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## Western Class A champs ...again



The MHS girls' lacrosse team celebrating with Mustang Nation fans after their overtime win against Thornton Academy on June 18, sending them to the state final game against Cheverus on Saturday, June 21. COURTESY PHOTO

## OT win nets Mustangs Class A LAX title Pike hits Foglio for winner with 9.4 left

BY MICHAEL DEANGELIS  
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Senior Captain Alexis Foglio collected an arcing pass from Karlie Pike with time winding down in the first sudden-death overtime and ripped a forehand shot just inside the post to give host Massabesic (14-1) their sec-

ond consecutive Western Class A title in ladies lacrosse on Wednesday, June 18 over Thornton Academy 6-5.

The drama at the end matched the drama throughout as two well-coached teams loaded with great players turned in a game for the ages.

The girls took the field under

the lights at 7:30 p.m. on a lovely evening for lacrosse, and it was evident from the start that defense would be the first order of business as close checking prevailed on both ends, limiting scoring chances.

Paige Leblanc got TA on the board at the 13:53 mark,

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Massabesic senior Alexis Foglio, #27, scoring the winning goal on June 18.

COURTESY PHOTO

## Inspiring long-time Line teacher feted

BY SHELLEY BURBANK  
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Denise Masalsky, who is retiring after almost four decades in education, was honored by family, friends and her colleagues from Regional School Unit 57 at a retirement party Friday, June 13 at the Sanford Town Club.

Well-wishers enjoyed a social hour, dinner and an evening of special tributes to Masalsky, whose career spanned 37 years in the classroom, 30 of them at LINE Elementary School in Limerick/Newfield.

Although he has worked at the

school for only 18 months, Line Elementary School Principal Tim Stinson said he has known and worked with Masalsky in the district for much longer. "I always appreciated the honest conversation and good debates on educational issues," Stinson said. "Denise was always someone I could talk to and agree – and disagree – with. She was always up for debate. We will miss her passion for students. She looks out for each and every one of them."

Stinson and others commented on Masalsky's promise that she makes to her students at the

beginning of every school year – to attend their high school graduation ceremony. It is that kind of dedication and belief in children that prompted Nancy Parent, whose children enjoyed having Masalsky as their teacher, to draft a letter commending her for her care and attention. "Mrs. Masalsky is a kind and generous soul. Every child felt like they were the most important student in the class. She was a positive model for positive family caring and sharing. We are grateful for not only educating our sons but also

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## MHS graduates 225

BY JON SIMONDS

The highlight of graduation ceremonies held Thursday June 12, when the Class of 2014 from Massabesic High School crossed the threshold from childhood to adulthood, was the journey taken by Kyle Etheridge as he approached the podium.

Etheridge, who is recovering from a motor vehicle accident on May 18 that left him partially paralyzed, accepted his diploma with a handshake and a smile; a true testimony of adversity overcome and a future full of promise. He was answered with a standing ovation.

From diaper and bib to cap and gown the 225 graduates met the future with a handshake and a high school diploma in hand at a packed Portland Civic Center. Baton in hand, Nick Vigue led his fellow seniors into the auditorium. Principal Christian Elkington presided over the festivities, informing the crowd the gradu-

ating class of 2014 "received just under \$110,000 in scholarships." Valedictorian Rayne Whitten, Salutatorian Olivia Bradley and Honor Essayist Zachary Peters addressed the crowd of many teary-eyed parents. Valedictorian Rayne Whitten reflected upon the speed with which the four years passed and the well of memories she'll cherish and carry in her heart for years to come. A superb athlete who excelled in lacrosse, soccer and indoor track, Whitten plans to attend Bates College and major in biochemistry.

Before presenting diplomas, Elkington inspired the first standing ovation after asking those students who have chosen a career in the military to rise. As the students stood up, Elkington reminded the crowd of their choice, "to defend our freedoms" and the crowd aptly responded with several minutes of applause and cheers.

*(More graduation on pages 7-10)*



Principal Christian Elkington, left, applauds as Kyle Etheridge receives his diploma from Superintendent John Davis at MHS graduation ceremonies held at the Portland Civic Center on June 12. PHOTO BY JON SIMONDS

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# Community Calendar

**MASSABESIC LIONS FOOD DRIVE** On Saturday June 21 there will be a Canned and Dry Food Drive at the trailer parked at Woodsome Feed and Needs in East Waterboro from 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. All donations may be dropped off at Massabesic Medical Center or Woodsome's. For more information contact Cher Precourt at 499-2311 or Kathy Leighton at 247-5065.

**HUGE RUMMAGE SALE** June 27 & 28, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the West Newfield Congregational Church, 1078 Maplewood Rd., West Newfield. Clothing, white elephant items, bake sale, raffle baskets, furniture, books, toys, CDs, treasures galore. Sponsored by UCC Women's Fellowship with proceeds to support community service organizations.

**ACTON SHAPLEIGH LIONS CLUB 5K/WALK WITH PRIDE**, Shapleigh Fire Station. July 26. Register 7 a.m. for 8 a.m. start. \$15 before July 19/\$20 later. Students 18 & under, \$10. T-shirts for first 50. Mix of tar/improved shady dirt road. FMI, registration, www.shapleigh.net.

**COMMUNITY CAMPOUT** at Friendship Park. Bring a tent and camp with us. Sponsored by Waterboro Parks & Recreation. Activities will be provided including a jumping tent. FMI 247-6166, x7.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST** will be served from 8 to 10 a.m. the first and third Saturdays of the month this summer by the Acton Shapleigh Lions Club: July 5 & 19 and Aug. 2 & 16. Acton Town Hall,

Route 109. Menu includes plain and blueberry pancakes, sausage, eggs, beans beverages and more. Nominal donation; all proceeds benefit local residents in need.

**WATERBORO PHOTO DAY** Saturday July 12. Photographers, young, old, pro or amateur, are invited to take photos anywhere inside the borders of Waterboro from 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, July 12. Then electronically send them to a special email set up by the Town of Waterboro. Your photo(s) may be selected to be on display in the town hall and elsewhere in Waterboro over the next year. Celebrate Waterboro by documenting the goings on for a day. Pictures can be of people, places or things in town. Mark your calendars.

**MAMA MIA'S PASTA & PIZZA DINNERS** at York County Shelter Programs' Dining Commons, Shaker Hill Road, Alfred, are back for the season starting Friday night June 6, 5-7pm and continuing every Friday night through August 20. Menu includes "made from scratch" meat, veggie and clam sauces on pasta, with

pizza, salad, Italian bread, pies and beverages, all priced at \$10 adults, \$5 children 4-10 years old and free for children 3 and under. The Bakery at Notre Dame, open daily 8-4, is open extended hours to 7 p.m. on Fridays during the Mama Mia season. FMI call 324-8811.

**MASSABESIC LIONS** The 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 Street, 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.

**FREE PASSES** Goodall Memorial Library is now offering free passes to The Portland Museum of Art, Strawberry Banke in

Portsmouth, NH, Willowbrook Museum Village in Newfield and the Ogunquit Museum of American Art. Stop in today, and start enjoying the benefits of becoming a member of the library. For more details inquire at the front desk at 952 Main St. Sanford, or visit our website at www.lbgoodall.org.

**MUSEUM OPEN** The 1850 Taylor/Frey/Leavitt House Museum, 6 Old Alfred Road, Waterboro is an unspoiled dwelling with many original features. Open to the public free of charge, with donations appreciated, each Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon, through Sept. 27. The museum complex includes the period-furnished one-room 1817 Deering Schoolhouse and a blacksmith shop. The barn and ell of the house contain antique cobbler, optician, and barber shops. For more information, call Jim Carll at 247-5878.

**Submit nonprofit calendar items to:**  
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## 4th of July Early Deadlines

All news and ads should be submitted by Friday, June 28, at 5 p.m. for the Friday, July 4 issue.

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# POLICE LOGS

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MAY 15-MAY 29

## May 28

Alan J. Shaw, 28, of East Waterboro, was arrested on a warrant at 7:50 p.m. on Bennett Hill Road in Waterboro.

## May 26

Jimmy R. Laverriere, 37, of Alfred, was arrested for OUI at 2:44 a.m. on Gore Road, Alfred.

Dylan Dewitt, 24, of Waterboro, was summonsed for operating after suspension at 11:53 a.m. on Washington Street in Limerick.

Rodney D. Gagne, 51, of Waterboro, was summonsed for terrorizing at 1:37 p.m. on Northeast Road in Waterboro.

