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Fundraiser planned for recent MHS grad

By ANN FISHER

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It's not the type of milestone anyone wants to celebrate, but as the three-month anniversary of the accident that left him seriously injured approaches, Kyle Etheridge is in good spirits and determined to walk again, according to his mother.

His spirits will no doubt be lifted even higher with a fundraiser being held to help him meet his medical expenses. Family and friends will be holding a benefit concert and silent auction Saturday, Aug. 16 at the Gold Room in Portland.

Kyle was on his way to work May 18 just hours after his senior prom when he fell asleep at the wheel in Sanford and crashed, leaving him with a serious spinal cord injury.

According to his mother, Kimberly Etheridge of Lyman, Kyle had just started a job at Shaw's Distribution in Wells and had completed a shift Saturday morning. He brought his girlfriend to prom that night and was on his way back to work at 5 a.m. Sunday when tragedy struck: Kyle's vehicle drifted from the road and hit a tree, resulting in an injury to his spinal cord. He was left with little sensation from the waist down.

In the weeks since the accident this spring, Kyle has undergone surgery to replace the broken vertebra by "fusing his spine with plates, rods, nuts and bolts," said Kimberly Etheridge. Kyle then

spent a month at New England Rehab in Portland.

Proceeds from the all-ages event will help meet the no-doubt substantial expenses incurred from his rehabilitation. Included will be live music by the Night Rockers, along with a silent auction, raffle, and 50/50.

"We are also in great need of donated items for the silent auction and are reaching out to local businesses and individuals for assistance," said volunteer organizer Donna Wiley. "Donations such as gift certificates for goods and services, gift baskets, T-shirts, artwork, etc., would be extremely helpful to our cause."

"Kyle spends a lot of time in a wheelchair, and is using braces and crutches to walk, but he's determined to walk unaided," said Kimberly Etheridge.

Kyle is not only determined – he went so far as to ask his physical therapist for more work to do – he was also an inspiration to other patients in rehab, most of them elderly. His father had videotaped much of his therapy and, said his mother, therapists are using the tape to encourage those in similar situations.

Etheridge was living in Waterboro with his father at the time of the accident. He is now living with his dad and recuperating in Florida.

"I feel it will be a good place for him to heal," said Kimberly Etheridge.

It's proven to be a good place for Kyle to move forward with his

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At right, Kathy Bergeron, of Parsonsfield, reads to her grandson, Cameron O'Donnell of Limerick, while C.J. Pike, author of the book "Amelia's Garden," looks on. (See related story on page 6.)

PHOTO BY SHELLEY BURBANK

Dispatch switch off to a good start

By SHELLEY BURBANK

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Since the town of Waterboro transferred its emergency communications and dispatch services from the center in Sanford to the dispatch center in Biddeford July 28 everything has been going well, according to Waterboro Fire Chief Matthew Bors. "It's been a week, and the calls have been busy," he said. "There have been no complaints or issues."

Bors said he feels very comfortable with the switch. For the past five years, Waterboro contracted with the Sanford Regional Communications Center, which is one of the state's Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) for 911 calls, as well as the dispatch service for many area police, fire and rescue departments. It is also the dispatch for the York County Sheriff's Office, according to the center's website. With the contract due to expire, Waterboro decided to take a look at its dispatch options.

"Our contract with them was due to expire at the end of June," Bors said. After consideration, the decision was made to switch to the smaller City of Biddeford Communications Center, which is located at the Biddeford Police Department. The Biddeford center is also a state PSAP for Enhanced 911 service. The contract with the Biddeford center will run for two years, a time frame that will put the contract up for renewal at the same time as the center's

other contractors, said Bors.

In making the decision to switch, Bors said there were a number of factors. The Biddeford dispatch is a smaller entity, he said. It heavily relies on a computer-aided dispatch system that routes calls to the appropriate stations automatically, depending on the location of the emergency and the emergency vehicles available at either the main station or the station in South Waterboro. Bors said the Waterboro Fire/EMS Department spent three months on data entry for the system, and so far he feels it is working well. Another factor is that the center is run by the Biddeford police chief and deputy police chief, which Bors feels comfortable with.

Additionally, the contract with Biddeford is less expensive, though Bors stressed that was not the biggest factor.

Overall, Bors feels the people working at the Biddeford dispatch center have a passion for their

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Kyle Etheridge, a recent graduate of Massabesic High School, is determined to walk again after a car accident left him with a serious spinal cord injury on May 18. A benefit concert and silent auction is being held at the Gold Room in Portland on Aug. 16.

COURTESY PHOTO



Waterboro Fire Chief Matthew Bors is pleased with new dispatch service.
PHOTO BY SHELLEY BURBANK

Community Calendar

ANNUAL REUNION OF LIMERICK HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI Saturday, Aug. 9 at noon at Whiteley Beach on Pick-erel Pond, Emery Corner Road, Limerick. The 50th anniversary of the class of 1964 will be honored. A light lunch will be served. This annual event is a great way to connect with former classmates and friends. In case of rain, meet in the Limerick Library meeting room. FMI contact Jackie 793-8222 or Nina 793-2368.

