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The Bonny Eagle girls taking off at the start of the New England Cross Country Championships on Nov. 13. From left, Mezeret Day, Hannah Stevens, Addy Thibodeau, Emmaline Pendleton and Delaney Hesler. PHOTO BY CHRIS STEVENS

Super Scots

Bonny Eagle 2nd at New Englands

BY MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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With the bright lights of the biggest stage in high school cross country shining down on them, the Bonny Eagle girls stuck with their training, kept their game-faces firmly in place, and posted the best-ever finish for a Maine team at the annual New England Cross Country Championships held on Saturday, Nov. 13 in Thetford, Vermont.

The Scots have essentially been untouchable, at least as far as the state of Maine goes, over the past several seasons. Led by seniors Delaney Hesler and Emmaline Pendleton, the unit captured each regional and state title during the pairs' tenure. Facing the best

runners in New England, however, has been a bit tougher, as the Scots best-ever finish in the New Englands was 10th back in 2019. The event was not held in 2020 due to the pandemic.

"I've been working for all four years and I just try to stay calm, trust my training and ability and know I'm tough at the end of races," said Hesler when asked about her pre-race preparation. Hesler closed well as usual and she finished with a time under the 20-minute mark, one of just 11 runners in the field to do so.

That toughness allowed Hesler to cross in sixth place overall with a time of 19:48.30. Pendleton, as consistent as any coach could want an athlete to be, was

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WATERBORO



Spirit of America Awards

The Spirit of America Award 2021 winners in Waterboro are: Elizabeth and the late John Champion; and Emelia, Reed, and Anthony, Pittiglio Jr. Back row, from left, Selectman Dwayne Woodsome, Interim Town Administrator & Fire Chief Matt Bors, Chairman of the Board Dennis Abbott, and Selectman Michael Provencher. Front row, from left, Emelia Pittiglio, Reed Pittiglio, Anthony, Jr. Pittiglio and Selectman David Chauvette. (Elizabeth Champion was unavailable for the photo). The Spirit of America Foundation was established in Augusta to encourage volunteerism and nominees are selected by the Board of Selectmen each year. COURTESY PHOTO

Veterans remembered

BY JOANNE BARGIONI

The Armed Forces Outreach Group (AFOG) at St. Matthew's Church, 19 Dora Lane, Limerick, held an Annual Veterans' Day Mass and Breakfast at the church on Nov. 11 to honor living and deceased Veterans.

The previous week following the weekend Masses, the AFOG collected names of veterans living and deceased and placed these on the altar during Mass on Veterans' Day to offer prayers for all those who served in the armed forces. Those veterans who attended the breakfast were called up individually by Deacon Paul Lissandrello to receive a card decorated with a US flag that thanked them for their service to the country. He also mentioned former parishioner Howard Forsythe, WWII veteran, who turned 101 years old on July 10.

Following the breakfast, the keynote speaker, Kelly Perry, Readjustment Counselor, from the Sanford Vet Center, 628 Main St., Springvale, spoke on the mission

of the Vet Center and how they are committed to providing support to those who served in the Armed Forces. Perry said at the Center, the veterans can speak openly and in confidence regarding their experiences during their time in service. Perry stated, "they talk about stories and the trauma of war, and this helps to heal their souls and give them a different perspective." The Vet Center has now expanded its resources to active duty, national guard, and reserves. The Vet Center is not part of the Veterans Administration but a separate entity.

She also wanted to "thank the AFOG for their help over the years, which has done so much for our veterans." The AFOG was established in 2004 after a parishioner of St. Matthew's Church suggested something should be done to help the veterans. They contribute financially to support veterans in many ways, including Honor Flight Maine, Paws for Purple Hearts which help to train service dogs, marching in Memorial parades, and other armed forces-related charities.

