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Pamela Boyden of Lyman riding Mabel as part of a therapeutic riding lesson at Carlisle Academy. COURTESY PHOTO

Old Home Days back, bigger and better

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After a one-year hiatus, Waterboro's Old Home Days celebration is back, and with the influx of new energy on the enlarged committee's part, it promises to be bigger and better than ever. New elements include a talent show on Friday evening, the addition of classic and antique cars to the parade on Saturday morning, and a number of Field Day events on Saturday. In addition, amusement rides will return, to be featured both Friday and Saturday this year.

Many people were very disappointed when, due to a lack of volunteers, Old Home Days did not happen last year, after 27 consecutive years of celebrating the annual event. A Face-

book group was started to see if something could be put together for last year, but it was too late. Then April Tucker and Crystal Arsenault stepped forward, inviting anyone who was interested to form a new committee, and Cindy Durney, Debbie Eisenhauer and Todd Smith, members of the former committee, agreed to help the new group get up to speed. The rest is history, as the town website now lists 15 members on the Old Home Days Committee.

Old Home Days will start at Massabesic High School on West Road Friday evening, July 10, with rides, games, food and vendors. Featured rides will be the Rock-O-Plane, the Swinger, Round-Up, Tempest, the Fun House, Rockets and Caterpillar. The Bush Pilots, Ed Estabrook and Toby Guimond, will return

once again, to let anyone interested try their hand at flying a remote-control airplane from 5:30 to 8 p.m. For the first time there will be a Talent Show from 6 to 8 p.m. on the flatbed stage behind the high school by the modular classrooms. Thirteen acts have signed up to entertain the crowd. The judges will be Troy Chenard, Chara Gannett and Mariel Roy. Chuck Grover will serve as master of ceremonies for the show. The evening's events will close at 9 p.m.

On Saturday, July 11, there will be a one-day parking ban on one side of Middle Road, Federal Street and West Road. Cars parked there will be towed at the owners' expense. Saturday's activities will begin with the 28th Old Home Days Parade, which will run from

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A therapeutic ride

By JOY SPENCER

Pamela Boyden, a longtime resident of Lyman, has been taking therapeutic horseback riding lessons at Carlisle Academy in Lyman this past spring and has an inspiring story she'd like to share.

Q: What led up to your decision to try horseback riding?

A: My left shoulder was replaced in 2007. My left knee was replaced June 25, 2010. The right knee was replaced Oct. 10, 2010, and my right hip was replaced Nov. 8, 2010. When I woke up in the recovery room after that last operation I was told that I had had a massive stroke.

Q: What effects have you been dealing with since that last operation?

A: I have no feeling on my left side from my ear to my toes, and my left hand is crippled. However, my peripheral vision has come back in the left eye.

Q: What was your life like before the stroke?

A: I was quite active. I used to play tennis, dance and swim. I was an avid swimmer and enjoyed the sport at least three times a week. I used it for therapy after the stroke, but developed A-Fib,

so now I can't swim. Until January of 2010, I took care of my husband, who had Alzheimer's.

Q: What forms of therapy have you tried?

A: I spent two months in the New England Rehabilitation Hospital and 100 days at Seal Rock in Saco. Then I had physical therapy at home. Lately I have been trying acupuncture.

Q: Why did you decide to try horseback riding?

A: I have loved horses since I knew a horse from a cow. My husband, Pep, and I used to rent horses and go riding on the beach with other people.

Q: What was it like to get on a horse for the first time after your stroke?

A: I was in absolute terror. My brain was telling me that I was falling. There was an assistant on each side of me and one leading the horse. They kept assuring me that they wouldn't let me fall, but they couldn't convince me.

Q: How long did this go on?

A: For quite a few sessions. I finally said to myself, "I have to get over this." My brain was playing tricks. I knew I had to make a new pathway. I'm still trying to find my balance.

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Buxton school going the way of Union Station



S.D. Hanson School in Buxton was slated to come under the wrecking ball July 1, but the school remained standing with no activity at the site as of July 1. Concerted campaigning by two historical groups to save the building from demolition proved to be in vain. (Also see letter on page 15.)

PHOTO BY KERRY DEANGELIS

By JAN HILL
Guest columnist

Has the MSAD 6 school board voted to rescind their vote to demolish the historic, structurally sound, and useful Hanson School building? Will Hanson be leased, licensed, sold, or torn down?

On June 10, the school district voted not to rescind their decision to demolish Hanson over the

objections of a good number of emails and local citizens in attendance, as well a strong letter from Maine Preservation urging their reconsideration.

Whether the historic 1930 classroom section and the 1952 gym annex would be leased, sold or torn down was still up in the air; the details were complicated.

