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From left, Angela Tibbetts, chair of the Waterboro Cemetery Committee, shows new committee members Danielle Donovan and Helen McKay the grave marker of a Revolutionary War soldier at the Town Hall Cemetery. PHOTO BY BRIGIT MCCALLUM



Honoring and preserving history

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While many people have a tradition of visiting graves of loved ones and significant others, especially veterans, around Memorial Day, there is a group of citizens for whom the care of burial grounds in town is a priority during all the months of the year they are accessible. That falls to members of the Waterboro Cemetery Committee, chaired at this time by Angela Tibbetts.

Around Memorial Day, members of the committee, an offshoot of the Waterborough Historical Society, have the task of placing flags on the graves of Waterboro veterans of all US military conflicts. As they have for many years, Jim Carll and Jeannie Grant of the Historical Society distribute the flags to members of the committee and members of the

small group place them wherever a veteran has been laid to rest at any of the roughly 124 cemeteries located in the town. Visitors will see these flags marking many of the graves in town.

Carll recalls he and his children distributing the flags for years, and then Grant took over the cemeteries at Elder Gray on Chadburne Ridge and in the Deering Ridge Road area.

The historical society started in the sixties, and paid attention to cemeteries, but individuals had cared for cemeteries for years before that. In particular Carll remembers Arlene Jellerson, along with Evelyn Thompson.

Then Society members Edie and Al (Firp) Hutchinson attended a workshop on cleaning and repairing gravestones at the Eastern Cemetery in Portland by the Maine Old Cemeteries Association, and the

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New name for Head Start

Betty Graffam, who retired from York County Head Start in 2015 after a thirty-seven year career, was honored at a ceremony on May 24 when the Waterboro Head Start was renamed the Betty Graffam Children's Center.

Graffam's Head Start career began in a kitchen.

It was 1978, and Graffam had enrolled her son in the Head Start class at the North Parish Congregational Church in Sanford, one of five Head Start classes then operating in York County. Although she had no experience cooking for large numbers, Graffam decided to give it a try. "I didn't think I could do it," she admitted in a recent interview, as she neared the date of her retirement. "There were 20 kids in my son's Head Start class, and I had never cooked for that many people before."

But Graffam quickly learned she had plenty of support. "I never would have been able to succeed in that capacity without the encouragement of the Head Start staff," Graffam said. "And that's the miracle of Head Start. It helps people succeed."

Graffam had not completed high school when she took the volunteer cooking job. She didn't have a driver's license. And Graffam and her husband had four children. She was 26 years old.

The cook's job didn't last long—that is, the volunteer cook's

job. Within a month she became a paid employee of the program—as a cook. She held this position for 6 years.

But that six-year period was not spent only in the kitchen. Graffam went back to school, earning her high school diploma. She got a driver's license and received her CDA (Child Development Associate Credential).

She became a Head Start teacher, a job she loved and held for five years.

At the same time, Graffam enrolled in the University of Southern Maine and earned a liberal arts degree. She later earned a B.S. in Early Childhood Education from the Center for Lifelong Learning, now Granite State College, in Concord, New Hampshire.

Over her 37 year career, Graffam has held virtually every job within the Head Start program. She has been an Education Manager, Disabilities Manager, Health and Disabilities Manager, Early Head Start Director, and Head Start Director. "The only discipline I did not manage was Family Services," she said.

"My goal when I started working at Head Start was simply to get a high school diploma and a driver's license," Graffam smiled. "I had no idea what I was going to do with my life."

Graffam has seen generations (Continued on page 4)



Garden upgrades

On Wednesday, May 25, community volunteers helped relocate plants at the Taylor House garden into their newly-framed beds in preparation for an upcoming plant sale on June 4 at Waterboro town hall. From left, Shiloh Farrenkopf, Brigit McCallum, Sandi Binette, Clair and Lucas Farrenkopf. In the background, Master Gardeners Judy Carll and Mary Lindsey discuss the digging and separating of the perennials.

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Betty Graffam was honored at a dedication on May 24. COURTESY PHOTO

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Clean-up day in Limerick



Main Street in Limerick was swept and cleaned by community volunteers on Saturday, May 21. The effort was coordinated by Rich Ferguson, owner of Ferguson Technologies, who is seen to the far right taking away the first load of sand that was removed from the sidewalks and street. Longtime resident Jane Bryant has helped keep Main Street clean for years and the event was held in her honor using 5-gallon pails as she always uses. COURTESY PHOTOS



Casey's Run

Over a hundred community members took part in the 6th annual 5K Casey's Run at Massabesic High School on Sunday, May 22. The event raises money for a scholarship in the memory of Casey Irish, a Massabesic student-athlete who passed away in 2010. COURTESY PHOTO




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BAKE SALE, PLANTS AND CRAFT FAIR Saturday, May 28, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Newfield Historical Society will hold its annual fund raiser at the Society building at 64 Elm Street in Newfield Village. There

will be a bake sale, perennial sale, craft fair, yard sale, raffle, and hamburgers and hot dogs on sale, too. Anyone wanting to rent a table for the yard sale should contact Beverly Manning at 793-3908. Come join the fun!

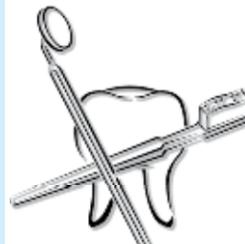
SIDE WALK SALE Monday, May 30 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Limerick Congregational Church. There will be baked goods, Rada knives, white elephant, cold drinks and coffee. Sponsored by Women's Fellowship

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Chief Deputy Tom Baran addresses the crowd at a media kick off event at the Kittery Information Center on May 23. COURTESY PHOTO

POLICE NEWS

Dozens of Maine police departments began a two week effort starting Monday, May 23 enforcing the state's seat belt laws. Co-ordinated by the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety, the effort is part of the national "Click it or Ticket" campaign, involving police departments across the country.

"As we kick-off the busy summer driving season, it is critical that everyone buckles up day and night - no excuses," said Maine Highway Safety Bureau Director Lauren Stewart. "Our officers are prepared to ticket anyone who is not wearing their seat belt, including drivers that have neglected to properly buckle their children." Stewart said more than half of the 156 people killed in motor vehicle crashes last year in Maine were not buckled up. That compares to a 85 percent seatbelt compliance rate for the majority of drivers in the state. Stewart said, "the numbers suggest the obvious - seatbelts save lives."