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Community Calendar

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SHAPLEIGH

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COMING EVENTS

WATERBOROUGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY FESTIVAL OF TREES at the Grange Hall at 31 West Road in Waterboro on Nov. 19, 20, 26 and 27 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Nov. 21 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Nov. 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Over 20 area businesses are donating fully decorated, pre-lit Christmas trees with an abundance of unwrapped gifts underneath. After paying a \$2 donation to get in (children 12 and under are FREE), you may purchase raffle tickets: \$1 each; \$15 for 20 tickets (.75 each); \$30 for 50 tickets (.60 each); \$55 for 100 tickets (.55 each); or \$100 for 200 tickets (just .50 each). Drop a ticket (or several) into the bucket in front of any tree you are interested in winning! If your ticket is drawn on the final Sunday, you win the tree with all of its decorations and all of the gifts underneath!

FUNDRAISING CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR to benefit the Acton Public Library at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road, on Saturday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pictures with Santa will be available for \$5.

NEIL MCGARRY'S 'A CHRISTMAS CAROL' A stunning one-man performance of Charles Dickens *A Christmas Carol* Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 4 at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills. Tickets \$15 at www.sacorivertheatre.org, or call 929-6473. *Due to the high transmissibility of the Delta variant, the Saco River Theatre Board of Directors has voted to join a growing number of Maine performance venues by requiring that all adult audience members present proof of Covid-19 vaccination at the door, or a negative Covid-19 test result from within the prior 48 hours of the attended event. Proof of vaccination can be your physical vaccine card or a photo of your card. Masks will also be required indoors. All Saco River Theatre employees and volunteers working in the building are fully vaccinated.*

CHRISTMAS MARKET-PLACE at Bar Mills Community Church, 13 Hermit Thrush Drive, Buxton, Saturday, Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A great selection of fresh greens to decorate your home, a wide variety of baked goods, like cookies, breads, pies and candy to satisfy your taste buds. Pick up a couple of jars of Wanda's Wonderful Homemade Pickles. Plenty of handcrafted gift ideas for your family, friends and

even your pets. Visit www.bar-millscommunitychurch.org or call Judy at 929-5555 for more info. We look forward to seeing our old friends and to meeting new friends.

2021 YORK COUNTY 4-H FALL FEST Nov. 21 from 1 to 3 p.m. at 951 Limerick Road, Arundel. Youth ages 5 to 18 interested in learning more about 4-H and adults interested in volunteering are encouraged to attend. Activities include arts and crafts, button making, rope making, corn hole and more! All attendees are asked to wear a mask. Hand sanitation stations will be available for use. For more information, contact Erin McDonald at 324-2814.

ONGOING EVENTS

KNOW SOMEONE IN PRISON OR JAIL? "Individuals don't go to prison alone, their families go also." Rose's Room is a support group for family and friends of incarcerated loved ones, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and equally respected! Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 6:30 - 8 p.m. in Sanford/Springvale location, Bishop Cote Hall, 10 Payne Street, Springvale (Facebook at "Rose's Room").

Massabesic Lions monthly dine-in or take-out **BEAN SUPPER** the 2nd Saturday of every month, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Lions Regional Medical Center building, 813 Main Street, Waterboro. Adults \$8. Children 5 to 12 \$5, 4 and under No Charge. Kidney and Pea Beans, Chop Suey, Ham, Hot Dogs, Coleslaw, "Our Homemade" Biscuits, variety of yummy Desserts.

The Acton- Shapleigh Lion's Club **MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST** the first Saturday of every month. The price is \$7, which includes pancakes (plain or blueberry), scrambled eggs, sausages, toast, orange juice, beans, and coffee, tea, and milk. The breakfast will be served from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road. All are welcome.



Buxton Centre Baptist Church, 938 Long Plains Road, Buxton, weekly **SOUPER SENIORS SOCIAL**. Gather for conversation, cribbage, puzzles, and other games, every Monday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with a free lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Adults of all ages are welcome. Masks are not required, but we encourage people to be considerate of the health of others.

Food Pantry

The Shapleigh Food Pantry located at the First Baptist Church, 600 Shapleigh Corner Road, is in need of supplies for their Pantry. With the holidays approaching, they will need the usual staples of spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, jams, cereals, canned fruits, canned vegetables, soup, shampoo, paper towels, toothpaste, and cake mixes and frosting, cranberry sauce, and other non-perishable goods for the holiday season.

