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## Crime in Maine

Crime in Maine decreased 9.3 percent during 2018, according to the Maine Department of Public Safety. It is the seventh consecutive year that crime has dropped in Maine for a total decline during the past seven years of 56.1%. Crime dropped 8.2% in 2017, 8.7% in 2016, 7.1% in 2015, 13% in 2014, 8.3% in 2013, and 1.5% in 2012.

“Maine has traditionally been one of the safest states in the country and members of law enforcement truly appreciate the strong partnerships we have in our communities that have led to a seventh straight year of declining crime rates,” said Public Safety Commissioner Michael Sauschuck. “Our core mission remains focused on developing trust and relationships with all of our residents to include a special emphasis on the victims we serve. While we’ve seen consistent reductions in crime in recent years, I believe the workload of our first responders has actually increased as we continue to staff the front lines of various public health crises. My thanks go out to all our public safety professionals and partners for the work they do on our behalf,” Sauschuck said.

Only two crime categories had increases in 2018, simple assaults and homicides. Adult arrests also increased, but every other crime number went down.

Simple assaults reported an increase of 4.7 percent in 2018 (9,972 assaults were reported compared to 9,527 in 2017).

There were 23 homicides during 2018, compared to 21 in 2017. Of the 23 homicides, nine were domestic violence related.

The violent crime categories of rape, domestic assault, robbery and aggravated assault went down in 2018.

Rape incidents virtually were unchanged, with one less rape reported in 2018 compared to 2017, a drop of 0.2%. There were 447 rapes reported in 2018 and 448 rapes in 2017. Rape numbers increased in the three prior years. The Director of the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Elizabeth Ward Saxl said, “The number of rapes represent significant trauma our fellow Mainers have endured. And yet, according to the Muskie School’s Maine Crime Victimization Survey, we know that an estimated 14,000 Mainers will experience this crime each year, indicating that the vast majority of

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Olivia Belanger had a blast climbing up on Carroll’s big pink cement mixer at the Touch-a-Truck event held in Limerick on Oct. 19. Below is Jerry Cote and his Chevy Street Rod with Paulie Rummery.

PHOTOS BY C.J. PIKE

## Truckin’ for a good cause

By C.J. PIKE

The Limerick Newfield Lions Club hosted their annual Touch-a-Truck event on Saturday, Oct. 19, with over 200 people attending.

This was their 13th year of hosting it to give back to the community, that is so generous in giving all year long. Su Cartisano was chairperson of the annual event, and several Lions members were there also, cooking hamburgers and hot dogs, selling baked goods, coffee, cocoa, popcorn, and helping out in any way possible.

The event was held in the Industrial Park in Limerick and it was busy all day, according to the

members. Although, it is geared mostly towards the children, I could see that the adults were enjoying it, too, as kids and their parents climbed all over the big trucks.

Judy LePage was there with her grandson Jackson LePage, and they both climbed right up into the cab of one of the big trucks, with no problems at all.

Jerry Cote was there showing off his ‘sweet little ride,’ a classic 1948 Chevy Streetrod pick up truck, that was in cherry condition. He was talking with the Hannaford driver Paulie Rummery, who drove a Hannaford semi-truck with a 53’ trailer to the event.

The Carrolls had a flat bed, their pink cement mixer and others from their local business. Members of the Newfield Fire Department were there with their old forestry truck Bertha. There were also fire trucks from Limerick, ambulances, construction trucks, well drillers, a stump grinder, and tow trucks – about 26 trucks in all.

The Lions were also collecting for the White Cane Fund, to support the Iris Network, to raise money for the visually impaired. The Lions accept old glasses and donations. They also were collecting for Stuff the Bus, giving all the proceeds from that to the Faith Christian Church in Limerick.



## Mobility Worldwide’s 80,000th cart

Mobility Worldwide, an international humanitarian Christian charity that builds specialized wheelchair-carts for those living in the developing world, recently celebrated the 25th anniversary of its founding by handcrafting Mobility Cart number 80,000. The commemorative Mobility Cart was made with parts provided by the 21 affiliate locations throughout the US, including one located in Waterboro, behind the Massabesic Lions Club Regional Medical Center building, Waterboro. The organization celebrated its 25th anniversary during its annual conference which was held in Austin, Texas on Sept. 26-28.

