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## Buxton barrel business

By CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

As you drive west on Route 202 in Buxton, just past Reynolds Motor Sports and before you get to the Buxton Hannaford, you may have spotted a red, barn-like building with a big stack of wooden barrels outside and wondered, “What is this place?”

The place is called River Drive Barrel Cooperage and Millwork. There are barrels of all different sizes, from smaller barrels that could be held in the crook of your arm, to barrels that are three feet tall, and some that are even taller and wider. In the “Cooperage” they buy, sell, make, but also recondition, repair and refurbish oak barrels.

Owner/Founder Matt Albrecht explained that the barrels go through a five-step inspection process. “We are a quality focused company,” Albrecht said. “These are the cribs and car seats of the brewing industry, the best barrel you ever had.” Albrecht continued to explain that they are working with ‘liquid artists,’ who want a quality product, just as an artist would want to use a quality canvas. “They are making an investment,” he said. One barrel can hold over 200,000 ml of liquid and if breweries are selling their brew in 750 ml bottles, that is about 268 bottles in a barrel.

Albrecht also explained that if the barrel doesn’t meet the quality inspection, it is then sent to their wood shop, their Millwork operation, where it is turned into other wood products, from hardwood floors, to tables and other furniture, to instruments, to tap handles, coasters, cribbage boards and more. That is the Millwork. 100 percent of every barrel taken



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Employees of River Drive Barrel Cooperage and Millwork in Buxton, front row, from left, Larry Smith of Gorham, Jesse Moreau of Springvale, John Weaver of Gorham, Dave Wilson of East Waterboro. Back row, from left, Jared Geaumont of Buxton, owner Matt Albrecht of Buxton, and Matt’s dog Jackson. COURTESY PHOTO BY DOUG LEVY

in is used, if not in a custom-made piece, than burned in the furnace!

How did this place end up here, in Buxton, Maine? Well, like the barrel, this story has its twists and turns, and takes awhile to get around... Albrecht grew up in Connecticut, in a public safety and woodworking family. Like many others in his family, he became a Firefighter/Paramedic. He moved to Maine when working with a live-in program in Pine Point. Then, he took a trip with some friends to the Caribbean. There, he learned to scuba dive. “I fell in love with it,” he said. So much so, that he became certified. He then started helping people, using this new found skill, scuba diving to help recover property, or untangle props, etc.

“I’ve always been fascinated with the history of Maine,” Albrecht continued. “I’ve always had an appreciation for wood and trees, and how you could turn

them into something.” He began to do research and read up on the logging industry in Maine, and the history, and turned that into a business – a reclaimed lumber business. “I would learn where the wood was from books, then go find it and pull it up,” he explained, finding sunken timber under water in rivers and lakes in Maine. That’s where the logo comes from the River Driver on a barrel.

Then, he went on another trip with friends to Ireland, and there, “I gained a respect for whiskey, the history, and the barrel,” he said. “There are Biblical references to the barrel or cask, and the process hasn’t changed much in 2000 years.” The bands around the barrel are made of steel these days, versus wood.

In 2008, Albrecht began to play with old barrels as reclaimed wood. He then began talking to

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## Howe and Howe receives business excellence award

Former Governor Paul R. LePage recently presented five Maine companies with a 2018 Governor’s Award for Business Excellence during a reception at the Blaine House in Augusta.

The 28th annual awards, administered by the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development and sponsored by Consolidated Communications, recognizes Maine businesses that demonstrate a high level of commitment to their community, employees and excellence in manufacturing or service provision.

“It’s been an honor to annually recognize the best of the best here in Maine, businesses that clearly go above and beyond normal day to day operations,” said LePage. “The businesses honored today are dedicated to quality workmanship, maintaining a loyal and dedicated workforce and giving back to the community. I thank each of them for doing business in our state and for setting the bar high.”

The five businesses who received the awards for 2018 were:

**Howe and Howe Technologies, Waterboro.** Internationally recognized for extreme vehicle fabrication and design, founded with the vision of producing innovative vehicles to enable life saving strategies. Founders and twin brothers, Geoffrey and Michael Howe

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**1,000 points!**

McKenzy Ouellette with Carmen Dame Gawronski, the only other Massabesic player in history to score 1,000 career points. (See Page 5 for more.) PHOTO BY DAWSOREN MEDIA

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**FREE COMMUNITY DINNER** Saturday, Jan. 19, 5-6:30 p.m. at Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church on the Mill Pond, Route 35, Goodwins Mills. Shepherd's Pie, applesauce, green salad, rolls, and brownies.

**CALLING ALL QUILTERS!** The Evergreen Quilt Guild will meet on Monday, Jan.

28, from 6-9 p.m., at St. David's Episcopal Church, Route 1, two miles south of Kennebunk Village. Evergreen Quilters usually meet the 4th Monday of each month except July and December. Newcomers are always welcome.