"Seat belts save thousands of lives across the country every year, but far too many motorists are not buckling up, especially at night when the risk of getting in a crash is even greater," said Stewart. "Buckling up is not optional; it's the difference between life and death in a crash. That's why we're enforcing the law. Click it or Ticket, day or night."

The Click It or Ticket enforcement campaign runs from May 23 to June 5.

The York County Sheriff's Office is also stepping up its traffic enforcement efforts to reduce injuries and deaths caused by motor vehicle crashes. Sheriff's deputies, along with troopers and municipal officers have commenced an initiative to focus on seatbelt use enforcement.

From 2008 to 2012, seat belts have saved nearly 63,000 lives nationwide. Maine remains at about 85 percent compliant with seatbelt use. In 52 percent of the fatal crashes last year, the deceased was unrestrained. In Maine, York County had the highest amount of fatal motor vehicle crashes (21 fatalities) out of any other county. Nine of those deaths occurred in the towns covered by the sheriff's office.

As we approach Memorial Day Weekend the York County Sheriff's Office in cooperation with the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety will be supporting the efforts to reduce injuries and deaths due to traffic crashes. Extra deputies will be assigned for traffic enforcement and the Regional Impaired Driving Enforcement (RIDE) Teams will be active during the weekend; variable message boards will be reminding people to buckle up and television ads with be shown.

Please help us keep Maine's roadways safe by always wearing your seat belt, obeying the speed limit and never operating under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Shapleigh's Decker receives college's highest honor

Lycoming College's highest honor, the Chieftain Award, was conferred to Lindsay J. Decker, an archaeology and history major from Shapleigh, at an awards ceremony on April 17. The award recognizes the senior who has contributed the most to the college by supporting school activities, exhibiting outstanding leadership qualities and good moral character, working effectively with others, and whose academic rank is above the median of the preceding senior class.

Decker's academic achievements include attaining the Dean's List all four years, participating in the Lycoming Scholars program, and being inducted as a member in the Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Alpha Theta, Theta Alpha Kappa and Phi Sigma Iota honor societies. Her participation on the cross country team and involvement with campus organizations including the Campus Activities Board, History Club, Lycoming Outdoor Leadership and Education, and the Student Athletic Advisory Committee has benefitted all students. She has also contributed to community programs such as the Habitat for Humanity, Daniel's Closet and Relay for Life.

"In all of these endeavors, Lindsay has demonstrated extraordinary intellect, creativity, enthusiasm, and a joyful spirit," said Lycoming College President Kent C. Trachte, who presented the award. "Because of her high academic standards, positive outlook, and many contributions, she has been an inspiration to her peers, her coaches and her professors. We are proud to honor her with this award."

During the ceremony, Decker also received a Phi Kappa Phi graduate scholarship; the Class of



Lycoming College President Kent Trachte, Lindsay Decker and Dean of Students, Dan Miller. COURTESY PHOTO

1907 prize, which is awarded to a senior in the upper half of the class who has contributed to campus life by participating in athletics and other student activities; the Holly Elizabeth Hurlbert Prize in Women's Studies, which is awarded to student authors of exceptional research papers on women's studies; and a J Marco Hunsberger Service to Lycoming Award. She also earned a Haberberger Fellowship for her senior year.

Decker was also one of the founding members inducted into the Omicron Delta Kappa honor society that was installed at Lycoming College earlier this spring. Tara Singer, Ph.D., the executive director for the national society, inducted the students and presented President Kent C. Trachte with the college's charter.

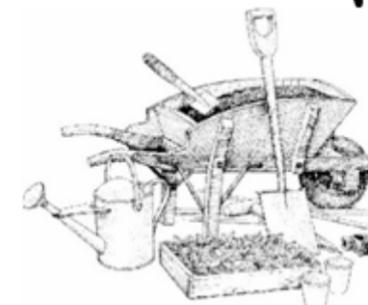
Omicron Delta Kappa is the most prestigious leadership honor society in the country. Its mission is to identify, honor and develop leaders in collegiate and community life and to encourage collaboration among students, faculty, staff and alumni to advance leadership. ODK recognizes students for academic achievement and campus leadership in the five phases of campus life: scholarship; athletics; campus or community service, social or religious activities, and campus government; journalism, speech and the mass media; and the creative and performing arts. Students also must be in the top 30 percent of their graduating class.

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GRAVESTONES

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Waterboro Cemetery Committee was born. They asked the town for funds to support the work of maintaining cemeteries, and the work began in earnest. Around that same time, preparations for the country's bicentennial celebration were underway, which prompted a search for burial sites of soldiers of all branches who served in the Revolutionary War.

This led to the creation of the Bicentennial Inscription Project (BIP) of the Maine Old Cemetery Association. MOCA was founded in 1968 for the main purposes of locating old cemeteries in the state of Maine, encouraging the care and preservation of those cemeteries, and the gathering and preservation of historical information regarding these cemeteries.

In anticipation of the bicentennial year of 1976, MOCA received a grant for the BIP, to pay for planning the compiling of information on Revolutionary War soldiers buried in Maine. The BIP covers 7,500 veterans who lived in Maine before, during, or after that war, and includes their names; dates of births, deaths, and marriages; and burial places. The data collected has been entered into a computer, printed out, and distributed among a number of

Maine libraries.

This was deemed important, as after the war many veterans had come to settle on newly opened lands in Maine, so in celebration of the bicentennial, MOCA responded to the need to assist with planning "to collate and check all such lists and to add records of graves."

The local search was carried on by members of the Historical Society and started around 1969. At that time, Carll recalls that work started with the cemetery on Townhouse Road, behind the town hall, as the cemetery there had 4-inch trees among the grave markers. "Nothing was being cared for," said Carll.

At that time, Carll created a notebook on Revolutionary War graves for the Bicentennial Celebration, which he has continued to maintain until today, noting that, "We've found five more in last three years."

