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Hilltop fun

By C.J. PIKE

Hilltop Boilers at 157 Elm Street celebrated the grand opening of their new building with the Spring Sales Event on March 16. They kicked off the maple syrup season with a variety of exciting events, one of which was the Axe Women Loggers of Maine, who really know how to "kick axe! "

The group of 4 individuals are experts at ax throwing, carving with a chain saw, and more. The spectators stood in amazement, as they watched the ladies warm up, standing 20 feet back from the target, and then let it fly; it was almost always a bulls eye. Members of the group are Mike Weatherbee and his wife Alissa, along with Cheryl Keenan and McKayla Fowler.

Alissa is the founder of the group, who got her start many years ago. The three female timber sports athletes and world champion choppers, sawyers, logrollers and ax throwers put on a great show, and some of them even hold several world records and titles! They have a full schedule this year, so maybe they will be in the area again.

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Above, The Axe Women entertained the crowds at Hilltop Boilers in Newfield on March 16 and will again on March 23 as part of their Maple Sunday weekend activities.

PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

At right, Sacopee Valley had school on Saturday, March 16. From left, Courtney Ross, Johnna Shortsleeves, Michele Denison and Kari Sawyer at the high school. COURTESY PHOTO





Saturday school for Sacopee

By Cynthia Matthews

On March 16, students and staff in SAD #55, Sacopee Valley Schools, experienced what many in Europe and other countries know all too well. School on Saturday morning!

Last year, the SAD #55 school district added three Saturday school days to the calendar, if there are more than five snow days. If no snow days were used, the last day of school for the 2018-19 School year would be June 7. For each snow day, another day is *(Continued on page 8)*

Violet Mahar-Littell is an eighth grader at Massabesic Middle School who has her artwork on display for the Youth Art Month Exhibition at the Portland Museum of Art. COURTESY PHOTO



The Massabesic High School Freshman Film Festival was held on Feb. 2. Shown above are the filmmakers before the screening of their films. (See Page 2 for story.) COURTESY PHOTO

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

BAKED HADDOCK DIN-NER OPEN TO THE PUBLIC at St. Ignatius Cafeteria on Riverside Ave. Sanford from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on the following Fridays: March 22 and 29; and April 5 and 12. Price \$12 Adults, \$5 Children under 12. Fresh baked haddock, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Coleslaw, Fresh Baked Bread, Desserts, Coffee, Tea & Lemonade. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. FMI Raymond A Sargent 651-6636.

CALLING ALL QUIL-TERS! The Evergreen Quilt Guild will meet on Monday, March 25, from 6-9 p.m. at St. David's Episcopal Church, Route 1, two miles south of Kennebunk Village. Evergreen Quilters usually meet the 4th Monday of each month except July and December. Newcomers are always welcome.

DISCOVER GIRL SCOUT EVENTS for potential members and volunteers March 25 at Acton Elementary School, Acton, 5:30 p.m.; March 27 at Lyman Elementary School, Lyman, 5:30 p.m.; and April 3 at Kennebunk Elementary School, Kennebunk, 6:00 p.m. For more information about Girl Scouts or to see a full list of Discover Girl Scout events, visit girlscoutsofmaine.org or call 888-922-4763.

FIRST RESPONDERS AP-PRECIATION BREAKFAST on Saturday morning, March 30 from 8 to 10 a.m. This event is entirely free of charge and is intended to express the church's and community's support of the work our various First Responders do. "Because You Answer the Call" is the continuing theme of the breakfast. Those attending should RSVP so that the church will know how many to prepare for. Call 247-6293 or email your response to pastor@swbiblechapel.org. The South Waterboro Bible Chapel is located at 911 Main Street (Route 202) in South Waterboro.

BOOK SIGNING at the Limerick Public Library, Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to noon. Children's book author Susan Lubner will be signing copies of her new book "Lizzy and the Good Luck Girl." Bring your owqn copy, or the book will be on sale at the library, located at 55 Washington Street, Limerick.