The pantry is open on Wed. evenings at 6 p.m. at the lower level of the church. If you would like to donate items or you need some help with food, please visit at that time. Mike Reid, organizer of the Shapleigh Food Giveaway, can also accept your donations for the pantry, and you can reach him at (603) 307-4926.



Hannaford program to benefit Waterborough Historical Society for November



When you purchase a \$12 'Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet' at the Waterboro Hannaford in November, \$1 will go to the historical society.

Give back in Waterboro with a simple purchase of a floral bouquet! Waterborough Historical Society has been selected by local Hannaford store leadership as the benefiting non-profit in the brand-new Hannaford Bloomin' 4 Good Program for the month of November!

The Hannaford Bloomin' 4 Good Program is designed to give back in local communities with every floral bouquet purchased. Every \$12.00 Bloomin' 4 Good

Bouquet with the red circle sticker sold supports a non-profit local to the Hannaford in which it was purchased.

Every month, at every Hannaford a different local non-profit is selected to benefit from the sale of these special Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquets. Waterborough Historical Society was selected as the beneficiary by local Hannaford leadership at the store located at East Waterboro. Waterborough Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet purchased at this

Hannaford location in November.

"What a beautiful way to give back in our local community, and make a room, home or someone's day even brighter," said James Carll, President of Waterborough Historical Society. "We are thrilled to be participating in this innovative program that makes it possible for shoppers to give back to local non-profits like ours as part of the regular weekly shopping routine."

Waterborough Historical Soci-

ety is a non-profit based in Waterboro. Founded in 1969, the society works to collect and preserve whatever may be related to the history of the Town of Waterboro. Learn more about Waterborough Historical Society by visiting www.facebook.com/Waterborough-Historical-Society.

For more information about the Hannaford Bloomin' 4 Good Program, visit hannaford.bloomin-4good.com.

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Chamber welcomes Carte Blanche woman's boutique to Sanford

Chamber members and guests turned out to celebrate the newest location of Carte Blanche Sanford's only woman's boutique. Carte Blanche has a wide selection of jeans, sweaters, booties, bags, including head to toe outfits and gifts/décor. A wonderful boutique to shop in they are located at 1364 Main Street Ste 21 A in the Center for Shopping in Sanford. Cutting the ribbon are owners Luke and Catilina Lannigan.
 COURTESY PHOTO

NOTICES

TOWN OF ALFRED
 Zoning Board of Appeals
PUBLIC HEARING

NOVEMBER 30, 2021 6:30 P.M.

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held at the Alfred Town Hall, County of York, State of Maine at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 in accordance with Title 30, Sec 2451-2460, M.R.S.A. Said hearings being on the Administrative Appeal for the following owners:

Zachery Gean & Megan Gean-Gendron
Map 12 Lot 50 – 36 Saco Road, Alfred

Any persons having any objections to the granting or issuance of said permits shall appear and show just cause.

Zoning Board of Appeals, Town of Alfred

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Said hearing being on the: request for a variance to relax front setbacks allowing for an 8'x38' farmers porch.

Raynald & Jennifer Ouellette
Map 5 Lot 22C – 289 Gore Road, Alfred

Any persons having any objections to the granting or issuance of said permits shall appear and show just cause.

Zoning Board of Appeals, Town of Alfred

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Honoring our veterans

The Veteran's Day ceremony at the Newfield Town Office was very well attended by the locals and the local veterans, with about 30 in all. The ceremony started off with Troop #329 raising the flag and everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Local veteran Ryan St. Pierre placed the wreath on the monument. Librarian Cheryl Cause was Master of Ceremonies and read a letter from Sen. Angus King. He spoke of the men and women from Maine who proudly served, and that Maine has the highest rate of veterans per capita. In his letter, he said that we need to support our veterans in words and deeds, making a difference in their lives.