ART IN THE BARN & CRAFT FAIR sponsored by the Waterborough Historical Society will be held Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 9 and 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine, at the Taylor/Frey/Leavitt House Museum, 6 Old Alfred Road at the intersection of Route 5 in Waterboro Center. Local artists will display and sell their work in the barn, and crafters will be set up on the grounds. Food, society merchandise and tours of the 1817 Deering Schoolhouse and museum will be available.

CAR WASH Odyssey of the Mind will be holding a car wash Saturday, Aug. 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Massabesic High School to benefit Team Cammy and the Richards Family. The proceeds will help to offset the cost of Cammy Richards' recent surgery. Cost of car wash is by donation. Come out and help support this courageous little girl.

TUTTLE OFFICE HOURS Democratic Sen. John Tuttle of Sanford will hold office hours on Saturday, Aug. 9 from 10 a.m. to noon at Waterways Coffee Shop in Waterboro, located at 816 Main Street.

LYMAN REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE will be meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 12 at 6 p.m. at the Community Library in Goodwins Mills. Registered Lyman republicans and undeclared voters are invited to attend. Follow on facebook at Lyman Maine Republicans.

BENEFIT DANCE & AUCTION for Kyle Etheridge Aug. 16 at the Gold Room, 512 Warren

Ave., Portland. Live music by the Night Rockers Band, silent auction and 50/50 raffle. Doors open at 7 p.m. Band starts at 8 p.m. Tickets available now for \$10 per person by calling 776-4820. To purchase tickets online go to <http://www.kylestrong.myevent.com>. All proceeds will go directly to the Kyle Etheridge recovery effort.

BAKING RAFFLE AND PIE SALE Tickets to win a baking-themed basket are now on sale at the Newfield Library. The basket's contents coincide with a pie sale planned for Saturday, Sept. 6 at the Newfield Farmers & Artisans Market in front of the municipal office and library on Route 11. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and can be purchased during regular library hours.

ANNUAL SERVICE at the historic Old Corner Church, corner of Federal Street and West Road in South Waterboro, is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 17, at 2 p.m. Guest minister Rev. Virginia Gass of the First Baptist Church of Sanford will deliver the sermon and special music will be provided by Gordon Trail and Jan Thibeault. A ramp at the church steps provides easier access. Following the service and refreshments, Friends of Old Corner Church will have its annual business meeting. Those interested in joining the effort to preserve the 1804 landmark are encouraged to attend and participate. FMI Maureen 247-3784

FREE PASSES Goodall Memorial Library is 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 the website at www.lbgoodall.org.

FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER CLASSES Tired of renting? Homeownership may be within reach. Learn about the home buying process, no down-payment mortgage options, repairing credit and much more. HUD certified classes are held monthly at YCCAC, 6 Spruce St. Sanford. For information visit www.yccac.org or call 459-2961.

CRAFTERS AND ARTISANS WANTED York County Shelter Programs invites crafters and artisans to participate in a juried Artisan and Craft Fair, part of the 5th Annual Shaker Hill Apple Festival weekend, held on the beautiful grounds of the former Alfred Shaker Village, Shaker Hill Rd., Alfred, Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 13-14, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. Crafter participation fee for the two-day festival is \$60 for a 10' x 10' space and \$70 for a corner booth, while they last. Proceeds from the festival will benefit homeless and hungry people served by York County Shelter Programs. To participate, contact Michelle Wilson at mmcc@creativemw.com or Joan Sylvester, 324-1137, Ext. 105, or email joans@ycspi.org.

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



BEAN SUPPER AT WILLOWBROOK with pork loin, dogs, and homemade salads and desserts, 5:30-7:30, Sat., Aug. 9 at the Sandwich Shop at Willowbrook Museum. \$4/\$7/\$8.

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 at 10:30 a.m., hot meal 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.

MAMA MIA'S PASTA & PIZZA DINNERS at York County Shelter Programs' Dining Commons, Shaker Hill Road, Alfred, are every Friday night through Aug. 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.

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Watch out, distracted drivers

A new public awareness campaign against distracted driving was recently unveiled.

The centerpiece of the campaign is signage on several large commercial trucks that travel the roads of Maine, with the message, "One Text or Call, Can Wreck it All." So far 16 trucks have the signage on their cargo sections and the Bureau of Highway Safety intends to add to that number.

"What better way to remind Maine drivers than to reach them while they are actually driving on Maine roads," said Lauren Stewart, director of the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety. "The Bureau has made the reduction of distracted driving one of its main priorities. It's a great way to reinforce the message that we want you to 'Survive Your Drive.'"

Gov. LePage, who has seen the trucks in his travels around the state, praised the effort.

"I commend our Maine-based distributors for stepping up with their trucks and partnering with the state on this important campaign," he said. "Last year, according to the Department of Transportation, 3,111 car crashes in Maine were caused by distracted driving. One crash is too many. Mainers can count on my administration to move forward with this message and to enforce our laws."

In addition to the signage, the bureau has allocated funding to the state police for several special enforcement efforts, which will begin this month. All of the funding to combat distracted driving comes from federal highway safety grants and the Federal Motor Carrier Safe-

ty Administration. In all, more than \$600,000 in federal money is being used to conduct the safety and public awareness effort.