Today this is part of the task of the Waterboro Cemetery Committee, along with other members of the Maine Old Cemetery Association, to update information about graves of these local Revolutionary War veterans, adding the resources of GPS location tracking. Under the leadership of Clyde Berry of MOCA, the project has been resurrected and the Waterboro Committee is working with that notebook of all the records

relating to revolutionary War veterans buried in town passed on by Carll. Members are working to review and update all the relevant information. Their tasks are to visit and verify Revolutionary War Veterans' graves, get the GPS coordinates of each gravesite, verify the name of the cemetery each is buried in, and whether it has changed over the years. They determine the level at which it is being cared for, get a photo of the site, find out the rank of the soldier, add any additional information and provide a reference of who has done the updating for when further information is needed. According to Tibbetts, there is some variation between the state and local lists, so they have their work cut out for them.

Three years ago Tibbetts was a new member of the committee when she heard of MOCA and joined, went to a meeting, and now finds herself Vice-President of the organization, as well as chair of the local committee.

She says that MOCA is a really interesting organization. "It teaches people the correct way to do things. A lot of the damage has been done by well-meaning people who didn't know the right way to do the work. The workshops they lead, including the one they did here in Waterboro last year, really teach people how to do the work properly. I'll be attending one this summer." She adds, "I keep getting reports that there is one cemetery where all the stones are broken. But I'm not going to touch anything until I know what I'm doing."

At this time Tibbetts says that the committee is reactivating, both with the advent of spring, and with three new members and four new cemetery adoptions. "We are trying to schedule a group clean-up this summer. Mr. Swett's class at the middle school

has offered to help the committee do a cleanup, and Dennett, Craig, and Pate funeral home has offered their services as well."

The new committee members share a respect for the past and people's lives of the past that motivates them to join the work of this committee. Danielle Donovan of Middle Road believes that, "It is important to preserve our local history and those that came before us. It shows who we are, where we came from. I think honoring and caring for our long-gone ancestors matters."

Helen MacKay, who lives near Lake Sherburne, and is the newest member, says, "I feel that we all have an obligation to take care of those who have gone before us. Serving on the Cemetery Committee gives me that opportunity."

New member Cara Kent is new to Waterboro, but a longtime Maine resident. She says, "I serve because I believe that each of those who has lived and died has left something for us no matter how small or large. I feel that because they are now gone doesn't mean that what they left behind should be. The other day I, along with my husband and friend were trampling through woods to find Veterans' graves and there was one we just couldn't find. He was just 19 years old when he died while serving in the War of 1812. Although we never did locate his grave, for an entire day three people in 2016 spent the afternoon 'remembering' him and acknowledging that he had lived, had mattered to others, had followed his heart into a 'far away battle' and had returned home to Waterboro. I just believe that is important."

For more information about the work of the Waterboro Cemetery Committee, contact Tibbetts at angelamccoy@waterboro-me.gov or Jim Carll of the Waterborough Historical Society at 247-5878.

DEDICATION

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of children graduate from Head Start and move on into school. The children she cooked for in her son's Head Start class are grown and, many of them, with children of their own.

In 2001, Graffam became Director of the Early Head Start program, which is based in Biddeford. "I love Early Head Start," she said. "That's where it all begins. That's where children begin their growth and development."

In 2011, Graffam was tapped to take over as Children's Services Director, which oversees York County Head Start and Early Head Start.

"Head Start encouraged me to succeed," Graffam said. "In the beginning, when I was cooking for that first class, I didn't think I could do it. I didn't believe I could cook for that many children. But the staff told me I could. They encouraged me and supported me all along the way. They gave me the confidence to succeed."

Graffam leaves Head Start with the belief that the program really does give children a head start in life.

"At the Head Start convention I attended last year, there were a lot of successful people who talked about their Head Start experiences," Graffam said. "These were professionals in business and education and medicine who told of what Head Start had meant to them, how the program had helped them become who they are today."

After a thirty-seven year career in Head Start, Graffam leaves with the appreciation of countless children grown to adulthood.

Graffam departed York County Community Action Corporation with the respect and admiration of teachers and mentors and managers and directors. And she cooks.

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Reusable bag program to benefit library

The Friends of the Waterboro Public Library has been selected to be a part of the innovative "Hannaford Helps" Reusable Bag Program. For every blue Good Karma "Hannaford Helps" Reusable Bag bought at the Waterboro Hannaford store during the month of June, \$1 is donated to support the Waterboro Public Library. The price of the bag is only \$2.29, with the \$1 donation included!

The "Hannaford Helps" Reusable Bag Program was developed in order to further support Hannaford's values by making it easy for their customers to contribute to their local community and support the environment. Each month, a new non-profit is selected by the store manager to become a beneficiary of the program. The program is a way for customers to support local nonprofit groups and to reduce needless paper & plastic bag use.

According to Jack Seery, Friends President, "This program is an easy way to both provide

additional financial resources for Library Director Ruth Blake to purchase materials for the library programs and to decrease the need for plastic bags."

Minecraft Night at Waterboro library

All are invited for an evening of playing Minecraft with others on Friday, June 3 at 6:30 p.m. Bring your iPad, Kindle or laptop along with charging cords.

Knitting evenings resume

The Knitting Group will return to meeting on the Monday evening schedule on Monday, June 6th from 6 to 8 p.m. The group will continue to meet every other Monday and make the appropriate adjustments for holidays. The group will meet upstairs unless it's really full. The group leader Adi Kehoe would love to hear any suggestions for class projects or techniques that the group can focus on. And, as always, all levels are welcome, from beginners to advanced. For more information contact Ruth at 247-3363 or email ruth@waterborolibrary.org.

Museum opening for the season

The 1850 Taylor/Frey/Leavitt House Museum, 6 Old Alfred Road at the intersection with Sokokis Trail, Waterboro Center, will be open to the public free of charge, with donations appreciated, each Saturday morning, 9 a.m. to Noon, starting May 28 through Sept. 24. The barn and ell of the house contain antique cobbler, optician, and barber shops. For more information, call Jim Carll at 247-5878



On May 12, five Massabesic High School seniors were awarded scholarships at a breakfast at the Town Club in Sanford. Nine high school seniors were chosen as this years recipients of the Sanford/Springvale Rotary Club Scholarships. Three students were from Sanford High School, one from the Sanford Vocational School, and five from Massabesic. From left, John Shirk, Neva Stevens, Keilly Lynch, Alyssa Crowell and Jane Petit were chosen from 200 applicants. The scholarship process consisted of an application, essay, and an interview with the Rotary Club Scholarship Committee. COURTESY PHOTO

Dean's list students

Assumption College has announced that Andrew Mongiat, of Waterboro., a member of the Class of 2019, is one of 561 students named to the College's undergraduate Dean's List for the spring 2016 semester. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Assumption students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester. The Dean's List is announced twice

every academic year, once at the completion of the fall semester, and again at the completion of the spring semester.