Kenneth Porter, 49, of Newfield, was arrested for domestic violence assault and obstructing report of a crime or injury at 11:57 p.m. on Water Street in Newfield.

## May 25

Daniel N. Lemieux, 52, of Parsonsfield, was summonsed for operating beyond license conditions or restrictions at 7:43 p.m. on Ossipee Hill Road, Waterboro.

## May 23

Angela Ann Wilmot, 38, of Parsonsfield, was arrested for domestic violence assault and violating conditions of release at 1:41 p.m. on North Road in Parsonsfield.

## May 21

A 14-year-old was summonsed for unlawfully operating an ATV at 4:53 p.m. on Ossipee Hill Road in Waterboro.

## May 20

Jacob D. Tidwell, 23, of Lyman, was arrested for speeding more than 30 mph over the limit on Alfred Road in Lyman at 10:55 a.m.

A 17-year-old was arrested for disorderly conduct at 3:15 p.m. on West Road in Waterboro.

Derek M. Guertin, 20, of Shapleigh, was arrested for operating without a license and violating condition of release at 6:02 p.m. on Back Road in Shapleigh.

## May 18

Dillon M. Dunnells, 24, of Parsonsfield, was arrested for OUI at 3:11 a.m. on Elm Street in Parsonsfield.

Christopher S. Bennett, 22, of East Waterboro, was arrested for criminal threatening on Brookside Drive in Waterboro at 4:07 a.m.

## May 16

Jeremy G. Long, 28, of Limington, was arrested on a warrant and charged with burglary and theft by unauthorized taking or transfer at 3:11 a.m. on Hemlock Lane in Limington.

## May 15

Heather Cote, 33, of Alfred, was summonsed for operating after revocation and unauthorized use of property (motor vehicle) and violation of condition of release at 9:01 a.m. on Log Cabin Road in Arundel.

# Buyer comes forward for Hollis High School Residents approve sale to town

By ANN FISHER  
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A long-fought battle by a local group to save the former Hollis High School from the wrecking ball paid off in more ways than one. Not only did residents opt to buy the building and land from School Administrative District 6, a buyer has also stepped forward.

A group called Buxton Hollis High School, a nonprofit formed to save both the high school and the Hanson School, had successfully petitioned to have an article placed on the June 10 town meeting warrant to have the town take possession of the high school building. By a vote of 434-383, voters agreed, and the article passed during primary elections.

At the same time, an unnamed party has been in negotiations with school officials and a contract to buy the building is pending June 30.

"If that happens, this person owns that and the town's vote becomes null and void," said Brian Atkinson, chairman of the Hollis Board of Selectmen.

If the deal falls through, "then the school district would most likely offer it to the town," Atkinson said.

Children in Buxton and Bar

Mills were once educated at Hollis High School, which was also used as an adult learning center and is eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. A group that calls itself C.H.A.R.M. - Community Heritage Alliance of Maine, has been helping Buxton Hollis High School in its efforts to save the school. The groups had hopes of using the building as a community center.

Atkinson said the board was not told the buyer's identity.

When asked about the buyer and the selling price, Superintendent Frank Sherburne said, "Until the sle has gone through we can't share any of that."

The warrant article also asked residents if the town would appropriate \$20,000 from the town's undesignated fund balance for initial expenses and authorize the selectmen to appoint a seven-member committee to manage funding, building, rehabilitation, and the use of the future Hollis Community Center. Members of the committee would include one selectman, two members of C.H.A.R.M. and four members of the community-at-large. On of the residents would represent recreational activities and one would represent seniors.



Hollis High School

# Walk-in clinic closes

By ANN FISHER  
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Goodall Express Care, the walk-in care clinic operated by Southern Maine Health Care in Waterboro, will be closed for "several months" due to a shortage of trained staff.

"We've had a hard time recruiting mid-level providers" such as physician's assistants and nurse practitioners, said Marketing Director Leslie Roberts.

The problem is not isolated to Waterboro, the region or the state. Roberts said the problem reflects a nationwide shortage of primary care physicians, resulting in more mid-level providers being hired in their place.

"It's a high demand position," said Roberts. "There's not enough providers to go around."

Roberts said it was to the point that if someone in the Waterboro clinic called in sick or was on vacation, there was no one available

to come in. The clinic will have to be closed for a fairly lengthy time so qualified people can be trained, according to Roberts, who said it can take two months for a new hire to be credentialed.

A sign has been placed on the clinic door in Goodall Professional Park at 10 Goodall Dr. in East Waterboro informing patients of the closure. Calls have been made to regular patients, Roberts said, and an open letter from SMHC President Ed McGeachy has been sent to the Reporter. She stressed however, that all the other practitioners in the building are open for business. Those include family practitioners, an orthopedic surgeon, radiology, a lab and Good For All Pharmacy, which is not affiliated with Southern Maine Health Care.

Saco Walk-In Care remains open 7 days a week from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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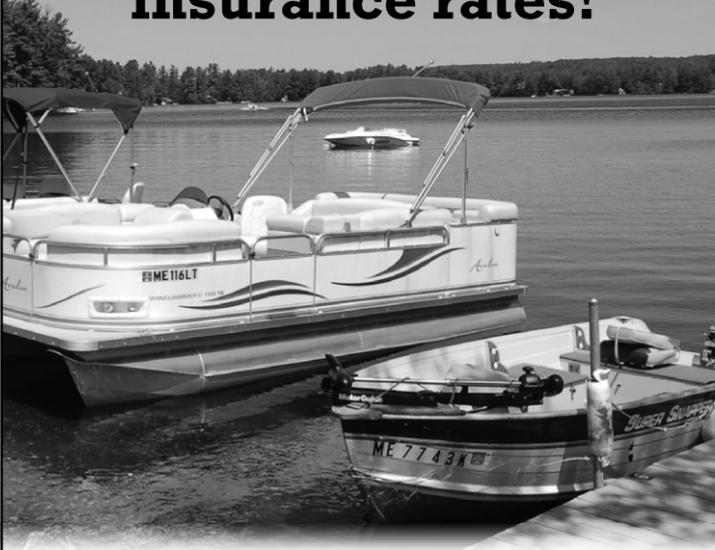
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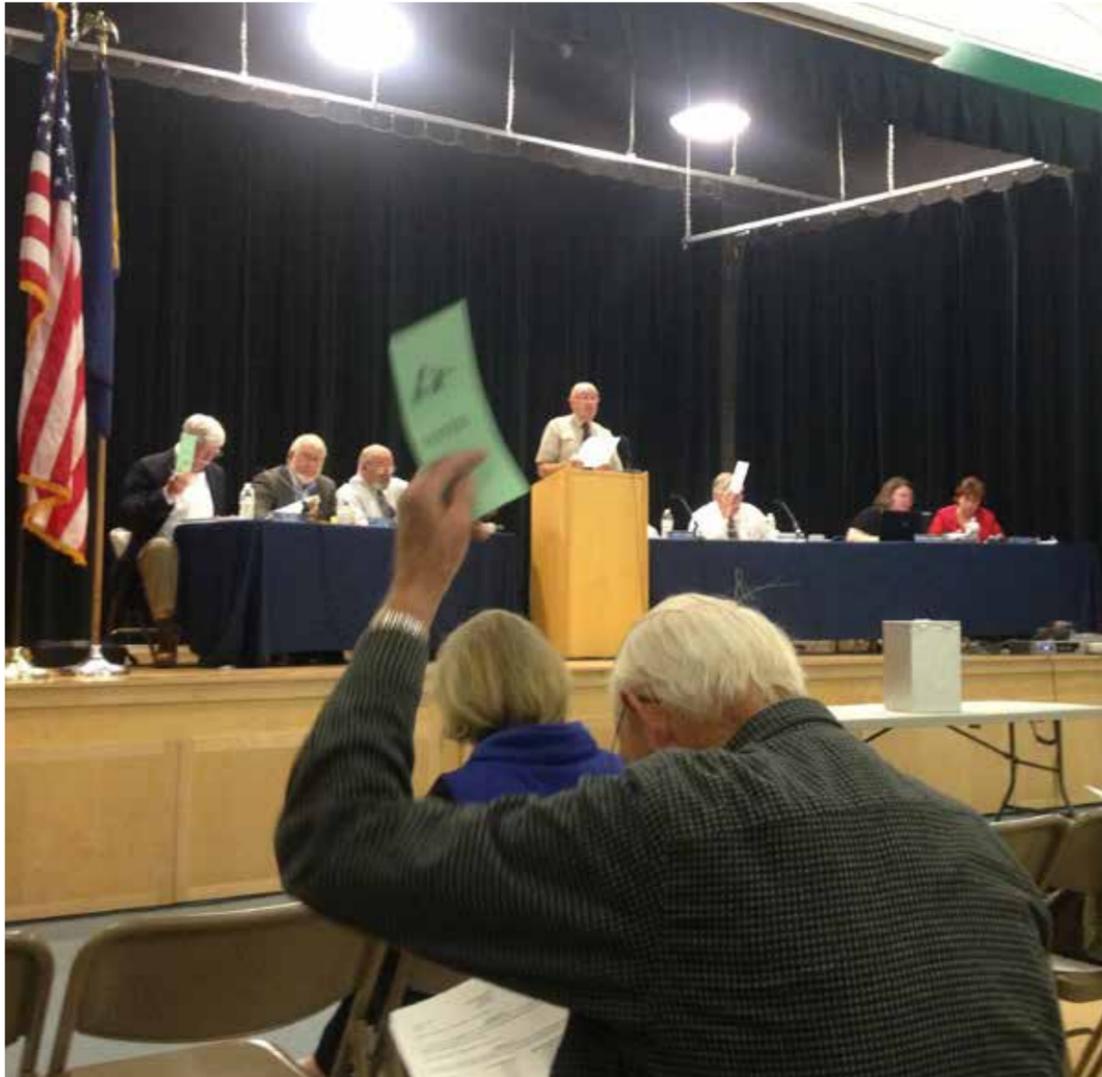
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Just over 30 people attended Waterboro's annual town meeting on Saturday, June 14. All warrant articles passed in a little over an hour. The warrant represented \$5,140,722 with \$3,070,907 from taxation, \$169,720 from department revenues, \$1,037,431 from excise taxes, \$137,547 from miscellaneous fees, \$48,477 from state reimbursement, \$396,217 from surplus, \$176,080 from rescue billing fees, \$88,000 from a road block grant and \$16,343 from ambulance subscriptions. Shown in photo, Bob Gobeil votes with meeting moderator Bob Powers at the podium.