DANCE & AUCTION Saturday, March 30 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Town Club, 4 Washington Street (4th floor), Sanford. Raffles, silent auction (6-8:45 p.m.), live music, dancing, prizes, appetizers & desserts and cash bar. Tickets are \$20. Call 324-0999, ext. 210 or email info@grahamtastic.org. Proceeds benefit the Grahamtastic Connection.

TAKE-A-CHANCE AUCTION Saturday, April 13 at the Sacopee Valley Elementary School, 213 South Hiram Road, Hiram. Doors open for viewing at 4 p.m. Auction starts at 6:30 p.m. Hundreds of auction items. Refreshments available for purchase. Proceeds beneift the Ossipee Valley Agricultural Society. For more info call Dwayne Woodsome, Auction Chair at 929-0056.

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



ENT THE ELECTRIC BABY **BY STEPHANIE ZADRAVEC** April 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27 at 7:30 p.m., Apr. 28 at 2:30 p.m. April 18 & 25 are pay-what-you-can. Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills. Tickets are general admission \$25, Seniors & Students \$22. Call 929-5412 or visit www.sacorivertheatre.org. Set in Pittsburgh. THE ELEC-TRIC BABY tells the touching and funny story of six fractured souls whose lives become irrevocably linked in the aftermath of a tragic accident, and changed forever through their contact with a magical baby. Mystical folklore weaves throughout this darkly comic fairytale of sad endings, strange beginnings, and the unlikely people who just might help you find your way home. A hauntingly beautiful and funny celebration of the ordinary joys, sorrows, and magic that shape our human existence. Featuring: Jennifer Porter, Dana Packard, Elisabeth Hardcastle, Lowell Jeffers, Emily Eberhart and Gerald Davis. Directed by Dana Packard.





First-place winners in the 2019 Freshman Film Festival, from left, Hanna Samson, Emily Jacobs and Micaela Jacobs.

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Freshman Film Festival

With a total of 13 movies lasting for about an hour and 15 minutes, the directors of their respected films, along with their family and friends, all came in the auditorium on Feb. 2 and watched each other's movies with intrigue during the 2019 Massabesic High School film festival. There were many good movies that were shown off, including "The Forest," "My Strange Addiction," "Masked" and "The Button." All of the movies had many hours, takes, and overall hard work put into them, just like any other movie.

After all of the films had concluded and the judges decided the top three winners, the directors, and actors of the film all got together and talked with one another while waiting, even showing the respect and camaraderie between them by giving praise and laughing about the good parts in each of their movies. Then the judges, along with the three core freshman team's language arts teachers (Mr. Bitetti, Mrs. Bucklet, and Mr. Mercier), walked back into the auditorium to announce the winners and reminded everyone that while there could only be a select amount of winners, everyone should feel extremely proud of how their movies came out, which is definitely true.

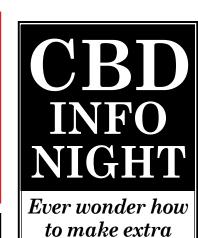
As for the winners, in 3rd

place was "Enlightened" by Brendan Banks, 2nd was "Part of Your World" by Grace Fleming and Avery Haskell, and in 1st place was "The Adventures of Chip, Chunk, and Chicco" by Hannah Sampson, Michala Jacobs, and Emily Jacobs. Each of the winners got a trophy (each trophy being bigger than the last) and Amazon gift cards. When asked about their wins, both of the second place winners responded saying that they felt "pretty good about the place that we came in," as well as telling the freshmen for the following year to "Have fun with it" as some advice. The first place team all agreed that they were, "Excited about it, but we didn't think we were gonna win" and told the freshman for the following year to, "have good time management" as some advice.

In the end, there were many feelings going through people that night: disappointment, joy, disbelief, and even embarrassment. Yet somehow everyone was still able to come to the consensus that they had a good time, and if the movies for this year were as good as they were, one can only imagine the fascinating movies that will be shown in the following year's film festival.

> -By Brendan Banks Freshman at Massabesic High School





Review Session

The Finance Committee of RSU #57 invites the public to a review session of the preliminary 2019-2020 school district budget on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Massabesic High School Auditorium at 88 West Road in Waterboro, Maine.