Savannah Bayse of Alfred, and Adrian Izbicki of Lyman, made the Dean's List at Rochester Institute of Technology for the fall semester 2015. Degree-seeking undergraduate students are eligible for Dean's List if their term GPA is greater than or equal to 3.400; they do not have any grades of "Incomplete", "D" or "F"; and they have registered for, and com-

pleted, at least 12 credit hours. Bayse is studying in the film and animation program and Izbicki is studying in the mechanical engineering program.

Samuel Johnston, of Lyman, has been named to the Dean's List at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute for the Fall 2015 semester. The Dean's List recognizes full-time students who maintain grade-point averages of a minimum of 3.0 out of a possible 4.0 and have no grades below "C." Johnston studies Computer Science.

TOWN OF WATERBORO

Absentee Ballots Available

Absentee Ballots are now available for the June 14, 2016 State Primary Election, Municipal, Water District and RSU #57. Ballots can be requested in person for themselves or immediate family member at the Waterboro Town Office located at 24 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro, Maine 04030.

Request for a mailed ballot can be in writing or telephone by the voter. Emailed requests are also available at <https://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl>.

The last day to request an Absentee Ballot is Thursday, June 9, 2016 before 5 p.m.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. – 8 p.m. at the Massabesic East School located at 84 West Road next to Massabesic High School.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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SPORTS

BASEBALL

Diamond men whip Westbrook

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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Massabesic scored seven runs in the third, all with two out, on their way to burying visiting Westbrook 10-6 on Tuesday, May 24.

With the Mustangs trailing 3-2, Weston Bergeon began the inning with a single and Dawson Renaud flew out. Brandon Dyer forced Bergeron at second base and Derek Coulombe walked to put two on and keep the inning alive. Adam DeAngelis followed with an RBI single to tie it at 3-3 and Ethan Daigneault walked to reload the bases. Jake Gregoire kept the line moving with an RBI single of his own and the bases stayed loaded.

Simon Roberts' grounder went for an error and suddenly Westbrook was reeling with the score now 5-3 and the bases still loaded with, still, two out.

Tyus Sprague-Ripley singled to push the score to 6-3 and Bergeron cleared the bases with a triple to deep left-center to blow the game open at 9-3.

Sloppy defense helped Westbrook plate a run in the fifth and two more in the sixth, but Bergeron, who went the distance giving up

two earned-runs while fanning five, made the pitches when he needed to to stop the bleeding.

Dyer led off the bottom of the sixth with a triple and Coulombe (1-2, 2RBI, R, SF, CS, BB) drove him in to add an insurance run at 10-6.

The Mustangs handed Noble a 3-2 8-inning loss on Saturday, May 21 at home. Gregoire went the distance for the win, giving up six hits, one earned run and a pair of walks.

Dawson Renaud gave the Mustangs the walk-off win after he drew a one-out walk in the eighth. Dyer popped out, but Renaud stole second base to get into scoring position for Coulombe, who has had several clutch two-out hits this year. The second baseman delivered a two-out hit again, with the ball getting knocked down in the infield, but Renaud raced all the way around from second to win it.

The Mustangs (6-7) hold the second to last playoff spot with games scheduled for Thursday, May 26 against Portland at Hadlock, Friday at home versus Windham for their "senior game" and at Thornton Academy on Tuesday, May 31.

SOFTBALL

Storm slams Mustangs

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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Abbie Murrell pitched a complete game shutout and Scarborough made the game a laugher with a five run second inning to pace an easy 12-0 win over host Massabesic on senior night at Lion's field in Waterboro.

After a scoreless first the Storm sent ten batters to the plate in the second inning, scoring five runs on four hits and three devastating errors for Massabesic.

They followed that big inning up with a three-run third on two hits and three more Massabesic errors to make it 8-0.

Meanwhile, Murrell got in the groove as the junior, who gave up single hits in the first and second inning, gave up none the rest of the way. She retired the final 16 hitters she faced, fanning 10 of them in the process.

The Storm added three runs in the fifth and a single run in the seventh.

Freshman Grace Tutt got the final seven outs for the Mustangs, yielding just one hit and one unearned run.

On Monday, May 23 the Mustangs thumped Deering 10-1 behind a complete game win from Katie Shubert who gave up just two hits and a walk while striking out two.

Tutt went 3-3 with 3RBI; Alyvia Cormier went 2-2 with two runs and Hannah Mooers walked three times and scored twice.

Massabesic (9-6) holds the sixth spot in the standings with their final regular season game set to take place on Friday, May 27 at Marshwood (6-8).

TENNIS

Tennis ladies head to playoffs

Even record at 6-6 with win over Spartans

The varsity girls' tennis team pushed their regular season record to 6-6 with a 5-0 win over visiting Sanford on Monday, May 23.

One seed Acadia Byther topped Maddy McFarland 6-0, 6-1. Two seed Thyme Whitten gave Corinne Lawrence 6-1, 6-1 straight set losses and Emily Scavoni made a singles sweep with a 6-0, 6-0 win over Alli Plante.

In doubles Michelle Radley and Joanna LaFrance took down Alaina Parison and Hannah Miller 6-3, 6-2. Katie Dupuis and Alana Poulin kept the day a perfect one with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Jenna Garnsey and Kim Works.

The Mustangs will visit Cheverus (8-4) on Tuesday, May 31 for the first round of the playoffs. The teams did not face each other during the regular season.



Massabesic Varsity Softball held their Senior Night on May 25, honoring their two seniors, Sarah Guimond (above) and Phoebe Masse (below).
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SPORTS



Massabesic girls' lacrosse team.