Members of CHARM (Community Heritage Alliance of Rural

Maine) knew Hanson could be sold, but the school district was reluctant to relinquish the 2 acres of land required in the Buxton Village Zone. The state requires 17-21 acres for a school the size of the Buxton Center Elementary School, which now sits on 21.7 acres. Selling Hanson with 2 acres would have retained 19.7 acres for Buxton Center Elementary, well

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OLD HOME DAYS

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Straw Mill Brook Road to the high school, starting at 10 a.m. This year's theme is "Life's Shining Moments." Grand marshals for the parade will be the Massabesic Special Olympics team. For the first time those with classic and antique cars have been invited to join the parade. Route 202 will be closed on Saturday from 9:45 to 11 a.m. from Straw Mill

Brook Road to West Road for the parade. Drivers are asked to seek alternate routes.

Helicopter rides will be offered for \$35 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., conducted by York County Helicopters, and the annual cribbage tournament sponsored by Waterboro Parks and Rec will take place at noon in the MHS cafeteria. Starting at noon and running until 4 p.m., there will be an inflatable obstacle course in the gym operated by Magical Moonwalks.

Another first this year will be the water field day games, hosted by local nonprofit youth sports leagues. At 12:30 p.m., Massabesic Area Youth Football and Cheering will host a water race and, at 1 p.m., Massabesic Youth Wrestling will sponsor a water balloon toss. At 1:30, the Saco Valley Little League will offer sponge hits and, at 2 p.m., there will be a wet sponge throw hosted by 57 Stallions Hoops. The water games will close at 2:30 p.m., when Massabesic United Soccer will offer water balloon volleyball.

Meanwhile, at the stage, the Brooks Dance Center will present a number of dance acts by students of different age groups at 1 p.m., followed by demonstrations by students and members of Saco River Martial Arts at 2 p.m. The Southern Maine Cheer Katz will perform at 2:30 p.m., and from 3 to 5 p.m. there will be Music by Mark Kelley, with piano and vocals, performing melodies of our times. Then from 5:30 to 9 p.m., the local southern Maine band Agent Onion will present classic '80s rock, new hip hop, and rockin' country music, featuring Meg Gregoire, Laura Gero, Tim Sabeau, Rick Ramsdell and Stu Bourque.

At dark, a little after 9 p.m., the long-awaited fireworks will explode into the night sky. Touted as "the greatest display around," the display will be presented by Atlas PyroVision.

Following the fireworks, drivers who park around the high school are alerted to the fact that exiting on the tennis court side of Massabesic High School will be left turn only, while the exit on the Massabesic East side will be right turn only.

BRIEFS

Grange Hall parking lot face lift

The Waterborough Historical Society is extremely pleased to announce that the Grange Hall parking lot has received a face lift through the generous donations and volunteer work of Waterboro businesses working together.

The work included expanding, leveling, adding gravel for resurfacing the parking lot, as well as, adding loam and seed to the parking lot apron.

The Society would like to thank Scott Ohman and crew of G&F Excavation; Doug Foglio, Sr. of Foglio, Inc.; and Dana Brown and crew of D&R Paving.

A special thank you goes to Cory Woodsome of Woody's Sports Grille for his donation, including organizing and overseeing the work.

Church summer sale

The Limerick Congregational Church is holding their Annual summer sale on Friday, July 10 and Saturday, July 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a bake sale on Saturday as well. Sponsored by Women's Fellowship.

Bean supper at Willowbrook

Willowbrook Village in Newfield will be holding a Bean Supper on Saturday, July 11 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The menu will include a variety of beans, hot dogs, pork roast, homemade salads and desserts. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, and \$4 for children 12 and under. Proceeds will benefit the museum's ongoing projects and programs.

Limerick garden tour

Tickets are now on sale for the Limerick Garden Tour, which will be held on Saturday, July 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rain or shine.

Take a leisurely stroll through gardens, both beautiful and functional, speak with the gardeners and get ideas for your own space. All proceeds go to the Limerick Public Library. Tickets are \$10 per person (children under 12 free) and are available at the library, Nature's Way Greenery or the Hungry Hollow Café.

Basketball 3 on 3 tournament

The 57 Stallions Youth Basketball Association is hosting their second annual Stallions Summer Shootout which includes a 3 on 3 basketball tournament at Friendship Park in Waterboro on Sunday, July 12. Games start at 9 a.m. for adults and youth grades 3 through 12. Teams consist of 3 to 4 players and games will played on the outdoor courts at Friendship Park and Massabesic Middle School. The cost is \$10 per player for the all-day event which includes a BBQ, music and activities for all ages. Registration is open and forms are available on the 57 Stallions Facebook page or by email at 57stallionshoops@gmail.com. You can also register at the 57 Stallions booth at Waterboro Old Home Days on July 10 and 11. Registration forms and payment should be mailed to 57 Stallions, PO BOX 1094, Alfred ME 04002.

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Goodwins Mills dedicates new fire engine

Approximately 130 people attended the dedication ceremony for the new 2015 Pierce Saber Rescue-Pumper at the Goodwins Mills Fire Station June 30.