PHOTO BY KERRY DEANGELIS

# United Bikers of Maine take action

The York County Chapter of United Bikers of Maine presented a check for \$500 to York County Community Action Corporation at the YCCAC office complex in Sanford. The donation made June 1 was raised by UBM at a fundraiser held in early March at Chap's Saloon in Buxton.

"The United Bikers of Maine has, for many years, through a variety of programs and events, demonstrated a commitment to serving families in need across the state," said Brad Bohon, YCCAC community relations director. "Our community outreach program has, up until last year, when we turned over the operation to another social service organization, distributed toys to hundreds of local families at Christmas as a result of UBM's annual toy drive."

Bob Stupelis, UBM's York County director, said UBM holds fundraisers at various times of the year to support the work of many nonprofit organizations. He noted that his chapter has been a strong supporter of York County Shelter Programs, and is committed to helping organizations that work toward eradicating homelessness.

The fundraiser UBM held for

YCCAC in March, called "Frostbite Fever," is an annual event for the organization. Stupelis said YCCAC was selected as this year's beneficiary because of the agency's work with individuals and families in need of safe and affordable housing.

"We're grateful to UBM for the donation," Bohon said. "This was an unsolicited gift. YCCAC didn't really have any part in the fundraiser and, in fact, we didn't even know we had been selected as beneficiary until about a week before the event."

In 2010, UBM's York County chapter was named winner of the YCCAC Teddi Award, named for longtime YCCAC staff member Teddi Brunette, who passed away in 2005. The Teddi Award is given annually to an individual or organization that "exemplifies Teddi Brunette's extraordinary community spirit and joy in giving to others."

York County Community Action Corporation (YCCAC) is a private nonprofit organization serving York County residents since 1966. YCCAC programs include WIC, Head Start, housing, energy services, transportation and health care.

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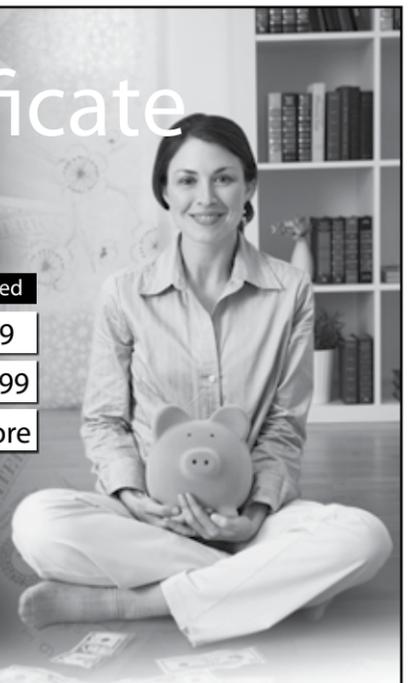
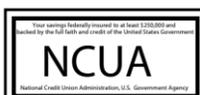
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## Election and school budget Results

The SAD 57 school budget was passed by Alfred residents 181-107 (62-37 percent) last week. Including three blanks, 291 residents voted. The results of the Republican primary were 109 for Susan Collins for Senate (14 blank); 90 for Paul LePage for governor, (33 blank); 86 for Isaac Misiuk for District 1 representative in Congress (37 blank); 88 voted for James Booth for District 32 state senator (35 blank); 87 voted for Barbara VanPelt as representative to the Legislature (36 blank); no votes for county treasurer, register of deeds, sheriff or district attorney as no Republicans were running. The total of Democrats casting ballots for governor was 117 for Michael Michaud (15 blank); 115 ballots for Chellie Pingree for Congressional District 1 (17 blank); 114 for David Dutremble for state senator in District 32 (18 blank); no ballots cast for District 21 representative to the Legislature; 115 votes for Frank Wood for county treasurer (17 blank); 115 votes for Debra Lee Anderson for registrar of deeds (17 blank); 33 votes for William Louis King Jr. for sheriff, 19 votes for Dana Paul Lajoie; 78 votes for Paul E. Main ( and two blanks). There were four blank votes cast by members of the Green Independent Party.

## Free supper to be served

The monthly free community supper will be held 5-6 p.m. Tuesday, June 24, sponsored by the Parish Church Outreach Committee. An array of salads and "make your own sandwiches" will be featured and include pasta salad, three bean salad, po-

tato salad, Mediterranean salad, breads, cold meats and beverages plus condiments. Donations will be welcome.

## Antique appraisals

Alfred residents are welcome to join the Waterboro Historical Society at the Grange Hall on West Road at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 10, when Frank Wood of DeWolf and Wood will appraise antique items. Only one item per person will be accepted. For more information, call Jim Carll at 247-5878.

## Demo tent for festival fun

Scott Arnold of Jailhouse Antiques and Art Center on Saco Road has offered to chair the demonstration tent on Saco Road for Alfred Festival Day. Anyone who would enjoy demonstrating a craft on Festival Day should get in touch with Arnold after June 24.

## News from the pews

On Sunday, June 22, Su LaChance will lead the service. The Men's Breakfast North will meet at Blast From the Past on Route 5 in Waterboro Tuesday, June 24 at 8:30 a.m., and the diaconate will meet at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, June 25. Visiting hours for the family and friends of Kent LeBoeuf will be 4-7 p.m. Friday, June 20, with a celebration of his life being held 11 a.m. Saturday, June 21 in the sanctuary, followed by a reception.

## Village notes

The Alfred Republican Town Committee will meet in Town Hall on Monday, June 23 at 7 p.m. All Alfred Republicans are invited to attend.

If you haven't visited the Alfred Village Museum recently, on Saturday, besides visiting the exhibit visitors will hear Almon Williams demonstrating on his autoharp.



Bonny Eagle School Good Science Scholarship Recipients, from left, Kaylei Coombs, Kristen Glennie, Anna French and Heather Bondeson with Community Relations Manager, Heather Printup (left) and Hollis Factory Manager, Glenda O'Brien (right). COURTESY PHOTO

## Poland Spring Awards \$5,000 in Scholarships to Bonny Eagle High School Seniors

In keeping with its commitment to invest in Maine people, Poland Spring Water Company recently awarded 23 Good Science Scholarships to Maine high school seniors who are pursuing post-secondary education in science, engineering or the environment. Each scholarship of \$1,000 is meant to support the students as they continue on to the next stage of their academic career.

Scholarships were given to five members of Bonny Eagle's Class of 2014: Kaylei Coombs, David Adams, Kristen Glennie,

Anna French, and Heather Bondeson.

