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Butch Guimond and Barbara Guimold answered questions after the presentation in the Limerick Congregational Church. PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

## Margraten Fields of Honor

### Remembering fallen soldiers

By JOANNE BARGIONI

A special presentation hosted by the Limerick Historical Society on May 7 honored fallen soldiers laid to rest at the Netherlands American Cemetery in Margraten. The event took place at the Limerick Congregational Church, at 46 Washington Street, and drew attendees for an evening of remembrance and reflection.

The Keynote speaker, Barbara Guimond, from Gorham shared a deeply personal story about her family's connection to the cemetery. She and her husband, Gerard "Butch" Guimond, had traveled to the Netherlands to visit the grave of her brother-in-law Alfred Guimond (Fred), a World War II soldier who was killed at the age of 22 while fighting for freedom in



The Fields of Honor at the Netherlands American Cemetery in Margraten. COURTESY PHOTO

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## Dr. Abiel Hall – Militiaman

For decades the Alfred Veterans Committee has placed flags on the graves of veterans in the village cemetery. When walking from the grave of Major Morgan Lewis to the grave of Captain Paul Webber, the volunteers practically stepped over the bones of another Revolutionary veteran whose Revolutionary service has gone unnoticed until now- the bones of Dr. Abiel Hall. That oversight will be corrected this year, a belated but fitting tribute to a soldier who served in America's fight for Independence.

Dr. Abiel Hall was born in Concord NH, March 31, 1761. As a sixteen year old, Abiel Hall served in Revolutionary War, marching from Concord, New Hampshire on July 5, 1777, with Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrish's company to support Fort Ticonderoga on Lake Champlain. Upon learning that Fort Ticonderoga had been abandoned by the Americans, Private Hall's company was turned around and marched back to Concord. The militia men were paid for 70 miles travel and seven days service.

Within days of his return, Abiel Hall joined a company of neighbors formed to resist the British army sweeping south from Lake Champlain toward the Hudson River. Pvt. Hall's company marched from Concord to Charleston on the Connecticut River, then marched north to Bennington, Vermont. There, Hall's company joined the militia army of 1500 men gathered from New Hampshire and Vermont under General John Stark. At Bennington, on Aug. 16, 1777, the

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Bruce Tucker standing at the gravestone of Dr. Abiel Hall in the Alfred Village Cemetery. COURTESY PHOTO

## Bonny Eagle scholar



Boston Nobile, right, is presented with the 2026 Chenette Leadership Scholarship by York County Commissioner Justin Chenette. COURTESY PHOTO

## Bonny Eagle student recognized with leadership scholarship

Boston Nobile, a graduating senior at Bonny Eagle High School, received this year's \$500 Chenette Leadership Scholarship.

Boston has held numerous leadership roles, including Student Council President and Student Representative to the MSAD#6 School Board. His commitment to civic engagement is further evidenced by his work with the National Honor Society, Maine Model UN, and YMCA Youth in Government, as well as by organizing food drives and increasing voter participation in the community. This fall, Boston will

head to D.C. to attend George Washington University, where he plans to major in Political Science. His future aspirations include staying active in politics, policy, or civil service.

The Chenette Scholarship Fund is a non-profit foundation founded by York County Commissioner Justin Chenette that empowers the next generation of civic-minded leaders through college scholarships. Since 2015, it has awarded more than \$15,000 in scholarships to young leaders at area high schools, including Bonny Eagle.

**NEW EVERY THURSDAY!**  
 LOCAL news, events and faces from your community.



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# Community CALENDAR

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## COMING EVENTS

**AUTHOR CONVERSATION** with 3 Maine authors: Shelley Burbank, Kevin St. Jarre and Nylah Lyman on Friday, May 15 at 6 p.m. at Limerick Public Library, 55 Washington St., Limerick.

**ANNUAL PLANT, BAKE, GREEN ELEPHANT SALE** Saturday, May 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The First Congregational Church of Buxton, Tory Hill Meetinghouse's, annual sale. Plants, annuals, perennials, herbs, baked goods of all kinds, a green elephant table with a variety of used pots, garden tools, lawnmowers, spreaders, etc. This year we are offering a variety of general

lawn sale items as well. Save room for one of our famous hot dogs and a beverage. Located at the junction of Rte 112/Rte 202, look for the signs, this is a rain or shine event.