Also during the ceremony, Fire Chief Roger Hooper presented the Chief Coyle R. Meserve Outstanding Service Award to Lt. Patrick Sarto for excellence as department's EMS training officer.

Hooper also commemorated the 1987 Ford fire engine that has been replaced with the new 2015 Pierce. The Ford, known as En-

gine 3, on its commissioning day in October 1987, was dedicated to the memory and service of past Fire Chief Edward Mullen. Bouquets of flowers were presented to Mullen's daughters Marjorie Lord and Faith Johnston. A plaque was presented to Mullen's son, Bruce Mullen, also a past Goodwins Mills fire chief and the current chief of the Arundel Fire Department.

The highlight of the evening was the dedication of the new Pierce Rescue-Pumper, designated as Engine 83. The engine

is dedicated to the service and memory of Capt. Steve Dupras who passed away in 2013. Dupras served the Goodwins Mills Fire Department for over 20 years and eight years in a full-time capacity. He was also a past member of the Acton and Arundel fire departments, and was very active in the York County Firefighter Academy and Juvenile Fire Setters program. A plaque was presented to his son, Alex Dupras.

Fire Chaplain Kevin Jacques blessed the new engine and

prayed not only for those who will ride in it, but also for those who will be served by it.

Hooper spoke about the technologies the new pumper will bring to the community and the planning and preparation that went into its design. "The junior firefighters here tonight will be tasked with designing its replacement, 30 years from now," Hooper said. He also recalled the history of the department's engines and their colors. "Our first engine in 1953 was completely

red. Thirty years later, Engine 3 was white over red. Engine 3 brought us new technologies and innovations we never had before. Like Engine 3, Engine 83 brings us new technologies and innovations we never had before. With that, the new color denotes a change of an era in our community." Engine 83 is gray over red.

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Planner's work praised at lunch

Town Planner Tom Ursia was honored by friends and coworkers Wednesday, June 24, when a lunchtime farewell was held at Waterboro Town Hall to celebrate his retirement.

After Ursia showed a video of his favorite pastime, Information Technology Manager Dave Lowe also showed a slide show about salmon fishing, but Lowe's drew laughter, as Ursia's image had been Photoshopped into the various photos.

Jack Seery, president of the Friends of the Waterboro Library, said, "I met Tom at a selectmen's meeting just after he had been hired. His first comment was how excited he was to see the sign announcing the site of the



Tom Ursia

New Waterboro Public Library. Over the years he was very supportive of our efforts to build the new library. In addition, Tom has a breath of vision and resources that made a major contribution to Waterboro. That breath of vision and resources is very evident in

the Comprehensive Plan. He will be missed."

Bob Powers, chairman of the 20/20 Master Plan Committee said in an email, "I first met Tom through his wife Dianne when she and I were officers in the Sanford / Springvale Chapter of the American Red Cross. This was back in the '80s and Tom was the town planner in Sanford.

"My main association with Tom has been via my involvement in the 20/20 Master Planning endeavor. Throughout this project I found Tom to be a great leader who was very insightful and outcome oriented. He worked very hard with our committee and he provided us with great leadership. His insistence that we generate top-notch, user-friendly, finished products that are tailor-made for Waterboro was relentless. As the process evolved Tom and I became good friends, and my respect for him and my appreciation for his professional-

ism, competence and dedication grew and grew. I am thus very appreciative of his efforts and I genuinely value him as a good friend and colleague."

New hours at library

The Waterboro Public Library will have new hours beginning Monday, July 6. The library will be open again on Tuesday, and close one hour earlier on Saturdays. This is because five hours were recovered at town meeting, of the hours lost a few years ago.

The new hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Program change for historians

Due to the unavailability of the planned program leader, Cindy Hamilton of the Cindy Hamilton Americana Workshop in Kennebunk will appraise an-

tiques and collectibles brought to the Waterborough Historical Society's program on Thursday, July 9. The public is invited to bring one item per person for her review and general valuation. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Grange Hall, 31 West Road, South Waterboro. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Jim Carll at 247-5878.

Waterboro Pantry at Old Home Days

The Waterboro Community Pantry will have a table at Old Home Days, and will be selling raffle tickets to raise money for the pantry. Committee Chairwoman Cleo Smith has been making signs for the children from the "Forever Young Daycare" to hold as they march in the Old Home Days parade. The daycare is also making a banner for the Waterboro Community Pantry.

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The Fourth of July and PTSD

Often victims of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) suffer in silence. This Independence Day, Easter Seals Maine wants to remind people to consider those who may be triggered by fireworks and help support veterans in this new way. For veterans needing assistance, Easter Seals Maine is available to help.

As the saying goes, you can't judge a book by its cover – as is often the case with mental illness.