**MONDAY WRITERS** at the Waterboro Public Library, first Monday of every month (when

the library is open) 6-8 p.m. All writers are welcome. Bring a short piece to read and discuss.

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## HOLLIS



Kelley Heath, Hollis Dems Secretary, gives Hollis Selectman, Dave McCubrey a check for \$2,314. The money was raised at the polls on voting day and half was raised by Hollis voters and half was matched by committee members. Funds to be used for emergency heating oil needs. Dave Durrell, Committee President looks on.

COURTESY PHOTO

### HOWE AND HOWE

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first gained notoriety in 2001 with the introduction of the world's fastest tank, the Ripsaw; an unmanned ground vehicle designed for the US Military; and soon after turned their talents in a different direction creating extreme fire trucks, unmanned firefighting robots, and off road tracked wheelchairs.

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**Sappi North America.** Roots can be traced back as far as 1854 to the S D Warren Company, up until its acquisition by Sappi Limited in 1994. Today, headquartered in Boston with over 2,000 employees and three mills in Maine and Minnesota, Sappi is a market leader in converting wood fiber into superior products that customers demand worldwide. Sappi is proud of its strong presence in Maine, and is here for the long haul. In addition to its mills in Westbrook and Skowhegan, the company has a dedicated Technology Center in Westbrook

and a Shared Service Center in South Portland. In 2016, the Sappi Somerset Mill modernized its woodyard and completed a major investment to rebuild Paper Machine #1, expanding the mill's capability to make high-quality consumer-based packaging as well as coated graphics, representing a significant shift in Sappi's North American business. Together, Sappi invested more than \$200 million in these two projects.

**Sea Bags, Portland.** Incorporated in 2006, Sea Bags started by making totes and accessories from recycled sails in Portland. Today, the company designs and manufactures a diverse line of totes, bags, and home goods, all made in Maine from recycled sails. CEO - Don Oakes, President and COO - Beth Shissler, and CFO - Bill McGonagle, have all worked together to grow Sea Bags from just three employees to now more than 140 with 18 retail locations up and down the east coast, and saving over 600 tons of recycled sail cloth from landfills.

Since 1991, the Governor's Award for Business Excellence has been presented to 157 Maine companies. Previous recipients include Idexx Laboratories, L.L. Bean, GAC Chemical, Mathews Brothers, Jackson Lab and Moody's Collision Center.

## New life for Hollis and Buxton Democrats

This past year renewed interest in local Democratic committees has experience a rebirth. In 2017, about a dozen Hollis resident began meeting monthly to reinvigorate their party. Two of their efforts were a booth at the summer Hollis Pirate Fest and a Governors candidate forum attended by every Democrat running for their party's nomination for the Blaine House. This event was attended by more than 160 people!

Shortly after the Hollis resurgence, several Buxton residents began attending the meetings and have grown their base as well. Together, the Hollis and Buxton democrats sponsored a fundraising event at each polling location

that raised more than \$3,700 dollars for our local communities.

In combination with the generosity of both Hollis residents and the Hollis Democrats who matched each donation, a check for \$2,314 was given to Town Selectman Dave McCubrey, to be used for emergency support for those in need of heating fuel. Buxton Democrats raised \$1,400 dollars for the Elden Store at the Buxton Co-op.

Together, the Hollis and Buxton Democrats gave it their all to support Dave Durrell in his effort to win the District 16 Maine House Seat, as well as Justine Chenette and Linda Sanborn for State Senate seats. Each month more people are attending these meetings. In addition to recruiting enthusiastic volunteers and endorsing candidates, the Hollis and Buxton Democrats work to support initiatives and causes that make both communities stronger.

All are welcome to attend their brief monthly meetings on the first Thursday of the month at the Hollis Elementary School Library from 6:30 -7:30 p.m. The next meeting is Jan. 10. Hope to see you there!

- Written by  
Hollis ME Democrats

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## Knights of Columbus donate to Special Olympics program

A breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus was just the thing to celebrate the holidays at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Limerick, on a Sunday, prior to the holiday. The breakfast was held so that the children could sit on Santa's lap to tell him what they wanted. It is a long tradition at the church and a good crowd always shows up.

Members of the church and other guests enjoyed a nice breakfast of eggs, pancakes, meats and all of the fixins' for a nice holiday gathering.

And it was a perfect time for the Knights of Columbus to make donations to three local school districts for the Special Olympics program. Accepting the donations were Kelly Black from SAD #6, Mary Ross from RSU 57, and Roxie Miller from SAD #55.