Mobility Worldwide first began as the P.E.T. Mobility Project in 1994. Over 80,000 Mobility Carts have been distributed in 104 countries since its founding. Carts are built at one of 26 production facilities throughout the United States, Sierra Leone and Zambia, Africa. Carts are donated to distribution partners who handle the shipping, importation and assessment of beneficiaries and then given free of charge to those in need. Mobility Worldwide (an initiative of PET International, Inc), is a tax-exempt 501 (C) (3) NGO/charity.

Most of the funds to support this program are donated by the Maine State District Lions Clubs. The Waterboro affiliate has manufactured over 300 of these carts and has shipped them to organizations in under developed countries all over the world for distribution. They get support from the other Maine Lions Clubs who provides monetary support as well as some of the components used to build the carts, as well as donations, which can be sent to: Maine Lions PET Project, 813 Main Street, Box D, Waterboro, ME 04087.



Presentation of the commemorative 80,000th mobility cart. The Maine Lions painted on the rear of the cart. COURTESY PHOTO

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**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

**FREE RABIES CLINIC** Saturday, Oct. 26 from 9 am - Noon at the Lyman Town Hall, 11 South Waterboro Road, Lyman. Donations are encouraged. Open to dogs and cats that are 12 weeks or older. All pets must be leashed or in a carrier. To receive a three-year vaccine you must bring your pet's previous rabies certificate or vet records with you. Otherwise your pet will receive a one-year vaccine. Sponsored by the Animal Welfare Society. For more information, call 292-2424.

**ROCK CONCERT** Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. the Arts Center at 8 Hancock Avenue in Hiram presents acoustic rock song stylist Joel Cage in concert. BYOB. Adult \$10 and children cost \$5.

**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!

The Waterborough Historical Society will have its annual **HOLIDAY FAIR & SILENT AUCTION** at the Grange Hall, 31 West Road, South Waterboro on Saturday, Nov. 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Check out the crafters on two floors offering a variety of items and break for lunch available downstairs. Purchase a goodie at the bake sale and bid on a bargain in the huge silent auction featuring items and gift cards donated by local merchants. For a unique gift for someone who enjoys local history, peruse the table of society merchandise. FMI, contact Jim Carll at 247-5878 or carllj@sacoriver.net.

**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.

**BUSY ANGELS' CRAFT FAIR** Nov. 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Variety of Crafters, Baked Goods, White Elephant Items, Lobster Stew & Corn Chowder. Scarborough Free Baptist Church, 55 Mussey Road, Scarborough.

**EMBRACING HYGGE** for Simple, Joy-Filled Living at Waterboro Public Library on Tuesday, Nov. 12 from 6-7 p.m. Have you heard the term "hygge" and wondered what it is? Do you need a fresh perspective on how to enjoy and savor the winter season? If so, join Simple Living Coach & Consultant, Lisa Luken for this program. Lisa will illustrate what hygge is and

where it's from, she'll share why it's important for happiness and she'll teach how to create and embrace it in your life this winter and beyond. Walk away with new insights and ideas that will help you create a simpler, more joy-filled life. Registration not required. Event is free and open to the public. Waterboro Public Library is located at 187 Main St., East Waterboro. For more information, call 247-3363 or visit the website waterborolibrary.org. Events are free and open to the public.

**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 247-3363. Events are free and open to the public.

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## 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.

**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.



## Saco River Theatre

**PETE SEEGER'S "THE INCOMPLEAT FOLK SINGER"** A Canadian Tribute to an American Hero With Mark Hellman - Nov. 17, 3 to 4:30 p.m. at Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills. Tickets are \$15. Reservations call 929-6472 or www.sacorivertheatre.org.

A rollicking, tumultuous, triumphant sing-along musical memoir in 2 acts, this quintessentially Canadian creation pays tribute to celebrated American folksinger, social activist and environmentalist, Pete Seeger, told in his own words and featuring 29 favorite songs from his early years (1935-70). On its very first tour to the US! Originally produced by the Other Guys Theatre Co., Victoria, BC, Canada, 2015.

"...a beacon on the horizon that calls out to our better selves to respond, to act...this show, an old-style hootenanny...you'll thank yourself for taking it in." - BrokenLegReviews (Vancouver, BC)

"...Hellman shines...I can't remember a play that had me singing along so much." - Georgia Straight (Vancouver, BC)

## BIRTHS



**Henry William Bilbrey** was born on Aug. 25 at Maine Medical Center weighing 7 pounds, 5 ounces. His parents are Hayley and John W. Bilbrey of North Waterboro. Maternal grandparents are Barbara and Samuel B. Kelley of Biddeford; and Lou and Lynne Belanger of Biddeford. Paternal grandparents are Allison and John A. Bilbrey of Biddeford.