"I once worked with a Vietnam veteran who showed no signs of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) for years after returning home," said Paul Lipman, a clinician at Easter Seals Maine. "He functioned well for many years until he attended a Memorial Day commemoration ceremony where they shot-off a cannon; the sounds and concussion from the cannon triggered PTSD."

In his capacity at Easter Seals Maine, Lipman knows many veterans who wage an inward battle with PTSD.

"Although PTSD is seen as a mental disorder, I tend to view it as an emotional wound resulting from experiencing or witnessing a traumatic event – i.e., a horrific, frightening, often life-threatening event that often involves feelings of helplessness, loss of control and feeling overwhelmed," Lipman said. "First responders, such as police, EMTs and firefighters can experience vicarious PTSD as well."

This Independence Day, Lipman and the staff at Easter Seals Maine want to remind people to be aware that not all Fourth of July celebrations are universally well received.

"Triggers for PTSD depend on what caused the trauma in the first place. For veterans it can be loud noises of any kind, situations where they don't feel in control such as crowds of people, getting cut off by someone in traffic, etc.," said Lipman, adding that it isn't just holidays or public gatherings that can serve as PTSD triggers.



"Often veterans have trouble holding onto jobs because they do not want a boss who controls them and tells them what to do. Anything that reminds them of the trauma can be a trigger. So a smell, a sight, a feeling, a sound, etc. can be a trigger. For example, if someone was in Iraq, seeing an Arab in civilian life could trigger a PTSD response, seeing something by the side of a road that reminds them of a hidden IED, hearing Arabic being spoken, being in a climate or setting similar to Iraq, all these and more can be triggers."

Fortunately, there are many treatments for PTSD that are being offered to veterans throughout Maine, including at Easter Seals Maine, as part of their comprehensive military and veterans services program. When veterans came home from Vietnam and

wars prior to Vietnam there were few, if any, avenues for treatment. That, thankfully, is no longer the case. Some treatment modalities are: CPT (Cognitive Processing Therapy), PE (Prolonged Exposure therapy), DBT (Dialectic Behavioral Therapy), Mindfulness Training, EMDR (an eye movement therapy) and supportive individual and group therapies. Lipman says support groups can be particularly beneficial to veterans by letting them know they are not alone in what they are going through.

"The important thing for families and neighbors to know is that they need to be patient with a veteran with PTSD. Although outwardly he/she may look the same, inwardly they have been changed by their traumatic experiences. It takes time and therapy to heal," Lipman said, adding that often family/friends will complain about how the vet has changed. "Don't try to force him/her to talk about their experiences, but let them know that if they want to talk you are willing to listen. Don't be

afraid to ask a veteran what he/she needs in a given moment – sometimes they may be able to tell you.

"Healing can happen, and veterans need to know that it is not a weakness, but a strength for someone to ask for and get help when they need it. Veterans do not need to suffer in silence and they need to know PTSD is real and not something made up as an excuse for their behavior."

If a veteran is aware of a trigger, like fireworks during the Fourth of July, they can choose to avoid the celebrations or prepare themselves mentally. However, unexpected or impromptu neighborhood fireworks could lead to a nightmare in their own homes.

"Since loud noises and crowds can trigger PTSD symptoms in veterans, July 4th is not a comfortable holiday for many of them," said Lipman. "If they need to be low-key and celebrate quietly they are not being 'party poopers', they are just trying to cope and stay safe during a holiday that can cause them to feel unsafe."



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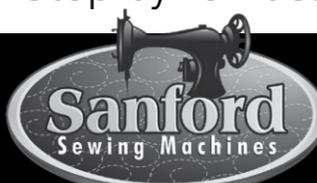


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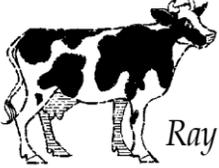



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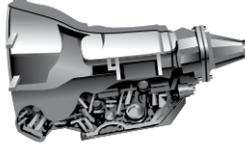
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SPORTS

Valley boys getting it done

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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Shaker Valley scored twice in the fifth inning and three times in the top of the sixth to secure a thrilling 9-6 win in the second round of the 9-10 Little League All Stars on Tuesday, June 30 over Kennebunk Blue.

It wasn't easy, as the Valley Boys, who scored three runs in the top of the first, nearly gave the game away by committing four errors against a Kennebunk squad who played mistake-free baseball.

Shaker Valley led 4-3 after three innings, but Kennebunk plated three runs in the fourth on two hits, two errors and two walks to take a 6-4 lead.

Collin Scully led off the fifth for Shaker Valley with a walk and

he moved to second when Thomas Griffin followed with a single. Both runners got into scoring position with stolen bases and Scully scored on a wild pitch to get Shaker Valley within a run. After a groundout kept Griffin at third Brent Ridley delivered him with a run-scoring single, but the rally ended after that, leaving the score deadlocked at six.

Kennebunk came up empty in their half of the fifth and Shaker Valley's bats went back to work in the sixth.

