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John L. Tuttle, Jr.

Reflecting on the passing of Rep. John Tuttle

Maine Representative John Tuttle (D-Sanford) passed away on Thursday, Jan. 27, 2022. Serving his 12th non-consecutive term in the Maine House, he was also a Sanford City Councilor who previously served three terms in the Maine Senate.

Maine Rep. Matt Harrington (R-Sanford) and Sen. David Woodsome (R-York) issued the following joint statement regarding their longtime friend and Democratic colleague:

"It is with deep sadness that we say goodbye to our friend and colleague Representative John Tuttle. We've had the honor to serve alongside and know John, for years. Even when he wasn't serving in Augusta, he regularly reached out to us regarding issues brought to his attention."

"John loved life, politics, his family and his hometown of Sanford. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ann and his entire family. You will be missed John, Rest in Peace."

Senate President Troy Jackson, D-Allagash, released the following statement regarding the passing of Rep. John Tuttle:

"Today, I join so many in mourning the passing of my friend and colleague, Rep. John Tuttle. John spent his life serving the very community he grew up in, whether it was enlisting in the Maine National Guard, responding to a crisis as an emergency medical technician, or advocating for

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Headquarters unit to support European operations in 2022

The 120th Regional Support Group, one of two brigade-level headquarters units in Maine, will deploy to Poland in spring of 2022. The unit consists of approx-

imately 80 soldiers from across Maine and will be deployed for approximately one year.

As a brigade headquarters, the unit will conduct base support op-

erations for numerous additional units transiting through the European theater.

"Maine soldiers continue to support U.S. strategic interests around the world alongside our active duty counterparts," said Brig. Gen. Dean Preston, land component commander. "The 120th will be adding an additional chapter to the Maine Army Na-

tional Guard's support to America's allies through U.S. European Command's Operation Atlantic Resolve."

Atlantic Resolve is a critical component of the Department of Defense's European Deterrence Initiative. Its mission is to build readiness, increase interoperability and enhance bonds between

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Soldiers from the 286th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, then stationed in Powidz, Poland, and Polish military cadets, from the Cadets Military University of Land Forces of Wroclaw, salute the U.S. and Polish flags during the opening ceremony of the Liga Futbolu Amerykanskiego (LFA) title game in Wroclaw, Poland, June 29, 2019. The 286th is the last Maine National Guard unit to deploy in support of Atlantic Resolve, prior to the 120th Regional Support Group's deployment sourcing. U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY SGT. KYLE LARSEN, 5TH MOBILE PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT

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COURTESY PHOTO



Feb. 1 saw the drawing of the first winner in the giant prize raffle being held by the Sanford School Music Departments. If you bought one (or more) tickets, keep an eye out for a text or email in case you win! The first winner, lucky Sanford High School teacher John Hamilton, bought just one ticket, from one of his students. Mr. Hamilton is shown here with some of his students and holding his many prizes, all generously donated by Sanford businesses Brink Chiropractic and Frannie's Mini Donuts. New winners will be drawn every day this month, some days will have multiple winners, and there will be 8 bonus prizes to be awarded too! Winning tickets go back into the raffle box and could potentially be drawn again and again. Will Mr. Hamilton win more fabulous prizes? Wait and see... COURTESY PHOTO

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Community CALENDAR

Email non-profit event listings to:
news@waterbororeporter.com

COMING EVENTS

CORNISH REPUBLICAN TOWN CAUCUS Saturday, Feb. 5 at 9 a.m., at Cornish Town Hall / Pike Hall, 17 Maple Street, Cornish. For more info e-mail: republicansofcornishme@gmail.com.

MAGIC SHOW Acton Public Library is hosting a Magic Show with Sages Entertainment on Saturday, Feb. 12 at 10 a.m. at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H St. The Magic Show is funded by a grant from the Association for Rural and Small Libraries. The library is located at 35 H Road, Acton. For more information, call 636-2781.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING The next meeting of the Lyman Historical Society will be Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 6 p.m. at the Community Library, 10 John Street, Lyman. The Trustees will meet at 5:30 p.m.