The money donated to the school districts was raised from the statewide annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Each district received a check in the amount of \$1,184. According to Grand Knight Jon Decentes, all of the money raised goes the schools. He said that they buy large quantities of the

tootsie rolls, and then members go out to local businesses to sit outside and accept donations for the candy. Some of the local spots where you could find them during the holiday season are the Limerick Supermarket, The Milk Room in Waterboro, Plummer's Shop 'n Save in Buxton, and Call's Shop 'n Save in Cornish.

Bill Heaney was chairman of the project at the church, and according to Decentes, they have done quite well with the fundraiser. "Every year it has gone up", he says.

There are people from 11 communities who attend the local Catholic Church at Dora Lane in Limerick. Decentes said that "all of the money raised from the drive goes to the kids, from those communities for the Special Olympics program."

## Learn bookbinding at Curran Homestead

A Letterpress Printing and Bookbinding Class will be held at 19th Century Curran Homestead Village in Newfield on Jan. 12 and 13. Students will learn set type and make a linoleum cut to print an 11" x 14" sheet. They will combine their output and their classmates output into a bound book that they create. With the help of letterpress printer Mark Matteau of the Dunstan Press in Scarborough and Anastasia Weigle, librarian, book conservator, and professional book binder, the books will be completed. Call the museum for more info.



From left, Mary Ross from RSU 57, Roxie Miller from SAD #55, Jon Decentes and Kelly Black from SAD #6. With of course, Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus at St. Matthew's breakfast with Santa.

PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

## Positions open in town

There are several positions in town that are open for nominations for the year 2019. Those positions are: Road Commissioner; Treasurer; Town Clerk/Tax Collector; Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor; and School Board Director for RSU #57, which are all for three-year terms. Papers are due at the Newfield town office before 4:45 p.m. on Jan. 8.

## Meetings

Northern York County Rod and Gun Club - Jan. 4, at the clubhouse, Lewis Hill Road, 7:30 p.m.  
Cub Scout Pack #329 - Jan. 7, at Line School at 818 Water Street at 6 p.m.  
Boy Scout Troop #329 - Jan. 7, at the Scout Hall, at 7 School Street in Limerick at 6:30 p.m. New members are welcome. Call Joe Iannazzo at 850-6237  
Newfield Selectmen - Jan. 8, at 23 So. Effingham Road at the

West Newfield Town Hall at 6 p.m.

Newfield Firefighters training session - Jan. 8, at the Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street in West Newfield at 7 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.

Tea Time - Jan. 9, at the Newfield Village Library at 637 Water Street at 3 p.m.

The Limerick-Newfield Lions - Jan. 10, at the Newfield Historical Society building at 64 Elm Street at 7 p.m.

## LETTERS

### Thanks to Poland Spring

We would like to publicly thank Poland Spring and their employees for their generous donation of bottled water for our community reception after our 25th Anniversary Concert.

It allowed us to use our limited funds to do what we normally do - buy music for our members, fund basic operating expenses and put money towards our music scholarships for local grade school students.

Poland Spring exhibits wonderful community spirit to all the communities in the surrounding area. We thank them for their caring and generosity.

- Cheryl Hall  
Gorham Community Chorus

### Calendar winners and thanks to sponsors

Congratulations to the following winners of the Sept. Calendar Raffle: Larry Stone, Dan Lauzon, Kathie Peterson, Dawna Legere, Rich Belanger, Sharon Waterhouse, Judy Verity, Vicki Grafam, Henry Metz, Quinton Loe, Jeffrey Pillsbury, Donald Gagnier, Tim Abbott, Jennifer Ivey, Richard Jagger, Lisa Lavalley, Cindy Smith, Barry Pierce, Karen Coady, Kenneth Black, Fred Huntress, Lorene Nash, Phyllis Racicot, Lisa Thoresen, Margaret Wormwood, Patricia Beals, Bob Brown, Dot Brown, Joan Dyer, Cathy Bradbury.

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- Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society

## Resolutions, anyone?

This year I have made three resolutions and I am determined to stick to them. The first is to get rid of any unnecessary 'stuff' in my house. The second is to get healthy (this one comes up every year!) And the third is to get out there and just have fun.

So, as we kick off the new year, I'm hoping to do a better job at meeting my goals. And I hope to successfully complete all three, but if I at least complete a couple, I will be happy. But, I could use a little back up encouragement, though, so just in case, wish me luck.

## Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes for twins, David and Daniel Goodfield, Heather Bruhl, Stan Crocker, Denise Dale, and John Godin. Also celebrating are: Brittany Vachon, Sheila Bryson and Shauna Crowley.



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## Santa visits

A surprise visit from a Secret Santa at the York County Food Pantry was welcomed several days before Christmas. Especially so because he came bringing generous monetary gifts for the workers who were registering clients and filling food boxes. Besides the monetary gifts, there were stuffed toys for families with youngsters six years old and younger. These were through the Alfred Parish Church and an Alfred donor. There were approximately 300 families served leading up to Christmas, ensuring many Christmas dinners were enjoyed by York County families.