Carson Bell, who pitched the final two frames, yielding just one hit, drew a one-out walk. Ty Boissonneault (2-3, BB, 3R) moved Bell to second with a single up the middle, but Scully (1-2, 2BB, 2R) bounced back to the mound leaving Kennebunk one out away from es-



Shaker Valley's Caleb Binette.

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caping the jam.

Griffin would have none of that as the catcher ripped a double to center, plating both runners. Isaiah Jones knocked Griffin in with an RBI single and the Valley Boys, who banged out 11 hits in total, were suddenly in the driver's seat, leading 9-6.

Bell gave up a two-out single in the bottom of the sixth, but Kennebunk couldn't muster any runs to make it closer.

On Saturday, June 27 Shaker Valley topped Alfred/Lyman (A/L) 11-10 in an error filled affair. A/L jumped out to a 2-0 lead, but Shaker Valley scored eight unanswered runs to go ahead 8-2 after two innings. A/L got a run in the third but the Valley Boys scored a pair in their half and it looked like it was going to be a laugher with the score standing at 10-3.

A/L began to chip away, scoring two in the fourth, one in the fifth and four huge runs to tie it at 10 in their final at bat in the sixth.

Dylan LeTellier, with help from Brent Ridley, helped Shaker Valley walk off with a win in the bottom of the sixth. The former beat out an infield hit with one out and he



Shaker Valley's Ty Boissonneault.

moved to second on an error and to third on a wild pitch.

Ridley delivered Letellier with a long sacrifice fly to center on the second pitch of his at bat, sending the Valley Boys and their fans into delirium.

Collin Scully reached base in all four of his at bats with a single,

a pair of doubles and he scored two runs. Thomas Griffin went 2-4, scored two runs and he pitched the first four innings, fanning seven and giving up zero earned runs.

Their next game is Sunday, July 5 at 5 p.m. vs. York at Bernier field in Lyman.

Massabesic Legion squad even at 3-3

Weston Bergeron pitched nine shutout innings and he drove in the winning run in the 10th with a double to lift Massabesic's senior legion baseball team to a 1-0 win over

host Noble on Tuesday, June 30.

Remi Gatejens, who closed out the win in the bottom half of the 10th started the top half off with a double before Bergeron delivered

the teams biggest hit of the early part of the season. It was the third extra inning affair for Massabesic who evened their overall record at 3-3.

On Saturday, June 27 host Massabesic dropped both halves of a twin bill to York.

Gaetjens was touched for a run in the first before settling in and pitching well. Still, York pushed across a pair of runs in the fourth after Massabesic had tied it at one and they added three in the final frame to blow the game open, closing with a 6-1 win.

Game two was a nail-biter. Noah Eichler pitched the first six innings, throwing 100 pitches and giving up just three runs. Massabesic battled late once more to tie it and force extra innings, but York manufactured a run in the top of the eighth to grab a 4-3 win.

By Michael DeAngelis

57 STALLIONS Summer Events

Summer Shooting Clinic
July 6 & 8

This 2-night clinic will feature instruction dedicated solely to the art of shooting the basketball! The clinic will involve shooting evaluations and individual and small group instruction, all focused on **improving your shot!**

WHEN? Monday, July 6 and Wednesday, July 8 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

WHERE? Massabesic High School Gym

WHO? Boys and Girls grades K-12

COST? \$30 per person for 2-night session

HOW DO I REGISTER? Contact us via email or print registration form from our Facebook page.

Old Home Days
July 10 & 11

Come visit the 57 Stallions at Waterboro Old Home Days on the Massabesic High School grounds. We will have games, free giveaways and official 57 Stallions gear available for purchase or order. We are also hosting a Field Day Event at 2 p.m. on Saturday. **Come join the fun!**

2ND ANNUAL Stallions Summer Shoot Out
Sunday, July 12

A 3 on 3 basketball tournament and barbeque with music, food and other events going on all day at Friendship Park.

WHEN? Sunday July 12. Tourney starts at 9 am.

WHERE? Friendship Park, Old Alfred Road, Waterboro.

WHO? Youth (grades 3 thru 12) and Adult divisions

COST? \$10 per player

HOW DO I REGISTER? Contact us via email or print registration from our Facebook page. We will be taking registrations in person at Waterboro Old Home Days on July 10 and 11. **Register by July 11 to guarantee your spot in tourney!**

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We asked readers to send us photos of their flag projects from Massabesic Middle School's 7th grade Technology Education class to be entered into a drawing to win a \$100 VISA gift card. Here are some of the photos sent in and posted to our Facebook page...



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Flag by Morgan Houk, 2012.



Flag by Collin Morris.