## BUSINESS NEWS

### Hannaford Helps Schools celebrates 20 years of giving back

Hannaford Supermarkets is pleased to announce the return of its Hannaford Helps Schools program for its 20th season. Now through Nov. 30, shoppers can help local schools meet fundraising goals by purchasing specially marked items in Hannaford stores.

"Educators in our local schools are already going above and beyond, and we're proud that Hannaford Helps Schools can provide those educators additional support in expanding the opportunities available to students," said Ericka Dodge, spokesperson for Hannaford.

Each store features more than 1,500 eligible products on its shelves. For every four participating products purchased, a shopper will receive three "School Dollars" that they can then donate in-store to the school of their choice. A list of participating schools can be found here.

Additionally, Hannaford will award \$1,000 to the school that raises the most funds in each community.

Money raised will support needs designated by individual schools, including things like new computers, musical instruments, sports gear, field trips or playground equipment.

In its 20 years, Hannaford Helps Schools has raised more than \$12 million for schools in New England and New York.

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## Museum To Celebrate Maine's Statehood

When the Alfred Historical Committee met this last week, what the theme of next year's exhibit should be was discussed. We have had a gamut of themes. "Make Mine Music" was popular with the kids. "The Wedding March" was especially enjoyed by young people. Toys? Foods? Alfred industries which was this year's theme wasn't as popular as anticipated. Then Bruce Tucker mentioned our bicentennial year. It will be 200 years since Maine became a state. And that is something to celebrate. The committee concurred.

On the Centennial Year, (1920) there was a reenactment of John Holmes' return to Alfred. I believe he came in style after his sojourn in Washington, where he served as a senator. His wife and daughter were here to greet him at the Holmes mansion, "the Bow and Arrow House". All the participants have passed away but it is well-remembered. There are several photos in the museum, and probably more can be found. Anyone who has memories of that occasion (yes, we recall it was very long ago) might be willing to update the committee on how the day was celebrated.

Holmes had a lot to do with Maine's statehood. Hearsay reports it was originally his suggestion that we call it "Maine". Columbia had been another suggestion - we're glad that one was voted down!

The museum has bound copies of his letters, and those of his daughter and others in the family, which will be a good resource. We hope next year's Alfred Festival will also focus on Maine's statehood.

## School activities and Holiday Fair

This past Monday the Alfred and Sanford Fire Departments visited the Alfred Elementary School to demonstrate what to do in case of a fire. Josh Walls wore his full protective regalia worn when entering a burning building and the various parts of his costume were explained. Every youngster was given a shiny red fire helmet, the Sanford "smoke house" was present, and the children listened attentively as it was explained you DO NOT HIDE IN A CLOSET if there is a fire but get out as soon as you can. It was an impressive method of learning fire safety.

This Friday will be Appreciation Day for the bus drivers who will probably be receiving many cards.

The one dance of the year, a Monster Mash Family Dance, will be this Friday, Oct. 25, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for Alfred Elementary students, families and staff only. There will be a prize for the most creative costume, classroom



Matt Leach of the Alfred Fire Department explained some fire safety rules to youngsters at Alfred Elementary School last Monday, when the Fire Department visited the school. PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS

display and most creative family costume. The fifth grade will be holding a bake sale during the event. This will take the place of the Halloween Stroll of other years. There will be another free family event late in the spring of 2020.

Thursday, Oct. 31 is Character Dress-Up Day to help celebrate literacy. It will be during C.A.R.E. time with students dressing up like their favorite character in a book. Rules say no weapons, blood or gory outfits. Outfits should be safe, and students should bring the book from which the character was taken.

The 25th annual Holiday Craft Fair held at the elementary school will be Nov. 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Applications are now available at the school. The cost is \$15 per table, with a limit of two tables and reservations may be made for one day or both days. There will be no setup for crafters on Friday, just Saturday and Sunday only, at 6:30 a.m. For further information call Janice Staples at 247-1034.

## Keyword Manor

Saturday, Nov. 2 is the date of the Keyword Manor Activities Council Craft and Bake Sale, from 8:30 to 2, at 85 Pools Crossing Road. This will include a quilt raffle and raffle of donated items from each of the crafters, plus a 50/50 drawing. Lunch will be available for purchase. For more info call Mollie Gibbons at 459-5167 or email the council, activitiescouncil@gmail.com.

## Parish Church

The Grief Support Group at Alfred Parish Church will be held on Monday afternoons at 1 p.m. in Conant Chapel. This is an open group and for more information call the church at 324-3841.