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TRACK & FIELD

Scot shines at York meet

Redwood climbs podium for three golds

Bonny Eagle's Elisabeth Redwood won the 100 meter dash (12.71); the 200 (25.87) and the 400 (57.33), but it wasn't enough to lift the Scots above third place at the annual York County Track and Field meet held Saturday, May 21 at Noble High.

Kayla Raymond, another Scot, chipped in with a pair of wins herself as she took the 800 in 2:28.36 and the 1600 in 5:22.63.

Mustang Emily Wasina won the 3200 with a 12:18.21 and Moriah Biener won the high jump.

Massabesic finished fourth with 64 points. The Scots had 96.5, Noble had 115 in second place and Thornton Academy was first with 154 in the seven-school event.

O'Clair takes two at county meet

Scot sweeps hurdles

Mike O'Clair won the 100 meter hurdles and the 300 meter hurdles and Dan Smith won the high jump to help the Scots tie for fourth at the annual York County Track and Field Meet.

Thornton Academy was tops with 131 points and the Tigers had 113. Marshwood was next with 107. The Scots tied Sanford for fourth with 72.

The Southwestern championships will take place on Saturday, May 21 at Thornton Academy.

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LACROSSE

LAX ladies win nine straight

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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Massabesic's girls' varsity lacrosse team rolled to its ninth straight win with a 23-7 dismantling of host Sanford on Tuesday, May 24.

The Mustangs led 17-4 at the half before emptying their bench for the second half, which they won buy a 6-3 count.

Maquila DiMastrantonio had five goals; Morgan Pike had three; Kenny Ouellette had two. The Mustangs got first ever varsity goals from Abigail Darling, Brooke Cox, Emma Rutledge, Lexi Kidder, Emily Stinson and Sarah DesVergenes.

Josie Ring and Madi Drain each had a goal for Massabesic (9-1) in the blowout.

On Friday, May 20 Massabesic pounded visiting Windham 16-5. They scored the first five goals and added five more after that before the first half ended and the Mustangs headed into the break up 10-3.

DiMastrantonio had six goals; Drain had three; Delia Sylvain had two goals and three assists; Allison

Irish and Skylar Renaud each had a pair of goals.

Lydia Wasina made six saves for Massabesic.

The Mustangs, who sit in second place in the standings, are scheduled to play their final regular season game on Tuesday, May 31. They were state champions, beating Cheverus in the fifth overtime, back in 2014.

LAX men mash Marshwood

The varsity boys' lacrosse team is in position to make the playoffs for the first time as team green sits in sixth place with a 4-6 record. On Friday, May 20 the Mustangs hammered visiting Marshwood 19-7.

Ethan Ouellette scored 10 of the Mustangs goals. Cam Roy had five goals.

Massabesic holds the sixth place in the standings. Seven teams in the 10-team conference qualify for the playoffs. The Mustangs final regular season game is scheduled for Tuesday, May 31 at Portland (4-6).



Gabrielle Langlois recently competed in an All Star Cheering National competition in Las Vegas. Gabrielle's team "The Leading Ladies" won this national competition in their division.

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Binette speaks on Malaga Island

Noah Binette spoke on his study of the Malaga Island tragedy during the opening of the Shaker Museum Sid Emery Forum this past Sunday. His work on the project gained state and national prizes in the National History Day contests. He will be a senior at Noble High School in the fall.

In his presentation, Binette first described the competitions that led to the awards then told the story of Malaga Islanders using the title "The Town That Maine Erased."

How long people had lived on the island was unknown but it was at least 100 years. They were black, white and multiracial, lived as fishermen and laborers on the nearby mainland. Early in the 20th century there was even a school where also some mainland children were educated. But the people were evicted, their homes burned, their cemetery moved in what Binette called "a gross injustice perpetrated in 1911."

In developing his report Binette cited threads embedded in the chain of events, such as journalistic pressure, interest in eugenics (which linked physical qualities to mental and moral status), public concern about the island as a financial burden (neither nearby town wanted responsibility for the island and its residents); some saw it as compromising tourism and believed that a hotel might be built there after the residents left.

Binette argued that the State of



Noah Binette discusses the Malaga Island tragedy.

PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS

Maine, under Governor Frederick W. Plaisted, violated the inhabitants' rights. The events "broke the state's responsibility to protect and serve its citizens." In 2010 then-governor John Baldacci formerly apologized to the evictee's descendents. Seventeen gravesites on the island had been disturbed and the remains removed to the mainland. Binette and others contend those remains should be returned to Malaga for reburial there.

For many years descendents mostly wanted to forget the story, unwilling to have the stigma become their burden before the public. Recently changing views have brought the story more into public sight. The Maine State Historical Society, for one, presented an exhibit, "Fragmented Lives", about what happened there which drew much attention.

The second speaker in the series will be Tonya Shevenell who filmed a replication of her immigrant ancestor's walk in 1845

from Canada to resettlement in Biddeford, to become the first permanent French Canadian resident. This talk will take place August 21. For more information check the website at www.alfredshakermuseum.com/events-workshops/speakers-series/

Martha Roberts celebrates 103rd

When Betsy Roberts crossed the street to the Alfred Public Safety Building, all she was asking was that they blow the siren at 3 p.m. because that is when her mother, Martha Roberts, was born 103 years ago. But they did even better. The new ambulance and the fire trucks all saluted Martha for her 103rd birthday on May 19. It was a salute to a favorite lady in Alfred, a retired school teacher known for her generosity and cheerful spirit.

During the day visitors came and went, often bringing flowers. If there is anything in Alfred's past that someone wants to know, they are usually told to "Go ask Martha". And if it happened within her lifetime, she usually has the answer. Happy Birthday, Martha!

Women's breakfast

Saturday, May 21, was breakfast time for a group of women from Alfred Parish Church (where it was served), United Methodist Church of West Kennebunk and the Methodist Church in Goodwin's Mills, all of whom shared the meal and good fellowship. Following a meal of quiches, bacon, sausage and other breakfast foods, Kim Schutsky, a York County Master Gardener, spoke. She told the group about a project in which she has been involved for three years on Shaker Hill: Harvesting Hope.