The Sanford-Springvale Historical Society **VALENTINE'S DAY CONCERT** has been re-

scheduled for Friday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m. Laura Kargul, piano, and Ronald Lantz, violin. Admission is \$15 for ages 18 and older. Children are free. Museum is handicapped accessible and located at 505 Main Street, Springvale. Proof of vaccination or negative COVID test within 72 hours required. Face masks must be worn.

ONGOING EVENTS

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.

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.

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.

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").

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Lyman and Dayton Republican Town Committee chairs announce their caucuses being held on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 6pm at the Lyman Town Hall located at 11 South Waterboro Rd. Lyman. ME 04002.

The purpose of the caucus is to elect Delegated and Alternates to the State Convention, elect delegates to the York County Republican Committee, elect your Republican Town Committee officers, and organize for upcoming elections. All Lyman and Dayton Republicans are urged to attend and participate in this caucus. Prior to caucus meet local candidates and legislators. Your vote matters!

WHEN: Thursday, February 10, 2022
 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Lyman Town Hall, 11 So. Waterboro Rd., Lyman, ME 04002

The Town Registrars will be available one-half hour prior to the start of the caucus to register as a Republican anyone who is not registered, anyone who has registered as unenrolled, registered Republicans who have relocated, or anyone who will be 18 by the November 3, 2022 election.

The State Convention will be held at the Augusta Civic Center on April 29th & 30th. For more information, contact your town representative listed below.

Lyman Voters: Donna Pappas text/call (207) 251-2561 or email: pappasdm1@gmail.com

Dayton Voters: Joan Warren text/call (207) 337-3157 or email: joanhw@juno.com

Sanford-Springvale Historical Society
 presents



Laura Kargul, piano
 Ronald Lantz, violin

Friday, March 4, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

Sanford-Springvale Historical Museum, 505 Main Street, Springvale, Maine
 Admission is \$15.00 for ages 18 and older. Children are admitted at no charge.
 The Museum is handicapped-accessible.

To be admitted, concert patrons must show proof of vaccination or evidence of a negative test not more than 72 hours before. Face masks must be worn.

**TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**
 The Municipal Officers of the Town of Shapleigh will hold a public hearing regarding
**2022 MUNICIPAL
 WARRANT REFERENDUM**
 Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 5 p.m.,
 Shapleigh Town Hall 2nd floor, 22 Back Road
 The public hearing is scheduled prior to the
 Municipal & Referendum Election to be held
Friday, March 11, 2022.
**SHAPLEIGH RESIDENTS ARE
 ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.**
Shapleigh Board of Selectmen

Seacoast Crime Stoppers to offer reward in Maxine Bitomski cold case

On Jan. 16, 1993, Maxine Bitomski was murdered inside her Kittery home. Despite extensive investigative efforts, no one has been arrested for Maxine's murder, yet. The Maine State Police has made recent progress in the case and is looking for people to come forward with information that will lead to the arrest of Maxine's killer. On Thursday, Jan. 20, 2021, detectives from the Kittery Police Department and the Maine State Police's Major Crimes Unit held a news conference in Kittery along with Maxine's grandchildren to talk about the developments and ask the community can help.

Recently Seacoast Crime Stoppers announced a \$10,000 reward for anyone who provides information that leads to an indictment and/

or arrest of a suspect in the Maxine Bitomski unsolved homicide.

Since 1983 Seacoast Crime Stoppers has been funded solely by the generosity of the Seacoast community. Because of that support they have received thousands of tips that have helped law enforcement agencies solve hundreds of crimes.

"Seacoast Crime Stoppers is committed to making our community a better and safer place," said President Scott Forte. "We offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Maxine Bitomski and are hoping that the \$10,000 reward we are offering can help bring a resolution to the unsolved homicide investigation.

If you have any information about the Maxine Bitomski case

please visit <https://www.seacoast-crimestoppers.com/submit-a-tip/> or call 207-439-1199. The reward is eligible for anyone who provides a tip that leads to an indictment or an arrest. Seacoast Crime Stoppers can only make rewards and efforts like this possible with the generosity of our community. Consider making a tax-deductible donation to Seacoast Crime Stoppers today at <https://www.seacoast-crimestoppers.com/donation>.



Maxine Bitomski is the victim of an unsolved homicide from 1993.