Volunteers in the York County Food Pantry willingly posed with a Secret Santa who showed up before Christmas while Christmas dinner boxes were being handed out. He gave each volunteer a generous check. Approximately 300 boxes were donated during the week before Christmas. COURTESY PHOTO

## Republican monthly meeting

An election is being held at the Oak Street Bistro in Alfred on Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. The new executive committee, including the county chair, will be elected. The committee chosen will be working to find a strong congressional candidate. The meeting's focus will be on this election and only minimal reporting from current chair, treasurer's report and secretary's report will be given.

## Christmas services

Both the Children's Christmas Pageant and the Christmas Eve Service were very well attended at the Parish Church. The Children's Pageant was especially charming

because toddlers were accompanied by their parents but being toddlers, were somewhat unpredictable. The speakers for the pageant were Joshua Brobst and Aiden Harris. The actual participants were Lydia Gagne as Mary and Anna Gagne as a star toting angel; Henry Tucker, as a shepherd; Vivian Tucker and Arianna Nash as angels; Gordon Smith IV and Shawn Stacey as sheep; Tristan Bartlett as Joseph; Trenten LeBoeuf as a wise man. Their parents, who accompanied the youngsters to the manger, managed to keep their cool throughout wandering youngsters. Su Lachance was the Prophet Michah and Nancy Sobanik was the Prophet Isaiah.

The Christmas Eve service featured fine music by the choir,

also performances by Emily and Steve MacKinnon, Robin Tucker-Gahm, Carolyn Scott, and Taylor Blankenship.

## Church notes

Pastor Sara Bartlett will be on vacation until Jan. 6 when there will be Epiphany with communion in the sanctuary and a Mission and Social Justice Committee meeting after worship. On Jan. 7 there will be a Deacon's meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the chapel, and at 6 p.m. a Trustees' meeting. Church Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Following the Jan. 6 service the congregation will be meeting in the chapel at the regular hour until Palm Sunday when services will again be held in the sanctuary.

## Town hall news

Arlene Carroll is now manning the "Treasurer's Room" at the transfer station and if there is to be a change in hours it will be announced next week.

The December calls at the Alfred Fire and Rescue Building included one structure fire, two mutual aid fires, one report of tree limbs down on wires, two incidents of smoke, odor and carbon dioxide investigation, four fire alarm activation, seven motor vehicle crashes, two calls for basic life support (labeled BLS), two calls for advanced life support (labeled ALS calls), one call stating no manpower plus others less significant.

## NEWS FROM THE ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY

If your dog's New Year's Resolution is to spend more time with his people or if your pooch wants to improve her agility in the new year, try a canine training class at AWS. We are excited to offer our standby classes - Basic Obedience, Puppy Kindergarten and others, but we have some new additions to our Beyond the Basics Series and the Wag It Games. To learn more about six-week classes, call 985-3244 or visit <https://animalwelfare.org/canine-training/obedience-schedule/>

## Winter Blues Busting full-day workshop

Brush off those dreary winter blues with a day of learning and activity with your dog! Through conditioning exercises, games, obstacles, nose work, tricks and fun exercises, your dog will gain confidence and focus while refreshing their obedience skills. Sprinkled throughout the day will be information and education, including how dogs see, smell and learn, scientific studies with dogs that help us better understand them, interesting canine trivia, training tips and more! **Sunday, Feb. 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

## Winter Fun on The Trails one-hour session

When the holidays are over, come out for a winter walk with your canine pal, on the trails at AWS. Come prepared with your's and your dog's winter gear, such as snow shoes, snow pants, yak traks for you and mushers wax, jacket for your pup. Hopefully there will be enough snow to build a few jumps or a tunnel and bridge. **Sunday, Feb. 10 at 10 a.m.**

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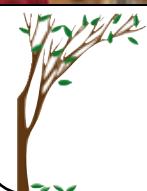
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## Secondhand smoke and pets

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on such things as pet fur, skin, furniture and carpets.

Cats that are exposed to secondhand smoke have a increased incidence rate of oral cancers known as squamous cell carcinoma; lymphoma, which is a cancer of the lymphnodes; and lung cancer. Cats are fastidious groomers, and can ingest carcinogens that have settled on their coat, which is why they are more likely to develop oral cancer. Respiratory issues such as lung infections and asthma can also result from exposure.

Dogs exposed to secondhand smoke are more susceptible to allergic reactions secondary to smoke, such as itching, biting and chewing at the skin. Dogs are also more likely to develop lung or nasal cancer. If cigarette butts are ingested they can also be toxic.

Secondhand smoke is not healthy to expose are pets to. Exposure can result in life threatening and detrimental conditions.