The Bible Study Group is the first and third Wednesday of the month, from 7 to 8 p.m. in Conant Chapel. The Noonings Group is on Wednesdays at noon, also in the chapel. Members bring a lunch.

The monthly free supper will be Monday, Oct. 28 with a menu including a variety of pasta dishes from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

## Town Hall

The Alfred Planning Board will hold a public hearing at Town Hall to review a land use permit application to expand a use submitted by Central Maine Power. This is available for review at the code enforcement office. The hearing is at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4.

The Alfred Registrar of Voters will be available to register voters for the Nov. 5 election Monday through Thursday. Bring physical street address, and ID such as valid Maine driver's license. Check at Town Hall for if uncertain when office is open.

The State Referendum will be Tuesday, Nov. 5 in Conant Chapel from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The Town Clerk's office will be closed during that time.

The Alfred Festival Tee shirts are available at Town Hall. They are bright green and cost \$10.



Channel 6 Morning Anchor, Sharon Rose Vaznis, left, presents Patty Roux Hambleton with a trophy at the Harvest Dance. PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

# Volunteer honored at harvest dinner

BY JOANNE BARGIONI

Thanksgiving Day may be almost a month away, but feeding the hungry is a year long need. The York County Shelter Program Food Pantry held its annual fundraiser Harvest Dance and silent auction at the Elks Lodge in Sanford on Saturday, Oct. 19 to benefit people in need of a Thanksgiving Food Basket. Ten years ago Patty Roux Hambleton and volunteers at YCSP Food Pantry got together and decided to put on a dance to raise funds for the food pantry. Hambleton has been spearheading this Benefit every year and announced this year may be her last. After organizing this fundraiser for the last 10 years Hambleton feels she would like to spend more time with her family, especially the grandchildren.

Hambleton annually solicits local businesses to make a donation and in turn she places these items in a silent auction at the Harvest Dance. All proceeds are donated to the York County Shelter Program Food Pantry, 5 Swetts Bridge Road, Alfred. This is an event that raises thousands of dollars. Around 100 people paid a donation to attend the dance. Mike Ouellette supplied the music as DJ/Gratitude and is also the co-ordinator of the YCSP food pantry.

Hambleton, who works as an Educational Technician for RSU #57, is no stranger to social issues and as a member of Massabesic High School's student accountability staff, she became aware of unopened packages of food going to waste. The students had a government food plan established that required them to purchase certain pre-packaged foods. Hambleton noticed that a large portion of students were throwing away some of the food they did not want to eat, but were required to take. She wanted to find a way to use this uneaten food. Serendipitously,

she met Heidi Sampson, a member of the the Maine House of Representatives District 21, at a local store and spoke to her of this problem and how it bothered her that the food was being wasted. Sampson brought the problem to the Legislature and they created the bill LD 541 also called An Act to Reduce Food Waste in Schools. The bill went through quickly and on June 3 the bill became law. The plans to distribute the food is still a work in progress.

Aside from volunteering at the YCSP Food Pantry, Hambleton has also volunteered at the Maine Children's Cancer Program along with her husband, Rick. She has appeared as the Easter Bunny at both Notre Dame Church in Alfred and with the Shapleigh Recreation Committee at the Easter Egg Hunt.

This year at the Harvest Dance Hambleton was honored with a Certificate of Appreciation for all her years of volunteering for the Food Pantry and a fleece vest decorated with the YCSP logo.

Hambleton thanked everyone for this honor but insisted that the success of the Harvest Dance was due to the team effort of many people. It could not have been possible without the businesses who donated the gifts and prizes, her husband and family who have supported her in all her efforts, and the volunteers who gave tirelessly of their time and expertise.

Before the ceremony ended one more surprise was in store for Hambleton. As a long time fan of Channel 6 News Center Maine Morning Report Anchor, Sharon Rose Vaznis, it was arranged by a mutual friend that Vaznis would present Hambleton with a trophy commemorating Hambleton's involvement with the food pantry. Totally surprised at Vaznis's presence and through laughter and tears she accepted her award and humbly thanked all who made the Harvest Dance a success.

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**Drug Take-Back Day Oct. 26**

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications. For the first time, collection sites will accept vaping devices and associated substances.

At a previous Take-Back Event in April 2019, federal, state, and local government entities took back 937,443 pounds of unused, expired, or unwanted drugs at more than 6,200 locations across the United States. Over the course of the program, 11,816,393 pounds of prescription drugs have been safely collected across the country, including more than 380,937,257 pounds of medication in Maine alone.