Col. Robert Williams, chief of the state police, said troopers will be looking for distracted drivers utilizing several unconventional methods. These include observing from highway overpasses, at street intersections and patrolling in non-traditional patrol vehicles, including trucks. Williams said, "Distracted drivers are everywhere and not paying attention to their driving. State police plan to send the message -- no distractions and no excuses."

The trucking firms taking part in the effort are East Branch Delivery Services of Bangor, Auburn and Presque Isle; Mark Dyer of Bangor, and Jim and Jason Laptewicz of Portland and Bangor.



Gov. LePage speaks about the newly unveiled distracted driving campaign. COURTESY PHOTO



At left, EMA HAZ-MAT team member Roger Hicks, along with Sgt. Steve Thistlewood and Deputy Duane Fay of the York County Sheriff's Office, inspect a vehicle that transported a DVD case containing suspicious powder. COURTESY PHOTO

Powder found for second time in county

White powder found in a DVD container gave Shapleigh residents a scare, but proved to be harmless.

The York County Sheriff's Office received a report the afternoon of Saturday, Aug. 2 that concerned residents had opened a DVD container and found an unknown white powder inside the movie box. Afraid it was an infectious substance, Christopher Emmons and Whitney Galeucia drove directly to their residence at 569 Shapleigh Corner Road in Shapleigh.

Immediately after arriving home, they washed their hands and summoned the police. The York County Emergency Management Agency HAZMAT team was dispatched to the scene. After donning the proper personal protection, they obtained a sample of the powder. It was determined by police the powder was not a harmful agent, but in a release prepared by Chief Deputy William King Jr. the substance was not identified.

Emmons and Galeucia told police they went to the Redbox DVD machine at the 7-11 store in Springvale around 3:30 p.m. to choose a movie and settled on "300 - Rise of an Empire." As Emmons drove home, Galeucia opened the box and discovered the white powder.

While awaiting the EMA HAZMAT Team, York County deputies, assisted by Shapleigh, Newfield and Acton fire departments, cordoned off the area and

detoured traffic around the residence.

At approximately 7 p.m. the area was declared safe; the couple did not experience any ill effects.

According to the York County EMA, it was the second time in

that two-week period a suspicious white powder was found. A homeowner in Berwick reported finding a suspicious white powder - later determined to be cornstarch - in the mailbox and summoned authorities.



The Sesquicentennial of the Civil War Event & Maine Antique Power Association Presentation Sat. & Sun. Aug. 16-17, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

***** SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES *****

- ★ Third of Maine Civil War Re-Enactors Encampment. (Sat. & Sun.)
- ★ MAPA presentation of early gasoline engines. (Sat.)
- ★ Ride the carousel, visit our new Hands-On History Building, see blacksmithing and more than 25 buildings filled with artifacts from the 19th century. (Sat. & Sun., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.)
- ★ A demonstration of Minie Ball making, a .58 caliber slug, a sadly effective ammunition of the war. Souvenir versions will be for sale.
- ★ Maine author Lea Wait shares her historical fiction *Uncertain Glory*, a story set in Civil War era Wiscasset, Maine. Reading, talk and book signing. (Sat., 12:30-1:30 p.m.)
- ★ Civil War Medicine, Myths and Minie Balls with Carolyn Lawson. (Sat., 3-4 p.m. & Sun., 1:30-2:30 p.m.)
- ★ Color Guard flag ceremony. (Sat., 1 p.m.)
- ★ Steve Bunker of China Sea Trading, in Gray, will share a large display of Civil War cavalry artifacts.
- ★ Our new Victorian Kitchen will be active with butter making and corn bread baking. (Sat. & Sun.)
- ★ A Ballroom presentation of Pinhole Camera Photography with Amy Hagberg. (Sat. 11 a.m.-noon, Sun. 1:30-2:30 p.m.)
- ★ Experience our hands-on telegraphs and Morse code at the museum.
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Waterboro deputy clerk attends institute

Waterboro Deputy Town Clerk Yvette Murray, who also serves as registrar of voters, dedimus justice and notary, recently completed her first year of studies at the New England Municipal Clerks' Institute at Plymouth (New Hampshire) State University. This first year is for clerks who have not previously attended an institute. It offers an introductory course in public administration with interactive classes on communication skills, decision making, management theory, inter-government relations and procedures and media and written communications. Clerks in the first year experience practical lessons in general and theoretical courses.



Yvette Murray

veloping and maintaining the high level of administrative expertise needed for the successful operation of increasingly complex municipal governments. Completion of the three-year program entitles graduates to apply for the International Institute of Municipal Clerks' coveted Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation.

Murray's tuition was paid for by a combination of a \$150 contribution by the town of Waterboro, a grant from the York County Clerks' Association, and personal expense. She was one of only two Maine clerks in the New England-based 19-member cohort that will move on as a group in the second and third elements of the program.

When asked what she found to

be the most significant experience of the program, Murray replied, "So much! Learning about good communication, building relations between town hall and the community, and returning with a new level of energy for my job. I also learned that I have more to learn, which is an added level of professional development for me."

When she completes the second and third years of her training, Murray hopes to attain the Master Clerk designation.

