Baker and husband Kyle of Plaistow, NH; Jesse Waterhouse and his wife Kaitlin of Portland; Ashley Roberge and husband Jake of Waterboro; Dakota Waterhouse and his fiancée Alysha Cetrone of Sanford; Mariette Waterhouse of Acton and two grandchildren. He also leaves behind his mother Beatrice (Wilson) Creedon; two brothers, Douglas and Scott Waterhouse and two sisters, Kathie Berard and her husband Roger, Carla Pelletier and her husband Paul; aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Jim is predeceased by his father and step-father, James Creedon.

Family and friends are invited to call at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak St., Alfred, Maine on Thursday, Feb. 6 from 5-8 p.m.

A celebration of Jim's life will take place at The Journey Church Barrington located on 8 Eastern Ave in Barrington, NH on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675 or got@woundedwarriorproject.org

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

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BRIEFS

Noted duo to perform

Violinist Ronald Lantz of the Portland String Quartet and renowned pianist Laura Kargul will perform at the Sanford-Springvale Historical Museum on Saturday, Feb. 22. Their program entitled, "To Clara with Love," will feature music of high romance from mid-to-late 19th century Germany. The evening will begin with the smoldering opening phrases of the Sonata for Violin and Piano in A minor by Robert Schumann, followed by Clara Schumann's exquisitely poetic Three Romances for Violin and Piano, Op. 22.

The pair will close the program with the sweetly lyrical second violin sonata of Johannes Brahms. Lantz and Kargul will take time throughout the evening to explore the complex emotions that inspired these composers by reading from their personal letters. Lantz holds an honorary Doctorate of Music from Colby College and has taught and held concerts in more than 30 countries. He has served on the faculties of Bowdoin, Bates, Colby, University of New Hampshire and University of Southern Maine. Kargul holds a doctorate in piano performance from the University of Michigan, where she studied with the renowned pianists Leon Fleisher and Theodore Lettvin, has performed in most of the countries of Western Europe, and

is a professor of music at the University of Southern Maine School of Music. The doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the concert commences at 7:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door or reserved by calling 324 2797. Admission for adults and seniors is \$15. There is no charge for persons 21 and younger. The museum is located at 505 Main St. in Springvale and is handicapped accessible.

Diaries kept by Civil War vet focus of talk

Dana Peterson will recount Edward Emery's views of the Civil War at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20 at the Sanford-Springvale Historical Museum. Emery, born in Sanford in 1836, received his master's degree from Bowdoin College in 1861. In 1863 he enlisted in the 17th Maine Infantry Regiment and participated in 13 engagements in the Virginia campaign. At Spotsylvania Court House on May 12, 1864 he was twice severely wounded but recovered. Emery became a teacher and is known locally as the author of the first history of Sanford. Peterson, historian of Sanford's North Parish Congregational Church, found Emery's Civil War diaries at Bowdoin College. The Historical Museum is located at 505 Main St. in Springvale and is handicapped accessible. Free and open to the public.

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