"Congratulations to the 2014 Good Science Scholarship recipients. Poland Spring is proud to invest in Maine's next generation of leaders in the fields of science, engineering and the environment," said Glenda O'Brien, Poland Spring's Hollis Factory Manager.

Respect and responsibility for the environment is at the core of Poland Spring's business, and a value the company works to pass on to the next generation of Maine stewards. To that end, in 2007 Po-

land Spring established the Good Science Scholarship program and has since awarded more than \$140,000 to Maine high school seniors.

Scholarship winners and their families from Bonny Eagle High School and Fryeburg Academy attended a celebration at the Hollis Bottling Facility on Monday, June 9th. The evening's festivities included a guided tour of the bottling factory, awards ceremony, a catered dinner and an opportunity to meet staff and management.

## BRIEFS

### Concert at the grange hall

The Waterborough Historical Society will host singer/songwriter Jonathan Sarty in concert at the Grange Hall on Saturday, June 21 at 7:30 p.m. Sarty has performed throughout the USA presenting his Americana style, a blend of Classic American, Roots Country and Folk Rock to audiences of all ages. Among other projects, Sarty is founder of the longstanding old time country and honky tonk group the White Mountain Boys and New England based record label, booking and publishing

company White Mountain Music Group. He is also co-founder of a creative concept New England based radio variety show call 'Cold River Radio' on WMWV 93.5 FM, featuring exclusively New England based artist, performers, authors and storytellers, that is recorded live before a studio audience at Theater in the Wood, Intervale, NH.

Sarty's performance will benefit the Waterborough Historical Society. Tickets are \$15 per person. Tickets can be purchased at Woodsome's Feeds and Needs on Rt. 202 in East Waterboro and Woody's Sports Grille on West Road in South Waterboro. FMI: call Jim at 247-5878 or Dianne at 247-5926.

## TOWN OF NEWFIELD

The Newfield Transfer Station will be holding a free day for TV's and computers on Saturday June 21, 2014 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please have a 2014 transfer station permit visible.



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### Music and memoir at Snow Art Gallery

Maine author and photographer Helen Peppe read from her memoir "Pigs Can't Swim" at the Diane Snow Art Gallery June 14. The author's daughter, Morgan, and husband, Eric, charmed the audience with lovely piano and violin pieces. Peppe's son, Alex, was present at the event, as well. Snow's beautiful artwork and restored farmhouse gallery provided a relaxed country setting, and visitors enjoyed beverages, tea sandwiches, and chocolate desserts while listening to both music and memoir.

Opening a copy of "Pigs Can't Swim," Peppe read from the chapter "Dakota," which tells the tale of young Helen, who eventually bartered to keep Dakota, a chestnut standardbred, in the family barn over the winter, in exchange for babysitting the owner's son. The story is vivid and touching and funny, and Peppe's reading was warm and earnest as the audience smiled and nodded, maybe recollecting their own childhood passions and promises and dreams.

The book has been very well received, and Peppe said she is just getting started. There are other memoirs planned that will follow up where "Pigs Can't Swim" left off. Peppe also writes fiction, including fiction for middle grade readers. She is also a talented equine photographer, which is how she and Diane Snow, an equine artist, became friends. You can find Peppe's website at [www.helenpeppe.com](http://www.helenpeppe.com) and Snow's website at [www.dianesnow.net](http://www.dianesnow.net).

### Lions on the Lawn

The annual Lions on the Lawn community flea market and craft fair will be held this year on Saturday, June 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Limerick Air Strip on Route 11, Central Avenue near the Limerick Supermarket. The event is usually held in front of the municipal building, but the Lions are hoping the new location will be easier to navigate for all involved.

The event will include a big raffle, craft vendors and a flea market, a bake sale, blood pressure screenings, refreshments and popcorn, live music and face painting.

Connell said that she is willing to fill out raffle ticket orders over the phone by calling 793-2128 or if anyone would like to know what else is on the list of prizes. There is also a 50/50 raffle, for which the winner does not have to be present when the ticket is drawn at 2 p.m. The event will be held rain or shine; 100 percent of the proceeds will benefit needy persons in the community.

### Firefighter completes coursework

The Limerick Volunteer Fire/EMS Department recently congratulated volunteer firefighter Richard Gurney for his recent achievement in successfully completing Firefighter 1 and Firefighter 2 coursework and testing.

"Mr. Gurney has demonstrated his dedication to the department, as well as to the protection of the residents of Limerick," said Brian Saulnier, secretary of the fire department.

### A window to the past

Upstairs on the second floor of the Limerick Academy building, a visitor can stand and look down on Main Street through the wavy glass of an old window. Above the room in the belfry, a bell hangs ready to ring just as it did in the building's heyday as a school. Below, a large open space on the first floor bustles

with activity as visitors come to take a look at items collected over the many celebrations the town has held. Old signage from the Limerick Library, selectman's office, grange, and Highland Lodge hang in the stairwell leading from one floor to the next.

The Limerick Historical Soci-

ety opened the doors to the Academy Saturday, June 14 so townsfolk and visitors alike could enjoy part of the society's collection. There were items from the early 1900s all the way up to the 1980s. Two big celebrations were held in back-to-back years - Limerick's bicentennial in 1975 and the Unit-

ed States bicentennial in 1976.

The next historical society event will be a talk by Adele Floyd about the significance of animal power in the days before the fuel engine. The presentation will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 17 at the Brick Town Hall.



Teacher Denise Masalsky stands surrounded by her last Line Elementary School class the final week of school. The grade 2 teacher is retiring this year after 37 years in the classroom. PHOTO BY SHELLEY BURBANK

### TEACHER

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caring for them."

Masalsky began her teaching career as a fifth-grade teacher at the Ogunquit Village School. In 1984 she came to RSU 57, where she also taught fifth grade. She also taught third grade for nine years, and then "looped" with some classes, teaching the same group of students for third and fourth grades. The last seven years she was at Line Elementary, Masalsky taught second grade.

When asked why she decided to become a teacher, Masalsky said, "I always loved kids. When I was young I babysat and worked as a camp counselor. I saw teaching as a way to continue my connection with kids. I always really liked school and thought that my teachers helped make that happen."

If the outpouring of love and affection displayed Friday night is any indication, Masalsky helped make school enjoyable for everyone - students, fellow teachers and staff. Mary Jo Burcham, a long-time administrative assistant at Line School, gave a tearful tribute to her friend, saying, "For 30 years we have worked together - longer than some marriages - and watched each other's children grow up. Denise nurtures students' mind, body, and soul. She truly cares about the whole child."

The evening was not without its light moments. There was much good-natured ribbing from colleagues about the state of Mrs. Masalsky's room and desk. Colleagues Deb Calnan and Lyn Eaton riffed from the book "Mrs. McBloom, Clean Up Your Classroom" by Kelly DiPucchio to spoof, "More books were stacked in Mrs. Masalsky's room than in the Limerick Public Library!" Eaton and Calnan said they purchased the book years ago specif-

ically to save for Mrs. Masalsky's retirement.

From rewritten songs to a happy dance led by fellow teacher, Mark Kellis who said, "This song just seemed to fit because you make us happy, Denise," the tributes continued long into the evening. A touching poem written and read by her husband, Greg, ended, "I get to love her closer than ever," brought a tear to many eyes. Masalsky's daughters, Jessica and Elizabeth, spoke of their mother being an inspiration to them. Both have followed their mom into the field of education. "The most important thing about my mom is that she's an inspiration," said Jessica. Elizabeth said that she finds herself hoarding items, claiming, "These are for school. I need those," and then thinking, "I'm becoming my mother."

Videos of staff and students wishing Mrs. Masalsky a happy retirement were also presented, and though she is retiring from teaching full-time, Masalsky says she will continue to educate others in different settings. "I'm probably not done teaching yet. I'm going to work at adult ed a few nights, and I may tutor," she said. But there will much more time for fun activities, as well. "I plan to knit and sew more, and I have many books waiting to be read."