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The new sales building at Hilltop Boilers opened their doors this past weekend, just in time for maple season. PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

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HILLTOP BOILERS

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Other things at the open house were the wild animals from Wildlife Encounters of Maine Center, the barnyard animals, touring the farm and sampling their award wining delicious maple products.

The big addition to the Bryant's business is the new maple products sales building, which was just completed six months ago. It opened up for the first time for this event and is packed full of the the maple products that they sell. The evaporator for processing the syrup is right downstairs, so it's easy to get products right onto the shelves.

Michael Bryant and his wife Jen and his brother Mark run the business; and his brother Matthew helps out, too - I guess you could say it is a family affair.

The shelves are set up with all of their products, which is quite a list now: whoopie pies, maple cream, maple candy, maple barbeque sauce, and their award winning syrup in all sizes and all kinds of bottles. They now have in stock, the new bottle of syrup with the official Maine seal to celebrate that Maine is one of the top producers of syrup.

They also sell maple chapsticks, made by a company in Sanford, which keeps it all Maine made. And the packaged pancake mix on their shelves is his grandmother's recipe

Over the years, Bryant has

School budget to increase

Based on the Oct. 1 count for the current 2018-19 school year, the total students in the RSU 57 district is 2,983, from pre-kindergarten through grade 12.

There are 179 students from Newfield in the district at this time, which represents 6 percent of the total enrollment. There are 100 at the Line School, 1 at Waterboro Elementary, 28 at Massabesic Middle School and 50 at Massabesic High School. The town currently writes a check for \$167,000 every month to the school system for those 179 students, which amounts to \$10,771 per student per year.

If you want to know more on how your tax dollars are being spent, RSU #57 is inviting the public to a review session of the preliminary 2019-2020 school district budget on Monday, March 25 at Massabesic High School Auditorium at 88 West Road in Waterboro, at 6:30 p.m.

Pancakes!

The annual Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, March 24 at the Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street, featuring local maple syrup. Members of the Newfield Fire Department, Newfield Rescue Squad, and Newfield Fire Auxiliary will host their annual Pancake Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. On the menu are pancakes, bacon or sausage, orange juice and coffee. Proceeds from the 'donation only' breakfast will benefit the Newfield Public Safety Building.

Happy birthday

Local people celebrating their birthdays this last week of March are: Graham Michael Pike, Kathy Romprey, and Doreen Lofgren.

ALFRED

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Irish Celebration at Parsons Library

Last year's Saint Patrick's Day Celebration was such a success that it was decided to hold another this year. So those who were Irish or would like to be gathered in the community room in Parsons Library with food for a potluck supper, much of it of Irish origin and wearing as much green as they could find.

A cabin fever trivia game, based on Irish facts and legends, and created by Beth DeWolf, followed. Many of the questions were about things you could almost remember, but not quite. Like Bing Crosby's given name, and where were the pipes calling in Danny Boy – from glen to glen but where else? (Down the mountain side.)

Bing Crosby sang "Too-ra-loora-loo-ra!" and mentioned his mother singing the song to him, but where did the mother live? (Killarney) Most of us can sing "Molly Malone" but what was she selling in Dublin's Fair City? (cockles and mussels) And just what was a cockle in Cockney slang? (ten pounds.)

A word search followed, which those familiar with word searches managed, but this was followed by questions on Ireland and the Irish in the movies all of which were in the word search. I only found two and couldn't cheat by looking at a neighbor's paper because her group worked as a team and she didn't write down the answers. My husband, who is addicted to word searches, did much better. There were prizes, all of them green. The first to win a prize was John Cook – a booby prize because he had the lowest score.

The Irish have contributed much to our country's culture, and if it had not been for the famine in Ireland fewer of them would have emigrated to the United States. That famine actually benefitted this country by enlarging the number of Irish among us.

