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Grandmother's Tears drumming under the Maple tree outside the Limerick Public Library on Oct. 13. PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

Limerick hosts Native American drummers

By CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

As Maine was beginning to celebrate its first Indigenous Peoples' Day, a Native American drumming group, Grandmother's Tears, performed on the lawn in front of the Limerick Public Library on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 13. This is the second time the group has visited and performed at the library, but the first time they played outside. "The weather was just so beautiful, and under the maple tree just seemed like the perfect spot," said Cheryl-Ann "Little One" Chapman, one of the women in the group.

"We are honored to be here," said Drum keeper Brian Aubut. "We are not entertainers," he explained, "but we are a prayer group. We use songs in the Mic Maq language as we play the drum. All the songs have a purpose." He continued, "The drum conveys a feeling, for healing, happiness and people coming together." So Aubut invited the audience to come closer, to feel the vibration of the drum.

The drum is a traditional spiritual drum, with a cedar core. "It is resonant," Aubut explained, "but it is also medicine." So are the drumsticks used to play it. The sticks that Aubut uses are made of alder or red willow. Aubut shared with the audience that both woods are medicinal, but are also resonant. The tip is cat o' nine tail fluff, wrapped in wool, then covered in deerhide. "We don't 'beat' the drum," he explained. The drum itself is sacred, at the center of the circle, representing mother earth. The men sit around the drum to play. This is the inner circle. But the men have their backs to the outside world. The women stand around the men, forming a second circle, representing the 4 directions: north, south, east and west, protecting the men. The women play rattles, made from wood, gourds, hide, tortoise shells, etc. The sound of the rattles keeps away negativity, protecting the men in ceremony. "The drum is a healer," explained Aubut, "it takes on a life of its own. It helps you achieve life balance, or start a path to get there." He continued, "it gives you a different path, it changes your life."

Before beginning the ceremony, there is smudging. This is when tobacco is burned in a container, and the smoke from the tobacco is offered to cover each person before they play, purifying the grounds and the people. "Sometimes sage, sweetgrass or cedar is used," explained Chap-



An exhibit of Native American artifacts is on display through the end of October at the Limerick Public Library. PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

man. "This is spiritual cleansing for people and for the home." Once the group passed the container and each one smudged, they opened with a prayer in the Mic Maq language, offering tobacco to the drum, pointing to the sky, touching the drum, touching the earth, and touching the big maple tree behind them. "We Thank You," said Aubut. "We are grateful for this day." And then they began drumming.

The first song was called, "Salmon Song," calling the salmon back up the river. The next, "White Sky" was a dance song, which gets your spirits back up. "All the songs have a purpose," said Aubut. As they sang and played, the leaves from the big maple tree rained down on the audience.

Next was an honor song for women, for their well-being. The audience was asked to come forward and offer a prayer for a woman they know, or even for themselves. Each woman was asked to take a small amount of tobacco, and using their left hand, the one that links with your heart, and sprinkle the tobacco in the center of the drum, and working their way clockwise around the drum, saying their prayer as they did so. "You can say the prayer aloud or to yourself," explained Chapman, "the drum will hear your prayer."

The group ended with a Traveling Song. And to end the performance, they said a final prayer around the drum, placing their hands on the drum.

There was a reception afterwards for those in attendance to come inside the library to enjoy refreshments and see the Native American exhibit on display. Cheryl-Ann "Little One" and Ron

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Becky Turgeon, President of Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society, shows off quilts at their annual quilt show on Sept. 28 at the Mousam Lake Pavilion. PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

Quilts on display

By JOANNE BARGIONI

The Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society held its annual Quilt Show on Sept. 28 but at a new location. Formerly held at the Old Schoolhouse on Emery Mills Road, this year it was held at the Mousam Lake Pavilion (MLP) at 25 Back Road, upstairs in the pavilion which is a much larger space than the Old Schoolhouse. The MLP is under restoration

by the ASHS who owns the building. The quilt display was held on the second floor with the quilts draped over folding chairs in what was formerly the MLP dance hall.

Quilts have been created for centuries by stitching together layers of fabric and padding. It's original purpose was to keep people warm, but the quilters added their own uniqueness to each quilt by sewing designs on the fabric. Today these quilts are

cherished by the owners and some are considered works of art.