NATIONAL GUARD

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ally and partner militaries with multi-national training events in Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Romania. U.S. based units have been supporting Atlantic Resolve in rotations since 2014.

Maine's 286th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, a logistics command element assigned under the 120th while in garrison, returned from a tour supporting Atlantic Resolve in February 2020.

"The 120th is well poised to conduct this unique mission," said Lt. Col. Amy Cartmell, the deputy commander of the 120th. "Not only does our garrison mission lend itself to staff experience and day-to-day logistics, but our team also incorporates the unique skill sets derived from citizen-soldiers. I feel strongly that this is our greatest strength. We bring a broad range of civilian talents and backgrounds to bear on this mission, including managers and supply distribution professionals, educators, engineers, and more."

"Brigade morale is high," said Col. James Young, commander of the 120th. "We have assembled a phenomenal team, and we are proud to be asked to play a critical role in multi-national training and readiness support."

"Our team has been training hard," Cartmell continued. "We have gleaned a wealth of knowledge from the experiences of previously assigned units – to include our own, the 286th – combined with staff analysis of the mission requirements. We strive to be students of current events in Poland and other partner nations and look forward to learning more about and interacting with their cultures and communities."

"As always, we are indebted to our families and employers for the tremendous support and flexibility that they give us," said Maj. Gen. Douglas Farnham, Maine's adjutant general. "National Guard service is only possible because of them, and we have only asked more of them these past two years. With the domestic support for the COVID response, two waves of guardsmen to Washington during the inauguration, four major unit mobilizations and countless smaller ones, Maine military families and employers have been through a lot. Their support is critical in everything that we do."

The 120th traces its lineage back to June of 1880 and served in several campaigns from both World Wars. The unit most recently deployed to Afghanistan from 2017-2018.

Additional information about Atlantic Resolve can be found at: <https://www.eucom.mil/topic/operation-atlantic-resolve>

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The Hoarder's Widow

The Hoarder's Widow will be serialized in the Reporter, one chapter at a time. Interested in romance at sixty and hoarding? Read on. Learn and enjoy.

CHAPTER FOUR The Weddings

"I sure hope I'm Mrs. Right this time," I said out loud. I was giddy all day long thinking about Bob. I played romantic love songs on my cd player. Music blared all over the house as I waltzed clumsily around, hoping and praying Bob might feel the same way. In 1963, at the age of nineteen, just as in 2000, at age fifty-eight, I was desperate to find a husband.

I was reared Georgia, where if a girl is nineteen and unwed, she is almost an old maid. I met Don when I came to Maine for the summer of 1963 to be a waitress at the Colony Hotel in Kennebunkport, Maine. Before I left home, my mother warned me, "Don't give them the milk before they buy the cow." I knew that having not missed Sunday School for six straight years with attendance pins to prove it. I knew the Ten Commandments, Number six, NO SEX before marriage. That is probably why Don was willing to marry me and at the time I was beautiful, even if I say so myself, having been crowned "Miss Colonial Days" that summer. When he proposed, I asked him but one question before kissing him again. "Will you go to church with me?" Don was a little slow with his answer but finally say "yes". (That ended up being a lie!) I didn't care then about the type of wedding Don and I would have, I just wanted to get married to someone so I would not have to go back to Georgia to my broken down, alcoholic family. We had to delay the ceremony by a few days because

Don's mandatory syphilis blood test froze in the mail, probably from too much beer a few nights before.

When we married, only the preacher and his wife and Don's parents were there. Though I was in college and loving the whole dating, dorm, football thing, I was desperate to get married to someone/anyone. Don was a good choice, at the time.

Finding a new mate after twenty-six years with Don had not been that easy. For the first five years, I was hoping to find a Yuppie like my former husband, one with tassel loafers, money in the bank, who bought his shirts at Harrod's in London, wore Dockers slacks, and had a new BMW. No luck, no new mate, with that list. For the next four and a half years, I wasn't so choosy. I prayed daily, joined a single network and met a man who lived in his truck but who was related to a famous Maine poet. I asked friends to keep a lookout. I offered a "finder's fee". Every man with just a little grey hair or no hair was of interest to me. It didn't matter what shape his body was in. If he had lots of teeth that was definitely a plus. "Maybe he's single," I would think as I spotted an unknown man, but alas, none that were single wanted me for the nine and a half years I was hoping, praying, and looking. When Robert Ewing Niles, aka Bob, showed a little interest, he was the one for me, definitely the one, though I barely knew him.