Alfred and World War I

As Bruce Tucker explained during his talk on World War I at the Alfred Historical Society, the United States had not wanted to get into the war. But by 1917, 48 soldiers of the Maine guard had attended communion at the Sanford Catholic Church in uniform showing their unity. They included five from Alfred who had

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John Cook was the winner of the booby prize during the Irish Trivia at Parsons Memorial Library in Alfred. PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS

ving F. Thompson, Pfc. Clement Thompson, privates Payson Ricker, Lyman Brown, Myron Ricker. By August the old 6th company was mobilized as the 23rd Company Coastal Defense. The first 169 men were transferred in August to the 26th Division Artillery and Engineers, which included the two Thompsons. This was the famed Yankee Division.

Bruce noted those enlisting in the old Sixth Co. were fortunate because they had time for more training. In late 1917 two large transfers of men were ready to go, including the Thompsons. Soldiers of the 23rd were sent to Camp Devens for guard duty but living in "cramped tents and drafty barracks" affected the health of the men. Lyman Brown died while on leave. The service was held in the old Alfred Baptist Church with his fellow soldiers serving as pall bearers.

The families of Alfred men headed for France kept track of them through the personal columns in the local papers. By March the 54th CAC regiment was headed for France to serve as a replacement regiment.

An interesting observation on field rations were the differences between the American soldiers and others. The American army was supplied with the food it needed making those soldiers the best fed in WWI, particularly the cooks.

The American forces had arrived in France when their opponents had fought them selves to a stalemate after "3 years of constant war". The Americans, somewhat removed from the constant war, were eager to fight.

The Meuse-Argonne offensive alone fired nearly 6 million pounds of ordnance, and during the barrage 2,400 artillery pieces fired 4 million shells, more than the Union Army had fired during the entire Civil War. A month of constant battle fought against an increasingly desperate German Army. By November 11 there were 22 American and 4 French divisions on the front extending southeast of Verdun to the Argonne Forest. By Nov. 11 they had beaten 47 different German divisions.

There was also the flu to contend with, starting in the U.S. and dispersed throughout Europe. There was no cure and with young men moving in and out of ports it spread quickly, from one country to another. Approximately 675,000 Americans became victims of the flu.

In the earliest Legion Post's records it was briefly stated several ex-servicemen met in the Firemen's Hall (summer of 1922) and spoke of organizing an American Legion Post in the summer of 1923. An Armistice Day parade was organized with a grand ball in the evening for parents of Wilbur Emmons. In the early days of the Post it was very active but had no building until the Shakers, who were planning on a move, offered their schoolhouse. A quitclaim deed was obtained and the building was moved to its present location.



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Live music will be provided by Red Flannel Hash this weekend and they will be open for the Maine Maple Syrup events, along with other events in town. All activities are free and everyone is encouraged to climb on the tractors, visit the animals, listen to music, and just have fun. joined the Maine Coastal Artillery National Guard including Corp. Ir-



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LIMERICK

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Town meeting news

Limerick voters went to the polls on March 8 for secret ballot voting on the following items to give money to the local non-profits, and the results are as follows.

Voters approved \$500 to the American Red Cross with a vote of 201-65; \$500 also to the York a vote of 170-83; and \$500 to Maine Health Care at Home with a vote of 230-44. They approved \$1,000 to St. Matthew's Food Pantry with a vote of 148-111. Saco River Corridor will receive \$300, by a 204-68 vote. Voters approved \$3,000 for milfoil control in Lake Arrowhead by 171-103; and \$3,000 for monitoring boats at Sokokis Lake by 191-84. Southern Maine Area on Aging will received \$500, by a vote of 138-116.

County Community Action with

An amendment to the town's zoning ordinance was passed by

181-82; and for the town to accept gifts of land was also passed by 236-38. It was voted 236-41 for the town to return monies from a Capitol Project, not used, to the Capitol Improvement Account once the project is three years old.

Election results

Robert C. Richardson Sr. won the position of Road Commissioner over Scott R. Paradis with a vote of 182-102, for a 2-year term.

Glen O. Wagner will fill the position of Trustee for the Sewerage District for a 3- year term over Stephen D. Malmude with a 186-88 vote. Glen O. Wagner will also fill the position of Trustee of the Limerick Water District winning the seat over Stephen D. Malmude for a 3-year term with a 196-84 vote.