By Brigit McCallum

Waterboro Property Tax Club

The Waterboro Select Board announced the fifth year of a Tax Club program for the fiscal year beginning July 1. The Tax Club allows homeowners to pay property taxes over the course of the year using a payment book issued by the town once an application has been completed and tax commitment set. Taxpayers must make payments by the 15th of each month to take advantage of the "no interest" benefit. The plan is automatically terminated if a pay-

ment is late, and the taxpayer is subject to the same due dates and interest rates as other taxpayers who are not participating in the club. Applications for the club must be made before Sept. 1 and the first payment received by Sept. 15.

Any property owner who wants additional information or would like to join the club can fill out an application at town hall and will be contacted to finalize the application. FMI stop at town hall or call 247-6166.

DISPATCH

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work. "They are clear, concise. It's a good fit."

Residents should not notice any difference when they pick up their phones to dial 911. Dispatchers take incoming calls for emergencies such as fires, accidents, and matters requiring the help of police. Asking questions, dispatchers get pertinent information from callers and then send appropriate responders to the scene via radio communications frequencies. While fire and emergency medical service calls are now being handled by Biddeford dispatch, police services for Waterboro remain in the hands of the York County Sheriff's Office which is dispatched from Sanford.

"The county deputies are all dispatched through Sanford's dispatch center, so nothing changes there with our switch to Biddeford dispatch, said Waterboro Town Manager Gary Lamb, who confirmed that the town will continue to be served by contract deputy Shawn Sanborn. "Our York County Sheriff's Office contract deputy Shawn Sanborn is our one and

only Waterboro police officer. He works his full 40-hour shift solely in and for Waterboro, except for an occasional out-of-town emergency he might respond to. He is a county employee and is supervised by county staff, although I only need to call him if I have something for him to look into."

Lamb said he is thankful for the strong fire and emergency medical services staff in the town of Waterboro. "Our Waterboro Fire and EMS staff continues to be very busy and works hard to answer calls with the highest level of professionalism and training possible. We are pleased to be part of the SMCC firefighter and EMT training program as we house student employees in our Central Station. We are also very thankful that we continue to have a strong firefighter call force that provides much-needed manpower throughout the year."

Chief Bors explained that the Waterboro Fire Department regularly houses and trains students enrolled in the Southern Maine Community College Fire Science program. Students "live-in" rent-free at the station in exchange for being on-call members of the department. "We have some starting

in at rookie school in Falmouth today," Bors said. After this initial training, Waterboro fire personnel begin training the students on equipment, and they are supervised on the job. "Most of these kids have experience as volunteers from where they lived," Bors said. Many of these students end up going to work full-time in larger, city departments such as Portland.

The Waterboro fire and rescue station is staffed 24 hours a day by personnel that are paid per call. Lamb emphasized the important job these students, volunteers, and paid personnel do for the town. "The next time you see one of our volunteer call force members, make sure you thank them for being willing to leave their families at all hours of the day and night to respond to emergencies and work with our full time crew. Our department provides assistance on many mutual aid calls to our neighbor towns, and those same neighbors do the same for us when our fire trucks or ambulances are tied up on calls."

The town of Alfred has also switched their dispatching services from Sanford to Biddeford.

KYLE ETHERIDGE

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life. Kyle, who has always loved to tinker and fix up dirt bikes to sell - his mother calls him her "little barter king" - is taking an online course to become certified to work on ATVs and dirt bikes. He also plans to take a mechanic's course as well.

"I feel either way, Kyle will

be fine," said Kimberly. "He has great determination and his spirits are great."

"He doesn't stay down."

Tickets to the fundraising event are \$10 and may be purchased by calling 776-4820 or online at www.kylestrong.myevent.com.

To donate towards Kyle's medical expenses, go to <http://www.gofundme.com/9htcjo>.



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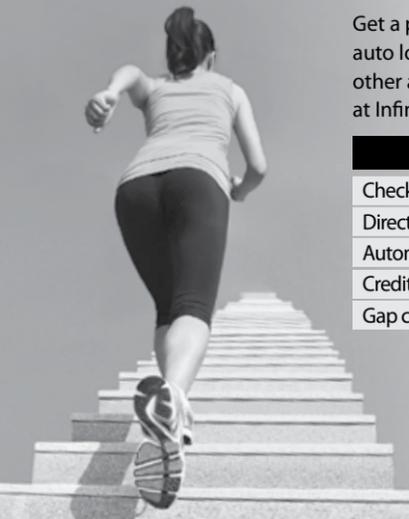
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Cemetery Committee seeks adoption of Knight Cemetery

Waterboro has well over 100 cemeteries and the committee has only four members. Sixteen cemeteries have been adopted, and a few are taken care of by volunteer Russ Jensen, including the one behind the town hall, next to the library and the memorial by the old Central Fire Station in Waterboro Center. The rest are up to the committee. Angela McCoy, the committee's secretary, said, "It would be really helpful to have more committee members to help out, and to have people adopt a cemetery."

One of the cemeteries that needs to be adopted is Knight Cemetery, located two-tenths of a mile north of Gobeil Park, across from Bagley Road. Two infants and a Civil War veteran and their families are buried there. It is near the road, so there will be no need to lug equipment far.