— Dr. Magda Rosol  
Alfred Waterboro  
Veterinary Hospital

## Mrs. Rambles



Mrs. Rambles is a 6-year-old female, domestic long hair barn cat and would enjoy being living an outdoor/indoor lifestyle in a new home. Mrs. Rambles is a low-key gal who enjoys finding comfy spots to relax in. Go slow with her, let her get to know you, and you'll be best friends before you know it. Adoption fee \$35.

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## SPORTS

## Ouellette hits 1,000 points

Her first shot of the night was like so many that had come before it. McKenzie Ouellette came off a screen, collected a chest high pass, got square to the basket and swished a three-pointer to collect point number one thousand in a varsity girls basketball contest held at home against Noble on Friday, Dec. 28.

Ouellette became just the second player in the school's history to accomplish the feat and the first since 1982 when Car-

men Dame Gawronski crossed the thousand-point plateau late in her senior year. Gawronski, who played at Hofstra, finished with 1,053 points – a number Ouellette should crack by a healthy margin. Ouellette finished the night with 13 points giving her 1,010 for her career in a 53-50 loss to the Knights. Ouellette was presented with the game ball and Gawronski was there to congratulate her.

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## ICE HOCKEY

## Adams, Guimond lift GBM OT winner caps comeback

BY MICHAEL DEANGELIS

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Isis Adams scored the game-winning goal on a power-play 55-seconds into overtime, lifting Gorham/Bonny Eagle/Massabesic (GBM) to a thrilling 5-4 come-from-behind win in varsity girls' ice hockey on Sunday, Dec. 31 at USM.

The two teams had met in Brunswick back on Dec. 20, a contest the Dragons dominated to the tune of a 6-2 win. Early in the third period things looked grim in the rematch as Brunswick scored 80-seconds in, moving them ahead 3-1.

But Guimond scored a huge goal just 17-second later (Anna Rathburn and CC Cochrane assisting) to cut the lead to 3-2 and give the home team an emotional lift that carried them through the remainder of the game.

Aleyxa Reekie tied the score at three off the ensuing face-off (Faith Dillon and Cochrane on the assists) and the two teams went the next ten minutes without finding the back of the net.

With under three minutes to play in regulation the Dragons took a 4-3 lead but GBM (3-5-1) was undeterred and the Rathburn sisters (Molly assisting Anna) tied it at 4-4 just over one minute later.

Guimond and Cochrane each

notched their third point of the night when they hooked up with Adams for the power-play winner in the opening minute of OT.

Carson Battaglia had a first period goal for GBM assisted by Anna Provost and Guimond. Izzy Wareham made 11 saves to help secure the win.

## MOB seeks scoring punch

Their early season record sits at 2-3, but signs of success are their for MOB (Massabesic/Old Orchard/Bonny Eagle) hockey as they have allowed just five goals through their first five contests with goalie Gavin Sperlich and the overall team defensive structure playing very well. Of the three losses, two have come in overtime and the other was a 1-0 loss to Gorham in regulation back on Dec. 22.

Most recently, they fell in OT 1-0 to Scarborough (in first place at 3-2) on Dec. 22. MOB handed Portland/Freeport/Waynflete a 4-1 defeat back on Dec. 20. They face a busy stretch ahead with four games scheduled from Jan. 3 to Jan. 12 and head coach Loren Blair is looking forward to it saying, "I love the way we are playing, we need to start scoring, but a couple of those losses could easily be wins."

## INDOOR TRACK &amp; FIELD

## Solid performances at USM relays

Both the men's and ladies distance relay units finished fourth and Massabesic had solid individual performances from several athlete's at the annual USM relay's held Saturday, Dec. 29 at USM.

Jakob Saucier, Tim Zimmerman, Parker Jalbert and Jeffrey Waters crossed in 11:42.06, just one of four units to stay under the 12-minute mark and good for the bronze. Falmouth was first with

an 11:28.78, Greely was next at 11:30.00 and Windham nipped the Mustangs with an 11:37.00. Scarborough was fifth with a 12:12.84. The men also secured a third place finish in the the 4 x 800 relay.

Kylie Johnson, Syeira New, Emma Swett and Sarah Cloutier took bronze in the girls' distance relay with a time of 15:14.93. Scarborough was first with a 13:44.74. Edward Little was runner-up and Windham was third.

New took fourth in the 55-meter-hurdles with a time of 9.50 and Carrie Phinney took second place in the 800 with a 2:47.52.

## BASKETBALL



McKenzie Ouellette, a Massabesic senior from Newfield, scored a 3-pointer in her first shot of the game vs. Noble on Dec. 28, to reach her 1,000th career point. PHOTOS BY DAWSOREN MEDIA

## BARREL BUSINESS

(Continued from page 1)

breweries about using their barrels, and learned that barrels are generally only used once. They retain the flavor of whatever they once held. So he then had the idea to reuse barrels. But he also learned, that new barrels were hard to get. And that's how he got the idea to start making barrels himself.