One of the many quilts featured was a retirement quilt for a teacher, Alice Meader made in 2017. The quilt was created by Linda Gaidimas of Springvale and Rachel Kilbride of Vassalboro. A large basket of apples is the focal point in the center of the quilt and all the teachers and friends at Meader's school signed

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS

ACADEMIA, ABOLITION, WOMEN AUTHORS, AND A 20TH CENTURY MURDER. Thursday, Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. at the Limerick Brick Town House, Main Street. Presented by Cara Kent. Hear about a murder and other surprising events. Learn about people connected to Limerick who went on to change the lives of people around the world. Light refreshments.

BAR MILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH CONCERT SERIES Friday, Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. located at 13 Hermit Thrush Drive in Buxton will welcome Unspent Youth, a 7-member Folk Revival ensemble. The players first met at Yarmouth's 317 Main Acoustic Music Center in 2016, bonding over a shared passion for the music of Peter, Paul, and Mary, the Kingston Trio, Bob Dylan, and other voices of the folk revival era that were part of the soundtrack of the 1960's. On stage, the members of Unspent Youth have a warm and friendly presence as they take turns singing lead and finding harmonies. Call 807-0821. Tickets are \$10 per person.

TOUCH-A-TRUCK The Limerick-Newfield Lions Club will host their 12th annual Touch-a-Truck event on Saturday, Oct. 19, at the Industrial Park field in Limerick from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free. The rain date will be on Saturday, Oct. 26.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER Oct. 19 from 5-6:30 p.m. at

Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church On the Mill Pond, Rt 35, Goodwins Mills. Hot dogs, baked beans, rolls, cole slaw, brown bread, apple/fruit crisps.

BAKED HAM SUPPER Friends of Old Corner Church is sponsoring its 13th baked ham supper at the Masonic Lodge, Route 202 (165 Waterboro Road) in Alfred, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19. Funds raised will support restoration efforts for the historic 1804 church. Donation: \$8 for adults; children under 10 free. Take-out is available. For more information, contact Bud Jamieson at 247-3635.

BAKED BEAN AND PASTA SUPPER Saturday Oct. 19- 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the M.L. Day School Gym, Limerick Road, Arundel. Donation \$7/person, children under 5 Free. Two kinds of beans, pasta, hotdogs, coleslaw, rolls/bread, drinks, homemade desserts. Historical Displays and Information. Benefit for Arundel Historical Society.

HARVEST DANCE a benefit for York County Shelter Programs' Food Pantry and Thanksgiving Food Basket program, Saturday, Oct. 19, 7 to 11 p.m. at the Sanford Elks Lodge at 13 Elm Street. Music will be provided by DJ Gratitude. Bring a nonperishable food item to be entered into the drawings held throughout the evening. Door prizes, 50/50 drawing, cash bar is offered. Must be over 21 to attend. Limited seating. Tickets are \$10; contact Patty Roux Hambleton at 432-1890 or purchase them at Garnsey Brothers

Insurance at 909 Main St., Sanford; Country Treasures, Route 11, Shapleigh; Lakeside Sport & Marine, 143 Emery Mills Road, Shapleigh. You can also order them through Pam Buck, Human Resources Coordinator at YCSP, at 324-1137, ext. 150 or pamb@ycspi.org.

AMERICA Sanford Maine Stage Theatre will present a Musical Variety Show called "AMERICA" at the Nasson Theatre, 457 Main Street in Springvale on Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. and again on Oct. 20 at 2:30 p.m. Singing some of your old favorites from the four corners of this great country. "New York, New York", "Old Cape Cod," "Autumn Leaves," "Home On The Range," "Tennessee Waltz"... just to name a few. Tickets \$10 each can be purchased at: www.nassonevents.com or at the door.

MAINERS ON THE TITANIC Sunday, Oct. 20 at 3 p.m., the Arts Center at 8 Hancock Avenue in Hiram. Author Mac Smith, free admission.

GIRLS SCOUTS NEW MEMBER SIGN-UP EVENTS are being held locally on Oct. 22, Lyman Elementary School, Lyman, 6 p.m. Oct. 23, Kennebunk Elementary School, Kennebunk, 6 p.m. Oct. 24, Shapleigh Memorial School, Shapleigh, 6 p.m. For more information about Girl Scouts or to see a full list of New Member Sign-Up events, visit girlsoutsofmaine.org or call 888-922-4763.

REMEMBERING THE FIRE OF '47 Wednesday, Oct. 23 at the Lyman Community Library. A movie, photos, first-hand accounts, and maps showing the track of the fire will be part of the evening so bring some of your own pictures and memories to share. Refreshments will be served. This is sponsored by the Lyman Historical Society.