At a beach picnic, after only four months of knowing Bob sort of, he proposed. "Carol, I love you. Will you marry me?"

"Oh, yes! Who wouldn't want to marry you?" I said with great joy jumping around my heart. I knew I was in love, at least with the man in my imagination. We set a date and had four months to prepare. It was a joyous time for us both as we decided on wedding clothes, decorations,

rings, reception, who to invite and who would participate in the ceremony.

I studied GQ (Gentlemen's Quarterly) for Bob's groom suit. I wanted him styling! I talked him into a double-breasted, dark gray suit, three hundred and twenty-five dollars at Macy's, and a white L.L. Bean shirt. I made Bob and all the men in the groom's party neckties with fall colored leaves. He never, ever put that suit on again but he sure looked handsome the day we said the vows.

I made my own wedding dress. It was long-waisted, my favorite style since I was sure I looked slimmer with the waist way below the thirty-four-inch waist I did actually have. The white linen fabric was embroidered with white bouquets of lily-of-the-valley flowers and the under skirt was made from an antique linen bed sheet I'd gathered years before. My shoes were white satin that almost fit, gotten at Marden's for thirteen dollars. Hot glued acorns added a touch for the fall wedding theme. I wore the beautiful diamond engagement ring with pride. "Finally, getting married," I thought. "I'm sure we will have a delightful, creative life. Yes, a marriage made in heaven. Mr. and Mrs. Right!"

We decorated the church and reception area with dried, brown oak branches, the acorns still attached, gotten at Dave Hill's gravel pit. The orange and yellow gourds were bought on our first trip together to the Common Ground Country Fair. Candles, nested into dried beans, were stuck inside canning jars a la Martha Stewart style. I serged one hundred eyelet cloth napkins and made ten eyelet trimmed tablecloths. The corsages and my bridal bouquet were made by my friends from the Martha Stewart Fan Club, the club I started when Martha first started her television shows. I was so happy!

LETTERS

A matter of safety

On Thursday, Jan. 27, The Reporter published "Shapleigh Rescue's Chief and Assistant Chief resign." I would like to address a couple different things about this article.

The article states "Reid Proceeded to present a petition signed by residents of the Town citing the lack of response times of Emergency Services as well as documentation that fire and rescue service's either did not respond to calls or were slow in their response" We the taxpayers have brought forward numerous concerns, Documentation, and evidence of Incompetence within the leadership. We have presented evidence with a substantial number of names, of persons who would either reapply & or apply at Shapleigh Fire/Rescue under different leadership. The taxpayers are being ignored and Betrayed by the current Board of Selectmen.

During the meeting on Jan. 24, 2022, a townspeople asked the board

"why don't we hire people who live in our own town? Everyone who works here lives outta town" Selectman William Mageary replied "Townspople do get preference to jobs in Shapleigh." This is a bold and quite faulty statement. It has been proven again and again that the Board of Selectmen are freelancers and make up their own rules as they go. The appointment of Shapleigh Fire Chief was done in secret, there was no public notice and no opportunity for anyone to apply the just pointed a finger and said "you're it." The Board did this almost same thing in the appointment of the current Rescue Chief. No one else got a chance to apply or even got knowledge the position was open. They said, yet again, "you're it."

Right now, to my best knowledge, there are about 16 people on the fire department. 6 are Traffic control only, one lives in Massachusetts and hasn't lived here in almost a year, 3 are inactive, the 3 most active and qualified people refuse to work under this administration. That brings you to the last 3, which is the Chief and his two "buddies." The chief lives in South Sanford, about 40 minutes from the town line, the Assistant chief lives over on the Milton Line about 25-30 minutes and the captain in Alfred, about 30 minutes.