Wendy M. Richardson will serve a 3-year term as Selectmen, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor. Willliam Aronson will fill a 1-year term on the Limerick Sewerage District. Jennifer Morrell and Danae C. Secunde will both serve 3-year terms as Trustees for the Limerick Library.

Laura L. May will fill a 3-year term on the Limerick Planning Board. Suzanne McIntyre will serve a 3-year term on the Budget Committee. Dominic Vermette will serve a 3-year term as a RSU 57 Director.

From the warrant

In Article 29, the selectmen recommended to raise \$11,000 for the poor and the budget committee recommended for \$13,000.

The Best of Maine



Laura L. May was elected to the Limerick Planning Board for a 3-year term. PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

The vote passed in support of the selectmen.

In Article 56 to raise money for the Recreation Committee for all expenses, the selectmen recommended \$14,000, and the budget committee recommended \$12,000. It passed with the recommendation of the selectmen.

On Articles 58 to 62, and 64 the votes all passed with the recommendations of the selectmen. The budget committee agreed on the amounts, but had the stipulation that all work would go out to bid. Article 69, requested money to repoint the bricks at the Brick Town Hall. The recommendation was \$35,000 from the selectmen; however, the budget committee wanted an assessment, prior to the work being done. The vote passed in favor of the selectmen's recommendation.

There were about 43 voters at the town meeting and 293 votes were cast on Friday, March 8, on the secret ballot. All of the other articles passed without any changes.





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Sarah DesVergnes, of Limerick, is a SkillsUSA gold medalist in CPR/First aid. Sarah is a senior at Massabesic High School and a student at Sanford **Regional Technical Center** where she earned her CNA license. She plans to attend college in the fall to earn a nursing degree. Sarah was recently enrolled in the EMS program by Wendy Elliott of Newfield. COURTESY PHOTO

Celebrate maple season statewide this weekend

Members of Maine Maple Producers Association, and licensed sugarhouses across Maine invite the public for a behind-the-scenes look at making Maine's Official Sweetener.

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foods made with syrup. Many farms also offer games, activities, treats, sugarbush tours, music, and so much more," says Kathy Hopkins.

The 36th annual Maine Maple Sunday[®] occurs Sunday, March 24. The annual event is held every fourth Sunday of March. Visitors are invited to support Maine's maple businesses and shop, meet and learn about maple syrup and a variety of maple products that feature real Maine maple syrup as an ingredient.

Many sugarhouses are open Saturday and Sunday, March 23 and 24, and throughout the season. View a map of participating sugarhouses at: https://mainemapleproducers.com/maine-maple-sunday.

Maine Maple Statistics:

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The Project consists of repair of the brick masonry with TorqueFix posal or a satisfactory bid bond and helical ties.

RSU No. 57's intent is to award the contract on or about May 13. required to furnish a 100% con-2019 with mobilization on June 1, 2019 and substantial completion 100% contract payment bond to on or before August 23, 2019.

RSU No. 57 will hold a mandatory site visit on April 11, 2019 at the form of bonds contained in 12:00 p.m. at Massabesic Middle School located at 134 Old Alfred Road in Waterboro, Maine at which time general issues associated with the Project and the RFP process will be discussed. RSU No. 57 will provide reasonable access to the Project site during the proposal preparation period to verify and evaluate existing conditions. Should a proposer anticipate needing additional Project site access, it shall provide RSU No. 57's point of contact, Colin Walsh 207-247-3221 ext. 2204, with no less than three day notice and RSU No. 57 will endeavor to provide such access.

The detailed Request for Proposals may be accessed and downloaded at https://www. rsu57.org. Proposals must be

Regional School Unit No. 57 received no later than 12:00 p.m.

As bid security, proposals must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check for 5% of the pro-(Section 2-C1) in a similar amount.

The selected Contractor will be tract performance bond and a cover the execution of the work which shall be in conformity with Section 2-C of the specifications and for the contract amount.

RSU No. 57 reserves the right at its sole discretion to waive any informality or irregularity in any bid, to reject any and all bids, to award a bid wholly or in part, to call for re-bid, and to negotiate with any Submitter, if it is deemed to be in the best interest of RSU No. 57 to do so.