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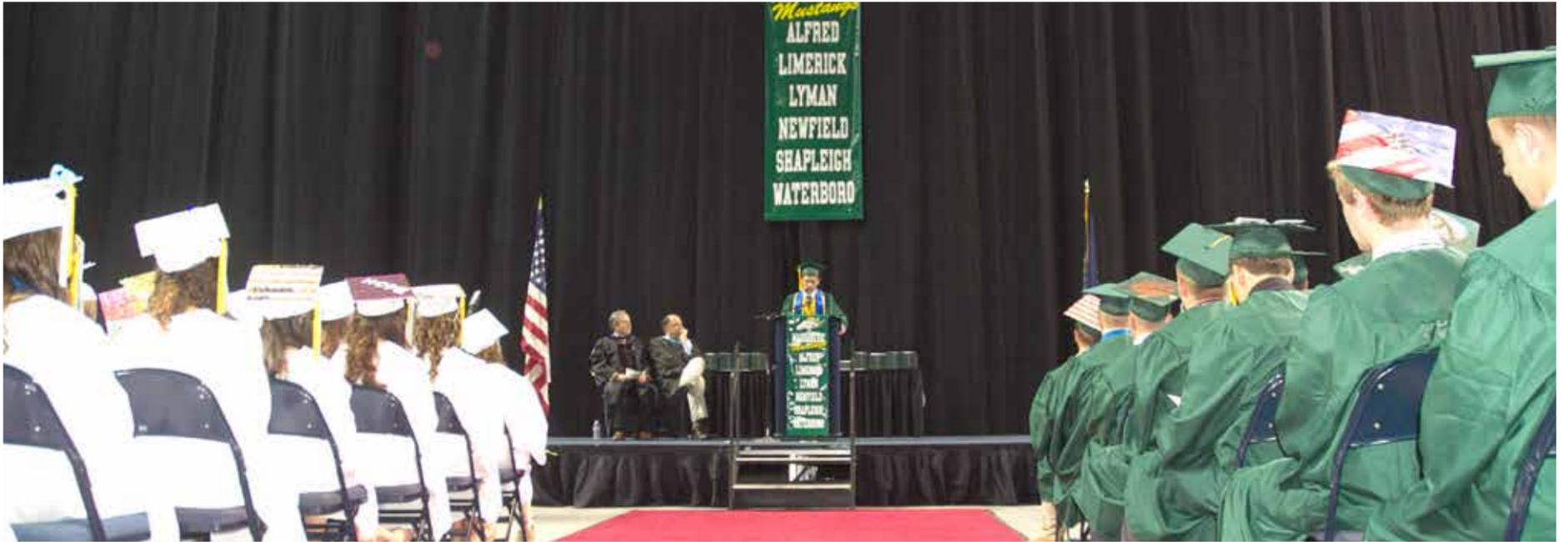
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**Nicholas Vigue**

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Lisette Labbe, of Limerick, graduated Summa Cum Laude from Cheverus High School on Monday night, June 2. She was a member of the National Honors Society and received The President's Award for Academic Excellence. She is looking forward to participating in the Honor's Program at Saint Anselm College in New Hampshire in the fall.



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—Brianna Missick



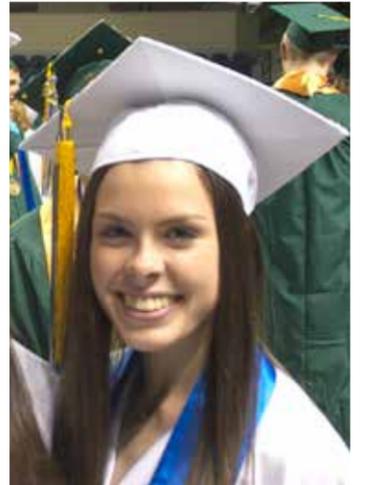
This summer I'll be working with my family. We do bounce houses for parties. Tops on my bucket list is to see the world.

—Josh Meurrens



I'm working with special needs children this summer. Number 1 on my bucket list? Meeting Yoko.

—Kaitlyn Simonds



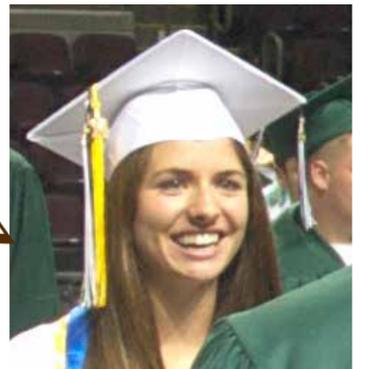
I'm going to Jackson Hole for the summer. I want to finish climbing the 100 highest mountains in New England

—Emily Duggan



I'm going to spend the summer working at RSD Graphics. Skydiving is tops on my bucket list.

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# 'The Lake Where Loon Lives'

By **SHELLEY BURBANK**  
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Local children's book author, Brenda Sturgis of Shapleigh, has a new picture book out just in time for summer. "The Lake Where Loon Lives," published in May by Islandport Press and illustrated by Brooke Carlton, is a cumulative story with each new event in the story building on the others before it, creating anticipation and enjoyment for readers. The lake setting and loon theme evoke the special joys of a Maine summer day – fun whether you are a year-round resident or just visiting for a spell.

Sturgis marked her entrance into the professional publishing world by publishing "10 Turkeys in the Road" with Marshall Cavendish in 2011. She has been writing since 2004, when she met Maine author Lynn Plourde at a school visit in Baldwin. Sturgis said she asked Plourde at the event, "How do I become a writer?"

Plourde suggested Sturgis join the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, and Sturgis attended her first conference of SCBWI in 2005. In the following years there were the expected ups and downs of finding agents, submitting work, receiving rejection letters, and all the time writing and never giving up. The publication of "10 Turkeys" was a big milestone, and now Sturgis is thrilled to be working with Islandport Press, an award-winning and very respected Maine publishing company.

While Sturgis is now busy promoting the new picture book – a launch party was held in May at the Maine Audubon Society in Falmouth, and there are several author events planned for the summer months, as well.

**Q: Can you tell our readers a little bit about "The Lake Where Loon Lives?"**

A: "The Lake Where Loon Lives" is about 1,000 words. It is a cumulative story, think "The House That Jack Built." It is illustrated in watercolor by the magnificent Brooke Carlton; there is a blurb on the back cover by one of my favorite writers, Chris Van Dusen, author of "If I Built a Car, If I Built a House" and "The Circus Ship."

"Loon" was incredibly fun to write, and I hope that young readers will find it fun to read too.

**Q: What inspired you to write this particular story?**

A: I live on a lake in Shapleigh, and I am fascinated by the loons that live here and come back to their home every year. I am mesmerized by their haunting hoots, their tuneful tremolos and their wicked wails, and so one night, around 3 a.m. (which is my usual writing time,) I was awakened with the story in my head and in

my heart.

**Q: What are the challenges of writing a children's book, especially a rhyming children's book?**

A: People think that writing for children is easy. I hear this all the time, "Well, it's JUST a children's book." But, writing for children in the traditional market – not self-publishing but a publishing house that wants to publish your story – is competitive. In children's picture books we are normally only given between 500 -1,000 words to tell an entire story. Each and every word counts. I am very selective and careful on what words I choose, and I research endlessly different ways to say things. I love alliteration and refrains and I use them in most everything I write. It is important to me because I want to engage young children and teach them new words, increase their vocabularies, and enrich their young minds.

**Q: Which writers have you found particularly inspiring, and why?**

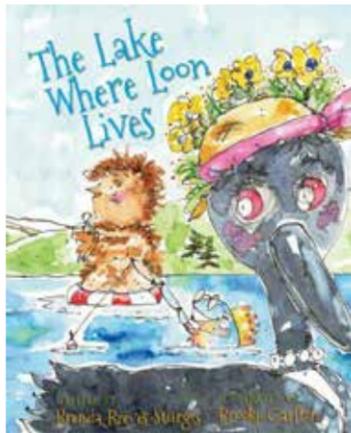
A: Without a doubt at the top of my list is Lynn Plourde. Lynn is a tremendous writer, and she has become a good friend to me over the last 12 years. Chris Van Dusen is one of my all-time favorites; his writing leaves me breathless. New York Times bestselling author, Kelly DiPucchio; Lisa Wheeler; the late Linda Smith; and my good friend and critique partner, Carrie Clickard. Each one of these writers goes over and above in their storytelling. They choose exciting and magical words, they work hard in children's publishing to be the best and they certainly are some of the best writers I've ever had the honor of knowing. I consider these writers to be my friends now. I have been blessed throughout the years to get to know them.

**Q: How long did it take you to write, sell, and finally see "The Lake Where Loon Lives" launched? Can you tell us a little bit about that process?**

A: I wrote the "The Lake Where Loon Lives" fairly quickly in 2008, but that was just the first draft. It took me about a year to tweak, revise, retweak, revise again. And when "Loon" finally sold after four years, it was a life-changing moment for me. It took Brooke a year to illustrate it. I didn't see any sketches until the book was completed. Editors and publishers do this purposefully. The writer and the illustrator are kept apart because the writer tells a story and the illustrator illustrates the story, and together, hopefully, they create a bit of magic.