Federal regulations allow pharmacies, hospitals, clinics, and other authorized collectors to serve as collection points for unused prescription medication.

The York County Sheriff's Office will be collecting at the Waterboro Hannaford, Goodwin Mills Fire Station in Lyman and the Rite Aid in Cornish. The Buxton Police Department will be collecting at the Rite Aid in Buxton and at the Buxton Police Department. The Sanford Police Department is also a drop location.

For a complete list of drop-off locations throughout the state, visit <https://takebackday.dea.gov>.

**CRIME IN MAINE**

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survivors are not reporting to law enforcement. We must continue to work to create systems that effectively respond to all victims who come forward before we can expect reports to law enforcement to truly reflect what's happening in our communities."

Domestic violence assaults decreased 11.5% in 2018 (3,699 incidents reported in 2018 compared to 4,178 incidents in 2017). This was the sixth year in a row that domestic assault decreased. The Executive Director of the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence, Francine Garland Stark said, "Domestic violence resource centers in Maine have not experienced any reduction in demand for service, and over 14,000 people reached out for help in 2018. The number of domestic violence assaults gives an incomplete picture because most victims do not reach out to the criminal justice system for intervention. Many times, the coercive, controlling behavior that characterizes domestic abuse does not involve behavior that meets the definition of a crime, though the result can be devastating and have life-long impact."

The Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence phone number is 866-834-HELP(4357) or [www.mcedv.org](http://www.mcedv.org) and the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault's phone number is 800-871-7741 or [www.mecasa.org](http://www.mecasa.org). Both organizations have complete listings of local groups that offer help with domestic violence and sexual assault.

Robberies decreased 8.1% (247 robberies reported in 2018 compared to 266 robberies in 2017). This is the third year in a row that robberies have decreased.

Aggravated Assaults reported a decrease of 8.5% for 2018 (801 incidents reported in 2018 compared to 875 incidents in 2017). Aggravated assault involves serious injury and usually involve a weapon.

The four property crime categories also went down in 2018:

- Burglary decreased 18.4% in 2018 (2,707 incidents reported

compared to 3,316 incidents reported in 2017). Burglaries have decreased for seven consecutive years.

- Larceny-theft decreased 8% (14,688 incidents reported in 2018 compared to 15,968 incidents in 2017). Larceny-thefts also have decreased seven years in a row.

- Motor Vehicle Thefts decreased 2% in 2018 with 776 vehicles stolen compared with 792 in 2017.

- Arson saw a 23.5% decrease in 2018. (104 reported arsons in 2018 compared to 136 reported in 2017). Estimated property loss caused by arson during 2018 was just over \$2.1 million.

Crime in the rural areas in 2018 decreased 13.3%, and crimes in cities and towns dropped 8.2%.

In the rural areas, patrolled by State Police, Sheriff's offices, Fire Marshals and the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency, agencies reported a 13.3% decrease in reported crimes. The two rural crimes that increased in 2018 were rape and simple assaults. Rapes reported in the rural areas saw a 1.8% increase (114 incidents reported in 2018 compared to 112 rape incidents in 2017). Assaults in the rural areas saw a 4.9% increase (2,680 victims were assaulted in 2018 and 2,556 victims in 2017).

Urban crimes, from communities with local police departments, saw a decrease of 8.2% in 2018. The three crime numbers that went up in the cities and towns were simple assaults, arsons and homicide. Arson saw an increase of 62.6% (57 reported incidents in 2018 and 35 in 2017). Simple assaults increased by 4.6% (7,292 incidents in '18 vs 6,971 assaults in 2017). There were 14 homicides in the urban areas, compared to 10 during 2017.

The Uniform Crime Reporting Division (UCR) at the Maine Department of Public Safety tabulates the crime numbers each

year. The numbers are based on reported crimes from local, county and state law enforcement agencies. The UCR statistics show that 19,773 crime index offenses were reported to police agencies during 2018 compared to 21,803 during 2017 for an overall crime rate decrease of 9.3%.

The 19,773 crimes reported in 2018 represent a crime rate of 14 offenses per 1,000 people in Maine. That number compares to the national crime rate of 28 offenses per 1,000 population.

The total number of adults summoned or cited by police increased for 2018 for the first time in a decade, while juvenile arrests decreased for the sixth straight year.

Adult arrests increased 1.3% in 2018, (37,809 arrests reported in 2018 compared to 37,337 arrests for 2017). Juveniles arrested or summoned decreased by 6.6% in 2018 (2,852 arrests reported in 2018 compared to 3,055 juveniles arrested in 2017).