According to McCoy, adopting a cemetery just means checking it a few times a year and rake, mow, and remove fallen tree limbs as needed. Volunteers are also asked to inform the committee of any broken stones that need repair. Even volunteering one day to clean out a cemetery would be helpful.

"I have been told we can give community service hours to high school students who want to help, so that might be a good way for them to get hours," said McCoy. Besides cleaning cemeteries, the



A stone found buried under layers of pine needles and dirt in the Knight Cemetery. It will be reset this summer. PHOTO BY BRIGIT MCCALLUM

committee repairs broken stones, photographs the cemeteries and each stone in them for the photo project, and documents what is written on each stone. McCoy says members have documented and photographed 68 cemeteries that can be found at <http://waterborocemeteries.smugmug.com>.

McCoy recently joined MOCA (Maine Old Cemetery Association) and went to their summer meeting last weekend and learned of a workshop they put on called "Leaning and Cleaning." MOCA members come to a town and visit a cemetery that fits the criteria, and spend the day teaching volunteers how to clean stones and to straighten leaning tablet stones. McCoy is trying to find a cemetery in Waterboro that fits the requirements, and also find

out how much hosting the workshop would cost. She also learned that Eastern Cemetery does repairs and cleaning every weekend and invites anyone to come help out. In the process they will teach the correct way to do these tasks. Eastern Cemetery is located at 224 Congress St. in Portland. It is taken care of by an organization called Spirits Alive. The link to the program is <http://www.spiritsalive.org/stones/conserv.htm>. McCoy is planning to go there this summer to learn how to clean and repair stones.

Get some exercise and help preserve the historic sites in Waterboro. For more information, call Angela McCoy at 651-1059, email her at angelamccoy@waterboro-me.gov or the committee Chairwoman Donna Mayo at donna mayo@waterboro-me.gov and check out www.facebook.com/waterborocemeteries.

Annual service at Old Corner Church

The annual service at the historic Old Corner Church, located at the corner of Federal Street and West Road in South Waterboro, is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 17, at 2 p.m. The sermon will be delivered by a guest minister, the Rev. Virginia Gass of the First Baptist Church of Sanford, and special music will be provided by Gordon Trail and Jan Thibeault. A ramp at the church steps will provide eas-

ier access. Following the service and refreshments, members of the Friends of Old Corner Church will hold their annual business meeting. Those interested in joining the effort to preserve the 1804 landmark are encouraged to attend and participate in various plans for repair, fundraising and utilization of the church for community events. For more information, call Maureen at 247-3784.

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Local author signs book at gift shop

Children's book author, C.J. Pike of Newfield, chatted with customers and signed copies of her picture book, "Amelia's Garden" at Vickie's Olde School Gift Shoppe in Limerick Saturday, Aug. 2. The book tells the story of a single mother mouse who loves to garden, take care of her children, bake, and sew, but finds she's a little lonely. She and some friends decide to go to a dance where they have fun and make plans to go out more often. A chance meeting with a neighbor mouse, Alfred, at the end of the story leaves readers with the impression that Amelia won't be lonely any more.

Pike, who has written for many years for both print and television, said she started "Amelia's Garden" 10 years ago when she had some extra time. "I just really love to write," she said, sitting in one of the big white rocking chairs beneath the shady trees

in front of the quaint shop. "I liked the name Amelia."

Taking a few online and live classes geared toward children's writing, Pike continued to perfect the book. Eventually she decided to have the book published by RoseDog Books out of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The cute watercolor illustrations were done by graphic designer and artist Virginia Souza of Wells. The book was released in June 2013.

Vicki Carroll, the proprietor of Vicki's Old School Gift Shoppe, said the shop offers many children's books for sale, as well as cookbooks. The shop has been open for just over a year now, and the addition of a portable sign out near the road has really lured in customers this summer who gobble up as many of her homemade pies as she can bake. "I've been baking and selling 24 to 27 pies per week," Carroll said. She makes the pies all by hand, rolling out the crusts and filling them with seasonal berry fillings such as blueberry, raspberry, and peach. She expects to have 30 pies on hand this week.

Research Club likes to read

The GFWC Research Club of Limerick held a book share and swap Tuesday, Aug. 5 as part of its monthly meeting at the Limerick

Public Library meeting room.

Following the regular business meeting, members of the club presented interesting books they had either recently enjoyed or were old favorites. These books included memoirs, mysteries, romances and general fiction. Members were encouraged to swap their books and, during the refreshment time after the discussion, many conversations about favorite authors and books continued.

During the business meeting, Treasurer Jackie Foglio reported that a letter sent to local businesses soliciting donations for the replacement of several worn flags displayed around town had brought in \$300 in donations - enough to purchase at least 11 flags. Other projects include getting a Facebook page up and running, as well as continuing to gather food and personal hygiene items for the Massabesic High School pantry that helps homeless students. The Research Club is also organizing care packages to be sent to an MHS graduate who is now transitioning to college.

Next month's meeting location has been changed from the Brick Town Hall to the downstairs meeting room in the basement of the Limerick Municipal Building. The meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 6 p.m. and will include a potluck supper.