Back in 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower first proclaimed that November 11, would be called Veteran's Day in honor of our men and women who served in the armed forces, and those who fought the



Newfield residents honored veterans at the Veteran's Day ceremony in front of the town office on Water Street, with about 30 attending. Troop #329 raised the flag. PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

wars for the U.S. Prior to that, it was called Armistice Day, and many countries still use that.

Local resident Bruce Bryant delivered a message of what it takes to have freedom. In his message, he quoted Abraham Lincoln in the Gettysburg Address, Eleanor Roosevelt's "with freedom comes responsibilities," Bob Dylan and Winston Churchill. But, the most powerful and what we should always keep in our hearts and minds is from Lee Greenwood's song of

1984 "God Bless the U.S.A.":
"And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free
And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me
And I'd gladly stand up next to you and defend her still today
'Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land! God bless the U.S.A."

Bryant closed with the Benediction and Geoff Thayer played Taps. Towns all over Maine honored the veterans that are still here with us and those we have lost, by hosting ceremonies. The historical society would like to thank everyone who came out in support of the program.



Thanksgiving dinner is back!

The Thanksgiving dinner, held for several years at the West Newfield Congregational Church, is back again this year. It will be held on Thursday, Nov. 25 at the church on 1078 Maplewood Road from noon to 3 p.m.

If you would like a dinner but are unable to attend, they will deliver to you. Contact Debby Colwell at 793-3796. Donations are welcome, but not necessary. Everyone in town is welcome to come and enjoy the holiday meal.

Historical society will elect officers

The Newfield Historical Society will have a meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 30 at their headquarters at 64 Elm Street at 5 p.m. to elect new officers for the coming year. Everyone is invited and if you are not a member but are interested in joining, you can get that information at the meeting. They always welcome new members. If you can not attend, but would like to join, please contact any of the members.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes go out this week to: Phillip R. Libby Jr., Gerard Harvey, Tim Bruhl and Matthew Bryant.

Meetings

Newfield firefighters will have a work session on Tuesday, Nov. 23 at the Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street at 7 p.m.

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Allison Williams

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Alfred Parish Church

Jackie Thornton will lead the service on Nov. 21, on Christmas Eve at 4 p.m. Rev. Larry Greer will lead the service. It is suggested that all persons attending that service be vaccinated.

Permits Issued

Codes Enforcement Officer Jim Allaire issued the following permits in October. To Jon Lord of Seigny Drive, an installation of mini-splits; to Norm Porell of Federal Street, a 16 x 28 lean-to; to Ken Curry of Curry Lane, to install a stand-by generator; to Carlos Carter of Jordan Spring Road, a sun room; to Alen Martell of Pine Cone Drive, 12 x 12 decks; to Paul Letourneau of Gore Road, addition and renovations; to Perley Yeaton of Gore Road a stand by generator; to John Caramilialis of Yia Yia's Way, garage renovation and a basement apartment; to York County of Layman Way, an entrance door repair; and Frank carney of Hay Brook received a permit to finish his basement.

NOTICES

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH

The Shapleigh Planning Board will be holding a PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING on:

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
Snow Date Wednesday, Dec. 15th at 6:00 pm

To discuss possible amendments to both the Zoning Ordinance & Subdivision Ordinance

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

Roger Allaire, Chairman - Shapleigh Planning Board

RESIDENTS OF SHAPLEIGH

Nomination papers will be available December 2, 2021 for the March 11, 2022 Municipal Election:

- (1) Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor: 3 years
- (1) Treasurer: 3 years
- (1) Director, Regional School Unit #57: 3 years
- (1) Road Commissioner - Southern District: 3 years
- (2) Trustee, Shapleigh Community Library: 3 years
- (1) Trustee, Shapleigh Community Forest: 3 years
- (2) Budget Committee Member: 3 years

Papers are available through the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and must be filed by 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2022

At least 25 but not more than 100 signatures of registered shapleigh voters will be required to place a name on the ballot.