All completed proposals, submittals, and accessory documents should be mailed or delivered to: Colin M. Walsh, CPA Director of Finance & Operations RSU No. 57 86 West Road Waterboro, ME 04087

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was released from her pain and suffering on March 13, 2019, surrounded with love by her family. Margaret

was born in

Sanford

Margaret Anne Vilandry

May 8, 1947, the daughter of Norman and Dolores (Durand) Henry.

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Margaret attended Sanford schools and from an early age she matured into a wonderful, caring woman who married her soulmate, Ronald Vilandry on May 29, 1971 at Holy Family Catholic Church. She and Ron had two sons, Robert and Scott whom she cherished. Not only did she care and manage the day-to-day life with two active boys, but worked outside the home to ensure they had what they needed. She worked at Aletta's Dress Shop in Springvale, the Sanford Dress Shop and for Jagger Brothers and Sprague Electric. In her later years, she enjoyed meeting many friends as a greeter at WalMart.

Margaret loved watching her favorite programs on television, especially comedies which included Three's Company and the Big Bang Theory. Of course she wouldn't miss an episode of the Young and Restless. She and Ron enjoyed taking day trips and would visit York Animal Park most summers. When they were younger, she and Ron enjoyed bowling and it was where they would meet many neighbors and friends. Margaret began collecting Teddy Bears and had a special one tucked in next to her when she passed.

Margaret was a very giving and kind woman. . . As her son's shared their memories of Mom, their heartfelt sentiment was, "She was her son's hearts." Margaret will be deeply missed by her husband, sons and siblings.

Margaret is lovingly survived by her husband of 47 years, Ronald Vilandry of Lebanon; her two sons, Robert and Scott Vilandry, both of Lebanon; her sisters, Rachel Pierce of Sanford; Diane Allen and fiancé Richard Bouffard of Sanford; Susan and husband Joseph Webber of Sanford; her brothers, Rene Henry and Gerard Henry, both of Sanford; and several nieces and nephews.

Margaret was predeceased by her parents and her sister, Linda M.



Earland H. Morrison

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Earland (Earl) Morrison, 87, of Alfred, passed away March



Earland H. Morrison

Hall and Webster Morrison. Earl served his country in the US Air Force, primarily in Yuma, Arizona, during the Korean War. Upon honorable discharge, he attended the University of Maine, Orono earning a degree in Animal & Dairy Science. It was at Orono, via his fraternity brother Richard Barker, that he met the love of his life Elizabeth (Betty). Earl proposed to Betty on her 27th birthday and they were married on Aug. 1, 1959. After dairy farming with his brother Arnold, Earl was employed by the USDA Soil Conservation Service and in 1966 Betty and Earl moved to Alfred with their three boys Paul, Stephen, and Philip.

Earl served his community in many ways. Earl was a Deacon of the Alfred Parish Church for many years and led the building committee for the Lord addition to the Conant Chapel. Upon the creation of the Massabesic Lions Club, Earl served as Charter President and continued as an active member for the next 47 years. Earl served as a captain in the Alfred Fire Department and when the Alfred Rescue was created Earl & Betty were among the first to serve. Betty & Earl were active members of the Shaker Valley Squares (square-dancing), the New Century Club, the New England Antique Bottle Club, and were founding members of the Friends of the Alfred Shaker Museum. Earl delivered Meals-On-Wheels for many years, often to those younger than him. He was a member of Fraternal Lodge #55 A.F. & A.M., and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Additionally Earl was a Selectman for the town of Alfred for 20 years and was instrumental in the building of the new fire station, the purchase of a new fire truck, and the creation of the new transfer station in which the recycling

building bears his name.

Earl and Betty enjoyed camping and traveling with family and friends.

Betty passed away in 2014. Earl is survived by his three sons, Paul & Ellen of Alfred; Stephen and Christine of Lisbon, NH; and Philip and Julia of Tyringham, MA. His grandchildren include Rachel of Honolulu, HI; Timothy of Alfred; Eliza of Manchester, NH; Senior Airman Mitchell stationed at Incirlik AB, Turkey; and Tate and Nicholas of Tyringham, MA. Earl is also survived by his brother John and his wife Edna, and by his sister-in-law Doris Morrison, many nieces and nephews as well as Betty's brothers Charles, Theodore, Robert, Richard, and their families.

A Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, March 23 at 11 a.m. at Curtis Lake Christian Church, 38 Westview Drive, in Sanford where you are cordially invited to visit with Earl's family beginning at 10 a.m. at the church. Following the service, a reception will be held for Earl's family at the Massabesic Lions Club, 813 Main St., in Waterboro.

Committal prayers with military honors will be held later in the spring at Evergreen Cemetery.

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

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made in Earl's name to the Alfred Shaker Museum Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 873, Alfred, ME 04002.

The Autumn Green Funeral Home is respectfully handling arrangements.

Stephen A. Smith

Stephen A. Smith, 71, of Bradenton, Florida passed away on

March 1, 2019 due to complications of open-heart surgery. He was born on Dec. 5, 1947 in Deerfield, Massachusetts.

friend Phil Woodward in Waterboro. They operated the business Smith and Woodward Body Shop together until 1986 at which point Stephen and his family decided to retire to Florida. He continued to work part time for his friend Kevin of Capital Construction. Stephen was the type of guy to help anyone and he had the ability to repair anything, a true jack of all trades.

Stephen was predeceased by his two sons Richy Smith and Chuck Smith. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sandra Smith of Bradenton. His brother David Smith and wife Janet Smith of Springvale, Maine. His daughter Pasty Pannarale of Bradenton. His four grandchildren Taylor and Caleb Smith of Bradenton, and Ashley Pannarale of Palmetto and Aaron Pannarale of Parrish. His two great-grandchildren Blaise Smith of Bradenton and Dominic Rivera of Palmetto. He will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Send condolences and share memories at www.griffithcline. com/notices/Stephen-Smith.

Zenas W. Smith

Zenas W. Smith 66 of St. Augustine, Florida formally of Limerick passed away surrounded by his friends Richard Zicht, and David and Lisa Partridge on March 15, 2019 after a long illness. He was born in Limerick July 29, 1952 a son of Elias and Lena Smith. He was educated in Limerick.

Zenas loved carpentry, boats and good conversation. He was gentle, kind, and would do anything for a friend. Upon moving to St. Augustine 1998, Zenas was immediately welcomed by the community.

He is predeceased by his parents, 2 brothers, Roger Finnemore of Germany and Elias Smith Jr. of Waterboro, and two nephews Robert Smith and Gary Smith Jr. He is survived by four brothers, Howard and Frank Smith of Limerick, Charles Smith and wife Cindy of Limerick, Gary Smith Sr. and wife Debra of West Baldwin; two sisters Yvonne Joy of Maryland and Roxanne Smith of Limerick; also

Carol L. Curtis

Carol L. Curtis, 64, a longtime resident of Acton passed away at

her home, on March 16, 2019.

Carol was born on Oct. 4, 1954 Portland, in the daughter William of and (Hale) Curtis.



Carol L. Caroline Curtis

Carol was not only exceptionally kind, charitable and generous she believed in the importance of giving and truly lived every day paying it forward; Carol often put her own needs aside in order to help others in her community. It was not uncommon for Carol to have various toys or games available to present to families within her community that may be enduring greater hardships than herself.

Carol donated to many charitable organizations but believed greatly in the ongoing work of the Salvation Army. Carol's warm-heartedness shined when it came to her family, she took great pride in her home decorating with many of her hand-made crafts and 3-D pictures.

As Carol's sister Constance was suffering from ill health, the two sisters would share nightly phone calls praying and supporting each other, it may be fitting that both Carol and Constance passed on the same day continuing to support and love each other.

Carol will be greatly missed by all that had the opportunity to spend time with her. Carol is lovingly survived by her mother Caroline (Hale) Curtis-Clark her two children, Winona Thomas and her wife Alexa of Waterboro, Luke LaBrecque and his wife Stacey of Rincon, GA., sister Barbara Keene of Gorham, three grandchildren as well as nine nieces and nephews. Carol was predeceased by her son William C. Thomas.