Limerick High School reunion

Do you remember when the Limerick Municipal Building and library was Limerick High School? Have you been wondering what your old classmates and school chums have been up to over the years? Are you looking for a chance to reminisce and reconnect with friends?

The annual reunion of Limerick High School Alumni will be held at noon Saturday, Aug. 9 at Whiteley Beach on Pickerel Pond, Emery Corner Road, Limerick. This is the 50th anniversary of the class of 1964, and members of the class will be honored at the celebration.

A light lunch will be served. In case of rain the reunion will be held in the Limerick Public Library meeting room.

This annual event is a great way to connect with former classmates and friends. FMI contact Jackie Foglio at 793-8222 or Nina Stitson at 793-2368.

Social time: Pig roast at Yellow Farm

The Yellow Farm, site of the Diane Snow Art Gallery on E Range Road, was the venue for a pig roast and potluck party hosted by Snow Saturday, Aug. 2. Around 60 guests showed up for the rollicking down-home affair, including neighbors, classmates and family.

The barn was decked out with strings of lights, and a bevy of musicians entertained the guests into the evening. Young violinist Morgan Peppe played the fiddle, Wayne McKenney treated guests to folk songs on the guitar, Scott Worthing also performed on the guitar, and the Kennebunk River Band entertained with contemporary music. "What was really cool was when they all got on stage and played together. That was awesome," said Snow.

Although the skies threatened rain earlier in the afternoon, the clouds cleared by evening, and a full moon shone down on the festivities as guests hung out in the barn, danced, or stood around the bonfire.



At the July 28 selectmen's meeting, Michael McLean was reappointed as Limerick's fire chief. FILE PHOTO

If you have a social event you would like covered by Limerick Farm & Village--special birthdays, anniversary parties, bridal showers, family reunions, etc. please contact Shelley Burbank at sburbank@waterbororeporter.com or call 651-4017.

Attention sports fans

Shirley Keller of the Limerick Historical Society will be presenting a program about the history of sports in Limerick. The program will be held at the Limerick Municipal Building downstairs in the basement level meeting room. Keller will be talking about where Limerick residents used to play basketball and baseball games, how sports fields have changed in town over the years, and may even surprise a few people when they learn a ski tow rope used to run on one of the hills in Limerick.

Bring the family to learn about sports history in a rural Maine town on Thursday, Aug. 21.

Speaking of sports

It's time to register the kids for recreational soccer. Limerick Recreation Soccer sign ups will be held 6-7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11 at the Limerick Recreation Field on Park Street.

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IFW seeks comment on proposed changes to state threatened and endangered list

Written comments accepted through Aug.15

The Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is seeking comments from the public on proposed additions and changes to the State of Maine Endangered and Threatened Species list.

The proposed changes include recognition of six new species under the Maine Endangered Species Act, including three bats and three invertebrates. Three cave bats are experiencing catastrophic declines from a prolific disease called White Nose Syndrome, first documented in 2006. Little Brown Bats and Northern Long-eared Bats are proposed for endangered status, while the Eastern Small-footed Bat would be classified as threatened.

Three new invertebrate additions to the list include a butterfly (Frigga Fritillary), a land snail (Six-whorl Vertigo) and a beetle (Cobblestone Tiger Beetle). All three are currently documented in single locations and are proposed as endangered.

Other changes include status changes for four species already listed under the Maine Endangered Species Act. Two birds, the black-crowned night heron and the great cormorant, are proposed to be upgraded from threatened to endangered. Two invertebrates, the Roaring Brook Mayfly and Clayton's Copper Butterfly, would be down-listed from endangered to threatened.

Those interested in submitting public comments by writing must do so by Aug. 15. Comments can be submitted by email to becky.orff@maine.gov or by mailing comments to Becky Orff, Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, 284 State Street, #41 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333.

There currently are 22 species designated as endangered on the state list, and 23 species are listed as threatened. For the listing of all

45 species on the Maine Endangered and Threatened Species list, visit http://www.maine.gov/ifw/wildlife/endangered/listed_species_me.htm.

The department is required by regulation to update the state's Endangered and Threatened Species list at least once every eight years. The department will consider public comment received before presenting the department's final recommendation of the list to the legislature in 2015. Any additions or deletions to the list must be approved by the legislature and governor.

Proposed additions to Maine's Endangered Species List

BIRDS

- Black-crowned Night Heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax*) – currently Threatened

- Great Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo*; breeding population only) – currently Threatened

INVERTEBRATES

- Cobblestone Tiger Beetle (*Cicindela marginipennis*) – new listing

- Frigga Fritillary (*Boloria frigga*) – new listing

- Six-whorl Vertigo (*Vertigo morsei*) – new listing

MAMMALS

- Little Brown Bat (*Myotis lucifugus*) – new listing

- Northern Long-eared Bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) – new listing

Proposed additions to Maine's Threatened Species List

INVERTEBRATES

- Roaring Brook Mayfly (*Epeorus frisoni*) – currently Endangered

- Clayton's Copper (*Lycæna dorcas claytoni*) – currently Endangered

MAMMALS

- Eastern Small-footed Bat (*Myotis leibii*) – new listing.