The value of property stolen during 2018 was reported as \$17,487,762 compared to \$17,384,220 reported in 2017. Police recovered \$4,689,269 in stolen property in 2018 for a recovery rate of 26.8%.

The crime rate for violent crime in Maine continues to be one offense per 1,000 population compared to the national average of 4 per 1,000 population.

"Crime in Maine" is the annual publication of reported crime statistics from the Uniform Crime Reporting division and the 2018 numbers are posted on the Department of Public Safety's web page [www.maine.gov/dps/cim/crime\\_in\\_maine/](http://www.maine.gov/dps/cim/crime_in_maine/).

The crime numbers from the past 20 years are also posted on the site. Questions about local trends should be directed to police chiefs and sheriffs for detailed local crime statistics.

**NEWFIELD**

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**Last camp out of the season for Troop #329**

Scout Troop #329 will be at Camp Nutter in Acton for this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 26 and 27.

The troop will be there for Beaver Day, to clean up around the camp grounds and camp out overnight, according to troop leader Joe Iannazzo.

**Halloween dance with DJ Reggie**

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-Paca Farms.

**Happy birthday!**

Birthday wishes this week go to: Shirley Campbell and Janet Colwell. I am also remembering my brother Jeff, who's birthday was this week. He passed away many years ago, but is still fondly remembered.

**Happy anniversary!**

Johanne and Wayne Vaters will celebrate their anniversary.

**Meetings**

Cub Scout Pack #329 will have their Halloween party will be held on Monday, Oct. 28 at the Line School at 818 Water Street at 6 pm. Anastasia Ferguson is the Cubmaster.

Newfield Firefighters will have a training session on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at the Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street in West Newfield at 7 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.

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

Tea Time will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 30, at the Newfield Village Library at 637 Water Street at 3 p.m.

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# SPORTS



Emma Snyder (4) bangs home a rebound in front that Emily Jacobs (22) fired on goal. COURTESY PHOTO

## FIELD HOCKEY

### Stangs stomp Spartans in playoff opener

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS  
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The Mustangs got all the scoring they would need in the first six minutes of the game and their team defense held Sanford to just one shot in the first half in route to a 4-1 win in the quarter finals of varsity field hockey held Wednesday, Oct. 23 at Massabesic High School in Waterboro.

Emma Snyder got Massabesic on the board 72 seconds into the game when she banged home a nice feed from Izzy Hurlburt after the Mustangs defense had moved the ball smartly out of their own end. Emily Jacobs made it 2-0 four minutes later after Massabesic was awarded a corner and a wild scramble in front ensued.

The Spartans called a timeout after Jacobs' goal and settled into the flow the game, but their offense had a difficult time getting loose thanks to the strong defensive play of Emily Morin and Noelle DesVergnes. The biggest save of the contest for Massabesic came with just nine seconds left in the half when Julia Gregoire made a huge point blank stop on Alicia Simpson, preserving the 2-0 lead into halftime.

Gregoire was solid at the start of the second half, as the Spartans (8-7) pushed the play, making three saves early while the Mustangs struggled to find their legs after the break. But Snyder banged in her second goal, making it 3-0 at the midpoint of the second half, effectively sealing the win.

Morin saved a goal after a ball snuck past Gregoire with 12 minutes left and Hurlburt made it 4-0 after she deflected home a shot in front. Simpson managed a late score for the Spartans to make it 4-1.

Massabesic will host Gorham (10-5) at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26 in the semi finals. The Mustangs (14-1) topped the Rams 2-0 back on Sept. 18.



### Mustangs wrap up best ever (13-1) regular season

Julia Gregoire made nine saves and Massabesic got goals from three different players to help pace a solid 3-1 win at Cheverus (7-4-3) on Wednesday, Oct. 16. The win, in the final game of the regular season, gave the Mustangs their best ever finish at 13-1.

Lucia Pompeo scored early for the Stags, but the Mustangs came back with a goal from Emma Snyder at 7:06 and another from Emily Jacobs with just under four minutes left in the half.

Gregoire came up big in the second half, helping the Mustangs preserve the lead, as Pompeo got loose twice for point blank chances, but the senior came out and shut down both attempts. Camryn Champlin set up Izzy Hurlburt with an insurance goal at the midpoint of the second making it 3-1.

Massabesic finished the regular season with 51 goals scored and just 14 allowed.