"People always say follow your passion, but I say, keep your eye out for opportunity," said Albrecht. "Become passionate about the opportunities that are presented to you. There are so many cool opportunities out there!"

And that, my friends, is how River Drive Cooperage and Millwork began. Originally, the business was out of Albrecht's home in Buxton. "My spare bedroom was my office, my kitchen was my conference table," he said. "But I always communicated with my neighbors," he explained. "I wanted to be a good neighbor, and always made them aware of what was going on, and helped them out when I could." He continued, "We are also a relationship based company. There are really good people everywhere, and everyone is passionate about their work. I have been honored to be able to step in and help anyway I can, developing ways to make their lives easier." He added, "Travel makes the world small. It's a privilege to be able to travel the world, to learn about other cultures and work with well respected, good people, friends, everywhere." In the past two years, Albrecht has traveled to 11 different countries, and across the US.

The company moved into their current location at 600 Narragansett Trail in September of 2017, and immediately outgrew it. They have been so busy, they are still working on the building, while operating the business. A 4000ft<sup>2</sup> extension, 2000ft<sup>2</sup> to each side of the building, was recently completed, "basically, to cover the barrels," Albrecht said. "As we continue to expand, we want to keep the barrels out of the sun and the weather."

The front of the building is the Showroom, which hasn't yet been set up, but one day, Albrecht hopes to have a tasting or two there, as well as sell some of their products on site. The Cooperage is here. The Millwork still takes place at his home.

"Some people ask me, 'Why are you way up there?' [in Maine] some people ask me," Albrecht smiled. "They think it's so far away from everything. But that's from the US perspective. From a Global Perspective, we're right in the middle!" as Albrecht showed in his recent ad in "The New

Brewer" magazine, a trade journal of the Brewer's Association.

Albrecht continues to be a good neighbor, locally and globally. He says he always tries to treat others the way he would want to be treated. "We try and connect our barrels with charities whenever possible." He explained, "What we do is donate the monetary amount needed, based on water.org's calculations, to supply one person with clean drinking water for every barrel we sell." He added, "When someone ages tequila in a used red wine barrel, it often turns the tequila pink, and therefore, for every "pink tequila" barrel we sell, we donate a percentage to the American Cancer Society, for Breast Cancer Research as well as all kinds of cancer research."

"For the love of the barrel."

For more information on River Drive, visit [www.riverdrive.co](http://www.riverdrive.co), where you can look at their online store, [www.whiskeygoods.com](http://www.whiskeygoods.com), [www.BarrelsDirect.com](http://www.BarrelsDirect.com), their online warehouse, or find them on Facebook.

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### New Year's resolutions

Happy New Year! Another year has begun. Time to take stock of our actions last year and decide what needs to be improved upon this year. Most of us will decide to do some sort of New Year's resolutions to begin the new year right, but did you every wonder where the tradition of starting the new year with resolutions began? According to History.com New Year's resolutions have been observed for thousands of years. The first documented group of people to celebrate New Year's resolutions were the Babylonians nearly 4000 years ago. Their New Year however, began in Mid-March instead of our January. The Babylonians held their New Year celebrations in March because this is when they planted their crops and they prepared for a new year. They held a huge 12-day festival known as Akita during which time they crowned a new king or "reaffirmed their loyalty to the reigning king." The people made promises to their gods to pay their debts and to return any borrowed items to their owners. This was the precursor of our New Year's Resolutions. The Babylonians believed their gods would send favors to the people if their promises were fulfilled.

In 46 BC Julius Caesar reformed the calendar and named Jan. 1 as the beginning of the New

Year.

January is named for the god Janus. Janus was a Roman god with two faces. The Romans believed that he looked backward toward the previous year and forward to the year ahead. The Romans also believed that sacrifices and promises for good behavior to the god Janus would benefit them for the coming year.

With the coming of the Christian Era the New Year became a time of reflecting on ones past mistakes and resolving to do better in the future.

That brings us to present day and our personal New Year's resolutions. People that set goals that are realistic to their strengths will be the most successful. Resolutions should not go beyond our level of achievement. For example, unrealistic goals of losing large amounts of weight should be pared down to perhaps a few pounds per month. Sustainable weight loss resolutions are more likely to be kept and as each month passes are more likely to being realized. Monumental projects also need to be reduced to a doable level for each of us. Don't try to organize your house in one week. Pick smaller projects that can be built upon to create a larger result.

Always approach your goal with a positive attitude. Understanding that the project will be accomplished, even if obstacles are placed in your way will lead to success. Visualize the completed project. The old adage, "slow and steady wins the race" should be your mantra.