FALL RUMMAGE SALE Oct. 26 at Christ Church, Kennebunk, 6 Dane Street, 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Fall and winter clothing, linens, household items, children's items, fabrics and yarn, craft supplies, books and puzzles, recreation and holiday items.

CALLING ALL QUILTERS! The Evergreen Quilt Guild will meet on Monday, Oct. 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, and the 3rd Monday of May. Newcomers are always

ALFRED MASONS HALLOWEEN BLOOD DRIVE at Alfred Masonic Hall, 165 Waterboro Road, Alfred on Oct. 31 from 12 to 5 p.m. Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment to avoid waiting times. Scheduled Donors

have priority versus walk-ins however Walk in's are accommodated! Call Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767.

CHILI & CHOWDER COOK-OFF The Acton Public Library invites you to join us at our 5th Annual Crockfest Chili & Chowder Cook-Off Challenge on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. This Fall Fundraiser will be held at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road. You can enter your special recipe of Chili or Chowder for \$20 while having the opportunity to represent your business, organization, or family heritage with that special recipe you've been keeping secret. You could also WIN \$50 cash if it's voted the best! Or, you can come eat and judge all the delicious recipes for \$5. For more information call 636-2781, emailactonpublib@gmail.com or visit: www.acton.lib.me.us. Like us on Facebook too!

FALL FAIR Crossroads United Methodist Church Womens' Group will be having their annual Fall Fair on Saturday, Nov. 9, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A live auction will begin at 1 p.m. with a pre-auction time from 9 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. There will be a crafts, jewelry, baked goods & candy, re-gifting table and toy table. Muffins and coffee will be available. Come and browse or bid on auction items the family and friends! Do your shopping early! Crossroads is located at the corner of Rt 202 and Grammar Road in Sanford and is handicap accessible and plenty of parking. FMI call 324-4750.

ONGOING EVENTS

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.

POETRY WORKSHOP, Limerick Public Library, 2nd Thurs. of every month at 6:30-8 p.m. All poets from beginners to advanced are invited to bring an original poem to discuss.

WEEKLY YOGA CLASSES Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Soldiers Memorial Library Arts Center, 8 Hancock Ave., Hiram.

SUNDAY SERVICES of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - 9 to 11 a.m. at 25 Westview Drive, Sanford or 10 a.m. to noon at 15 Smith Lane, Saco.

TOPS is a weight loss support group that meets every Wednesday from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. in the lower level of the Springvale Public Library. Meetings are open to all. For more information, contact group leader Linda Rose at lrose4180@yahoo.com or 676-9063.

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Saco River Theatre

THE ORIGINALS PRESENT WAIT UNTIL DARK - The Classic Thriller by Fredrick Knott - Oct. 17, 18, 19, 24,25, 26 @ 7:30 PM, Sunday Matinee Oct. 20 @ 2:30 PM, Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills, ME. Tickets: \$15. Reservations: 207-929-5412 or www.sacrivertheatre.org. Thursdays, Oct. 17 & 24 are pay-what-you-like.

Forty-seven years after WAIT UNTIL DARK premiered on Broadway, playwright Jeffrey Hatcher (A Picasso, Cousin Bette) has updated and refreshed Fredrick Knott's taut 1966 Thriller, now set in 1944 in Greenwich Village. Susan Hendrix, a woman who has recently lost her sight in an automobile accident, becomes imperiled by a dangerous psychopath and a con man who are on a quest to retrieve a lost doll with a very valuable secret - a doll they are willing to kill for. They believe it is in the apartment Susan shares with her husband, a war veteran and photographer away on assignment, into whose luggage the doll was slipped during his return from a recent trip to Philadelphia. Unfortunately for the bad guys, Susan is not the helpless damsel they believe her to be, but a clever and resourceful fighter. If she can stay alive until dark falls, she might just be able to turn the tables on her assailants and survive an inevitable terrifying showdown! Featuring Jennifer Porter, Dana Packard, Mike Boland, William McDonough III, Emily Eberhart, and Lowell Jeffers. Don't miss the Originals' re-staging of this classic, chilling, and entertaining thriller - first presented at SRT in 1991!

UPCOMING EVENTS at the Wellness Studio

VINYASA YOGA
Tuesdays 7-8am & 6-7pm
Join Jennifer Coughlin in this easy flow yoga. Choose an early class or late class. Drop ins welcome!

TAI CHI FOR HEART CONDITIONS
Gentle Exercise for Seniors and Beginners
Tuesdays beginning Oct. 22, 9-10:15am
This program was designed by Dr. Paul Lam as a "gateway" for mature adults to have an opportunity to taste the fruit of Tai Chi. Anyone can learn this program and improve their balance, strength, and health, and enjoy a better quality of life.
Cost: \$70. Please call to register.