SPORTS



The Maine State Champion Mavericks, which includes girls from Alfred, Lyman, Waterboro and Limerick, recently competed in the Regional Championships in Worcester, Mass. The girls ended up with a 1-3 record, but handed top seeded Rhode Island their only loss, 3-0, of the tournament. Pennsylvania topped Rhode Island in the regional finals. The girls, ages 13-15, who won the Maine State Title after taking down Portland, got superb pitching throughout from Sara Guimond (3 RBI versus Rhode Island) and Katie Shubert. Their defense was led by Phoebe Masse and Kyra Cartwright and their offense was led by Alyvia Cormier. The Maine team also won the banner competition (below).

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Absentee ballot request service enhanced

Maine Secretary of State Matt Dunlap announced that the Online Absentee Ballot Request Service for the Nov. 4 general and referendum election is now available.

The service has been enhanced to facilitate requests from emergency aid workers and displaced voters, should a State of Emergency occur that requires aid workers or voters to relocate. This option will be available only during a State of Emergency and offers functionality similar to requests from Maine residents who are stationed in the military or residing in another country.

The Online Absentee Ballot

Request Service is available at: www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl.

All Maine municipalities are required to accept electronic requests for absentee ballots. Municipal clerks will process the requests and mail out absentee ballots when they become available.

The service allows any registered Maine voter to request their absentee ballot by:

- Completing and submitting their request form online;
- Filling out the request form online, then printing and signing the completed form to mail to

their municipal clerk; or,

- Printing a blank request form to fill out by hand and deliver to their municipal clerk.

The service is available now for voters to submit their requests; however, ballots will not be sent out until 30 to 45 days before the election. Once a voter has submitted their request using the online service, they will be sent an automated email notification containing the information they submitted and a confirmation number. When the request is processed and accepted by their municipal clerk, they will be sent an additional status notification.

Historic Change of Command ceremony

A Change of Command ceremony was held Sunday, Aug. 3



Col. Dianne Dunn

at the Maine Army Aviation Support Facility in Bangor. For the first time in Maine Army National Guard history, a female colonel assumed command of a

battalion. Col. Diane Dunn of Newburg will officially take over for the 120th Regional Support Battalion, after serving as the deputy commander since December.

Dunn replaces Col. Hamilton Richards who will continue to serve the Maine Army National Guard as the deputy chief of staff-logistics.

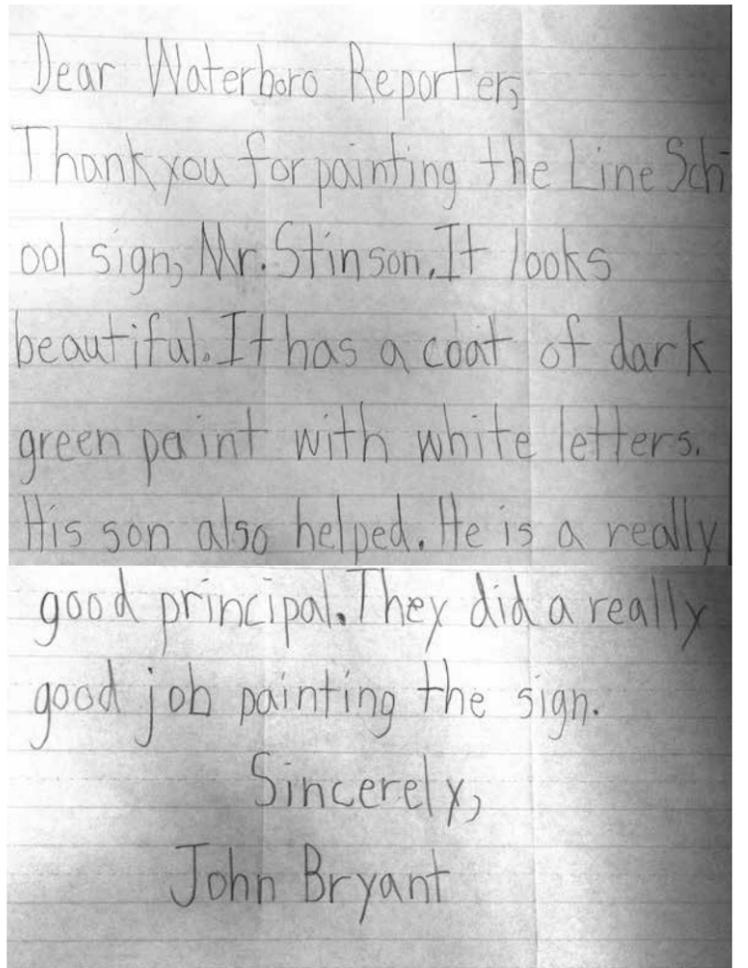
Brig. Gen. James D. Campbell, the adjutant general of Maine, said Sunday's ceremony will be an important historical event for Maine.

"Today's Change of Command between Col. Richards and Col. Diane Dunn, represents a significant turning point in the history of the Maine Army National Guard. The 120th Regional Support Group has just returned from a major national training event and performed exceptionally well" said Campbell. "Col. Dunn has some big shoes to fill but I am confident she will lead the unit to new heights and further solidify its reputation of excellence."