**Q: Do you have any new projects you are working on?**

A: I hold out hope that "Touch-down" [a story with a football theme and surprise ending] will some day sell. We still send it out, we still believe in it, and so my



wonderful and amazing agent and friend Karen Grecnik of Red Fox Literary submits it every now and again when we think there might be a perfect person for it. I am out on an exclusive submission with Scholastic with a manuscript that has gotten some great feedback thus far, and so I keep my fingers crossed on that story. It is multicultural, with a sweet refrain, about 350-words, and so we are hopeful that it will get picked up.

**Q: Is there anything you would like to add?**

Children believe what we tell them, and they become what they believe. Reading to children is the best way to create readers, readers become dreamers, and dreamers sometimes become writers. Buying a book is giving a child a chance to dream. When you are reading to your child, to your grandchild, you are creating memories with them, and for me, there is no greater gift that can be given then that.

**Q: Other than bookstores (hint: the store can order it for you if it isn't on the shelf), where can people buy the book? And where will you be reading and signing this summer?**

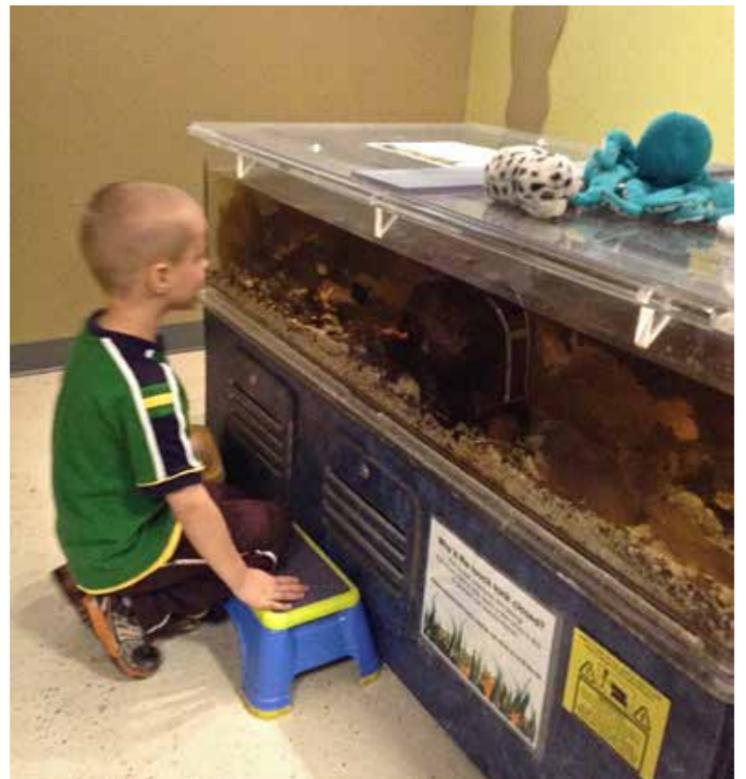
A: I am in The Ogunquit Museum of American Art June 21 from 10 to 11 a.m. I am at the Shapleigh Library on July 26. I am at Swan's Island Aug. 23rd. I am available for library visits, birthday party readings, or school visits as well. Any of my books can be bought through me at [www.brendareevessturgis.com](http://www.brendareevessturgis.com), on Amazon, or through Islandport Press.

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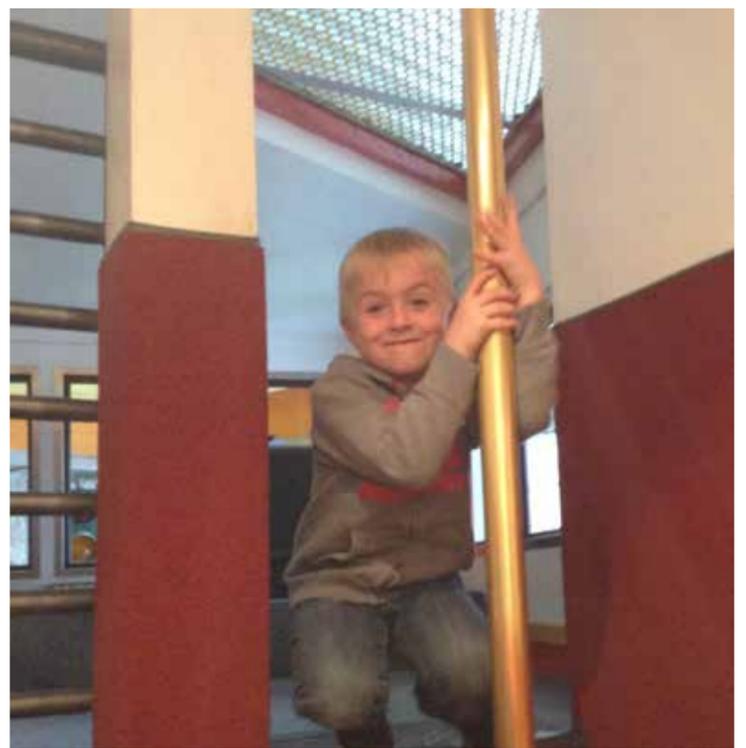
Joy Spencer

The Children's Museum of Maine was the destination for the students in Miss Sundik's and Mrs. Marina's first grade classes at Lyman Elementary School on Wednesday, June 4. The children had the opportunity to explore a space shuttle, logging, camping, ranger station, camera obscura,

grocery store, bank, working lobster boat, Maine touch tank, tree house, farm (with hay baling, egg collecting, and milking a cow), invention station, ball room and a special presentation about Maine animals. This excursion would not have been possible without the support of the Lyman PTC and over twenty parents who volunteered to chaperone this wonderful trip.



Adam Haskell checks out the touch tank at the Children's Museum. COURTESY PHOTOS



Noah Bryan slides down the fireman's pole at the Children's Museum. COURTESY PHOTOS

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## OPINION

## Emotionally attached

You can probably tell by my often poor writing that I wasn't a journalism major in college. My preference has always been to read rather than write, so of course when my wife decided she (read: we!) needed to start a newspaper my first statement was, "I'm not writing."

Lies. Lies. Lies.

Despite the degree concentration in literary criticism I believe I've learned enough along the way to know the do's and don'ts of journalism.

The biggest don't? Don't emotionally attach yourself to the piece or the people in it. Simply: report!

Last night I failed miserably at this directive, but I have to say that I do not care.

In covering school sports for the Reporter over the last few years I've grown to really enjoy the non-big four sports. That is, sports like wrestling, cross country, track and, of course, lacrosse.

Yesterday, Wednesday, June 18, Massabesic hosted Thornton Academy in the western Class A championship game. The Mustangs were trying to earn a trip back to the state championship game where they fell last year in an 8-7 heartbreaker to Cheverus ... but, please, allow me to digress.

In 2001, the town of Waterboro appointed me to the post of parks and recreation director and, in the winter of the following year, I smiled when a young girl named Alexis Foglio, then age 6 and in first grade, walked into my

by Michael DeAngelis

office to sign up for recreational basketball with her mom, Stephanie, and her dad, Dale.

Over the next six seasons all of the coaches involved, including me, watched Lex develop as an athlete and a person. It was easy to do so, she did it all with a smile, win or lose, she was having fun and that is what leagues are all about.

Later, when the more serious travel leagues kicked off, Lex was there, working on her game, establishing herself as a leader among her peers. I recall her mom, Kevin Poulin (a long-time history teacher) and I all telling Lex if she decided to make basketball the focus of her athletic career she'd end up a great player at that very sport. That very year I coached a sixth-grade Alexis on the girls' travel team and we lost in the semi-finals.

I'm not sure if Alexis played middle school hoop, but I know she transferred her energy to both field hockey and lacrosse, and it's a good thing she did because last night the girl that I recall as a 6-year-old basketball player scored maybe the biggest goal in the history of Mustang athletics – yeah, I'll throw in field hockey, ice hockey and both boys' and girls' lacrosse – when she potted the game winner in sudden death with just 9.4 seconds left on the clock.

Now, back to the emotional attachment directive. As the teams went through the handshake line I queued my phone up to be ready to record, hoping Lex would be able to speak with me before the

awards presentations (by this time my hockey game was likely headed into the third period so I had written that off), but not overly worried about it because she's already close to the record holder for "most times interviewed."

I was a bit surprised when Lex saw me just as she finished her handshakes. I didn't want to intrude on what must have been one of the most exciting moments of her life, so I smiled and the smile broadened as she came towards me, walking briskly.