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School kids experience living history lesson

The visit to Alfred's District Number Five Schoolhouse may not be included in the curriculum but it is an annual trip looked forward to by the first grade students in Sanford's Lafayette School. It is a break in their routine and a chance to see something different. When they arrived, the boys lined up and entered by the door on the right, the girls by the door on the left. Some of the desks are double ones, some are single. All have slates and chalk included as the kids discovered.

That is what youngsters were using in 1872 when the school was built for the children living in North Alfred. During their visit, that is what they used. Their teacher, Dorothy Plumpton, instructed them in how to draw an "A" after which they went on to "B." This was easy stuff. She went on to numbers, "3 + 1 = 4."

After gazing wide-eyed at the many pictures on the walls of previous students, the pull-down geography charts, the teacher's desk in an alcove at the front with a rope dangling dangerously over it, (the bell rope which called the children in from recess or the start of school) the boys were let out for play and when their recess was over it was time for the girls. And then time for Almon Williams to talk about when he attended a one room schoolhouse in Aroostook County. There were many questions.

How were they punished? He demonstrated what his teacher did with a yardstick when someone misbehaved. Mrs. Plumpton said she was punished that way because she didn't write correctly, but then added she couldn't write correctly anyway (after having her hand slapped with the yardstick when a youngster). How far did they have to walk to school?

Williams reported it was about two and a quarter miles. Did they have electricity? He explained no one had electricity because this was during World War II and they lived in the country. They had to earn it themselves.

So the youngsters held a scrap metal drive. A photo survives of a pile of scrap metal with a jubilant crowd of youngsters sitting on top of it. That was how power came to the Ross School in Littleton, Maine. The youngsters visiting the school in North Alfred were properly impressed. "The school team" which hauled students to school during the winters also impressed them - being taken to school by a team of horses seemed like more fun than using a big yellow bus which arrived too soon to take them back to their own schoolhouse. Eighteen boys and sixteen girls had enjoyed a morning in a very old schoolhouse.



Bradley Hodgkins of Lafayette School displays his first math problem on a slate in Alfred's 1872 schoolhouse.

PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS

Those who built Alfred homes

Historian Bruce Tucker spoke to the New Century Club during its meeting this past week. He pointed out that after the York County Courthouse was built in 1802, there was a building boom in the village. Professional joiners and house wrights built for the lawyers and merchants reflecting the wealth and taste of the owners. It was termed the Federal style, two rooms deep, two stories high, central entry floor plan and steeply pitched roof. It would be as symmetrical as the Georgian exterior.

Far more is known about the homes left behind than about the builders themselves. The New England style of a Federalist building had a severely plain exterior, appealing to Puritan values. It gained prominence as the power, wealth and influence of its owners rose, many of whom belonged to the Federalist Party. In Sept. 1809 an accounting of "1406.02 was spent" on the courthouse with payments made to John Parsons, John Emerson, Samuel Wormwood, Timothy Powers, Samuel Moulton and William Brooks, all joiners or cabinet makers. Other local tradesmen were Charles Griffin, blacksmith of the Old Forge (down behind the Congregational Church) and Henry Smith, stone mason and mill owner. There were other carpenters, some connected by marriage. Sarah Brooks, John Holmes wife, came from a family of ship builders.

When a young man became an apprentice, his apprenticeship was structured so that he received not only lodging but meals, clothing and tools. And so it was with Samuel Wormwood whose clothing that he brought with him was detailed down to his handkerchiefs! But being exposed to the grand homes of merchants like Cyrus King and Joseph Leland was an

education. As soon as his apprenticeship was concluded he married and set himself up in business, then traveled to Houlton where he felt his prospects would be better. The framed building he made there still stands, as the oldest building in Aroostook County.

John Emerson, educated at Harvard, was a farmer, joiner and teacher. His family fortunes were affected by the "year without a summer" when a volcanic eruption spewing ash into the atmosphere cooled the earth and affected the economics of many farmers. It was a hard time for many engaged in agriculture. That year "without a summer" is when a frustrated mill owner shot "Old Bet" the elephant in a traveling circus.

The November meeting of the society will be in the Alfred Shaker Museum. Lloyd Hunt will speak on "The Shakers in Alfred 200 Years Ago."

Halloween celebration

The Parsons memorial library will be open on Halloween, Oct. 31, for its second annual Halloween Party, hosted by the friends of the Library. The library will be open, regular services will not be available.