PLEASE CALL 636-2844 EXT 1 OR 6 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



During the recent craft fair at the Masonic Hall in Alfred, these figures on the lawn represented what it was all about: MIA (Missing in Action) and POW (Prisoners of War). PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS

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SPORTS

CROSS COUNTRY

Queens of XC

Mainers shine at N.E. championships

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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The results of each annual New England Cross Country Championships, the latest one held Saturday, Nov. 13 in Thetford, Vermont, teach us several things. We learn which teams are the best, which individual runners are the fastest and – what may sometimes be overlooked – what state is the best. Let the record show that Maine was the best performing state at the 2021 XC championships and we need to look no further than the top of the leaderboard. Ruth White, dominant as ever, was first at Thetford with an 18:44.08. The Orono High sophomore was 24 seconds better than runner-up Rachel St. Germain (Connecticut) and her senior sister Nora White was 17th.

The White's had plenty of Mainers to celebrate with following the race: Hadley Mahoney of Cape Elizabeth was 4th, Cary Drake of York was 5th, Delaney Hesler of Bonny Eagle was 6th, Thea Crowley of George Steven's High was 8th, Megan Randall of Bangor was 14th. That's 7 Mainers in the top 17. Only Connecticut, with roughly

triple the population of Maine, had more with 22 runners in the top 60.

Dominant. But perhaps just 7 of the top 17 and first, fourth, fifth, sixth and eighth place overall aren't enough proof to declare Maine the king (Queen!) of cross country for 2021? Let's look a bit further down the leaderboard where we find another nice pack of Maine runners. In 38th it's Scot Emmaline Pendleton and in 44th we find Marshwood's Sarah McClennan. Greely's Annie Reynolds was a step behind McClennan in 45th and in 49th we find the best freshman finisher from Maine and the 6th fastest freshman in New England in Amelia VanDongen from Mount Desert Island. Another superb freshman, Teanne Ewings, from way up in Houlton finished in 52nd place and we return to Bonny Eagle with Addy Thibodeau and her 58th-place finish. Yet another freshman, Sam Moore from Portland, joined this big pack of Mainers and crossed in 60th.

For 2021, the results are clear. Maine's girls are the Queen's of Cross Country in New England.

Information for this article was found on me.milesplit.com.



The Bonny Eagle Girls Cross Country team placed second in the New England XC Championships in Thetford, Vermont on Nov. 13 – the best performance ever by a Maine team. From left, Meseret Day, Kallie Warner, Hannah Stevens, Allie Hesler, Head Coach Michael Bureson, Delaney Hesler, Emmaline Pendleton, Coach T.J. Hesler, Addy Thibodeau, Coach Ryan Dyer, Grace Quinn, Cadence Howard, Elizabeth Forestiere and Gwen Catalano. PHOTO BY LISA DAY

BONNY EAGLE XC

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38th. Sophomore Addy Thibodeau finished 58th, Hannah Stevens (Pendleton's and Hesler's classmate and another model for consisitancy) finished 116th. The Scots had sophomore Allie Hesler finish in 151st place. Kallie Warner and Meseret day, Scot insurance policies, were 193rd and 226th, respectively.

New Milford, Connecticut took the gold with 136 team points and a total combined time of 1:45.05. Bonny Eagle was next

with 202 (1:46.40) and Glastonbury, Connecticut. took the bronze with 221. Mount Desert Island was the next best performer from the state of Maine, they finished 20th. Marshwood was 21st.

Head coach Mike Bureson was still "trying to take it all in" when asked about his unit's performance. "The girls were ready physically and mentally and they

delivered the best performance ever by a girls team in state history...the work they put in to get to this level is just incredible, they really deserve to have a touch of the limelight."

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For stats and more information on cross country visit www.me.milesplit.com.