All services will remain private. To leave a message of condolences for the family, visit www. autumngreenfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers Carol's family would like you to consider the Salvation Army, 871 Main Street, Sanford ME 04073. The Autumn Green Funeral Home is respectfully handling arrangements.



Family and friends are invited to call on Sunday, March 24, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak Street, in Alfred where a Prayer Service will be held at 2 p.m. Please bring your love, memories and stories to share with Margaret's family.

To leave a message of condolence for the family, visit www.autumngreenfuneralhome. In lieu of flowers, consider donating to your local food pantry or to St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The Autumn Green Funeral Home is respectfully handling arrangements.

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Stephen A. As a child he Smith moved to Wa-

terboro, Maine where he grew up. He started a business with life-long

several nieces and nephews. A celebration of his life will be held in June.

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Southern Maine Health Care (SMHC) honored the first five graduates of its new Nurse Residency Program, from left, Heather Everett, RN; Mariah Gilbert, RN; Stephanie Peel, RN; Krysten Forrester, RN; and Angelina Rice, RN. COURTESY PHOTO

SATURDAY SCHOOL

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added to the end of the calendar. If five snow days were used, the last day of school would be June 14. In the past, if there are more than 5 snow days, each snow day adds an additional day to the end of the school year. To avoid going into the third week of June, when many families go on vacation and many summer camps/programs begin, the 3 Saturdays were added: March 16, April 6 and May 4. Monday, March 4 was the 6th Snow Day, and the first Saturday school day became a reality!

The day was a half day, running

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from 7:55-11:30 a.m. Staff at all three Sacopee Schools tried to make the best of being in school on a Saturday.

"The Elementary school was filled with positive energy!" said Sacopee Valley Elementary School Interim Principal, Chris Hughes. "There were several opportunities for hands on learning, as several classes worked on projects," he continued. "The day was certainly not wasted as teachers chose to build upon learning that has been going on all week. Many classes worked on problem solving, as they created Leprechaun traps and set them out around the classrooms." St. Patrick's Day was the next day.

At the High School Staff meeting the Monday before, staff discussed providing incentives for students to attend. Many staff members volunteered to provide various items! Special Education teacher, Michele Denison made a poster for the High School and then posted them around the school to encourage students to attend on Saturday.

"Although a school day on a Saturday isn't ideal or something students were thrilled about, it turned out to be fun and we had a great turnout!" added Denison. "As a teacher, coming in on a Saturday seemed depressing at best, but with all of the time and effort put forth by our amazing staff, we turned what could have been a doldrum of a day into one of team work and excitement!"

"I think that the staff and students made the best of coming to school on a Saturday!" said Special Education Teacher, Kari Sawyer. "Everyone seemed to be in a jovial mood, staff baked and bought breakfast items to welcome the students! Teachers hung out in the lobby chatting while the students snacked on breakfast!" There were two tables filled with breakfast goodies, coffee and juice. Denison added, "The students loved it, and the staff got to watch as they enjoyed what could have been an 'un-exciting' Saturday at school."

Throughout the morning, there were raffles for over 30 gift cards, homework passes, an Easter Basket filled with "teenage delights" and other trinkets that made coming to school worthwhile. Everyone was included in the raffle, not just students - custodians, kitchen staff, office staff and the faculty.

"Despite it being a Saturday, there was a lot of fun had by both students and staff!" said High School English Teacher Courtney Ross. "The students seemed to respond positively throughout the day as prizes were handed out for stellar attendance. It was a blast! "I enjoyed the wealth and variety of breakfast food teachers provided us with," said Senior Emma Estes. "The prizes were a good idea, too!" She added, "It wasn't the worst Saturday I spent." "It was a very positive day!" said Interim Assistant Principal, Tammy McNulty of Sacopee Valley High School. "It was a fun day while students were learning." "There were more students here than I thought there'd be," said Sawyer. "Good job everyone!" "We had the best attendance [of the 3 schools] in the district!" said McNulty. "Students and teachers were happy to be here." Denison added, "Students got caught up on work. So I'd say it was a win!"