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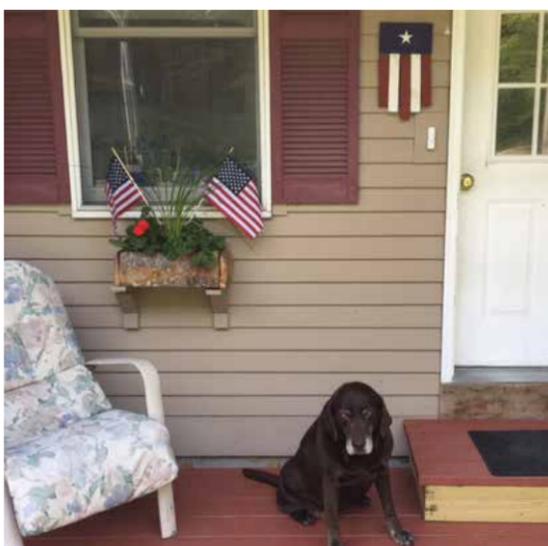
Flags by the Foglios: Adam (2004), Amy in (2007, technology class switched things up with a flag planter this year, Emily (2010) and Evan (2014).



Flag by Jason Guinard, 2014.



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Class of 2015



Massabesic Center for Adult Learning held their 2015 graduation on June 18. Back row, from left, Superintendent John Davis, Dustin Donegan, Joseph Walsh, Student Advisor Martha Gagnon, Devin Brown, and Craig Gerry. Front row, from left, Assessment Coordinator Martha Roberts, Destiny Savoie, Utopia Brooks, Samantha Martineau, Hannah Patch and MCAL Director Barbara Gauvin. COURTESY PHOTO



Happy Certified Nursing Assistants are ready to go to Work! Recent graduates from MCAL, from left, Mariah Chapman, Dawn Redman, Alison Nobert and Patricia Nason, R.N. COURTESY PHOTO

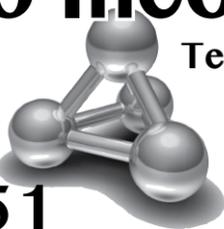


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Festival fun forthcoming

A colorful poster that the Alfred Festival Committee plans to sell is a new feature of Alfred Festival this year. Fifteen on heavy stock are being ordered, and will be a fine souvenir of the festival. Pictures of past events and a complete listing of the day's 2015 events are included.

The program follows the same schedule as in past years, beginning with the Lions Club's chili/chowder/pie challenge 5-7 p.m. Friday, July 17. Entertainment will be provided by jazz and blues singer Linda Pouliot with Charles Jennison on the piano.

Saturday, July 18, will begin with the Lions Club pancake breakfast from 6 to 10 a.m. in front of town hall. The road race and walk race will be held at 8 a.m., followed by the Grand Parade. This year Alfred's favorite centurion, Martha Roberts, will be the grand marshal.

A series of activities will follow the parade, including the library book sale, which begins at 9 a.m. There will be multiple children's activities on the courthouse lawn. For adults there will be vendors with food and crafts, a penny auction, antique cars to admire and demonstrations.

The Northern Explosion Cloggers, who are always a favorite, will perform from 11:15 to 11:45 a.m.

The Kennebunk River Trio, which includes Emily and Steve McKinnon, will play 1-3 p.m. and 5:30-8 p.m. A bass player will join them during the afternoon performance and a bass player, drums and flute during the evening. Both the Alfred Village Museum and the Shaker Museum on Shaker Hill will be open until 4 p.m.

The evening dinner on the 18th will be catered by the Oak Street Bistro at 5 p.m. Lobster

will be \$22 (or two for \$30) and chicken for \$20. George Donovan is taking reservations and may be called at 252-4976.

There will be parking at the old Blue Door Inn on Route 202 and handicapped parking at Parsons Memorial Library during the village festivities.

On Sunday, July 19, the Alfred Conservation Commission and the Parish Paddlers will hold their annual picnic at the Brothers Beach at noon. It's a potluck picnic with attendees asked to bring food to share.

Calling all cooks

Do you have a favorite family recipe for chili, chowder or pie? Or one you created yourself?

Enter your best recipes at the 13th annual Chili, Chowder and Pie Tasting Contest during Alfred Festival Day. All chowder and chili entries must contain a minimum of four quarts (preferably six quarts) and must be submitted in a four or six quart or larger Crockpot and must be hot when delivered under the big tent in front of Alfred Town Hall.

There is no entry fee for the contest.

Judging will begin promptly at 4:45 p.m. The tasting will begin at 5:30 p.m., or when the judging is complete.

The tasting includes chili and chowder samples and one slice of pie, plus punch.

All entries become the property of the Massabesic Lions Club, which is sponsoring the event, and will be dished out at the tasting to be held after the judging is completed.

Ribbons and prizes are awarded for the best chili, best chowder and best pie for first, second and third place.

The cost is adults \$7, children 5 to 10 are \$4 and under 5, free.