This is an extremely time sensitive situation with huge safety concerns. Someone is gonna die due to the lack of leadership and proper persons to do the job. We the people, residence and taxpayers in Shapleigh need to step up and rebuild our community together and as a team with the same positive outlooks rather than what the current Board of Selectmen are doing, which is caring about the money and the common agenda over the people. The Board of Selectmen is supposed to work for the people, not against them.

-Michael L. Reid
Shapleigh

Many of Bob's childhood friends and his uncles and aunts in their eighties came to our homemade, potluck, do-it-yourself wedding. His mother, at eighty-three, orchestrated the wedding rehearsal dinner, gave Bob two thousand dollars to spend and told him, "Keep the house clean and clutter free. Carol likes things neat. I can tell by being in her house. You better listen! I'm your mother and know best."

The wedding Bob and I had was lovely. Natalie attended in her wheelchair, wearing a beautiful pink suit that matched her special corsage. About one-hundred and twenty-five attended our homemade, do-it-yourself potluck celebration. When the festivities ended, we jumped into Bob's truck decorated with three white balloons and headed for... guess?

- Author Carol E. Niles
lives in Dayton

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SPORTS

BASEBALL

Mainers 2022 season schedule released

New England Collegiate Baseball League Commissioner, Sean McGrath, has released the league's 2022 schedule. This year features 44 games, compared to last season's 42-game schedule.

The Sanford Mainers open their 21st season on Tuesday, June 7 at home against North Division rival the Upper Valley Nighthawks.

The Mainers will not have to wait long before facing the reigning NECBL champion Danbury Westerners, as they square off on the second day of the season on June 8 at Rogers Park in Danbury.

Also on the schedule is a home-and-home doubleheader with the Vermont Mountaineers. The Moose will host Vermont on June 11, with game one set to begin at 4 p.m. and game two following the conclusion. Then on July 17, the two will face each other for another doubleheader in Montpelier.

Returning to the field this summer will be games against all 13 NECBL teams in all six New England states, following 2021's season of divisional-only play.

In 2022, fans will see a new three-division realignment, featuring the newly minted Coastal Di-

vision, along with the North, and West divisions. The Mainers will remain in the North, alongside the Keene Swamp Bats, Upper Valley Nighthawks, Vermont Mountaineers and Winnepesaukee Muskrats.

Goodall Park will host all 22 Sanford Mainers' home games, with the first pitch coming at 6:30 p.m., with the exception of Sunday home games which will feature a 4:30 p.m. start.

The 2022 NECBL All-Star Game is set for Sunday, July 24, in Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts, home of the Martha's Vineyard Sharks.

The regular season finale for the Mainers is on the road at Vermont on July 30, while the final home game is on Thursday, June 28 against Keene. The NECBL postseason will commence on Monday, Aug. 1.

— By Matt Scalzo
Sanford Mainers' Director of Broadcasting & Media



WRESTLING Spartans win Zeb Leavitt tourney

Sanford wrestlers won five gold medals and collected 154 team points, good for a first-place finish at the annual Zeb Leavitt Memorial Wrestling Tournament held Jan. 15 at Cheverus High School. James Blood won the 106-lb. weight class and James Chaplick took first at 120.

The Spartans other three first-place winners were Luke Callis (138), Kyle Nickerson (145) and Adrian Zea (182). Nick Farrington brought home the bronze for Sanford wrestling at 152. Windham was runner-up with 136 points and Mountain Valley was third with 117.

INDOOR TRACK Track tune-up for Southwesterns

Bonny Eagle tuned-up for the annual Southwestern Track and Field Championships, to be held Feb. 12 at USM, with a fine performance at a five team meet with Cheverus, Gorham, Massabesic and Sanford on Jan. 22, also at USM.

For the lady Scots it was Emaline Pendleton leading the way with two golds. She posted a 2:23.83 in the 800-meter run and her 12:01.47 was the best in the 2-mile. Hallie Warner had the best time in the 1-mile with a 5:53.08. Liz Forestiere had the best shot put toss with a throw over 21.5'.

The Bonny Eagle men had junior Jacob Schmadler posting golds in the 55-meter dash (7.14) and the 400 (54.50). He took home a silver in the 200. The Scots posted 125 points, second to Gorham's 161.

Massabesic finished fourth with 47 points as Luke Cloutier chipped in with a gold in the 2-mile (10:51.06) and a silver in the 1-mile.