**RAILROAD SLIDESHOW** Cornish Historical Society is excited to present Doug Noble's slide show Mountain Division RR Line, Sunday May 17 at 3 p.m. at Pike Memorial Hall in Cornish. Doug first presented his program last fall to Baldwin Historical Society - it is about the route the Maine Central RR trains took from Portland to Fabian's in the White Mountains, including local stations along the way. Hiram contributed some photos of Hiram Depot as did other

historical societies. If you missed it last fall, now is the time to catch it.

**AUDUBON PROGRAM** "Exploring the Life and Times of an Extraordinary Bird: the Purple Martin - with Anna Forsman" presented by York County Audubon at the Wells Reserve and via Zoom, Tuesday, May 19 at 7 p.m. Join Anna Forsman from the Colby College faculty who studies and works to preserve the Purple Martin. For complete information, visit [york-county-audubon.org](http://york-county-audubon.org).

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF NEWFIELD PLANT AND BAKE SALE** Saturday, May 23 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Perennials, vegetable seedlings, baked goods

and more. This is a rain or shine event at the Bandstand on Elm St. in Newfield.

**BARN, YARD & BAKE SALE**, Saturday, May 23 @ 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in ALFRED @ the neighborhood locale of Bennett Road and Torrey Hill. Bennett Road is off of Route 202-also known as the Sanford Road. Citizens of Alfred/Non-profit Tiny Seed. Contact Susan Dean for more information: [susanldean@roadrunner.com](mailto:susanldean@roadrunner.com) or 207-324-1223.

**"COME CELEBRATE FISH AND RIVERS ON WORLD FISH MIGRATION DAY"** presented by 10 different organizations at Rogers Pond in Kennebunk, Saturday, May 23 at 1 p.m. (rain date is Sunday). For complete information, visit [yorkcountyaudubon.org](http://yorkcountyaudubon.org).

**YARD SALE FUNDRAISER** The East Parsonsfield cemetery and Meetinghouse will be having their annual yard sale May 23-25 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to help with the restoration of one of the oldest buildings

left in East Parsonsfield. Located at 1637 North Road (Route 160) East Parsonsfield. FMI contact Debbie Harrington at 207-415-0316.

Historical Society of Newfield **COMPASS OF REMEMBRANCE DEDICATION** Monday, May 25 at 10 a.m. at 64 Elm Street. New stones and the stories of those Newfield residents named on the stones to be dedicated and added to the growing collection of life stories of those that have journeyed through Newfield. Refreshments will be served immediately following the ceremony.

The Hiram Cultural Center's Famous **BLOOMS, BOOK & BAKE SALE!** A Memorial Day Tradition at the Arts Center at 8 Hancock in Hiram, on Monday, May 25. The sale kicks off at 10 a.m. and will pause briefly at 11 a.m. for the town Memorial Day ceremony. As always, we will have a wide variety of plants for sale, books of all types for all ages, and the best baked goods and lunch selection in town. Come hungry and bring cash/checks!

**LYMAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING** Tuesday, May 19 at 6 p.m. at the Masons' Lodge Goodwins Mills. Join us at the Memorial Day Parade on May 25 at 1 p.m. at the Community Library grounds.

**SOCIAL SECURITY SEMINAR** Wednesday May 27 at 6pm at the Kezar Falls Library, 2 Wadleigh Street, Parsonsfield. Expert advice from financial advisor Andrew Novick.

**YARD SALE** May 30 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Parsonsfield Seminary, 504 North Road, Parsonsfield.

**YARD SALE** to benefit projects of the 21 Club on Saturday May 30, 9-12 at the Riverside United Methodist Church, Porter. The 21 Club is a women's service organization in the Kezar Falls area.

**PERENNIALS AND HERBS SALE** (over 200 varieties) to benefit the Unique Maine Farms' project will be sold in 4-inch pots for \$4.50 each on Saturday, May 30 and Sunday, May 31 from 10-3 at 515 Garland Road in West Newfield. Many new varieties in larger pots are priced separately. Sale is held rain or shine. Accepted payments are cash, check, and Venmo. Appointments available after the sale are necessary since we do not have regular hours. Email: [mqdoyle@gmail.com](mailto:mqdoyle@gmail.com). Plant varieties and prices are posted on the Doyle Family Farm website at: [www.doylefamilyfarm.com](http://www.doylefamilyfarm.com).

