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Backyard organic farming

BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

On April 27, Stowell Watters of Old Wells Farm in Limington led a Backyard Organic Farming class at the old town hall, to benefit Limington Recreation. “It was a great way to network with community businesses and reach beyond the youth centered activities to offer a broader range of programming,” said Abby Pitts, Community Events Coordinator for Limington Recreation.

“It was great to see people come out,” said Watters, who teaches a similar class in Gorham. “It was a great turnout for a gardening class, and a first step in making a connection to Limington.”

Old Wells Farm is run by Watters, his partner Marina Steller, brother Dylan, and his girlfriend Aleana Robbins. “We love this town,” said Watters. “It’s our town. We are here to stay and have energy to give,” said Watters. Stellar and the Watters grew up in Limington and went to high school together. The Watters’ brothers grew up in an old farmhouse built in the 1800s by

Francis Small, about the same time that the town was founded. The farm passed from the Small family, to the Blacks, to the Wells, and then to the Watters. Howard Wells was a pastor at the Methodist Church, and a prominent member of the community. The farm is named after him, and the old stone wells located all around Limington. Their parents live in the farmhouse where the farm is located. There is a small graveyard on the land where some of their ancestors are buried. The history of the farm is important to them, and to their connection to the land. Stowell Watters describes it as a “gentlemen’s farm,” pastures outlined by stonewalls where cattle and sheep grazed. In total, there are 35 acres, “but we farm only one or two,” said Watters.

Stowell taught those in attendance how to “get their hands dirty, and do it on a shoestring, getting the most bang for their buck, and without breaking their back,” he said. Afterwards, he invited those in the class back to Old Wells Farm for a tour of the greenhouse and a complimentary

pack of seedlings.

“The class was awesome!” said Lark Pitts of Limington. “I enjoyed the history of his family in the Limington area and his connection with the land that they are farming.” She added, “I also appreciated that he is all about being frugal and not breaking the bank to go organic.”

“I learned that worms love cardboard,” Pitts continued, “and that the lasagna method is a good method for building a garden.” The lasagna method? It’s a layered method of preparing the soil, Watters explained, without tilling it. First is a layer of cardboard, the next is a layer of about 6” of seaweed, then a layer of unfinished compost, a layer of finished compost, then the seeds, then top it off with mulch and hay.

Watters passed on his tips for this method: get the cardboard from a furniture store – they have plenty of it and want to get rid of it; and go and gather your own seaweed – Kettle Cove is full of it! Pitts said that she didn’t know “that a Maine resident can harvest a certain amount of live seaweed legally!” She added, “I’m excited to try

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Stowell Watters and Marina Steller of Old Wells Farm, under the sign Howard Wells made for the farm. PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

York County shelter appreciates volunteers

After retiring nine years ago, Claude Forest decided he wanted to keep busy. When he learned that York County Shelter Programs was looking for volunteer clerical help, he contacted them.

Forest has become an essential part of YCSP. Among his tasks is tracking volunteer data and creating spreadsheets. His data from last year revealed that the agency received about 30,595 hours of volunteer help.

Although April is National Volunteer Appreciation month, YCSP staff are grateful every day for people like Forest, who fill about 30 positions at any given time, depending on the time of year. “It is truly wonderful to have such amazing friends of YCSP who volunteer their time,” says YCSP’s Chief Executive Officer Bob Dawber. “I am personally grateful for their support.”

YCSP Human Resources Specialist Pam Buck oversees the volunteers who fill a wide range of roles at the agency. The jobs include assisting the food services department, which includes the dining hall, the food pantry, the bakery and the Mama Mia public dinners. Volunteers also help with facilities and grounds maintenance and cleaning. Buck notes that volunteers may also include those who can teach classes in ar-

reas such as computer skills, wellness and crafts.

Buck herself has been receiving help from a volunteer for the past year. Kathy Perry, a recent retiree, assists Buck with clerical responsibilities. Perry also works in the seasonal bakery and last year helped out at the annual Shaker Hill Apple Festival.

Forest, like Perry, also extends his volunteerism to other places in the agency. Forest enjoys “hands on” work, and he has refinished floors, built shelves, hung doors and windows, and made cabinets. He is also available to fill-in as a driver, when needed. Forest says “It feels great” to be able to give of his time and energies. “I come from a family where we were taught to be thankful for the gifts that the good Lord gave us, and to give back. Now that I’m retired it’s my time,” Forest says.