BASKETBALL Massabesic tops Gorham

Massabesic built a 31-22 lead after three quarters and they held off a late charge by first place Gorham (13-3) to post a clutch 46-40 win on Jan. 31. Hard working defense and some tough bounces left the visiting Mustangs with an 17-14 lead at halftime as the Rams managed just four field goals before the break. The theme continued in the third as Gorham

again managed just three field goals, and eight points, while the Mustangs had Hannah Samson catch fire with eight of her 17 points in the frame, a burst which lifted Massabesic to what was an insurmountable nine point lead. The Rams pushed back in the fourth with an 18-point quarter, but the Mustangs minimized the damage, led by perfect free throw line work from Mary Duffy (6-6), to close the win. Duffy finished with 17.

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Massabesic fell to visiting Thornton Academy 58-50 on Tuesday, Feb. 1. The Mustangs managed just three points in a tough second quarter and they fell behind 33-17 at the break. Emily Jacobs got the Mustangs going in the fourth with 11 of her team high 16 points in the quarter-with Duffy adding eight-but it wasn't enough to prevent just the second loss in their last 11 contests. Jessica Dow led all scorers with 18 for the Rams.

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Massabesic's varsity girls' basketball team held host Noble to just 10 first-half points to help pace a 51-28 win on Friday, Jan. 21. The win, the Mustangs' sixth in their last seven contests, moved them to 7-3 and put them into fourth place in the eight team class AA south division. Mary Duffy and Micaela Jacobs combined for 31 points against the last place Knights (1-10) and Massabesic got scoring from eight different players in total. Lydia Desrochers had six points, and Hannah Samson and Candace Daigle both added four. The Knights were led by Olivia Howard who had 10.

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Sports Editor

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Obituaries

Neil D. Michaud

Neil D. Michaud, 94, of Limerick, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022, while holding the hand of his loving wife of 70 years, Patricia (Pelletier).



Neil D. Michaud

He was born in Grand Isle, on April 21, 1927, the third son of Felix and Marie (Sirois) Michaud. Neil grew up in Aroostook County during the Depression Era, but in the course of the many challenges he faced, he encountered certain people along the way who helped spark a drive for education and he developed a deep compassion for people in need. He joined the US Navy at age 16, serving around the country for two years before returning to finish high school in Caribou; he was the first in his family to graduate from high school. Neil graduated from the University of Maine Orono in 1951, received a Master's Degree in Social Work from Florida State University in 1954 and completed doctoral studies at the Brandeis University Heller School of Social Work.

Neil had strong faith and a core belief in the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. He felt a deep responsibility to support and protect the dignity and rights of others, especially those in need, and he and Pat instilled those values in their children, leading by example.

Throughout Neil's life, he worked tirelessly to mobilize others to put faith into action. His efforts were recognized with the papal honor of the Knight of the Order of St. Gregory the Great. Neil held many positions in Catholic Charities. He was the founding director of what is now Catholic Charities Maine, spending over 22 years establishing countless programs to help the state's most vulnerable people. He served as Catholic Charities consultant to several dioceses around the country and was appointed interim director to national Catholic Charities USA in Washington DC, the first layperson to serve in that position. The second half of Neil's career found him in Florida, where he assisted initially the St. Petersburg diocese and then, for 22 years, the Venice diocese Catholic Charities program. There he was able to return to his community organizing roots, supporting the rights of migrant workers, and establishing a model Peace and Justice program. He permanently retired in 2012, at the age of 85, and he and Pat returned to their beloved home state of Maine.

Neil cherished his family, and he will be greatly missed for his sensitivity, compassion, wry sense of humor, and inventive uses of duct tape. In addition to Pat, he is survived by three sons, Thomas Michaud, Stephen Michaud and Matthew Michaud, and his daughters, Margaret Gaudet and Mary Katherine Michaud, along with 12 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Wilma Belanger, and many nieces and nephews. Neil was pre-deceased by his son, Peter Michaud on Feb. 3, 2013.

A funeral Mass will be held at St. Matthew Church in Limerick at 11: a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5, 2022, preceded by visitation in the church beginning at 10 a.m. Masks are required. Private burial will occur at a later date in Aroostook County. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Catholic Charities of Maine.