The Acton Public Library, 35 H Road is hosting a **SPRING SALE** on Books, Plants and Pies, Oh My! on Saturday, June 6 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Consider donating your divided perennials, rooted houseplants, and extra seedlings to help with their sale. Let them know if you would like to donate a pie. They are taking book donations now and plant donations starting May 29. For more information, you can call the library at 636-2781.

**COMMUNITY GARDEN BEDS AVAILABLE** Would you like to grow vegetables or flowers but have no room or inadequate sunshine? Waterboro Community Garden has beds available for rent for Waterboro residents. Applications available at Waterboro Town Hall. Email: [garden@waterboro-maine.gov](mailto:garden@waterboro-maine.gov) for more information.

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**LET'S EAT!**

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** Sat., May 16, 4 to 6 p.m., St. Matthew Church, 19 Dora Lane, Limerick. Come enjoy some pasta with a variety of sauces, salad, garlic bread, drinks & dessert. Adults \$12; Children ages 6-12 are \$7; Children 5 & under are free. Families cost \$35.

**FREE COMMUNITY DINNER** Public Welcome at Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church, 503 Goodwins Mills Road on Route 35. Serving 4:30-6 p.m. May 16: Pork Shoulder, baked potatoes, carrots and green beans, rolls and apple or fruit crisp. June 20: Cookout, hamburgers and hot dogs, macaroni salad and baked beans, chips, rolls and cupcakes.

**17th ANNUAL CHOCOLATE SUNDAY** Hosted by the Friends of Par Sem 504 North Rd. North Parsonsfield. If you love chocolate this sweet event is for you. Sunday May, 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. \$14 ( \$5 for 10 and under). FMI call (603) 539 5233 or (207) 625 8360.

**BAKED BEAN & CHOP SUEY SUPPERS** The First Congregational Church will be hosting its monthly baked bean & American chop suey supper on Sat., May 30 from 4:30-6 p.m. at the church, 141 North St., Kennebunkport. There will be two types of home baked beans, American chop suey, mac & cheese, hot dogs, rolls, and cole slaw, topped off with a slice of homemade pie. Adults and children age 12 and over \$12 per person, and children under 12 \$5.00 per child. Held on the last Saturday of each month from April through September.

**PUBLIC BREAKFAST** at Arundel Lodge #76 AF&AM to benefit Caring Community Cuisine, May 30, 9 a.m.-Noon at Arundel Masonic Lodge, 10 North Street, Kennebunkport. Blueberry Pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon & sausage, home fries, toast & English muffins, fruit cups, coffee & juice.

**DELICIOUS HADDOCK SUPPER BUFFET** Saturday, May 30 at 5 p.m. at Living Waters Church, Parker Farm Road, Buxton. Suggested donation \$12 Adult, \$5 Child, \$20 Family. We will offer the option of takeout containers for those who do not want to come inside for seating.

The Acton-Shapleigh Lion's Club **MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST** the first Saturday of every month (Next on June 6). \$7 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 Shapleigh Community Center at 24 Back Road, Shapleigh, next door to the Shapleigh Town Hall.

**ACTON FOOD PANTRY** at 59H Road open the first Monday of the month (next on June 1) 9:30-11 a.m. and 4-6 p.m. FMI call 977-0228.

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YORK COUNTY

**Commissioners okay referendum to abolish elected treasurer**

Should York County government, which employs a finance director and finance team, abolish the elected treasurer's position?

Voters will decide that matter Nov. 3 after York County Commissioners on May 6 agreed to put the referendum questions to voters countywide.

If voters agree to scrap the elected position, the treasurer would be appointed following the expiration of the office of the current treasurer on Dec. 31.

Proponents of abolishing the elected post have pointed out that the elected treasurer role in York County is purely ceremonial and has been for nearly two decades.

York County Commissioners hired the county's first finance director in 2007, after discovering a \$1.2 million deficit in the fund balance that year. With hard work, the deficit was cleared and the fund balance was rebuilt to healthy levels.