The HOPE stands for Healthy Organic Produce for Everyone. The program currently serves three families but would like to reach out and include more. The garden is part of the property of the Brothers of Christian Instruction and functions primarily on grant money and donations. It provides opportunity and education to grow food organically and also donates surplus to others in need. She volunteers her time and experience and finds enjoyment in doing it.

Elementary school

The last month of the school year is usually about the busiest one for Alfred Elementary School students. And so it is this year. Last week's concert, given in cooperation with the Lyman elementary School, was a winner thanks to the efforts of the children and their music teacher, Carlena Smith. The theme was songs of the fifties, like "Rock Around the Clock," "Jailhouse Rock" and "Rockin' Robin." It was an opportunity for the girls to wear "Poodle Skirts" and whatever fifties' garb they could find. And for all of them to give a very lively performance. The gym at Massabesic Middle School was full of proud families for this concert.

On Tuesday, May 31, there will be "Step Up Day" for mem-

bers of the fifth grade classes, when they will visit Massabesic Middle School to familiarize them selves with the campus where they will be in the fall. The next day, June 1, prospective kindergarten children will visit the classrooms which they will be attending in the fall in Alfred Elementary School.

Willowbrook Museum in Newfield is always a popular place for the children to visit. Grade 4 will visit on June 3.

On Friday, June 10, the kindergarten will visit the Children's Museum in Portland and that same day Grade 2 will visit the Maine Wildlife Park in Gray.

There will be a field day on Monday, June 13 for all classes. A Celebration Day will be held Tuesday, June 14 and a variety show on Thursday, June 16. This will be a half day of school and an opportunity for youngsters to demonstrate their talents, be it singing or jumping rope or whatever else. Then they are off for the summer.

Town hall

Veteran's Committee members placed flags at Evergreen Cemetery last week on the graves of all veterans and will be visiting outlying cemeteries with veterans graves this week to do the same. Committee members working on this project are Ray Drown, Alden Gile, Bruce Tucker, Jack Scott, Tom Plummer and Donna Pirone.

The Memorial Day parade this year will be held in Waterboro starting at 9 a.m. behind The Milkroom and proceed to Massabesic High School where the Memorial Day service will be held.

Alfred's first public beach, the Brothers' Beach Town Park on Shaker Pond, will be opened on May 28 in time for Memorial Day picnics. It is for Alfred residents only.

Parish church

Member of the Parish Church continue to work on profiles of the church to aid the search committee in its work to call a new pastor.

The church will hold a yard sale/plant sale in Conant Chapel on Saturday, June 18, starting at 9 a.m.

The Parish Paddlers held its first spring meeting at Camp Moxie, Joyce Krahlings' camp, and are working on the summer schedule of outings.

CORRECTION

Linda Aaskov was incorrectly identified as the president of the Friends of the Shaker Museum in last week's column. Barbara Carlson is the president and Linda Aaskov is the curator.

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GETTING FIT LOCALLY

By CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

Are you one of the 66 percent of Americans who set a fitness goal as one of their New Year's Resolutions? Are you afraid you might end up being the one in three Americans who can't make it through the end of January? Well, you don't have to do it alone. There are lots of local fitness classes and groups in the area to keep you motivated and help you reach your fitness goals. The Reporter will periodically feature these local fitness options.



Front row, from left, Kraig Mason, Jenny Floyd, Roxanne Cloutier Mayhew and Kelly Schwierzke. Back row, from left, Lisa Trueworthy, Mayra A Torres, Farron Schwierzke and Amber Donahue at Krunchtime Fitness in Parsonsfield. COURTESY PHOTO

Krunchtime Fitness

Ever wanted to start something related to fitness, only realizing that you don't really have any equipment? That's how Krunchtime Fitness Studio began. At the end of 2014, a group of community members wanted to work out, but they needed someone to lead the group. They asked Jay Sanborn of Baldwin to lead the workouts, meeting in the gym at Sacopee Valley High School two to three times a week. There was no payment involved, as there was no fitness "equipment," no trainer, just people doing exercises using their own body weight to build up strength. Kraig Mason of Hiram heard about this group and went to one of these sessions. He offered to do a warm-up for a session and then ended up running the program. "It all snowballed," Mason said. He ended up offering the workouts three times a week, moving from the High School gym to the Elementary School gym, and during the summer months, outside.

Then school started back up again, fall came, and the temperatures dropped. The group began to look for a place to workout inside, and it became harder and harder. Finally, Mason determined they would need to find a place to rent, and asked the group, "Would everyone mind paying?" It was unanimous, "Yes, do it, find a place!" Mason found the current location at 28 Federal Road in Parsonsfield, across from Kezar Falls Village Variety and the Hardware Store.

The studio opened in December, with nothing, no equipment, using body weight as they had done before. Mason installed foam mat tiles over the floor, brought in a music, decorated the walls with inspiration-

al sayings and pictures of the group, from the first class to the most recent. Mason takes a picture at the end of every class, and posts it on Facebook. Then, people started bringing in equipment, and either donating them, or just "leaving" them there. There are now some weights and at least a half a dozen exercise balls. "It's less of a business and more of a club," said Mason. "That's what makes it unique."

"I had always been into fitness," Mason said. But about ten years ago, Mason's pant size started growing. "I gotta do something about this," he thought. Running was his first "jump" into exercise.

Then, about 3 years ago his new job put him right next to the Sanford YMCA. "I went every morning," said Mason. "I had never taken a group class before. I started taking fitness classes, and was hooked!" After a while, he thought, "I can teach this," so he spoke to the director and asked him what he needed to do to start teaching. That was in April of 2014. He participated in the Y Group Instructor Training, and began teaching one class a week. He wanted more, so then it was two. Now, he teaches five classes a week, of all different types. He earned his American Council of Exercise (ACE) and in March 2015, he began the International Sports Science Association (ISSA) Certification.

Instructor Angel Napolitano has a similar story. "My weight has always fluctuated," Napolitano explained. "I would work out at the gym, lose it then it would come back." This had been on this cycle for the last 12 years. "I turned 40, and started taking group classes

in Waterboro. When that studio closed, I went to the YMCA in Sanford." For the last couple years, Napolitano stayed on target with weight training and cardio. "I was there very night," she said. Like Mason, she thought to herself, "I can do this!" She began to work on her American Council of Exercise (ACE) Certification, and passed in December, just before Mason opened Krunchtime Fitness. "I love it," she said. "The group aspect is very social, keeps everyone motivated. And, it holds me accountable. It's awesome!"