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

The Autumn Green Funeral Home is respectfully handling arrangements.

Walter Woodward

Walter Woodward, 89, of Waterboro, passed peacefully in the morning of Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022, surrounded by his beloved wife and family.



Walter Woodward

He was born on September 2, 1932, in Waterboro, Maine, to the late Everett and Cecile Woodward; he was one of eight children. Walter was a lifelong resident of Waterboro and attended Waterboro schools. He joined the U.S. Army when he was 22 years old and served in the U.S. National Guard for several years following. He then worked at the Waterboro Leather Mill for 26 years, and eventually retired from his long-time job at Cyro.

There was nothing that meant more to Walter than his family; he was extremely passionate about family gatherings, and it brought him so much joy. His family was what made him the proudest. Each year Walter had a beautiful garden that he spent lots of time taking care of. He especially enjoyed helping with his daughter's garden. Walter's enthusiasm and knowledge of this was extraordinary. He was also a huge Boston Celtics fan, never letting a game go unwatched. Some of his hobbies back in the day included collecting old bottles and coins, as well as being part of a bowling league with his wife.

Walter is survived by his wife, Lorraine (Labbe) Woodward, and five children: Debbie Charrette and husband Dan of Alfred; Dolly Dyer and husband Randy of Hollis; Doreen Woodward and partner

Victoria Stevens of Waterboro; Denny Woodward of Waterboro, and Bruce Woodward and wife Elaine of Lyman. He is also survived by five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild, as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Walter was predeceased by his parents, Everett & Cecile Woodward, brothers Elwin, Kenneth, and Bernard, and sisters Wanita, Christine Day, Barbara LaCroix, and Bernette Murphy.

Friends and family are invited to attend visiting hours at North Waterboro Baptist Church on Friday, Feb. 4, 2022 from 10 to 11 a.m., with a memorial service immediately following. We kindly ask that you wear a mask while attending the services.

Committal prayers and burial will be later in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Waterboro General Assistance Program—the Fuel Assistance fund, 24 Town House Road, East Waterboro, ME 04030.

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John L. Tuttle, Jr.

John L. Tuttle, Jr., 70, of Sanford, died on Thursday, Jan. 27, 2022, at Southern Maine Health Care in Biddeford.



John L. Tuttle, Jr.

John was born in Rochester, New Hampshire on February 24, 1951, to John L. and Hazel P. (Lloyd) Tuttle. He grew up in Sanford and attended local schools graduating in 1970 with high honors from Sanford High School. He graduated 20th in his class and received several scholarships as well as the Ethel Prescott Award for Athletics. He earned 10 athletic letters in football, wrestling and track and scored 33 touchdowns

during his high school career. He ran to 110-yard dash in 10.2 seconds, a school record that stood for 20 years. He was also a state high school and later a New England Collegiate wrestling champion. John was elected into the Maine Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2008. Following graduation he attended the University of Maine, Presque Isle where he served as president of the student senate and earned his bachelor's degree in physical education in 1976. He later attended the University of Maine at Orono where he earned his master's degree in public administration in 1992. In 1984, John married Ann Sevigny and together they shared 37 years of marriage and raised one daughter.

John worked as a lifeguard for a total of 16 summers, making 99 rescues and 118 rescue assists during that time. He founded the Maine State Lifesaving Association in 1980 and served as a national advisor for the United States Lifesaving Association from 1984-1986. The John Tuttle Lifeguard Trophy was also presented to the most valuable competitor at the annual lifeguard championships in August of each year. John was a 10-year veteran of the Maine Army National Guard where he served as a medic and was also a former emergency medical technician for the Sanford Fire Department and for Northeast Mobile Health Services.

John served in the state legislature for most of his adult life. He was elected to the Maine House of Representatives in 1978 and then the Maine State Senate in 1984. He served in the legislature for nearly 30 years and had been serving his 12th term as a representative when he died and had also served three terms in the Senate. While serving, he had been chairman of several committees including Local and County Government, State Government, Maine Resources, Labor and Veterans and Legal Affairs. He considered helping to prevent the largest landfill in the Northeast from being located in the Town of Lebanon and

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SaRenna Carr, a Sophomore Interior Architecture and Design major from Shapleigh, was among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students named to the Fall 2021 Dean's List.