## FOOTBALL

### Mustangs roll over Rams Roberge 3 rush TD

Nick Roberge ran for 112 yards and three touchdowns and the Mustangs offense piled up 312 yards on the ground to help pace a 26-14 win over visiting Gorham on Friday, Oct. 18.

Ricky Hendrix finished with 84 yards and had the only score of the first quarter with a 22-yard touchdown run. Roberge made it 12-0 with 4:19 left before half-time with his first touchdown, but Tyler Rollins took the ensuing kickoff and ran 89-yards to make it 12-6. The Rams added the extra point to cut it to 12-7.

Roberge got his second touchdown on a 14-yard run midway through the third quarter and Owen Roberts' two-point conversion made it 20-7. Gorham (2-5) stayed within striking distance, cutting it 20-14, with Rollins' second touchdown with 9:39

still to play, but Roberge iced it with his third touchdown. Braden Daigneault rushed for 78 yards. The Mustangs won their fifth game in their last six contests, moving their record to 5-2.

—By Michael DeAngelis



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Obituaries

**Carmine D. Amabile**

Carmine D. Amabile, 56, of Waterboro and formerly of Saugus, MA, loving husband, devoted father, beloved son, dear brother, and cherished uncle passed away suddenly on October 19, 2019. Carmine was working in the yard with his father, Sebastian Amabile, and brother, Dan Amabile, taking a tree down when the unthinkable happened and Carmine lost his life. Carmine along with his brother Dan owned Amabile Brothers Plastering, a third-generation company.



**Carmine D. Amabile**

Carmine is lovingly survived by his wife of 25 years, Michelle; his three sons, Carmine (CJ) (23), Anthony (21) and Leonardo (Leo) (20); by his parents, Sebastian L. and Janice E. (Ward) Amabile; his siblings, Teresa (Amabile) Moore and husband Robert; Daniel and Kathleen (Brown) Amabile; and Marie Elena Amabile and Paul Gilmour. He was a cherished uncle to Jill (Moore) Taromina and her son Mason; Thomas and Ashley Call; Christopher and Renee Moore; Matthew Call and Gianna Risti; John (Jack) Melanson; Daniel and Nicholas Amabile; and many cousins.

Carmine and his wife Michelle moved to Waterboro in October of 1996. Carmine worked together with his family to build their home and establish their roots in Maine. Together they raised three wonderful sons and enjoyed sharing their lives together. He

relished in the lifestyle of Maine. He loved jogging on their country road, fishing and hunting with his sons, off-roading, and "wrenchin' on the Jeeps."

Carmine was a humble, generous of heart kind-of-guy, and was always there to help anyone who needed a hand. Carmine will be sorely missed by everyone as a son, a brother, a husband, a father, an uncle, a nephew, a cousin and a friend. His memory will be cherished, and he will be kept in the hearts of his loved ones.

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

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**David Irwin Hayes**

David I. Hayes, 96, was born and died at the Hayes Family Homestead in Limerick on Monday, October 21, 2019. He was the son of Benjamin F. and Agnes (Patterson) Hayes, Jr.



**David Irwin Hayes**

David was a graduate of Limerick High School and married his soulmate and wife Marguerite Illsley on March 29, 1948. David was a dairy farmer and enjoyed the rhythm and seasons of farming and at one time had over 100 head of cattle; milking between 30 to 45 cows twice a day. He was a "man of principle" and was proud of his membership with the Masons. Owning a farm, David was not only a "farmer" but wore many hats; he fixed and repaired machinery, hayed the fields and fixed broken fences and taught his daughters to become self-sufficient and proficient in driving

the tractor. David supported his children and grandchildren in their agricultural endeavors. He was a member of the So. Maine Holstein Club, the Maine Farm Bureau and the Agway Store Committee.

David was always there to lend a hand to his family or anyone else in need. He transported and helped move his granddaughter back-n-forth to college; always stopping at his favorite restaurant and ordering his Scallop dinner! He loved vanilla ice cream and during the winter months enjoyed homemade ice cream. He and Marguerite took many bus trips to sight see along the coast of Nova Scotia and went to the World's Fair in Knoxville, Tenn. David listened to country and western music and listened to the Grand Ole Opry on Saturday nights. Working on the farm each day became easier when he had his faithful German Shepherd dogs by his side. He also enjoyed his visits with his friend "Peanut" and was known for his dry sense of humor.

David was a faithful and devoted husband and father. He was a strong man with a gentle heart. He will be dearly missed by his family and has now entered into eternal rest.