Napolitano started teaching at Krunchtime in February, adding kickboxing, Pilates and body sculpting classes to the schedule. "I told Kraig I was interested in instructing, and it just happened!" Napolitano had a job change, and is now working for the City of Sanford. "You're not going to get rich off this," Napolitano said. Mason added, "We need a real job to sustain the studio."

"I don't really want it to be a business. I want people to change their lives," said Mason. "And I

can be a part of it! Look at all the pictures on the wall. See all the accomplishments people have made. That's what it's all about." He added, "This is a great group. I feel privileged and blessed."

Kelly Schwierzke of Baldwin has been with the group from the beginning. "Kraig Mason and Angel Napolitano at Krunchtime Fitness are fantastic trainers, inspirations and motivators. I look forward to seeing my "fit fam" every week. The classes are go at your own pace and offer great challenging workouts whether you are looking for bootcamp, pilates, strength training or kickboxing," commented Schwierzke. She has been working out with Mason for 15 months now, and goes to six classes a week. "This group of people has been instrumental in my fitness journey. I just want to be better every week. The transformation since working with Kraig and Angel has been amazing, 70 lbs and counting! They are certainly going to make my goal of "Fit by Fifty" a reality!" Schwierzke will be 47 in September. "Getting

fit, not skinny is my goal," she continued. Her shirt says, 'Stronger vs. Skinny.' "Did I mention we laugh a lot? The Krunchtimers are a great bunch of people and always happy to see new faces in class." She then added, "Remember, the key word is 'journey' - we all take a different one!"

"Everyone does what they are capable of," added Napolitano. "We all encourage each other." "We don't want people to be discouraged if they can't find a babysitter," said Mason. "Kids come, too. We want kids to see their parents or older siblings getting healthy."

If you are ready to start your fitness journey, or just want to check it out, stop by Krunchtime Fitness at 28 Federal Road, Parsonsfield, or email krunchtimefitness@gmail.com. You can check out the schedule and sign up for classes on their website, www.krunchtimefitness.com or on Facebook. You can also give them a call at 632-6318. Classes are \$5/each for drop-in, and prepaid punchcards are available at a discounted rate.

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BRITTANY ROSE MARIE MOODY of Alfred. Petition that the name of Brittany Rose Marie Moody may be changed to Brittany Rose Marie Hamilton, presented by Meghan Hamilton, mother of said Brittany Rose Marie Moody, minor, of 21 Harvest Circle, Alfred, Maine, 04002, telephone number - 740-7273.

COLIBRIANNA RUTHANN JEWELL of Hollis. Petition that the name of Colibrianna Ruthann Jewell may be changed to Colibrianna RuthAnn Howe, presented by Melanie B. Howe, mother of said Colibrianna Ruthann Jewell, minor, of 334 Deerwander Road, Hollis, Maine, 04042, telephone number - 727-3211.

GARRY EUGENE LaCHANCE, late of Limington, deceased. Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and that he may be appointed Personal Representative, without bond, presented by Brad-Lee LaChance of Gorham. Attorney for the Petitioner is Arthur H. Dumas of 51 Cottage Street, Sanford, Maine, 04073, telephone number - 324-1800.

ROSE E. WHITTEN, late of Limerick, deceased. Petition that Kirk D. Bloomer, Esq. of Bangor may be appointed Special Administrator, without bond, presented by Bangor Savings Bank. Attorney for the Petitioner is William B. Devoe of P.O. Box 1210, Bangor, Maine, 04402-1210, telephone number - 947-0111.

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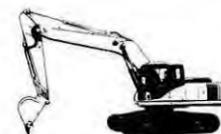


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Hospital donation



The SMHC Auxiliary recently donated \$50,000 to help purchase new equipment for the Sanford Emergency Department. From left, SMHC Auxiliary President Jennifer Paige, SMHC Chief Operating Officer Patsy Aprile, Medical Director of Emergency Services in Sanford Dr. Andrew Powell and SMHC Auxiliary Vice President Denise LaRoche. COURTESY PHOTO

Financial coaching program launching in York County

York County Community Action (YCCAC) was selected as one of five organizations nationally to participate in a pilot initiative by Points of Light to implement the Financial Opportunity Corps program. The Financial Opportunity Corps recruits and trains volunteers as financial coaches who help people from low- and moderate-income households achieve financial stability.

With the support of a Financial Opportunity Corps fellow, financial coaches help participants develop strategies to reduce debt, improve credit, start saving for emergencies, access benefits and build assets for long-term financial health.

“York County Community Action has been helping families in York County manage budgets and finances for years, but this will be our first time working with community volunteers to reach a

wider audience,” shares Meaghan Arzberger, Director of Economic Opportunity at YCCAC. “We are thrilled to engage community members in achieving our goal of promoting healthy, stable, and secure families in York County.”

Points of Light has already seen some success from the newly developing Financial Opportunity Corps program that YCCAC is hoping to build upon. “My coach helps me to look at my finances with a new perspective and helps me to set small, achievable goals to help me build confidence in my ability to manage my money,” said Cat, a Financial Opportunity Corps participant.

Interested volunteers receive training on financial coaching and do not need prior experience to participate. “We provide all the training and tools that a volunteer needs to be successful in helping families address financial goals

and learn about financial resources in York County. Volunteers just need to have a desire to help,” says Arzberger.

Training for Financial Coaches will be held on Saturday, May 21 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at YCCAC in Sanford. Any interested individuals may contact YCCAC to get involved at 324-5762 x2933 or email financialcoachyc@gmail.com.

York County residents interested in receiving a financial coach may call the YCCAC financial coach line at 324-5762 ext. 2933 or toll-free in Maine, 1-800-965-5762 ext. 2933.

York County Financial Coaching Program is a program of York County Community Action, whose mission is to alleviate the effects of poverty, attack its underlying causes and to promote the dignity and self sufficiency of the people of York County.