Samantha Dudley of Limerick was recognized on Slippery Rock University's dean's list for the fall 2021 semester.

Aiden Galbraith of Alfred was named to the Dean's List at Lehigh University in the Fall 2021 semester.

Springfield College has named Christian Napolitano from Hollis Center to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2021 fall semester. Napolitano has a primary major of Applied Exercise Science.



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sponsoring legislation to establish the Southern Maine Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Springvale as his biggest accomplishments while serving in office. In 2009 he was named Legislator of the year by the Maine Disabilities Council. In addition to his service in state government, John was also very active in local government. He served for 10 years on Sanford's Board of Selectman where he was vice-chair for five years and then for seven years as a city councilor for the City of Sanford.

John was a devout Catholic and had been a member of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Parish. He had been serving as a parish lector since 1976. He had also been a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, the Lions Club and the Elks Club. He loved gardening and for many years he had taken pride in sharing his crops with family,

neighbors, and friends. He was especially proud of his tomatoes. He had also written a book titled "The Call of Summer." John was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. He devoted his life to serving his community and always put the needs of others before his own. He was a shining example of what it means to live a life in service to others and the world is a better place because John was in it. He will be dearly missed by his family, friends, and a grateful community.

John was predeceased by his parents, John and Hazel (Lloyd) Tuttle.

Surviving are his wife, Ann S. Tuttle of Sanford; his daughter, Meghan Sevigny Tuttle and her fiancé Jesse Shields of Kennebunk; two grandsons, Solomon and Samuel of Kennebunk; two siblings, James P. Tuttle and his wife Mihoko of Saipan and Jane E. Tuttle-Liston and her husband Robert of Myrtle Beach, SC and several nieces, nephews, cousins and close family friends.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 3 at the Carll-Heald & Black Funeral Home located at 580 Main Street in Springvale. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5 at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish, Holy Family Church, located at 66 North Avenue in Sanford. The family requests that everyone attending services please wear a mask and maintain social distance for everyone's health and safety.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider sending a memorial contribution to the American Kidney Fund, 11921 Rockville Pike, Suite 300, Rockville, Maryland 20852 or online at www.kidneyfund.org.

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To send sympathy gifts to the family or plant a tree in memory of John L. Tuttle, Jr., visit www.blackfuneralhomes.com.

JOHN TUTTLE

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working-class families and folks who felt left behind in the Maine Legislature. Those of us who served alongside him knew that his deep love for the City of Sanford could only be matched by his love and commitment to his family – his wife, Ann, his daughter, and his grandchildren.

"As we mourn this profound loss, I want to extend my deepest condolences to John's family and loved ones. His passing marks a tremendous loss for our legislative family. He was a devoted public servant who wasn't afraid to crack a joke and never took himself too seriously. I know the state and the City of Sanford are better off thanks to John's service."

Governor Janet Mills issued the following statement mourning the passing of Representative John Tuttle:

"As a medic in the Maine Army National Guard, as a selectman and city councilmember, and as a member of the Legislature for nearly three decades, including in positions of leadership, John Tuttle served our state with distinction and honor. I am grateful for his unwavering commitment to improving the lives of the people of Maine, and especially those of his beloved City of Sanford. On behalf of the people of Maine, I extend my condolences to John's wife, Ann, his daughter, Meghan, and his grandchildren, as well as his friends and loved ones."

According to his profile on the state's website, Tuttle focused on bipartisan problem-solving and sponsored measures to support Maine hospitals and veterans and to improve the state's infrastructure. He served as chair of several policy committees.

Tuttle was a retired Emergency Medical Technician and served 10 years as a medic in the Maine Army National Guard. His record of service includes 10 years as a Sanford Selectman and five on the Sanford City Council.

A champion high school and collegiate wrestler, Tuttle was inducted into the Maine Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2008. He is a graduate of Sanford High School, the University of Maine at Presque Isle and held a master's degree in public administration from the University of Maine at Orono. (See obituary on Pages 7-8.)

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