He is lovingly survived by his wife of 71 years, Marguerite Hayes of Limerick; his daughters, Davelyn H. Hayes of Limerick, Holly Hayes Wyman and husband Dean of Limerick, and Laura Hayes Stone and husband Fred of Arundel; his special grandchildren, Jessica Stone Newton and husband Adam of Richmond, and David Stone of Arundel.

A celebration of David's life will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak Street, in Alfred. Immediately following the service, you are invited to share in a reception at the funeral home. David will be buried in the family lot in Highland Cemetery in Limerick.

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In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Limerick Fire and Rescue, P.O. Box 195, Limerick, ME 04048 or to Hospice of So. Maine, 180 US Route One, Suite 1, Scarborough, ME 04074.

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**Althea Joyce Cram**

Althea J. Cram, 96, a longtime resident of Acton, died on October 21, 2019 at the South Portland Nursing Home.



**Althea Joyce Cram**

Althea was born on May 26, 1923 in Sanford, the daughter of Robert L. and Kathryn L. (Dart) Clark. She was a graduate of Alfred High School and lived in Alfred, Sanford and then at her home in Acton of Square Pond. Althea had worked at the Goodall Mills for ten years and retired from Jagger Mills, following 28 years of dedicated service to the company.

Althea and her future husband, Clayton L. Cram, met during their high school years, she was 15 years old and he was 19 years old. They were perfectly matched dance partners! They danced Wednesday night, Friday and Saturday nights through-out their high school years. As Althea shared, "We were in great shape!" They were married in 1942 and shared 57 years of marriage before Clayton passed in 2000.

Althea and Clayton were talented ballroom dancers and danced to the famous bands of the 30's and 40's most every weekend. They danced together for 75 years and Clayton has his one and only dance partner in his arms again. . . Althea loved their Lake Home, cook outs and outdoor parties. She enjoyed playing cards with friends and neighbors on Saturday nights. She had the good fortune of being a world traveler;

seeing most of the United States, Hawaii, Las Vegas and Florida. Many memories were made on their trip to Paris, France. One of her greatest joys included shopping for Clayton.

Althea was a classic woman; who sense of style and taste in clothing only matched her inner beauty. She made sure her shoes, purses and scarfs were the perfect accents in her wardrobe.

She is survived by her son Clark C. Cram and wife Linda of Sanford; and her granddaughter Katrina Gould and husband Larry of Springvale; and her great granddaughter, Lindsey Gould of Springvale; and several nieces and nephews.

Althea was predeceased by her husband Clayton, her infant daughter, Kathryn C. Cram in 1943 and by her two brothers, Donald R. Clark and Erwyn E. Clark.

A Funeral Service will be held on Friday, Oct. 25, 2019 at 1 p.m. at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak St., in Alfred. Following the service, you are invited to visit with Althea's family until we travel in procession to Evergreen Cemetery for 2:30 p.m. She will be laid to rest next to her husband and infant daughter.

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**Pamela (Pierce) Goodwin**

Pamela (Pierce) Goodwin passed away at her home in Lyman on Sept. 30, 2019. She was born on Oct. 31, 1952 in Exeter, New Hampshire, the daughter of John and Helen Pierce.



**Pamela (Pierce) Goodwin**

She is survived by her husband Allen Goodwin and their two children Kimberley Jenkins of Las Vegas, Nevada and Nathaniel Goodwin of West Paris. She dedicated herself to raising her children until they were older at which time, she became a charitable trust accountant for the United Methodist Foundation. She also did bookkeeping and was a corporate officer for Safe Haven Home Accessibility.

She was an avid quilter often giving her creations away to friends and relatives.

Visiting time will be from 1 to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 27 at the East Waterboro Free Baptist Church with a memorial service to follow. Online condolences can be submitted at [www.mainefuneral.com](http://www.mainefuneral.com).

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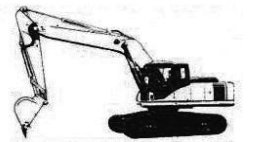
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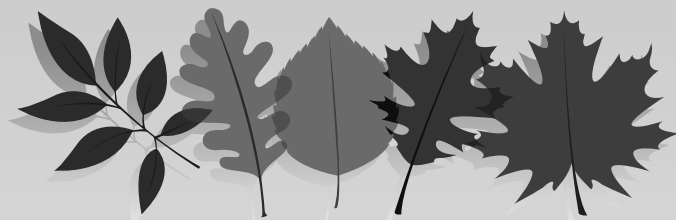
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