Maine CASA to hold fall training in August

Interested in speaking up for a Maine foster child? The Maine Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program is holding its fall training for volunteer advocates from August 16-19, 2016 in the Augusta area. The four-day training is free. Attendees learn about all aspects of child advocacy work in order to be certified as a volunteer guardian ad litem for the Maine District Court.

Maine CASAs are community volunteers who are appointed to serve as advocates, called guardians ad litem (GALs), for children whose parents are involved in a child protection court case. CASAs conduct an investigation and then advise the judge in writing of what they believe is in the child’s best interest. The foundation of the CASA’s work is getting to know the child so he or she can tell the judge what the child wishes, according to the Maine Judicial Branch’s GAL Services Coordinator Libby McCullum, Esq.

CASAs come from a wide variety of professional and personal backgrounds and are guided throughout the process by staff

attorneys. CASAs bring a unique perspective from their own life and community to their work as a volunteer.

Last year, nearly 400 children involved in a child protection court case had a volunteer CASA who served as the child’s voice in court. Right now, there are more foster children than CASA volunteers. If you have a big heart and are willing to speak up for a Maine child, apply to become a CASA volunteer. You do not need any special training to apply other than having a high school diploma or GED equivalent. You must be over 21. Along with the application, you will also need to provide three references and must

complete a background check that includes disclosing any criminal or child protection history.

Are you ready to stand up for a child who needs you? Our next training is August 16-19, 2016 in the Augusta area. You can find out more about the Maine CASA Program by visiting our website at www.casaofmaine.org or our Facebook page. Please “like” us on Facebook at Maine CASA and keep up with all the news about the program.

For more information about becoming a volunteer, please contact Maine CASA Legal Services Advisor Darren Defoe, Esq. by phone at 213-2864, or by e-mail at Darren.Defoe@courts.maine.gov

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Gloria Mae Reed

Gloria Mae Reed, 89, beloved Mother and Grammie, died on May 25, 2016 at the Lodges Care Center in Springvale.

Gloria was born at home in East Lebanon on Sept. 26, 1926, the daughter of Leslie and Edna (Hansen) Libbey. She was raised and educated in the one room school house in Lebanon. It was during a USO dance down in Portsmouth, New Hampshire that she danced with her future husband and soul mate, Lester Reed. They were married at the Lebanon-North Berwick Baptist Church on Little River Road in East Lebanon on June 22, 1946. Together, she and Les raised their three children a few houses down from the church. This was her neighborhood where she had beautiful flower gardens and participated in the lawn parties at her church.

Mrs. Reed worked as a secretary beginning at Hubbard Shoe Co. in East Rochester, NH and then the Goodall Mills and she retired from Cyro, following many years of dedicated service. Although she had severe hearing loss, Gloria became a proficient lip reader. Her children could never pull a “fast one” over on Mom! She was an excellent cook whose baked beans and corn bread became a family stand-by on Saturday nights. Gloria loved having her family together for the holidays. In the 1970’s Gloria had a trip of a lifetime with her daughter, Sheri, as they explored Italy and then a few years later flew to

Germany. She also took a couple of cruises with family member down to the Caribbean Islands.

Gloria’s first love was caring for her husband and family. She was devoted to her five grandchildren and loved to spoil them. Her two great-grandchildren brought joy and sweetness into her life. The family circle was complete and she is once again dancing with the love of her life, Lester, to the beautiful words and music of “Tennessee Waltz.” She will be dearly missed by her family and many friends who had the good fortune of knowing this great lady.

She is survived by her children, Gregory Reed and wife Jill of Alfred; Dexter Reed and wife Lynn of Canada and Sheri Pageau and husband John of Virginia; her five grandchildren, Heidi, Denver, Dylan, Ryan and Justin; and her two great-grandchildren, Westyn and Max; her brother, Errol Libbey and her sister, Janice Cox.

Family and friends may visit on Monday, May 30 from 5-7 p.m. at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak St., in Alfred. A Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, May 31 at 10 a.m. at the Alfred Parish Church, 12 Kennebunk Rd., in Alfred where you are cordially invited to a reception next door in the fellowship hall immediately following the service. Committal prayers and burial will be at the Evergreen Cemetery.

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

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Metro system free for First Friday Art Walk

On June 3, Creative Portland, Portland Downtown, and the Greater Portland Transit District (METRO) are teaming up on the first "no-parking-required" First Friday Art Walk #Conflux(us). From 4:00 p.m. - until the last run of the night, the entire METRO bus system will be free. Art Walkers from across Portland and beyond can hop on the bus free of charge and explore the many venues featuring artists and art work throughout the city, from the East End to the West End, Libbytown to Woodfords, and Riverton to North Deering.

Art Walkers will be able to access real-time bus arrival predictions online, by text message or by a mobile app on their smart phones. Additionally, Portland Downtown will be providing free valet bike parking in Monument Square through a joint partnership with Bicycle Coalition of Maine.

The mission of First Friday Art Walk is to open the doors of Portland's arts community by joining together and introducing a wider audience to the unique vitality of the artists and venues of

Portland, promoting interest with non-exclusivity and easy-access, thereby strengthening the arts and community through diversity and celebration.

"This partnership honors that mission by working with our community partners to facilitate access to and appreciation for Portland's artists, art venues and cultural institutions," said Jennifer Hutchins, executive director of Creative Portland, which stewards First Friday Art Walk with free listings online and in print, and advocacy with Portland City Hall.

Following up on last June's Con#verge theme, this year's #Conflux(us) is about the gathering and flow of artists, venues, and art walkers. We are pleased to announce a partnership with Port-Fringe to preview their upcoming festival with pop up performances on the Metro that evening.

Anyone interested in participating in #Conflux(us) or for more information about the First Friday Art Walk should contact Jess Lauren at jesslauren@creativeportland.com.



The Baldwin Selectmen, from left, Olin Thomas, Bob Flint and Jeff Sanborn, presented Ruth "Sukey" Wood with the Boston Post Cane on April 13 at her home in Baldwin. She was 96 years old on Sept. 17, 2015. Born in Sebago, Sukey has lived in Baldwin since her marriage to Leroy F. Wood. There were 13 of her family and friends at the presentation. COURTESY PHOTO



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