September service calls

Fire Chief Chris Carpenter reports that 37.5 percent of the calls in September were for medical transport BLS (basic life support) and 22.9 percent for medical transport ALS (indicating training needed). There were 14.6 percent for medical non transport. There were 2.1 percent for brush or woods fires, cancelled, lift assist, transported by mutual aid, and smoke or odor investigation. There were 4.2 percent for public assistance or motor vehicle crashes, and 4.2 percent for fire alarm activation. A total of 48 calls.

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Senator's staff to hold local office hours

Senator Susan Collins' staff from her Biddeford Constituent Service Center will hold local office hours at Waterboro Town Hall on Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 24 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro.

A staff member will be available to provide assistance with federal issues and agencies, such as the Social Security Administration, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Internal Revenue Service. No appointment is necessary. All conversations are strictly confidential. For more information call Abby Mendoza or Prentiss Kurtz at 283-1101.

Clear the trails after a free breakfast

The Ossipee Mountaineers Snowmobile Club is holding their first annual Clear the Trails Day on Saturday, Oct. 19 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Meet at the clubhouse at 8 a.m. at 255 Old Alfred Road for a free breakfast to start the day! Participants are asked to bring brush cutters, chain saws, etc. Call or text Russ at 207-451-0980 for more information.

Cribbage and lunches

Waterboro Recreation has cribbage every Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until noon at the Old Town Hall, 24 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro. There are two senior luncheons left at the Snowmobile Club: Oct. 23 (Italian style lunch from Flippin' Good Pizza) and Nov. 13 (turkey dinner from Lakeside Market) both at noon. Cost is \$5 per person. Contact Waterboro Recreation at 247-6166, Ext. 115 for more information.

Library book sale

Waterboro Public Library is holding a Fall Book and Bake Sale on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 187 East Main Street, East Waterboro. There will be baked goods for sale as well as a 50/50 Raffle. They are also collecting nonperishable food items for the Waterboro Food Pantry from Oct. 21-26; donations of food such as stuffing mix, gravy and cranberry sauce are especially needed. The library will also deduct up to \$3 towards fines owed, \$1 per item donated to the pantry. If you would like to volunteer, donate books, or bake for the sale, call 247-3363

Trunk or treat events

Trunk or Treat at Lakeside Community Church will have decorated trunks, hot chocolate and cider, popcorn, candy and non-candy items. Join them for the fun on

Sunday, Oct. 27 from 4 to 6 p.m. at 1248 Sokokis Trail, North Waterboro.

Trunk or treat at the Waterboro Farmers Market at 6 Old Alfred Road on Monday, Oct. 28 from 2 to 6 p.m. Join them for their last market of the season. Candy and homemade goodies will be handed out by vendors. There will be Best Vendor Costume and Best Kid Costume contests with kids crafts and bobbing for apples. Volunteers who would like to come, decorate their trunk and help pass out candy are welcome and should contact the Farmers market by email at waterborofarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Author talk

Meet Maine author and clinical psychologist, Mary E. Plouffe, PhD at the Waterboro Public Library on Thursday, Nov. 7 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Mary will discuss her memoir, *I Know it in My Heart: Walking Through Grief with a Child*. Her book centers on Liamarie, her three year old niece, whose anticipated three week adventure with her family in Maine turns to tragedy overnight, when a treatment meant to extend her mother's life, takes it instead. The book follows the next decade, as their grief evolves, and Mary tries to be a substitute mother from afar. It does not shy away from her own grief or niece's, but rather views it through the unique lens of a therapist with 35 years of experience in private practice. Join for her unique understanding of grief. Registration not required. Event is free and open to the public at 187 East Main Street, East Waterboro.

Chair Yoga

Chair Yoga is being offered at the Waterboro Public Library on Tuesday, Nov. 12 from 2:30-3:15 p.m. Cindy Simon, M.A., NCC, RMT will teach you stretches, yoga positions, tai chi exercises, and deep breathing while you are seated in a chair or standing using a chair for support if needed. This program is great for seniors and people wanting to get back in shape, and anyone with physical limitations or any sort of chronic health issues. Registration is required and can be done by email librarian@waterborolibrary.org or by calling the library at 207-247-3363. Events are free and open to the public.

Donations welcome

The North Waterboro Community Baptist church has a mission called The Good Neighbor which passes along gently used clothing, blankets and coats to those who need it. They are open Saturdays 9 to 11 a.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. and are located at 970 Clarks Bridge Road, North Waterboro on the corner of Route 5 across from the Dollar General store.