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Marcus Ratz, a senior at Massabesic High School, won 1st place at the District 41 Maine Lions Club Speak-Out Contest held at Sugarloaf Mountain Resort on April 27. COURTESY PHOTO

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AFTERNOON TEA AND CAKE RAFFLE Saturday, May 11, bring your Mother, your family, or a special friend to our Mother's Day Tea. From 1 to 3 p.m. in the community room of the Parsons Memorial Library, 27 Saco Road, Alfred. The Friends will be serving scrumptious finger goodies and an assortment of delightful teas, presented on the most elegant of china. Fancy hats and flowery dresses are encouraged! This is a free event and all are welcome! We will be raffling off several delicious cakes, baked by several of Alfred's best bakers. Surprise Mom on Mother's Day with a luscious cake! Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Tea or in advance at the library. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Winning tickets will be drawn at

the Tea at 2:30 p.m. You do not need to be present to win, but for those holding the winning tickets, first-come, first-served in choice of your cake prize.

EARLY GRAVESTONES Tuesday, May 14 at 7 p.m. "Early Gravestones in Buxton & Hollis-the Genius of Bartlett Adams" Join cemetery historian and author Ron Romano as he shows images of the artwork and symbolism of early gravestones found in our towns. Ron will have books available to autograph and sell. Buxton-Hollis Historical Society, 100 Main St., Bar Mills. Suggested donation \$10, Seniors \$8.

ASH BORER WORKSHOP Last fall the state confirmed that the Emerald Ash Borer was found in York County. This invasive forest pest has decimated

Ash Trees throughout the eastern United States. The threat to our forests is great. Landowners, municipal officials, conservation groups are invited to attend a hands on workshop on May 15 to learn how to identify our native tree species, including the 3 common ash species & monitor those trees for signs of infestation. Presenters include Oliver Markewicz Maine Forest Service District Forester, Forest Entomologist Colleen Teerling & Conservation District staff. The workshop will be held at Holdsworth Park in Springvale 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Participants are invited to bring a bag lunch for a lunch & learn after the workshop with Conservation District Staff. This workshop will be held outdoors rain or shine. Participants should dress for light walking and plan to be outdoors. If the weather forces the workshop inside the location will be in the lower level of the Anderson Learning Center at 21 Bradeen st in Springvale. Please call the York County Soil & Water Conservation District office to register. This workshop is free.

BUXTON GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL PLANT SALE Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to noon in the parking lot of the Dennett, Craig and Pate Funeral Home located at the intersection of Routes 4A and 202 in Buxton. Call Linda at 929-5531 for more information.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER Saturday, May 18 from 5-6:30 p.m. at Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church on the Mill Pond, Route 35, Goodwins Mills. Baked ziti, green salad, ap-

ple sauce, bread/rolls and pies are on the menu.

CALLING ALL QUILTERS! The Evergreen Quilt Guild will meet on Monday, May 20 from 6-9 p.m. at St. David's Episcopal Church, Route 1, two miles south of Kennebunk Village. Evergreen Quilters usually meet the 4th Monday of each month except July and December, and the 3rd Monday of May. Newcomers are always welcome.

DISCOVER GIRLSCOUT EVENT for potential members and volunteers May 20 at the Carl J. Lamb School, Springvale, 6 p.m. for potential members and volunteers 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.

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH - JOIN THE CONVERSATION May 22 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the Massabesic Lions, 813 Main St, Waterboro (in the bingo hall). Come find out what NAMI is all about. See what services NAMI has to offer for you, your friend or your loved one. Maybe you are looking to give back, come check out training/volunteer opportunities. All this and light refreshments too! FMI-text/call Sheila at 207-467-5375 or email sheilamc5226@gmail.com.

THE CASCO BAY TUMMLERS Friday, May 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills. Tickets: General Admission \$20, Seniors & Students \$18. Reservations call 929-6472 or www.sacorivertheatre.org.

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SUPER YARD/BARN/GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 25, 10-3, at 19th Century Curran Village at Newfield, formerly Willowbrook, to benefit museum. 50 plus years of accumulation and non-museum collection items: doors, lumber, other architectural, maintenance items, horse carriages, sled, organs, antique plumbing, furniture, vintage household, and many other items. 70 Elm St., Newfield.