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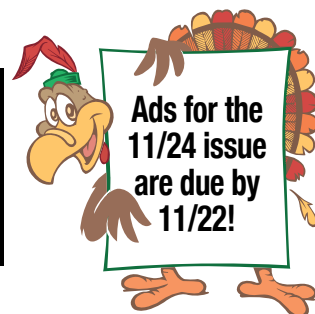
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Rebid for the Town's Mowing
The Town of Alfred will receive sealed bids for Mowing Town Properties for the 2022 season until **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 30, 2021** at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read at the Selectmen's Meeting. All sealed bids must be clearly marked "Town of Alfred Mowing Rebid" and should be mailed to: PO Box 850, Alfred, ME 04002 or hand delivered to 16 Saco Road, Alfred Maine and received no later than November 30, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. The Bid document(s) and specifications may be picked up in the Selectmen's office or electronically by calling 324-5872 ext. 202.
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Obituaries



Doug Morin

Doug Morin of Limerick, passed away Friday, Nov. 12, 2021, at age 72.

How does one sum up a lifetime of memories and accomplishments from this man in a few short paragraphs?



Doug Morin

Doug was born Jan. 8, 1949, in Sanford. He's lived in good ole Limerick his whole entire life. He had a challenging life growing up. He won the battle with polio and started working at a very young age. This is where his stubbornness, passion, drive and head fits, I mean lack of patience got him through life. There was never a job too big or too small that he did not complete. He took life by the bull horns and rode, quite literally on his beloved bull, Edward in which he raised from birth in the 80s.

He married the love of his life Debbie in 1970 and they built a great life together including two successful businesses. Morin's Construction, where he built everything from houses, beautiful masonry work, landscaping, and his own two homes as well as his daughter's homes. Morin's Sugar House where he and his family make the most delicious Maple syrup. During the earlier years he had to sell his prized possession, his 1967 Chevy Chevelle. If you knew Doug then, he was the man to beat. We never did get it out of him, if he loved us more or that car as it was a love between them in which we will never understand being girls and all.

He worked very hard and played just as hard. If he wasn't tapping 8000 taps on trees during syrup season, he would be off riding 50 plus miles on his bicycle. He rode up Mount Washington twice and did lots of races in Maine and Florida. When he wasn't biking, he would walk 25 plus miles a day. This gave him absolute joy as did his grandkids. He was tough but could turn into a marshmallow in seconds for them. Throughout their lives they learned that he was somehow superhuman and that no one could ever fill his shoes. (He wore

size 14's) but that was ok as he was very proud of each of them in their own accomplishments.

He loved rides, most animals (except porcupines and snakes), landscaping around the house, mowing his lawns and he was an avid deer hunter and fisherman. He knew the woods like the back of his hand. He always knew where he was whether it was in the woods or on the road. We did A LOT of road trips growing up. When we were younger, most of the time we would drive him nuts fighting in the back seat of the car, once he pulled over, grabbed a stick and tried to get us with it but at this point we were all laughing so hard he was not able to reach us (thank god) or that one time we slept in the car in Cape Cod just off the highway getting eaten alive by mosquitoes and being so very uncomfortable. Later on, when it was just he and Mom, they traveled to a lot of places including Hawaii, Grand Canyon, Mount Rushmore, California to see the Sequoia trees, many states including Florida, Vermont, and every road in the state of Maine and New Hampshire.

He cherished visiting with family and friends. He would often bring them syrup, fresh fish, cukes, tomatoes, pumpkins and chat away and sometimes even having dinner with them as well.

He was full of life and will be missed by everyone who knew him.

He is survived by his two daughters: Keri Scavoni (and Art Farrow); and Ami (and Rich Ferguson) all of Limerick; three grandchildren: Chris and Kelsey Banks of Titusville, FL; Emily Scavoni of Crestview, FL; and Jimmy Ferguson of Limerick. A sister, Claire Champney of Limerick; Brother-in-law for life, Bruce and Bobbi Champney of Limerick, his "son" Rick and Chris Pacheco of Limerick. Sister-in-law, Bonnie and Bob Kane of Limerick, Sister-in-law, Diann Burt of Derry, NH. Brother-in-law, Steve Garrett of Newport Richey, FL. Sister-in-law Peggy Burt of Lynn, MA. Lots of nieces and nephews and cousins. His beloved dog, Bear and cat Midge and his "pet" deer will also miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his

wife Debbie, both his parents, his brother Jack, his granddaughter Kelsi Banks and his beloved dog Ralph.