What seems to be the most common resolutions? Randomly

asked Shapleigh residents want to "get in shape, lose weight and spent more time with family and friends". These seem to be great ways to start the year and to continue throughout the year. This year make your own resolutions and mark them on your Jan. calendar and you may be very surprised how many resolutions you actually kept by the time Dec. rolls around.

### Bible Classes at First Baptist Church

The First Baptist Church, 600 Shapleigh Corner Road, is inviting the community to attend the Faith Bible Institute Bible Classes which meets in their church and starts a new semester on Jan. 20. Classes meet once a week on Sunday from 1:00 – 4:00pm. High School students, elderly people and anyone in between can benefit from these teachings. You do not need to have a diploma to attend but for high school students and college students you can earn college credits. There is a fee to enroll.

For more information visit [www.fbiclass.com](http://www.fbiclass.com) or contact their satellite director, Dr. Jane Silcocks at [janieds@yahoo.com](mailto:janieds@yahoo.com) or call 603-973-6643.

### Book Club News

Shapleigh Community Library, 607 Shapleigh Corner Road is holding a book club on Sat. Jan.5 at 10:00am and will be discussing the book "Tattooist of Auschwitz" and will be choosing a new book to read. Coffee, tea and cocoa are provided. All are welcome.

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OBITUARIES

**J. Lionel Tanguay**

J. Lionel Tanguay, 96, of Sanford, passed away peacefully on December 26, 2018 at Maine Medical Center surrounded by loved ones.



**J. Lionel Tanguay**

Lionel was born on September 9, 1922 to Lydia & Ernest Tanguay of Sanford. Lionel graduated from Sanford High School in 1941 and served his country proudly in The US Navy. He was a Quartermaster and served on a PT boat in the South Pacific during WWII. Upon his return to his hometown, he married Theresa Lantagne, also from Sanford. They were married for 52 years before her passing in 2000. Lionel worked in the Sanford area, owning his own masonry business until his retirement.

Lionel is survived by his children: Annette Tanguay; Claire Genest and her husband David and their four children: Kate, Anna, Marie and Sarah; Michael Tanguay and his wife Donna; Raymond Tanguay and his wife Shelia and their three children: Meghan, Ethan and Daniel; and John Tanguay and his wife Rebecca and their four children: Delaney, Lydia, Miranda and Rachel. He was predeceased by two children Rachel and Patrick.

He is also survived by a brother, Leon Tanguay of Sanford and a sister, Helen Arsenaault of Deerfield Beach, FL, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, January 4, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish, Holy Family Church, 66 North Ave., in Sanford. Committal prayers and military honors will be held later in the spring at St. Ignatius Cemetery.

To leave a message of condolence for the family, visit [www.autumngreenfuneralhome.com](http://www.autumngreenfuneralhome.com).

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Activities Fund at the Maine Veteran's Home, 290 US Rt1, Scarborough, ME 04074.

**Rita M. (Covey) Mageary**

Rita M. (Covey) Mageary 93 passed away Thursday, December 27, 2018 in Shapleigh, Maine after a rapid decline in health.

She was the wife of the late James H. Mageary, Sr. with whom she shared 62 years of marriage.

Born and educated in Lynn, she was the daughter of the late Wesley and Elizabeth (Baker) Covey.

Rita was a dedicated homemaker and mother to her four children as well as a valued employee of the former Hoffman's Department Store, working in the hosiery department. She also took pride in working with her son William at his graphic arts firm, Total Graphics Center, Revere, MA.

Rita was active in Saint Joseph's Ladies Sodality and was a past secretary of the Saint Joseph Convent Guild.

Rita was the middle child of a

large family and her early life was not easy. She and the family faced many challenges but pride, hard work and a can do attitude helped to overcome and produce a family she was proud of.

Rita leaves two sisters, Theresa Hinds and her husband Stanley of Lynn and Audrey Tufts of Danvers. She was the loving sister of the late George, Chester, Joseph, John, James, Alfred, William, Philip, Evelyn Parks, Stella Weaver and Patricia Beaupre.

Rita was the mother of the late James Jr. and leaves one daughter Rita M. Sloane and her husband Paul of Fairfax, VA and two sons William J. and his wife Eileen of Shapleigh, Me, Richard A. and his wife Susan of Lynn, MA.

Rita was a grandmother, a great-grandmother as well as a special aunt to several nieces and nephews.

Rita reached a level of prominence when her Smiley Face Collection that she donated to the Smile Face Museum in 2010 was exhibited in a museum in Brooklyn, NY in 2014 and there is a strong possibility of the collection being permanently housed in the Smithsonian.

"Grammy" had a special affection for her granddaughter Sharyn and entrusted the care of her Cabbage Patch dolls Lenny and Nancy to her. Grammy and Sharyn also had a personal and special song that they sang to each other. At this time Rita's family sings it to her..."I love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck".