VOLUNTEERS

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Chief Operations Officer Diane Gerry notes, "We couldn't do all we do without the help of our dedicated volunteers."

Buck says volunteers currently are needed for the food services department, Wednesday-Sunday, 10 AM to 1 PM. Volunteers will also be needed for the Mama Mia public dinners held every Friday night through the summer, starting June 7. Help in the bakery will also be needed, starting July 26.

Anyone interested in volunteering can call Buck at 207-324-1137, ext. 150, or e-mail her at pamb@ycspi.org.

"The support of our volunteers is an essential part of YCSP programs," Buck says, "and we could not say 'thank you' enough for all of those who continually give back to us."



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STRETCH IT OUT: This low impact stretch class is designed for adults of all ages. Learn to improve your quality of life! **Wednesdays beginning July 10 from 10-10:45am or 6-6:45pm.**

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ALFRED

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Community yard sale

Alfred Parish Church is sponsoring an indoor community yard sale and bake sale on June 1 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Both the church community and local residents will be offered a table and space to rent: \$15 for a 6 foot table and \$20 for an 8 foot table. Reservations must be made and paid for by May 28. It will be held in the air conditioned Hobbs Room of the church parish hall to allow vendors to set up their tables the day before, Friday May 31 from 4 to 7 p.m. For more information and to reserve a table and space call Dorothy Miller at 247-8949.

Cleanup Day

The annual trustee cleanup day of the Parish Church grounds will be Saturday, May 18 from 8 to 11 a.m. Also that day a benefit dinner and concert at 5:30 p.m. will be held to benefit children in Honduras.

For all gardeners

The very popular event for all gardeners in the spring is the sale sponsored by the York County Master Gardeners at the Extension office in Springvale on Saturday, May 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Because this has been a late spring, gardeners are just now digging up their perennials to share, including Alfred gardeners. There is always a long line waiting for the opening so if anxious for additions to your garden, be there early.

New Century Club

A reminder to New Century Club members that the May 13 meeting will be in the Shaker Museum at 7:30 p.m.. Members should come prepared to tell what they think has been the most important event in the past 100 years.

Museum Open House

When I reminded the historical committee members that we had a work session coming up, Bruce Tucker's response was that he was on a cruise but would help when he got back. The cruise was on the Danube River. He is back and reports that he had a great time with his mother and three sisters and a friend. They spent two days in Prague, saw abbeys, fortresses, and castles, Vienna where they saw the famous horses, learned that the people in the Czech Republic and Bavaria make great beer, saw Budapest, Nuremburg from where they started and returned home in time to help set up the 2019 exhibit. Which was done this past Tuesday.

"Alfred's Businesses" will open the Sunday after Mother's Day. If you ever were curious about Hat Shaw, who established a slightly illegal mail order business (probably the first in the country), the Shaker businesses, the early cranberry business, the Embroidery Company, and many more, come visit the Alfred Village Museum on Sunday, May 19 at 2 p.m. Or come for the home cranked ice-cream which is a yearly feature.

NEWFIELD

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School budget vote next week

The annual RSU 57 School Budget will be voted on soon, and there will be a 3.46 percent increase from last school year for Newfield residents, according to the Budget Validation report. The enrollment for Newfield as of October, 2018 was 179 students.

During the 2018-2019 school year, the town wrote a check every

month in the amount of \$161,879.25, which equates to about \$10,852 per student annually, according to town secretary and treasurer Nichole Hubbard.

As stated in the Budget Report for 2019-2020, the proposed RSU 57 budget is \$44,643,433 million. Newfield's share would be \$2,009,722, an increase of \$67,171 over last year.

There is a District Budget Meeting to vote on the budget on Tuesday, May 14, in the Massabesic Middle School Cafeteria, at 134 Old Alfred Road, East Waterboro, at 7 p.m. Registration will begin at 6:15 p.m. If the budget is approved at this meeting, it will then go to each town for a Budget Validation Referendum vote on June 11.

New flags for veterans

The Town of Newfield has recently purchased American flags and markers for all of the veterans graves in town. According to the Cemetery Commissioner Pete Washington, he will be quite busy putting these out in the next few weeks.