A graveside service will be held at the Highland Annex Cemetery in Limerick on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 1 p.m. At the conclusion of the service, a receiving line will be formed for greeting the family. He has asked that no suits or fancy dresses be worn and hunting apparel would be highly recommended.

Online condolence messages can be submitted at the Poitras, Neal & York Funeral Home website, www.mainefuneral.com. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Animal Welfare Society (AWS), PO Box 43, West Kennebunk, ME 04094 or to the Ossipee Valley Christian School, 1890 North Rd., Cornish, ME 04020.

Marie Claire Theresa Viger Junkins

Claire Junkins of Limerick died peacefully Sunday at the age of 94. Born in Biddeford to Joseph Viger and Ida Labbe Viger and attended Ecole St Joseph Biddeford



Claire Junkins

Claire started working at a very early age to help the family during the depression. She did this by selling vegetables door to door for her neighbor. Her mother coached her on how to get the most out of her money that she earned. On her 16th birthday, she began working at the Biddeford Pepperell Mill in the weaving room but soon moved up to the folding room where she worked for 15 years. She was very proud to say that she could fold twice as many blankets per day than was required. She was even interviewed in 2013 as part of the oral history of the Pepperell Mill and a related story was published in the *Bangor Daily News*. In early 1953 while attending the wedding of a dear friend, Claire met her future husband, Alton. They were married in May of that year. Together they had six children: Patrick, Joyce Marie, James, Anne Marie, Lisa Claire, and Glen Francis. Claire also had six

angel babies who were waiting for her arrival in heaven.

In 1964 Claire and Alton moved the family to Limerick to start a dairy farm. This was not an easy move for the city girl but she made the most of everything she did. With her eighth grade education and lessons from her mother, she not only managed all the day-to-day chores of a wife and mother but also handled all the bills and farm finances. Even with all those expenses, she managed to put a little away for their future. She accumulated a nice nest egg for retirement. At 94 years old, she still had some of that nest egg money to live on. She worked just as hard as everyone on the farm, if not harder. She worked in the barn, garden, hayfield, and milk room. She still found time to bake cookies or cupcakes for school bake sales or chaperone school field trips with the children. She managed all of this while working at part time job packing apples for a local orchard and eventually taking a full time at the Limerick shoe shop once the children we're in school all day. After she "retired" Claire took jobs cleaning houses and assisting her elderly clients with rides to appointments. Claire was involved with the Democratic Woman's Club and was often found working the election poles for the Town of Limerick.

Claire was a devout Catholic and communicant of St. Matthews Catholic Church in Limerick. She found great solace in prayer and attending weekly mass. Claire was once asked why she never became a nun. Her response was that she enjoyed clothes and jewelry too much. Also because she also wanted to have children.

Claire loved to laugh and made everyone around her smile. She made friends everywhere she went. She was always busy working around the farm house. She would paint, wallpaper, or crochet blankets by the mile. She planted flowers, or took disco lessons and aerobics classes with her girlfriends. She enjoyed "the club" at Limerick town hall on winter Saturday nights danc-

ing and socializing with her friends. Later, after the farm livestock were all gone, she took up camping. Some of her favorite times with friends were sitting around a campfire and sipping her coffee brandy.

For a small city girl, Claire loved to travel. She saved her money by quitting smoking. This gave her the money to take her first trip to Hawaii. She was also able to travel to France, Switzerland, Austria, Scotland, Italy, and to the Vatican to see the Pope.

Eventually Claire became a snow bird, she loved the time she spent in Florida with the friends that she made there. She loved the sun and beaches. After Alton died in 2010, Claire was independent for the first time in her life. Her network of friends and neighbors in Florida and in Maine took her under their wings and helped her keep her independence for as long as she could.