We weren't far apart, and out of the corner of my eye I saw Stephanie, walking towards us too, but before I knew it I was pumping my fist at Alexis in celebration and she jumped into my arms like she was a pitcher and I her catcher after we had just won the world series (she had!).

I recorded everything she said, making sure to keep it brief so she could be with her team and, most importantly, her mother, who had reached us now, and waited with tears streaming to greet her champion daughter.

I am blessed to have the jobs I have. The parks and recreation job has allowed me to watch our children grow as athletes and people. I care about them, but I don't care about the emotional attachment that I am NOT supposed to have when it comes to doing my other job, that is, writing about their achievements.

Michael DeAngelis lives in North Waterboro, is the sports writer for the Reporter and is Waterboro's parks and recreation director.

## Think like a trout

TAKE FIVE

by Jon Gale

When I am waist deep in a river, with my fly rod ready to cast, I am attempting to "think like a trout." I tell myself, "They are lazy" and "They are most always interested

in food." Knowing this, I try to replicate the food that they will be feeding on at that time, and select an appropriate fly. I also know the trout would rather be served his food at the table rather than working for it ... so where is the "table"? If he hangs out in the eddy line behind a rock where the flow of the river meets the back current the rock creates, he doesn't need to move much to stay put, and facing out into the flow, he can see all the food morsels coming his way from upstream. Therefore, I want to place my fly upstream of the rock and let it float naturally down the eddy line behind the rock, watching intently, with arms and shoulders tense to react quickly, before the hungry trout realizes the bug he bit is not tasty and spits it out.

While I'm out there in the river, I appreciate the peace and beauty. Looking into the moving water and feeling the pressure on my waders is mesmerizing. I am thankful that my mind is not totally spent in thinking like a trout (no disrespect to a trout's central nervous system) and I find time to think of other things ... like, why do special education teachers and administrators recommend reduced spelling lists for children who have trouble with spelling? And why do friends and family tell senior citizens to slow down when in doing so they just get slower, weaker, and dumber faster?

Whoa, another thought: maybe because they are acting like trout. Don't we instinctively try to find the easiest way to do things? Like the big one behind the rock

who has yet to bite, parents and teachers want to make life as easy as possible for the struggling student. And, so it is with well-meaning family and friends who think, "You've worked hard all your life, why not kick back and relax during your later years?"

Time to change the fly. I know he's there, but he's not interested in a big Royal Wulfs. Maybe a smaller Honberg will entice him. Maybe I need to put the fly outside of the eddy line so the movement is enticing rather than threatening. Maybe having to work a little bit for dinner is a motivator after all. Don't kids who have difficulty spelling need extra practice, maybe more words rather than a restricted list? How are they going to catch up with their peers if they don't work harder? The combination of sustained hard work and success builds real confidence. How about seniors? Perhaps we need to exercise our bodies and minds to a greater extent in order to slow down the inevitable catabolic process, and that effort continues to give meaning to our lives.

Fish on! Damn, he spit it out. Maybe I don't have the capacity to think creatively and like a trout at the same time.

Jon Gale lives in North Waterboro and is a Waterboro selectman and retired educator.

## LETTERS

## Yard sale proceeds fight milfoil

The Lake Arrowhead Conservation Council ("LACC") held its annual fundraising yard sale on Saturday, May 31 at the Maine Real Estate Network in East Waterboro and raised just over \$3,200 to fight milfoil. LACC is a nonprofit organization that was formed to protect and preserve Lake Arrowhead and to help control the milfoil infestation. Over the years, LACC has made great strides in controlling the milfoil infestation in Lake Arrowhead.

LACC members, their families and friends donated all of the items sold at the yard sale. The Maine Real Estate Network, with the help of Diane Gray, provided LACC with the use of its property to host the event. LACC will use all of the funds raised at the yard sale to maintain and operate two suction harvesters, the benthic barrier program and the courtesy boat inspection program which will be running all summer long.

LACC would like to thank all of the donors, volunteers and buyers for making the event such

a big success.

LACC is currently seeking new members and donations to help maintain its program and invites you to visit their website for further information on becoming a member, making a donation, or for other fundraising events. Go online to [www.laccme.org](http://www.laccme.org) for more information.

Tracie Doyle  
LACC Clerk

## Thanks from fire department

The Goodwin's Mills Fire-fighter Relief Association recently sponsored the Annual Awards Banquet for the Goodwin's Mills Fire-Rescue which was held at The Nonantum Inn & Resort in Kennebunkport. I would like to thank the following businesses and individual for their generous donation of cash and raffle items that were raffled off to the attendees:

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Hernon, Chad & Donna Johnston, Leslie Perry, The Nonantum Inn & Resort, 7 Jackson's Corner Store, Michelle Ray, Stone Turtle Baking & Cooking School and the Goodwin's Mills Village General Store.

Without these donations and continued support from local businesses and the citizens of our towns we could not be able to continue to hold this annual event.

On behalf of all the Association and Fire-Rescue members I extend a heartfelt thank you.

Normand J. Bilodeau, President  
Goodwin's Mills Firefighters Relief Association

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Brian Saulnier, Secretary  
Limerick Volunteer Fire/EMS Department, Inc.

## OBITUARIES

## Arland "Ty" Gifford

Arland "Ty" Gifford, 37, of Alfred, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, June 15, 2014 with his family by his side.

Ty was born in Farmington, Maine on March 17, 1977 to Arland L. and Cynthia (Talley) Gifford. When he was young his family moved south for several years before settling down in Alfred where he grew up and attended local schools, graduating from Massabesic High School in 1996. After high school he attended Nazarene College in Quincy, MA, the University of Maine at Presque Isle and Central Maine Community College, pursuing a degree in physical therapy.

Ty was a devout Christian and had attended the South Waterboro Bible Chapel. His family was always the most important thing in his life and he made spending time with them a priority. He will be remembered as a loving



Arland Gifford

and devoted son, brother, grandson and uncle and will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Surviving are his parents, Arland and Cynthia Gifford of Alfred; three siblings, Tim Gifford and his wife Alyssa of Alfred, Gwynne Tounge and her husband Jeff of Springvale and Elisabeth Miller and her husband Patrick of Beverly, MA; his maternal grandmother, Anne Moore Talley of Reidsville, North Carolina; his paternal grandparents, Randall and Audrey Gifford of Lake Placid, Florida; several nieces and nephews, Sophia, Isabella, Jeffrey, Tyson, Adelynn, Giuliana and Lucia and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 21 at the South Waterboro Bible Chapel located at 911 Main Street in Waterboro.

Arrangements are under the direction of Black Funeral Homes and Cremation Service, Sanford-Springvale.

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David Smith, left and Corey Hanson competed on the Massabesic Special Olympic team at Olympica in Orono on the weekend of June 6, 7 and 8. COURTESY PHOTOS



From left, Massabesic Special Olympians Corey Hanson, Dakota Murphy and Andrew Kinney.

## Bergeron bests Bonanza Legion team off to 1-0 start

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS  
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Weston Bergeron pitched a complete game, giving up just two hits and fanning six, and Massabesic plated three runs in the top of first to jump out early, en route to a 8-2 thumping of host Bonanza on Tuesday, June 16 at Goodall Park.

Bergeron fanned six and he seemed poised to cruise to an easy victory after a rocking chair fourth, but trailing 4-1 Bonanza

got the leadoff man on in the fifth following a tough hop grounder to short that Matt Allen couldn't handle cleanly.

Before an out had been recorded it was 4-2, but Bergeron shut the door the rest of the way.

Massabesic blew the game open with a four-run seventh. Dawson Renuad and Sean Adams each had two hits. Matt Allen and Remy Gaetjens drove in a pair of runs each. The Mustangs visit Noble Saturday for a double header.



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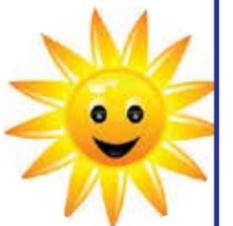
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## LACROSSE

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and teammate Carly McKenna bumped it to 2-0 just one minute later. Massabesic picked up their game over the final 10 minutes of the half, and sophomore Maquila DiMastrantonio cut the lead to one with a free position score at 21:14, closing out the scoring in the first frame.

The Mustangs, winners of 14 straight and 26 of 30 including last year, came roaring out of their corral to start the second half, carrying the play to the Golden Trojans (11-4), and turning a 2-1 deficit into a 5-2 lead.