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The old Library and Reading Room

People have probably wondered about the little white building on Elm Street, which is on the right, just as you turn on the street. So, I decided to check into it, to find out how it came into existence and how it was used.

The building is more than 100 years old, and was once used as a law office, business office, and the town library. It has been there prior to 1856, which shows on the town map.

According to historian Ruth Ayers, who thought that it was here soon after 1853 when a local lawyer Edward Morris bought the lot. He was a retired Captain of Company K, 14th. Maine Infantry in the Civil War.

He practiced law there for a few years before moving to Portland around 1864. He eventually went to Deniston, Texas, but by 1891, he returned to New England.

The building was later used by Charles E. Clifford, who was also an attorney, who practiced law in the building for 10 years starting in 1863. He lived next door in the Hurst house, while in Newfield, but later moved to Portland,

For just a few years after that, it was used by two businessmen Elbridge Gerry and Henry Hixon.

It first became a library in 1890; and through the years, it was used as a library on a seasonal basis up until about 1976 or later.

According to local resident Doreen Lofgren, it was called the Village Library and Reading Room, where townspeople would



The little building on Elm Street is more than 100 years old, and has been used by lawyers, businessmen and as the town library. PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

gather on Saturday nights for reading. Sometime between that time and the early 1990's, the library was moved to the town office building, where it is today.

It is one of the oldest buildings in town, and is well preserved and decorated for the seasons. The building has a twin, which is located on Main Street in Cornish. Over the past few years, it was raised, and now has a second floor.

Final week of \$5 bag sale

The West Newfield Thrift Shop will close for the season on Saturday, Oct. 19. The shop is in the Masonic Building on the corner of Maplewood Road and Wakefield Road, across from K & D's store. The hours for the last week are Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Everything that you can get into a kitchen trash bag will be just \$5.

Library closed for vacation

The Newfield Library at 637 Water Street will re-open on Thursday, Oct. 24. Librarian Cheryl Cause asked that people please leave books in the book drop.

Halloween Dance

Get ready for the Halloween Dance, which will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 7 p.m. to midnight. DJ Reggie will spin the tunes, and it is a BYOB dance. The dance is \$10 per person and you must be 21 or over to attend. Proceeds will benefit Scout Troop #329.

Holiday Craft Fair coming soon

The annual Holiday Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, Nov. 9 and Sunday, Nov. 10, at the historical society building at 64 Elm Street, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each

day. Crafters that will be there are: Goat Milk Soap Naturally Made, Wanda Made Novelties, Holy Schrollers, Charlotte Erickson, Denise Walker, Robin Mellon, Palmarosa Pines, Nothin' but Cotton, and Elf Alpaca Farms.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes this week go to: Sarah Volkay, Mary Ritchie, Jack and Jethra Guzman, and Mary Winn.

Happy anniversary!

Bev and Roger LeBlanc will celebrate their anniversary.

Meetings

Newfield Rescue Squad monthly meeting - Oct. 17, at the Newfield Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in volunteering may contact Dick or Hazel McGlincey at 793-2045 or any rescue member.

Cub Scout Pack #329 - Oct. 21 at Line School at 818 Water Street at 6 p.m. Anastasia Ferguson is the Cubmaster. Their Halloween party will be held on Oct. 28 at the Line School at 818 Water Street at 6 pm.

Newfield Historical Society - Oct. 21 at 64 Elm Street at 7 p.m., for the election of officers.

Newfield Selectmen - Oct. 22, at the West Newfield Town Hall at 23 So. Effingham Road at 6 p.m.

Newfield Firefighters training session - Oct. 22 at the Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street in West Newfield at 7 p.m. New members welcome to attend.

Boy Scout Troop #329 - Oct. 23 at the Brick Town Hall, at 19 Main Street in Limerick at 6:30 p.m. New members welcome. Jim Dion is the Scoutmaster. Call Joe Iannazzo at 850-6237.

BRIEFS

HALLOWEEN

Costume sale at Schoolhouse Arts Center

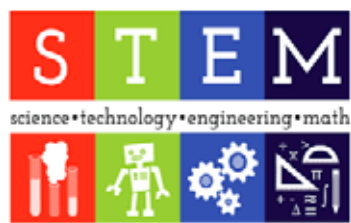
Halloween is just around the corner. Halloween party invitations and trick-or-treaters will be happening before you know it. The biggest issue for many is what to wear. Schoolhouse Arts Center may have the answer!!! As a successful community theater, they have hundreds of costumes on hand that would be perfect for the occasion. In fact, they are running out of space to store their costumes and have decided to sell many of them just in time for Halloween.