Thrift shop opening soon

The Day Spring Lodge Thrift Shop at 181 Wakefield Road, will be opening on Saturday, May 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. They will also be open on Wednesdays and Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations of gently used clothing and other small household items may be dropped off when there is an attendant on duty.

Lunch Bunch off to Springvale

The Newfield Lunch Bunch will be going to the Publick House at 481 Main Street in Springvale on Thursday, May 16. They will meet there between 11-11:15 a.m. For more information, call Janet Colwell at 793-8848. Everyone is welcome.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes go to Lisa Vachon who will be celebrating soon.

Happy anniversary!

Phil and Ada Burbank are celebrating their anniversary.

Meetings

Cub Scout Pack #329 - May 13, at Line School at 818 Water Street at 6 p.m. Anastasia Ferguson is the Cubmaster.

Boy Scout Troop #329 - May 15, at the Brick Town Hall, at 19 Main Street in Limerick at 6:30 p.m. Jim Dion is the Scoutmaster. Call Joe Iannazzo at 850-6237. The change in the location is due to the new members in the scouts.

Newfield Firefighters training session - May 14, at the Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street in West Newfield at 7 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.

Tea Time - May 15, at the Newfield Village Library at 637 Water Street at 3 p.m.

Newfield Rescue Squad - May 16, at the Newfield Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in volunteering may contact Dick or Hazel McGlincey at 793-2045 or any rescue member.

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SPORTS

SOFTBALL

Mustangs torch Blazes

Push record to 6-1

Zoey DeAngelis and Grace Tutt homered, and Emily Antrim struck out 10, pacing Massabesic to a 15-1 rout of visiting Westbrook on Wednesday, May 8.

Antrim gave up a hit, but struck out the side in first and the Mustangs' offense went to work in the bottom half, scoring four runs. Emily Davison had a two-run single. Emily Morin and DeAngelis both had run-scoring singles.

Massabesic (6-1) made it 9-0 after two innings. Tutt led off with a homer. Morin walked, then Julia Gregoire and Lauren Kiss slammed back-to-back run-scoring doubles to make it 7-0. Kiss and DeAngelis scored later in the frame for a 9-0 lead.

Antrim gave up two hits and an unearned run in the third, but the freshman retired the last seven she faced, fanning three and getting four groundouts.

The Mustangs closed the game out in the fifth. Antrim (2-3, RBI, R) led with and single and Marissa Goodwin followed with a single of her own. Hailey Caswell doubled home Antrim, Ally Grant walked and both runners moved up on wild pitch.

Ashley Day singled in Caswell to make it 12-1 and DeAngelis lined a two-out three-run homer over the fence in right to end it.

Massabesic has scored 61 runs in its last four games, all wins.



Zoey DeAngelis on base for the Mustangs vs. Westbrook on May 8.



Emily Antrim on the mound for Massabesic. At left is Marissa Goodwin at second base and Paige Houk is in right field.

PHOTOS BY KERRY DEANGELIS

LACROSSE

Ladies remain perfect

Emily Stinson scored her first varsity goal and the Mustangs raced out to a 11-1 halftime lead in route to an effortless 19-5 pounding of host Bonny Eagle on Tuesday, May 7. Cailyn Forrester, Kenzy Ouellette and Skylar Renaud each had a hat trick. Brianna Stephenson and Noel DesVergnes both had a pair of goals and Massabesic got single scores from Cam Champlin, Sara DesVergnes, Morgan Carpener and Trie Yale who also assisted three.

On Wednesday, May 8 the Mustangs (4-0) again came firing out of the locker room and built another huge halftime lead, this time 11-3 over visiting S. Portland. Skylar Renaud was again dominant, scoring four times in the first half and twice more in the second for six total goals. The senior added two assists for good measure as Massabesic coasted through the second half to post a 15-7 win.

Kenzy Ouellette had a hat trick, Cailyn Forrester and Micaela Jacobs each scored two times and Massabesic got single scores from Cam Champlin and Emily Jacobs. Katie Castle made seven saves in goal for the hosts who have scored an eye-popping 57 goals in their first four contests.



Emily Davison.

BY MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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TRACK & FIELD New, Waters shine on track

Syeira New took home two golds and two silvers and Jeffery Waters collected a gold and a silver at a five-team track and field meet held Tuesday, May 7 at Noble High School.