Service Information: Funeral from the Cuffe-McGinn Funeral Home, 157 Maple St., Lynn, MA Jan. 4 at 10:30 a.m. Funeral Mass at St. Mary's Church, 8 South Common St., Lynn, MA. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

The family wishes to acknowledge Compassus Hospice Care for providing extraordinary care, comfort and support, not only for Rita, but also for her family.

**Thomas Louis Perreault**

Thomas Louis Perreault, 66, of Lyman, passed away December 22, 2018. He was born May 12, 1952 in Biddeford to George Louis and Gisella Valeria (Blais) Perreault.



**Thomas Louis Perreault**

Tom graduated from Thornton Academy and joined the United States Marines shortly after. Following his service to our country, he worked at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard as an Electrician for over 20 years. He also worked at Barber Foods until his retirement in 2008.

Tom loved the outdoors. He was an avid fisherman and hunter. He loved going deer hunting in the Fryeburg area with his brother, Don. He was quiet, loving, and kept to himself. It needs to be strongly stated that Tom was always one of the first to offer help and support during times of need. He openly and honestly welcomed new family and friends into his life without ever needing to alter his sense of self. Tom was the brother, uncle and friend that would make a day complete.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Richard Perreault. He is survived by his brothers, Donald Perrault and his wife, Susan of Limington and Ronald Perrault and his wife, Claudette of Alfred; sisters, Annette Burnham and her husband, Joseph of Sanford and Doris Michaud and her husband, Howard of Dayton; numerous nieces and nephews; and his beloved cat, Fluffy.

A graveside service with military honors will take place at Chadbourne Cemetery in Lyman in the spring.

To share a memory or leave a message of condolence, visit Tom's Book of Memories Page at [www.bibberfuneral.com](http://www.bibberfuneral.com).

Arrangements are in care of Bibber Memorial Chapel, 111 Chapel Road Wells, ME 04090. [www.bibberfuneral.com](http://www.bibberfuneral.com)

**Warren (Red) Andrews**

Warren (Red) Andrews, 94, of Kennebunk and Waterboro, passed away peacefully on Dec. 16, 2018 at the Maine Veterans Home in Scarborough, surrounded by his loving family. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew him.



**Warren (Red) Andrews**

Warren was born on June 9, 1924 in Rochester, New Hampshire the son of Raymond and Hazel (Gault) Andrews. He moved to Kennebunkport while still a young child and attended Kennebunkport High School before his joined the U.S. Army in 1943. He would eventually tell his children stories of how he spent his 20th birthday crouched in a foxhole on Omaha Beach after landing in Normandy on D-Day.

After serving in the U.S. Army, Warren returned to Kennebunkport where he married his first wife Elizabeth and raised their five children. He continued to serve his community for many years as a part-time police officer, an active member of the First Congregational Church on North Street and volunteer fireman; helping to fight the '47 Fire. After a long career working for General Electric in Portland, Warren eventually retired and moved to Waterboro with his second wife Joyce.

Warren enjoyed the remaining years of his life puttering around in his wood-working shop, gardening, and mowing his beloved

lawn, every other day and always in a different direction! However, his greatest joy was spending time with friends and family, whether it was at the family camp in Brownfield, at backyard gatherings, or just lending a helping hand.

Warren was preceded in death by his first wife Elizabeth and his second wife Joyce.

He is survived by his five children, David Andrews and wife Betsy of South Bristol; Stephen Andrews and wife Carol of Arundel; Lorri Gould and husband Rick of Waterboro; Lisa Thompson and husband Mark of Kennebunkport; Mark (Chip) Andrews and wife Jennifer of Mechanicsville, VA; 14 grandchildren; Brookie and wife Kin, Donna, Melissa, June and husband Michael, Matthew and wife Krystal, Melanie, Alyssa and husband Mark, Justin and wife Erin, Jacob and fiancée Traci, Chelsea and fiancé Michael, Eliza, Kendall, Brooke, Logan; 17 great grandchildren; Travis and wife Nikki, Elizabeth, Abigail, Micah, Glen, Jillian, Jordan, Danika, Izabel, Garrett, Grace, Kialeigh, Cameron, Tyler, Addison, Ruby, Seamus; and 9 great-great grandchildren; Madison, Jaxon, Warren, Savannah, Maverick, Hunter, Bentley, Aurora, Mia and 10th great-great grandbaby due in January.

A Memorial Service with military honors was held on Dec. 28, 2018 at the Messiah Christian Church, 2700 Post Road (Route 1) in Wells. Committal prayers and burial will be held later at the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery.

To leave a message of condolence for the family, visit [www.autumngreenfuneralhome.com](http://www.autumngreenfuneralhome.com).

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