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Schoolhouse Arts Center is located at 16 Richville Road (Route 114) in Standish, just 7 miles west of Gorham center or North Windham. For more information, check out their website at www.SchoolhouseArts.org or find them on Facebook. Or you can contact Chris, our official costumer at 712-2422. Make this Halloween really special with a unique costume from a real theater and support a great local organization!

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SPORTS

FOOTBALL



Nearly 50 Massabesic football alumni attended Massabesic's homecoming game on Oct. 11. Massabesic beat Westbrook-Waynflete 52-18. PHOTO BY JASON GENDRON, S4 ACTION PHOTOGRAPHY

FIELD HOCKEY

Mustangs stop Spartans on senior night

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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Izzy Hurlburt broke a 2-2 tie in the second half to help propel host Massabesic over Sanford (7-6) in varsity field hockey on senior night, Thursday, Oct. 10.

Sanford got on the board first with a goal at 17:12 from Phoebe Joy. Anna Snyder tied it at 1-1 just three minutes later, but the Spartans moved ahead 2-1 when Kaylee Turner scored less than a

minute after the Snyder goal.

Emma Snyder locked the score at 2-2 with 11-minutes left in the half and Julia Gregoire kept it tied by making some key saves before the break.

Ashley Day took over in goal for the Mustangs in the second half and she was perfect, stopping each of the six shots she faced and setting the stage for the Hurlburt game winner.

The win pushed the Mustangs record to 12-1.



Massabesic's seniors, from left, Julia Gregoire, Emily Morin, Trie Yale and Ashley Day. PHOTO BY JASON GENDRON, S4 ACTION PHOTOGRAPHY

CROSS COUNTRY

Saucier tops field at county XC meet

Jakob Saucier was first with a 17:03.97 and the Mustang men posted 42 team points, good for second place, at the annual York County Cross Country Championships held Thursday, Oct. 10 in Sanford.

Kennebunk was first with just 35 points. Marshwood and Sanford tied with 79, Biddeford was fifth with 136 and Noble was last with 151.

Jesse Cadigan (6th), Matthew Pooler (8th) and Elijah Karecki (10th) all made the top ten from among a large field of more than 100, just nine of which posted a time under 18 minutes.

—By Michael DeAngelis

CROSS COUNTRY

Date	Opponent	Time
10/21	Second 7 meet	
	Naragansett, Gorham	4pm
10/26	Regionals	
	Twin Brook - Cumberland	10am

FOOTBALL VARSITY

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Obituaries

John "Jack" W. Moriarty

John "Jack" W. Moriarty, 89, died on Oct. 5, 2019 at Mineral Springs in North Conway, New Hampshire after a short stay in a long-term care facility. Being of a very independent nature it was well known that it was his desire to remain at his home in West Newfield for as long as possible living without assistance. However, after a period of declining health, this was no longer reasonable.



John "Jack" W. Moriarty

Jack was born in Winchester, Massachusetts on Feb. 24, 1930 the son of John Joseph Moriarty and Mary (Weant) Moriarty.

He was raised in Winchester, Massachusetts and attended Belmont Hill School. He later graduated from Norwich Academy in Vermont with a B.A. in Economics. He enjoyed his time as a member of the winning hockey team while at Norwich. He met Shirley West from Braintree, Massachusetts while summering as a busboy at The Lookout Hotel in Ogunquit, Maine where she also worked for the summer. He enlisted in the Army in July 1952 and married Shirley on Sept. 27, 1952 in Fort Knox, Kentucky where he was stationed. Jack was honorably discharged to the rank of Army 1st Lieutenant in 1954. Jack and Shirley bought a home in Windham, Maine where Jack worked as an apprentice for an electrician.

In 1956, Jack joined his family's floor covering business, Joseph M. O'Callaghan Co., which his father had started with a partner, Joseph O'Callaghan in 1929. He worked with his younger brother in the successful wholesale distributing floor covering and carpet company in Boston that sold to many large stores throughout New England. Jack was President and his brother was Treasurer. He and Shirley raised their family in Reading, Massachusetts prior to retiring to their farm in West Newfield, Maine. In retirement, Jack was involved in his church, Saco River Corridor Commission, enjoyed fishing trips to Moosehead Lake and on Long Pond, and deer hunting with friends. He pretended to hate pets but owned several

beagles through the years and tolerated a cat.