New began with a win (27.60) in the 200-meter-dash and followed with runner-up spots in both the 100 and 300-meter hurdles. Her long jump leap of over 15' also captured gold. Jeffery Waters was second in the 1600 and his 10:08.41 in the 3200 was best. Matthew Pooler was second in the 800 and Blake Proctor had the second best javelin throw.



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Joyce Glover Krahling

Joyce Glover Krahling, age 82, of Alfred, died on May 5, 2019 at 5:05 p.m. in Kennebunk. She was a kind, generous, and consistently joyful person. Her cheerful nature and sense of humor did not waiver as she dealt with brain cancer. She was deeply appreciative of the family, friends, caregivers, and exceptional medical providers beside her this final year.



Joyce Glover Krahling

Mrs. Krahling was a graduate of Mount Union College, where she met the love of her life; William D. Krahling. They had a wonderful life together that included many adventures, collections, and laughs. She spent the majority of her career as a PE teacher at the elementary level. She loved ice cream, mysteries, art, and kayaking, and Benintendi.

She is survived by her son and his wife, Richard and Chris Krahling of Bucyrus, Ohio; daughter, Heidi Krahling of Champaign, Illinois; two granddaughters, two great-grandchildren, and blind beagle named Dixie. She was preceded in death by her husband and her grandson, Nathan E. Krahling.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 11 at 1 p.m. at the Alfred Parish Church, 12 Kennebunk Road, in Alfred. A reception will immediately follow the service at the Bistro.

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

In lieu of flowers, Joyce requested that donations be made to Alfred Parish Church or an organization that helps people or animals in need.

The Autumn Green Funeral Home is respectfully handling arrangements.

Obituaries

love of her family and grandchildren. Family reunions were a great treat for her.

Dorothy C. Hill

Dorothy C. Hill, 79, of Limington, beloved mother and grandmother, died peacefully on April 25, 2019 at the Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough.



Dorothy C. Hill

Dorothy was born on Oct. 2, 1939 in Beaver Falls, New York, the daughter of Frank and Dorothy (Tolhurst) Gavigan.

Dorothy married her husband Walter on June 13, 1959 and shared over 50 years of marriage and together they nurtured and raised three children, John, Laura and Lisa. For many years they made their home in Gouverneur, New York and moved to Maine in 1998. They then moved back to New York in 2008. Dorothy returned to Maine in 2017.

They enjoyed traveling around the beautiful New England states and residing in North Myrtle Beach, North Carolina during the winters. Both Dorothy and Walter loved going to the beach and sight-seeing for dolphins and whales.

Dorothy was a homemaker who raised her children and then raised the children of family friends. She loved coffee and conversation with neighbors and friends. Dorothy enjoyed music and was a member of the community band where she played the flute and also played piano. She was a longtime member of the Kiwanis Club.

Dorothy was a talented and skilled seamstress; she made clothes for her children and grandchildren. She was well versed in the kitchen and loved to have her family together for the holidays. First and foremost was Dorothy's

For the past few years, Dorothy has faced illnesses and declining health. Through it all, she has been surrounded in love with her family by her side. Her memory and life lessons will be honored and shared with a family service later in June. She will be dearly missed by her children and grandchildren.

She is lovingly survived by her children, John Hill and wife Kathy Maronski of Downingtown Pennsylvania; Laura Hill and husband Joseph Romano of Limington; and Lisa Mason and husband Chris Mason of Fort Saskatchewan, AB Canada; her six grandchildren, Eric and Lauren Hill of Pennsylvania; Amanda Tanner of New York; Kevin Mason of Virginia; and Megan and Jacob Romano of Maine; her two brothers, James and Leon Gavigan and several nieces and nephews.

Dorothy was predeceased by her husband, Walter J. Hill and by her brother, Fred Gavigan.

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

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Mary Scott Taylor

Mary Scott Taylor, 83, of Lyman and Gorham, died on Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019 with her family at her bedside surrounding her with song and love. She was born in Plattsburgh, NY the only daughter of Royal Scott and Mary Justin Corning.



Mary Scott Taylor

Mary missed her husband of 56 years, Wilfred "Bill" F. Taylor, and is survived by their six children Robert Scott Taylor, Marylu Taylor, Kenneth Allan Taylor, Kathryn Taylor Werneke, Susan Lachance, and Joanne Taylor deKay; their partners, nine grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and her therapy dog, Ernest Hemingway.