As well as in-house oversight, York County's financial records are audited annually by an outside professional firm of certified public accountants. Finance and audit information are available for viewing at: [www.yorkcountymaine.gov/finance](http://www.yorkcountymaine.gov/finance).

In 2015, York County Commissioners of the day, noting that the duties of the elected treasurer were being carried out by the finance director and staff, voted to reduce the salary for the elected part-time treasurer to \$500 annually starting with the 2018 election.

The current treasurer is Stacy Kilroy, who was appointed to the post by Gov. Janet Mills following the 2024 resignation of treasurer Bobby Mills, who was first elected in 2018 and re-elected in 2022. Mills is the sole candidate running for the spot in the Democratic primary June 9; there is no Republican candidate.

Kilroy expressed frustration on how the elected treasurer's position is currently configured, and seemed to advocate for keeping the elected position. "I say don't get rid of oversight when its free," she told commissioners May 6.

Commissioner Richard Clark said there have been opportunities for input and that some prior treasurers have attended budget committee meetings. He pointed out that Maine statutes do not spell out qualifications for the elected treasurer's position.

"We have people with professional training dealing with the budget," Clark said, noting the financial team.

The sole qualification for an elected county treasurer outlined in Maine Revised Statutes Title 30-A is that the individual be a resident of the county. The same statute addresses the qualifications of an appointed treasurer: "The treasurer must be qualified in matters of business administration and finance."

Today, Androscoggin, Cumberland and Knox counties have appointed treasurers. The 13 others are elected, but voters in Washington County, where com-

missioners recently hired a finance director, will also vote in November to eliminate the elected position and appoint a treasurer.

The commissioners' May 6 decision to move forward means voters will see a referendum to abolish the elected treasurer position in York County and a ballot listing candidate(s) for the elected treasurer position.

Maine Statutes outline how the referendum question is asked: "Shall the position of elected county treasurer be abolished and replaced with a treasurer appointed by the county commissioners?"

The statute goes on to say: "If a majority of those voting on this question vote in the affirmative, the position of elected county treasurer shall be abolished after the term of the current elected county treasurer expires, and the county commissioners shall appoint a treasurer."

"If both the question and the office are on the ballot in November and the voters vote to abolish the position, whoever is elected Treasurer would have no office to serve in," said Deputy Secretary of State Julie Flynn of Maine's Elections Division. "We view 'current' treasurer under the statute to mean the outgoing Treasurer serving at the time of the election."

The referendum has been sent to the voters before – in 2018 – but was defeated.

– By Tammy Wells, York County government media

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**TOWN OF HOLLIS PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ATTENTION RESIDENTS:**

**State of Maine Primary Election, Hollis Annual Town Meeting, MSAD #6 School Board Director At-Large, MSAD #6 District Budget Validation Referendum, and MSAD #6 District Referendum – JUNE 9, 2026**

**REGISTRAR OF VOTERS HOURS:**

The Registrar of Voters office will be open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Registrar of Voters will be available to correct any errors, correct a name or address on the voting list, and accept new enrollment. To register to vote please, bring proof of your identity and proof of Hollis residency with you. A person who is not registered to vote may not vote in any election.

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS:**

Absentee Ballot requests are now available for the Hollis Annual Town Meeting being held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026. Absentee Ballots may be requested **until June 4, 2026 at 4p.m.** by calling (207) 929-8552 ext. 27, or at the Hollis Town Clerk's Office. It is recommended to call and request your absentee ballot before May 29, 2026 to allow extra time for mailing of your ballots. **Absentee Ballots must be returned to your municipality's drop box by the close of polls at 8 p.m. on June 9, 2026.**

**ABSENTEE VOTING (early voting)** will be available at the Hollis Town Hall, 34 Town Farm Road, Hollis, ME 04042, during regular business hours.