He was predeceased by his amazing wife Shirley by two years and two days. He missed her terribly and undoubtedly is enjoying a reunion together now. Life was very quiet for him without her in their home, but he enjoyed the company of his children, grandchildren, and even got to meet his twin great grandchildren when they visited from Korea this summer.

Survivors include his daughters, Nancy Sugiura and Shinobu, Jane Johnson and Larry, Judy Cote and Greg; his sons, Stephen Moriarty and Bruce Moriarty; his 15 grandchildren: Yoko, Margaret, HeungSun, HyunSook, Felicia, Ian, Selina, MaryBeth, Dylan, Kyle, Emily, Hillary, Thomas, Natalie, and Sarah; and also, five great grandchildren. Jack is also survived by one sister, Anne Nichols and Chris, and a sister-in-law, Virginia Moriarty, as well as nieces and nephews.

A private graveside service will be scheduled at a later date. Interment will be at the Maplewood Cemetery.

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

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the West Newfield United Church of Christ, PO Box 85, West Newfield, ME 04095.

The Autumn Green Funeral Home is respectfully handling arrangements.

Janet Rose Morin

Janet Rose Morin, 81, a longtime resident of Sanford passed away peacefully at her home on Oct. 7, 2019, with her daughter and son in law by her side.



Janet Rose Morin

Janet was born in Waterboro on June 10, 1938, the daughter of Chester and Effie (Hill) Pierce.

Janet was born into a large family consisting of nine sisters and six brothers.

Janet worked for many years at the Oakwood Inn in Sanford were her outgoing friendly personality was shared with many of the guests.

Upon Janet's retirement, she enjoyed the time she spent with her family as well as her many friends and neighbors at the Maples were Janet called home for the past nine years.

In Janet's spare time, she enjoyed lunch with friends, making people laugh.

Janet was preceded in death by her husband Romeo J. Morin, who passed away on December 17, 2008. The love Janet and her husband shared was a true and everlasting love, a love that may not have happened if Janet did not pull up alongside Romeo in her 1957 Dodge convertible and ask him out for a date.

Romeo and Janet were married for 39 years as the years passed Romeo and Janet became soul mates their love for each other was unconditional.

A fond, memory in the family was back in 2008 when they took part in a scenic train ride up in North Conway, N.H.

Janet loved her family sharing a very special bond with her daughter Shirley and her son in law Keith, both cared for Janet without fail as Janet's health began to decline.

When you met Janet, you saw right away what a special, kind, friendly person she was, Janet loved her family and many friends.

Janet is preceded in death by her husband Romeo J. Morin.

Janet is survived by her daughter Shirley Allain-McAtavey and her husband, Keith, of Lebanon; two sisters, Janice Pierser and Aveena Fogg; one brother Ray Pierce; two grandsons Justin Allain of Sanford, Jeremy Allain and his wife Shannon of Limerick; one granddaughter Kaylee McAtavey of Lebanon; and five great-grandchildren; Addyson, Nathan, Alexis, Lilliana and Connor.

Family and friends were invited to call on Oct. 16 at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak St., in Alfred.

Committal prayers and burial will be held on Oct. 17 at 11 a.m. at the Pine Grove South Cemetery in Waterboro.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 51 St. Jude PL, Memphis TN 38105-9959.

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The Apple Quilt made for retiring teacher.

PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

QUILTS

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appliqué apples that framed the outside of the quilt.

One of the oldest quilts there is owned by the ASHS. It is called a friendship quilt dating back

to 1884. It was created by the grandmother of Mildred and Evelyn Lowe. The quilt has varying shades of brown and earth tones with an X in each square. Members of the ASHS were there to answer questions regarding the quilts and to serve refreshments.

DRUMMERS

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"Little Cloud" Chapman, loaned many of the artifacts, along with Clyde Tripp. The artifacts are from Mic Maq, Passamaquoddy, Metis and many other tribal traditions. The Native American exhibit will run throughout the month of October. For more information, visit the library at 55 Washington Street in Limerick, or find them on Facebook.

Grandmother's Tears has been together for seven years. Their mission is to spread Native American Awareness. When he first made the drum and started playing it, Aubut saw his grandmothers

surrounding him, and crying. They were saying, "The children are lost! Bring them back!" Aubut explained that it was once against the law to practice native culture. Luckily, things are changing. "It's nice (for me) to see that happening," said Aubut. There are native teachings that non-natives following some of the traditions, too. If you would like more information about Grandmother's Tears, you can find them on Facebook (Grandmother's Tears Singers Friends Group), or email them at grandmotherstears@gmail.com. They respond to many requests for the drum, as they are available.

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