Delia Sylvain, a sophomore, tied it at two just four minutes in, and DiMastrantonio gave Massabesic their first lead at 10:25. Co-captain Rayne Whitten took a nice feed from DiMastrantonio five minutes later. Suddenly it was 4-2, and the huge partisan Mustang crowd could sense victory and a potential state championship rematch with Cheverus (an 8-7 loss by team green last year at Fitzpatrick).

The feeling was enhanced even more when Karlie Pike made it 5-2 with five minutes left in the game after Foglio made a nice rush and assist.

“We felt really good there at 5-2,” said Whitten. “Coach (Brooks Bowen) called timeout right away and told us we needed possession and to stay focused ... we couldn’t do it and they’re a really good team, next thing we know it’s tied.”

Bowen’s next timeout, after three goals by the Trojans in less than one minute, came with a hushed silence hovering over the Mustang faithful, but panic wasn’t part of the conversation.

“We needed to stick to our defensive rules, it was a great reminder,” said Whitten.

Said Foglio, “All year it’s been ‘trust each other, play together’; they’re great coaches.”

Overtime for lacrosse consists of two, three-minute periods with teams changing ends after the first block. Massabesic gained possession in the first period and worked the ball around, seeking the last shot. DiMastrantonio took a feed from Pike with time winding down, spun into the circle and fired a shot that rang off the post and came straight back to her. Her follow up shot was another good one, but it was turned aside and the game moved into overtime period two.

That period was pretty even, with smothering defense prevailing. The Trojans had possession for much of the first two minutes, but they could only generate one shot, which was calmly turned aside by Megan Hill (six saves). Co-captain Jolene Lampron picked up the ground ball for Massabesic off the Hill save and advanced the ball deep into the TA’s zone, flicking a tough angle shot towards goal with time expiring, but to no avail.

Sudden death overtime was now the order of business: first goal wins.

“We had to have possession on that faceoff,” said Whitten.

Ultimately, they got it, but only after a wild scum that had at least 12 girls scrapping for a loose ground ball for what seemed like an interminable amount of time.

Enter Foglio, who muscled her way into the mix and came away with a key ground ball pick up.

“Had to have it,” she said. “Of course, I messed up the play we set up in the timeout ... Karlie sets up down low and I come off the side looking to collect a pass.”

With the clock winding down under one minute, no timeouts left, the play they had set up botched, it was up to the players to do what they’ve done so well over the last two seasons: play.

“Just let them play,” said Bowen. “Plays don’t always work; we have things we talk about trying to do when they don’t work, but this team is so smart.”

The Mustangs seemed to collect themselves as time ticked down under 40 seconds, a sense of patience prevailing as they made simple passes around the circle and behind the net. DiMastrantonio made a thrust towards goal, but the ball was knocked loose, so she circled back to recollect it before dumping it to Pike behind the net.

Pike, a junior who has turned in a superb campaign for Massabesic, faked a move to her left to shake a defender, spinning away to her right to complete the move, and catching sight of Foglio cutting right, high across the top of the circle.

Foglio collected Pike’s perfectly executed high, arcing pass in full stride, headed towards goal all in one quick motion, eluded a closing defender (the clock ticking under 10 seconds!), did a half spin fake to her left before ripping off the game winner just inside the goal post with the clock reading 9.4.

Pandemonium.  
“There was so much energy

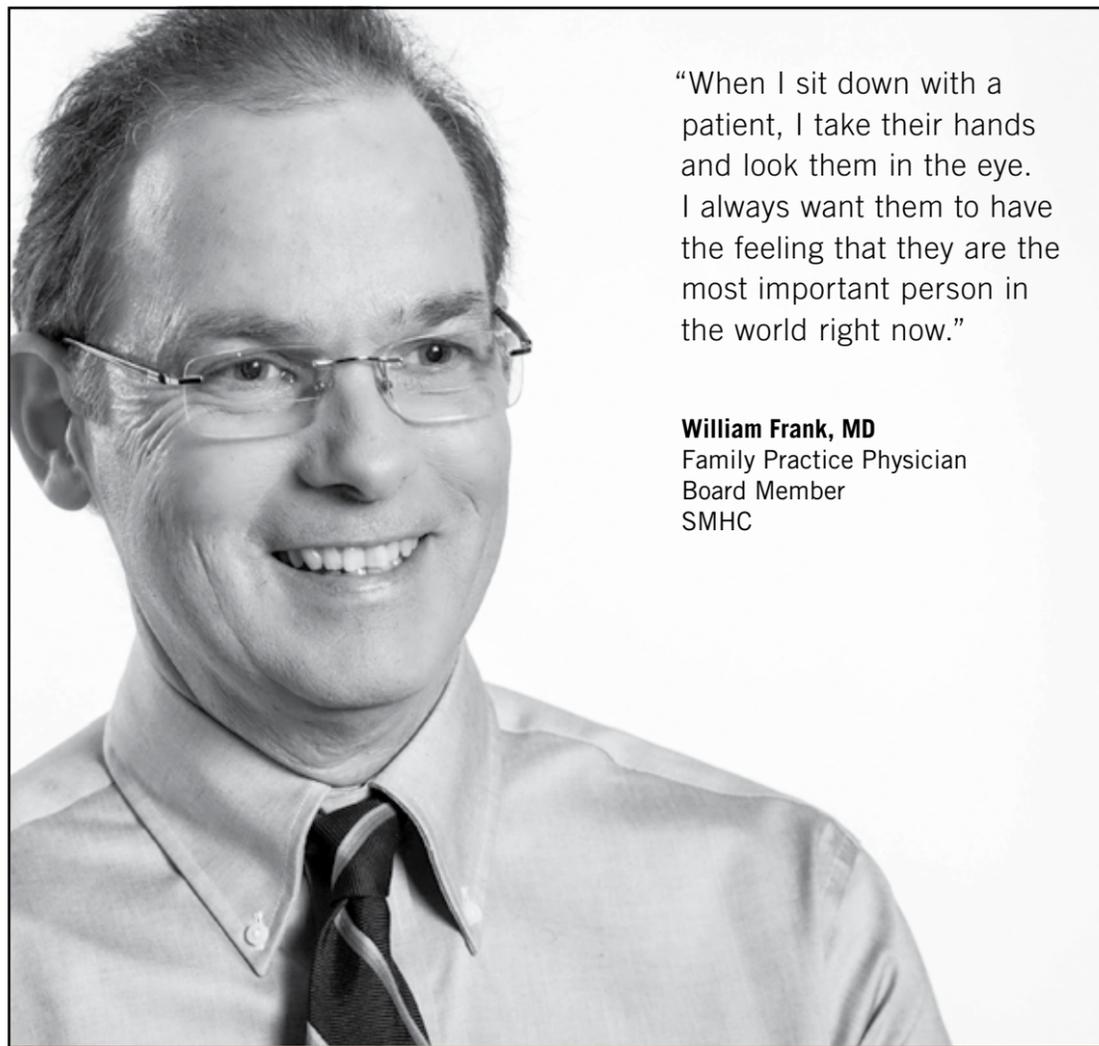
out there,” said a thrilled but gassed Alexis Foglio immediately after the game. “I blew the play we called off the timeout, but Karlie (Pike) sees everything out there, she found me ... we just did what we did, we click.”

Jackie Guillemette, a senior, is the fourth captain for Massabesic along with Foglio, Lampron and Whitten. Massabesic will face Cheverus, Class A Eastern champion, for the state title on Saturday at 3 p.m. at Fitzpatrick in a rematch of last season’s title game, won by Cheverus 8-7.



Delia Sylvain, above. At right, Rayne Whitten leaps for the ball with teammate Jackie Guillemette in the foreground.

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Cheverus topped the Mustangs 8-7 in the state championship game last season and the teams will meet Saturday in a rematch to determine this year’s state champion. On May 15 of this season, host Massabesic beat Cheverus 12-10. Below, a look at how each team fared against like opponents.

### CHEVERUS 5-2 VERSUS LIKE OPPONENTS

- Deering W 14-2
- Portland W 12-3
- Thornton W 9-6
- Scarborough W 14-12
- Windham W 11-2
- Marshwood L 11-10
- Gorham L 9-8

### MUSTANGS 8-0 VERSUS LIKE OPPONENTS

- Deering W 16-2
- Portland W 13-7
- Thornton W 6-5 (Class A West title game)
- Scarborough W 8-5
- Windham W 6-5
- Marshwood W 7-6 / W 11-9 (Class A West semi final game)
- Gorham W 10-9