Family was paramount to Mary and extended beyond blood. She was a mother to many and was a leader of youth groups on Cape Cod and in southern Maine over decades. Mary was a lifelong learner and inspired others to follow their dreams.

She attended Becker Junior College before raising a family, returning to school later in life to earn her Dietary Manager, CNA, and Medication Aide certifications. She served as bookkeeper for Bill's civil engineering businesses, and in retirement retrained as a work-camper administrative assistant.

Mary was a fierce advocate for water conservation and the rights of nature. She volunteered for and supported efforts by the Saco River Corridor Commission, Francis Small Heritage Trust, and Food and Water Watch.

Mary's faith was strong; she was an active member of the UCC church. She loved to sing and listen to music, especially music that made her dance. Her love of horses and her community of horsey friends crossed many state lines. She was an avid reader of nonfiction and current events, enjoyed camping and traveling, and had a green thumb for gardening.

Mary was a hospice volunteer in both Maine and Florida. She and her family are grateful for the personal services and care of Beacon Hospice, the staff at the Gorham House, and Dr. Joseph R.D. deKay who balanced the roles of son-in-law and physician with grace and dignity.

The Taylor family will hold a celebration of Mary's life at Alfred Parish Church later this summer. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Good Shepherd Food Bank, Beacon Hospice, or Alfred Parish Church.

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

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BUSINESS NEWS

WEX Inc. supports Habitat for Humanity of York County's 30th Home Build

Habitat for Humanity of York County has received a grant of \$2,500 from WEX Inc. to assist with their 30th home building project located on Range E Road in Limerick. The support of WEX Inc. assists Habitat for Humanity in addressing affordable housing challenges in York County and will help a family achieve the strength, stability and independence they need to build a better life.

Habitat builds energy efficient, durable, and affordable homes in partnership with the new Habitat homebuyer and the York County community. Habitat homes are made possible through the generous donations of materials, money, and labor from community members to the local Habitat for Humanity York County located in Kennebunk.

Habitat for Humanity of York County serves low-income families who show a demonstrated need for improved housing, a willingness to partner by assisting in building their own homes, and the ability to pay an affordable mortgage.

"We are grateful to partner with WEX, Inc. for our fourth home in Limerick," said Amy Nucci, Habitat for Humanity of York County's Executive Director. "The Limerick Build will provide an opportunity for our future homeowners to work alongside over 100 community volunteers and future neighbors to build their home and is one of the most unique, empowering, and rewarding aspects of Habitat for Humanity."

Habitat has many opportunities to volunteer at the ReStore, on the Springvale Build, assisting with weatherizations, on committees or assisting with special events. Volunteers will be need for the Limerick Build beginning in July 2019. Anyone interested in participating or donating to Habitat is encouraged to call the Habitat office at 985-4850 or visit the website at www.habitatorkcounty.org.

For more information about Habitat for Humanity York County visit www.habitatorkcounty.org.

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OLD WELLS FARM

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the lasagna method!” Pitts daughter-in-law agreed. “I thought the class was very informative, and I look forward to utilizing the techniques in our garden.”

These techniques come from Permaculture, a natural, closed loop system that Stowell learned from their latest mentor. “Every farm needs a mentor,” he explained. Stowell and Marina got their start leasing land at Broadturn Farm. Then, they decided to travel and learn more about farming at the same time.

They joined World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms, or WWOOF, and traveled across the country to Florida and California. “We worked our tail off,” said Stowell, while being fed and trained by various farmers at each of the farms they worked at. “I liked the physicality of it, having ownership of the land, and then being able to eat what you grow,” said Watters, “that there was something of the world that was for us.”

They next worked at Rippling Waters on River Road in Steep Falls, an organic farm, where they had the opportunity to work with

students from Bonny Eagle. “We were able to show the kids that ‘This world is for you, too!’”

Finally, they worked at Sweet Relief Farm in Steep Falls, under the guidance of their mentor, Julee Applegarth, where they learned the Permaculture techniques that they practice today.

For the last six years, Stowell and Marina have been a part of the CSA (Community Supported Agriculture), Foothills Farm Alliance. “We have always been vegetable growers,” said Stowell, “and we have gotten good at it.” But growing vegetables is not the only thing they do at Old Wells

Farm!