Property purchase proposed

The Alfred Board of Selectmen were approached at the May 26 meeting about buying a 33.6 acre lot on Shaker Pond that is



Boy Scouts Skyler Lenteigne, left, and Jesse Gonnevill have their zip line harnesses attached by a Ripple Effects guide on Cow Island preparatory to using the zip line. COURTESY PHOTO

currently owned by the Brothers of Christian Instruction. All details about the offer will be researched with a study group made up of various town committees and residents. The information will be passed on at meetings in the near future so residents can make an informed vote. Watch for notices.

Permits granted

Codes Enforcement Officer Jim Allaire reports that in June he issued building permits to Adam Pierson on Gile Road for a demolition and a shed; to Marilyn Babcock on Gore Road for a deck; to LaVorn Silvestri of Keywood Manor for a roofed porch; Ronald Myrick of Crestview Drive for a shed; Scott Durepo of Oak Street for a mechanical installation; James Thompson of Woodchuck Avenue for a deck and to Woodledge for a sign.

Plumbing permits for subsurface waste disposal were issued to Giles Farm on Shaker Hill (for the sap house) and to Richard Donovan on Woodchuck Avenue.

Internal plumbing permits were issued to Marc Plourde of Waterboro Road, Scott Durepo of Oak Street, Giles Farm on Shaker Hill and Ralph Dean on Bennett Road.

Statistically speaking

Town Clerk Andy Bors reports that as of June 29, there was one birth in Alfred, three deaths, one marriage, seven altered dogs licensed, two unaltered dogs licensed and six hunting and fishing licenses sold.

Scouts visit Cow Island

Boy Scout Troop 345 enjoyed a real adventure last weekend with a visit to Cow Island, a 26-acre piece in Casco Bay, 3 miles from Portland. The weekend began with several Scouts hiking the 20 miles from Saco to South Portland's Spring Point Marina, where they met the rest of the troop Friday afternoon. The hikers were Andrew Lanoix, Nick Roberge David Roberge, along with Scoutmaster Richard Lanoix. Then a boat trip was taken to Cow Island to camp overnight.

On Saturday the troop cleaned up the public beach for "Ripple Effects," a community-based youth development organization that specializes in ventures and wilderness experiences that build confidence and self esteem.

The Ripple Effects guides took over with a tour of the island's mansions, bunkers, gun mounts, pill boxes and history lesson of the island, which is also known as Fort Lions. The guides, Noah and Todd, worked with the Scouts on team-building concepts such as rope games, rock wall climbing and zip lines. The day ended with a Scout Circle Up, which was new to the two guides. Everyone spoke of the great time they all had and then ended with a prayer before taking the boat back to South Portland.

Those who went on the island camp-out were Andrew Lanoix, Nick Roberge, Mike McCabe, Jesse Gonnevill, Skyler Lenteigne, Scoutmaster Richard Lanoix, Assistant Scoutmaster Peter Gonnevill, Marc Thibodeau and David Roberge.

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THERAPY

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Q: What is it like now?

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Q: How do you feel about your progress?

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the horse is so beneficial. I hope to sign up for another session in the fall.

Q: What would you like to tell other people?

A: Life after a stroke can be rewarding and fun if you are not a quitter. God must have a reason for me to live. A positive attitude has helped me cope. Instead of thinking, "Why me?" I say, "Why not me?" I was so blessed to have my husband in my life for 48 years. He was a wonderful man. I don't want to let him down.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Two days after this interview, Pam fell and broke the femur in her right leg, which was her "good" leg. She is recuperating at Seal Harbor in Saco.

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BUXTON SCHOOL

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within the state required acreage range. Parking was not an issue since it could have been shared.

CHARM members also knew that there was at least one group coming in at the 11th hour this spring with the superintendent's permission to walk through and inspect the building for a potential lease. CHARM learned the group was interested in purchasing the building four years ago, but that information was not shared with school board members or others. Selling, leasing or licensing the building then would have removed it from the shoulders of taxpayers and eliminated the \$170,000 demolition expense faced today.

Members of CHARM think someone in the school district had no interest in allowing others to consider the possibility of a sale or conveyance of the building even then.

The school district has not held a district-wide referendum to demolish, as required by state law, and did not have the authority to order demolition without a valid

referendum. In order to demolish the building, the only other option for the school district was to get the building condemned, which they proceeded to do with assistance from the Buxton selectpeople via Buxton's code enforcement officer, who had previously been supportive of rehabilitating the building for community use with comparatively minimum requirements. Conversely, the school district has been housing their facilities and technology departments at Hanson for the past few years, as they addressed accreditation issues at Bonny Eagle High School.

The school board continued to pursue requests for proposals to demolish, so that a contract could be signed by June 30 and the approximate \$170,000 needed for demolition could be taken from the 2014-15 budget year. On June 18, a decision was made by the MSAD 6 Facilities/Budget Committee to recommend to the school board that a contract for demolition be signed with Dearborn Brothers Construction of Buxton, with demolition to begin on July 1 and end on Aug. 1.