Claire was predeceased by brothers Leopold and Ferdinand, sisters Lucille and Noella, parents Joseph and Ida, her husband Alton, children Joyce Marie, Glen Francis, and James. She is survived by her brother Paul, her son Patrick and his wife Rhonda of Cornish, daughters Ann Marie of Springvale and Lisa Dyke and her husband Thomas of Saco. She is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 5 step grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren and several step great grandchildren. Claire was also survived by her beloved companion/dog, Cindy Lou, who was always by her side.

Visiting hours will be held on Tuesday Nov. 23 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Poitras, Neal & York Funeral Home, 71 Maple Street, Cornish. Online condolence messages can be submitted at the funeral home website, www.mainefuneral.com.

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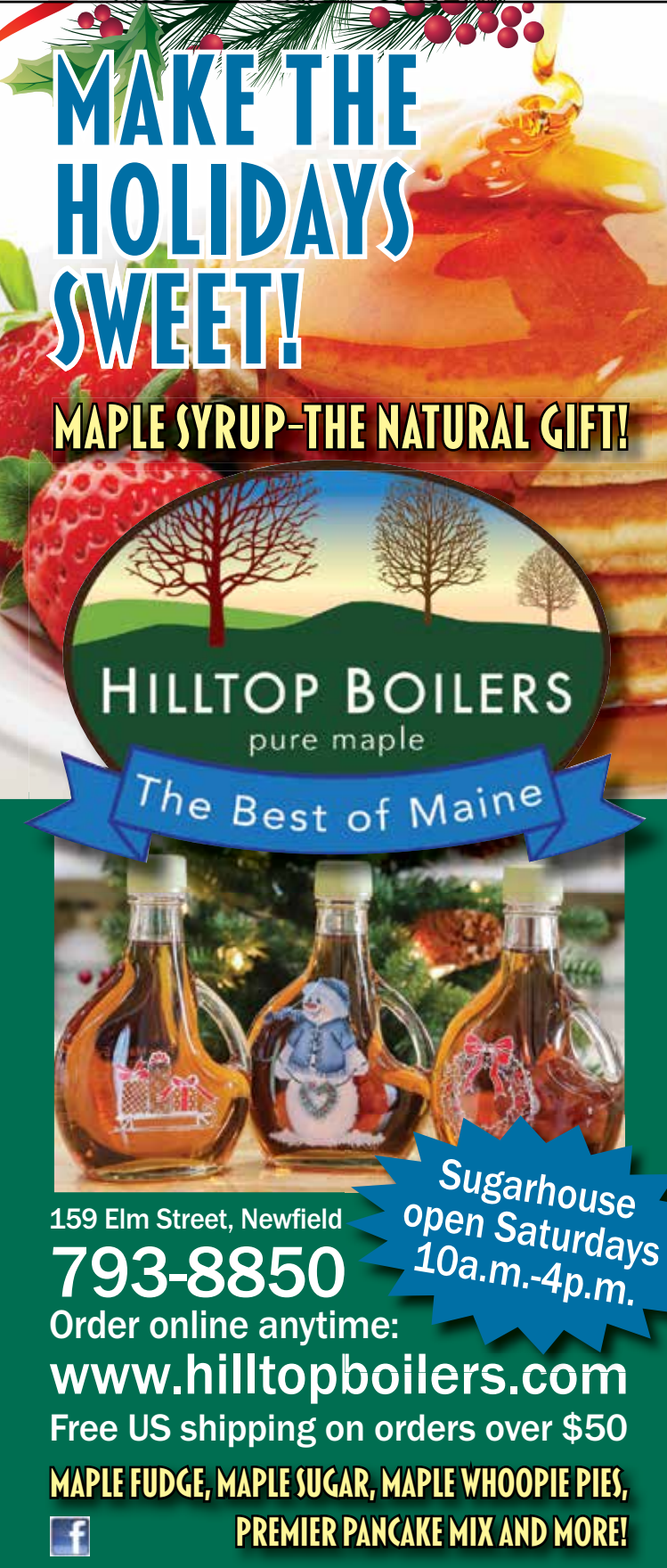
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