Stowell’s brother Dylan went to Spannocchia, Italy to study charcuterie (a type of cooking devoted to prepared meat products), and when he came back, he told Stowell they needed to invest in some pigs. As mentioned earlier, they only farm 1 or 2 acres of the property – the rest of the land has become overgrown. “We tried everything,” said Watters, “from ducks, to bees, chickens and goats, slowly branching outward.” Goats did not work to clear the land as they had thought. But pigs? “They sucked up the poison ivy like spaghetti!” said Stowell. “It just worked!” And Dylan worked his magic preparing the meat. Stowell recalled the first time Dylan prepared pork chops

– delicious! As a result, they also have an organic pork CSA (and a flower CSA which Dylan’s girlfriend Aleana manages). “We did everything, and have just trimmed it down,” said Stowell.

What’s next for Old Wells Farm? Plans are underway for a parking lot on the side of the driveway and a farmstand. And stay tuned for their upcoming Seedling Social, a potluck dinner, a chance to “talk shop” and buy seedlings. “We’re looking to find ways to connect with the community and enjoy food and drink.”

Old Wells Farm is located on 991 Cape Rd (Route 117) in Limington. Next to the driveway is a painted wooden sign. Call 807-8000 for more information or visit www.oldwellsfarm.com.

2019-2020 RSU #57 Budget Votes – Meeting Guide

1st Vote

DISTRICT BUDGET MEETING

Vote on May 14, 2019

Registration Begins: 6:15 p.m.

Meeting Begins: 7:00 p.m.

Massabesic Middle School Cafeteria

MEETING AGENDA

The meeting will start promptly at 7:00 p.m.

- Swearing in of Moderator
- Swearing in of Ballot Clerks
- Presentation of Budget by the Superintendent of Schools
- Vote on each Budget Article – explanation by the moderator, public questions and comments prior to voting
- Adjournment

REGISTRATION

- Registration will begin at 6:15 p.m.
- RSU #57 voters will register at tables located in the Visitors’ Lobby adjacent to the cafeteria at Massabesic Middle School

Voters must be present at the meeting to vote.

VOTING

Voting on most warrant items will be by a show of hands. Some warrant articles will require voting by paper ballot. In that case, ballot boxes will be available in the cafeteria and the voting will be supervised by the ballot clerks.

2nd Vote

BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM

Vote on June 11, 2019

in each town.

(Absentee voters: contact your town offices for ballots.)

As part of the consolidation law, a Budget Validation Referendum to approve or disapprove the budget acted upon at the May 14, 2019 District Budget Meeting is required.

SHAPLEIGH

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Transfer station welcomes back “free table”

The Board of Selectmen have voted to re-instate the “free table” located at the bottom level of the Transfer Station. The free table accepts items that are still in good condition and can be recycled to others in the community. Residents are invited to take items from the free table, and to place items on it as well. Crockery, knitting patterns, yarn and needles, and lamps may be some of the items found on the table. You never know what you will find. Townspeople gathered at the BOS meeting on Tuesday, April 23 in support of the table. They argued it was a value to the community, saves town money, and saves putting useful items into the dump.

In the past, the BOS removed the free table after it was brought to their attention that the table offerings were being abused by people coming to the table and removing all the items, and then selling the items in yardsales. What was not sold was returned to the dump for free. Transfer station employees felt that parameters needed to be set by the

Selectmen. It was decided that the transfer station attendant be notified as to what would be placed on the table. Clothing and shoes will not be accepted on the table as there is a donation box for clothing on the premises.

New summers hours for the Transfer Station will be Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. from May 1 to Sept. 20.

Shapleigh Library

The Shapleigh Community Library, 607 Shapleigh Corner Rd., is participating in The Read Me Summer 2019 Book Club presented by the Maine Humanities Council and Maine State Libraries. Two books written by Maine Authors have been selected, Paris Was The Place by Susan Conley and After the Eclipse by Sarah Perry. If you are interested in joining the Book Club contact Katie Richards at shapleighlibrary@gmail.com or telephone 636-3630.

Meetings

Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society - May 10 at 6:30 p.m., 122 Emery Mills Road.

Board of Selectmen - May 14 at 7 p.m., Town Hall, 22 Back Road.

Capital Improvements Committee - May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall, 22 Back Road, 2nd floor. The public is welcome to attend.



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