CHARM and the Buxton-Hollis Historical Society go on record in stating that the best use for the Hanson School complex is for the community, in whole or in part. We also feel that the most fiscally responsible and best use of our taxpayer dollars is to get the building off the school district's shoulders by either selling it or entering into a license agreement with a community group, not by demolishing.

Over a period of almost five years, BHHS and CHARM have managed to preserve and re-purpose two out of three abandoned MSAD 6 school district buildings. Not too bad a track record we reason, but still, the taxpayers and citizens of MSAD 6 continue to shoulder the burden of fiscally irresponsible decisions. Hundreds of such buildings like Hanson all over Maine have successfully been rehabilitated and re-purposed with a cooperative will and a vision towards positive change and growth. We deeply regret the lack of insight, the waste of historic and community resources and taxpayer dollars by the leadership of our towns and MSAD 6.



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 The Town of Waterboro is seeking an additional one or two **COMMITTEE SECRETARIES** for a small number of hours each month to prepare agendas and take minutes for some of the town's boards and committees. The Town is specifically seeking someone that will be available to attend the Economic Development Committee meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m., with occasional additional meetings. We would also like someone that would be available to cover other meetings when the regular secretary is not available. Applicants must possess excellent grammar and writing skills as well as Microsoft Word and Excel proficiency.
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LETTERS

Demolition of school unwarranted, waste of taxpayer money

Perhaps you remember all of the drama surrounding MSAD 6 school board's preemptive decision to demolish three historic school buildings in Hollis and Buxton: Hollis High School, 1912 Bar Mills Elementary School, and S.D. Hanson High School. During the past few years, members of the Buxton-Hollis Historical Society (BHHS) and Community Heritage Alliance of Rural Maine (CHARM) have successfully shown that these buildings can be repurposed, retaining both their historic and economic value for the communities. Hollis High School has been sold and is being developed for business use. 1912 Bar Mills Elementary School was leased to BHHS, which has nearly finished its substantial rehabilitation for community use as an history library and museum.

During this time the S.D. Hanson High School was not addressed because the MSAD 6 school board decided that they could use the space themselves. For the past few years they have housed their facilities maintenance and IT departments there. They have also been using the gymnasium for storage. Although a group of citizens was ready, willing, and able to begin renovating the gym (there is a dearth of gymnasium space in this district), the presence of the vast amount of furniture and supplies in storage

prevented access.

To make a long story short, the school board has abruptly issued an RFP this month and intends to demolish the building on July 1. (see article written by Jan Hill, president of Buxton-Hollis Historical Society, describing what we believe is an underhanded maneuver to demolish the building without other considerations.)

In particular, when we found out about the immediacy of the plan to demolish the building, Sue Orfant-Gillette, president of CHARM, notified the board that they had not followed the requirements of the state statute, which requires that the citizens of the district must vote to demolish a school building. The Buxton selectmen asked their code enforcement officer to condemn the building. Upon receiving this letter of condemnation, the school board was able to continue their plan to demolish the building without a referendum.

We are very upset that the school board has chosen to make important decisions with taxpayer money in a back room atmosphere. The demolition will cost \$170,000 plus another \$30,000-\$35,000 for hazardous waste abatement and an unknown figure to clean up the leftovers; a possible use for the space is to extend the parking lot. They consider themselves "fiscally responsible." We don't agree.

Meg Gardner, vice-president, Buxton-Hollis Historical Society; board member, C.H.A.R.M.

Unacceptable error

I was shocked to read the front-page story in the June 26 edition of the *Reporter* that Waterboro's Town Administrator, Gary Lamb, was responsible for the over-collection of the county tax from Waterboro taxpayers by \$424,283. An error of this magnitude is unacceptable! Evidently the Town of Waterboro does not have a system in place to verify figures the Town Administrator passes on to the Town Assessor. Therefore, I sincerely hope that the selectmen will immediately put in place a budget verification system that will ensure that future tax assessments are correct. It is the least that should be done in light of this unbelievable error.

It is not easy for many taxpayers, especially those who are retired, to pay the ever-increasing tax assessments in Waterboro. The least we should expect from our elected officials is that the taxes collected are correct.

Mary Libby Waterboro

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Respectively,
Lorraine Marcotte Waterboro Massabesic Project Graduation Committee

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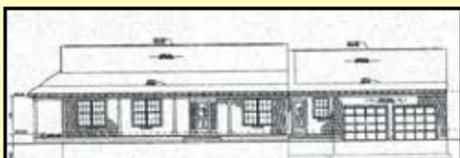
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Map 36 Lot 27 Indian Village Road, Shapleigh .59 acre wooded back lot with right of way to Square Pond \$52,900

Map 36 Lot 28 Indian Village Road, Shapleigh .59 acre wooded back lot with right of way to Square Pond \$55,000

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