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Letter submitted by John Bryant of Newfield, a second-grader at Line Elementary School. COURTESY PHOTO

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Poetry Corner

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by Kat McMann

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Maine families struggling to make ends meet

As a state we must ensure that we have an economy that is good for all Mainers and that no segment of our society is left behind, especially our children. Unfortunately, children in Maine are struggling economically, and it is time we got back on track. According to the recently released annual child wellness report known as "KIDS COUNT," while Maine children saw improvements in their education, they fell behind in economic well-being.

The report found a number of positive trends relating to how our children are performing in school: more students are graduating high school on time, more fourth-graders are proficient in reading, more eighth-graders are proficient in math, and more children are attending preschool - up to 46 percent.

Recognizing the importance of preschool for our children's future success, this year lawmakers passed a measure to expand access to pre-kindergarten programs in



by Senator John Tuttle

not be for every child, no child should be denied the opportunity to attend a preschool program because of where they live.

Unfortunately, the report also highlighted worrisome trends in our children's economic well-being. Poverty among Maine children increased, with more than one in five children living in poverty in 2012, and more than one in three children now living in households where parents lack full-time, year-round employment.

Maine's children, just like their parents, face substantial economic hardship. For far too many children, home life is becoming an increasing struggle. In fact, thousands of children across Maine are chronically hungry. According to

Maine. The new law provides start-up funding for school districts that want to offer a voluntary pre-K program, using funds from the state's share of casino revenues. Currently, only 60 percent of school districts offer a public pre-K program, and while pre-K may

the USDA, Maine has the third-highest rate of food insecurity in the nation, up from seventh last year, with one in five Maine children experiencing food insecurity.

This past year, the Legislature passed two measures to address the growing problem of child hunger. In February, we overrode Gov. LePage's veto of a bill that gave children increased access to federal summer food programs. In April, the Legislature created a task force to develop a multi-year plan to improve student access to food.

These are good first steps. If we're going to help working families get back on their feet, we need to help parents find good-paying jobs. We know Maine is in the bottom of the pack for job growth in New England, and the lack of jobs is hurting our children.

We need an economy that works for everyone, including parents and their children. At a time when more families are struggling to make ends meet and more children are living in poverty, we must be doing everything in our power to help rectify these trends.

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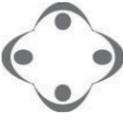
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OBITUARIES

Lloyd P. (Butch) Buchter

Lloyd P. Buchter, 69, of Sanford, died at the Maine Medical Center on July 30, 2014 with his loving family by his side.



Lloyd Buchter

Lloyd was born in the village of Kissel Hill, Pennsylvania on March 15, 1945 the son of Lloyd S. and Luella (Webber) Buchter. He attended

the local schools and worked side-by-side with his family at Buchter Auto Body Shop. As a child, Lloyd was named Butch and for many, this was the only name they knew him by. Butch was gifted with any piece of equipment that needed repair or a complete overhaul. These talents kept Butch employed and he was proud to provide for his family. He made his home in Manheim, Pennsylvania and belonged to the Germania Band of Manheim Club. In 1995, Butch and his wife Barbara moved to Maine.

Butch served with dedication and distinction in the U.S. Army and transferred into the U.S. Air Force Reserves, with a combined total of 20 years of service to our country. Butch belonged to many service organizations which included the American Legion, AM-VETS, VFW and the Elks Club. He was a past commander and held many other positions within these groups. He was loyal to a fault and possessed a huge heart that wanted to serve others. Butch was also a tremendous cook and enjoyed family dinners. He loved to laugh and tell a good story or joke.

Butch loved his family, his home in Maine and his mantra in life could be summoned up with one of his favorite quotes, "It's a great life, if you don't weaken." Butch's laughter, his caring nature and love for his two "babies" – his dogs, Meatball and Bandit – and

devotion to his family and friends will be missed. With the excellent care he received in the hospital, please consider donating blood the next time you see a blood drive in your area.

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Barbara Stritch; his children, Deanie Bromhead, Victoria May Danz, Debra Joy Buchter, Lloyd Philip (Phil) Buchter and Michael R.A. Hartenstine; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephew, and many great and great-great nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Butch's life was held on Sunday, Aug. 3 at the Sanford Elks Lodge.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Salvation Army, P.O. Box 391, Sanford, ME 04073 or to a charity of choice.

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Richard M. Oliver

Richard M. Oliver, 82, of Limerick, died on July 29, 2014, with his wife and family by his side at the Greenwood Center nursing home in Sanford.



Richard Oliver

He was born on August 22, 1931, a son of Ralph and Elva Oliver. He graduated from Limerick High School. Richard worked for G.E. and Sprague Electric as a supervisor, then at Limerick Machine Co. as a machinist. Richard was a long time member of the Masons.

He enjoyed hunting, motorcycling, snowmobiling, and he loved

family events and holidays where he could spend time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his parents and his sister, Carolyn Smith.

Surviving is his wife Marie, his brother Robert, and sons Stephen and wife Sharon, Randy and wife Kimberly, Timothy and wife Donna, seven grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held on August 9 at 1:30 p.m. at the Highland Annex Cemetery in Limerick. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Limerick Rescue, P.O. Box 195, Limerick, ME 04048.

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