**JUNE 9, 2026, VOTING** will be held at the Hollis Town Hall, 34 Town Farm Road, Hollis, ME 04042.

**The Hollis Annual Town Meeting** will open at 6:45 a.m. to act on article #1, to elect a moderator.

**POLLS OPEN AT 7A.M. AND CLOSE AT 8P.M.**

*Hollis Registrar of Voters (207) 929-8552 ext. 27.  
Hollis Town Clerk, Hollis Town Hall,  
34 Town Farm Road, Hollis, ME 04042*

**Join me May 12th, 6pm @ Alfred Town Hall.**  
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John.eder@maine.legislature.gov  
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**DR. ABIEL HALL**

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American militia soundly defeated a detachment of 700 Hessian troops, Loyalists and Iroquois Indians sent to raid the NH Grants for horses and provisions. In the final push to dislodge the Hessian soldiers from a hilltop, General Stark rallied his troops by uttering, "Tonight the American flag floats from yonder hill or Molly Stark sleeps a widow!"...heady stuff for a foot-sore sixteen year old in the ranks to hear. Clearly, Pvt. Hall was no longer engaged in friendly training drills on the Concord Green, eating gingerbread and shooting at chips with neighbors. The stakes at Bennington were much higher.

After the victory at Bennington, Pvt. Hall joined a New Hampshire militia company commanded by the father of noted statesman Daniel Webster and witnessed the surrender of the British army of General Burgoyne at Saratoga. Finally, Hall was discharged, paid for his service as well as the 130 mile round trip march from Concord to New York.

**Abiel Hall to Alfred**

Abiel Hall surfaces two years later in a quarantine hospital near Massabesic Pond suffering with smallpox. The rude hospital was run by Dr. Gideon Frost who had been summoned from Kennebunk. Because he had been inoculated, Hall's case of smallpox was fairly mild and he was said to aided in other patients' recovery. This may have awakened Hall's interest in a medical career. By 1787, Dr Abiel Hall was the only physician on the York County frontier and journeying into the wilderness as far as Cornish to minister to the sick.

Abiel Hall was not the first member of his family to journey to Alfred. Abiel's much older half brother Ebenezer Hall had made the trip from Concord to Fryeburg to Alfred prior to 1770. Ebenezer established a tavern on Federal Street just south of the Gile homestead and became a driving force in the local militia. When Alfred called out minutemen to march to Lexington in April 1775, Col. Ebenezer Hall gave the Massabesic militia their marching orders. Despite their age difference, Ebenezer and Abiel Hall remained

closely associated in Alfred. Both were members of the Congregational Parish Church and very active in local affairs.

Nor were the Hall brothers the only families to make the journey from Concord NH to Alfred. The Hall brothers were joined in town by the large Eastman and Farnum families who arrived about the time of the Revolution. Actually, all the Concord families were closely interrelated, forming one large extended family. The Concord families were early settlers of the Alfred village area and lived along the Waterboro Road from the village to the foot of Shaker Hill.

**Dr. Hall buys 'The Beehive'**

In 1801, Dr. Abiel Hall purchased the 100 acre farm that formerly was owned by John "Barn" Knight in Alfred Village. The purchase included the building we call "The Beehive". In the Beehive, Dr. Hall set up a thriving medical practice and apprenticed many aspiring physicians

who learned their craft under him. Probably Dr. Hall's most famous student was local boy Usher Parsons who studied with Hall for two years beginning in 1807. Parsons had a spectacular career with the US Navy and later taught medicine at Brown University.

Dr. Hall's son and namesake also studied medicine with his father and began his local practice in 1809. He eventually succeeded his father as Alfred's physician. Dr. Abiel Hall Jr faithfully served his Alfred neighbors for over sixty years. Both the doctor's Abial Hall are buried in the Alfred Village Cemetery. And this year, Dr Abiel Hall, Sr.- Revolutionary Veteran- finally gets his flag. Sorry it took so long.

To learn more about Alfred' Minutemen and their role in the Revolution, visit the Alfred Village Museum which opens May 16, open 2 to 4 p.m. The museum will be open Monday and Wednesday 2 to 4 through September. Admission is free.

- Bruce Tucker  
Alfred Historical Committee



Purple Martins. COURTESY PHOTO

**YORK COUNTY  
AUDUBON PRESENTS:  
Exploring the Life  
and Times of an  
Extraordinary Bird:  
the Purple Martin –  
with Anna Forsman**

York County Audubon invites the community to a special program at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 19, when Anna Forsman will present an entertaining program about protecting a very special bird, the Purple Martin. This program will be held in the Mather Auditorium at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm and will also be live-streamed via Zoom. The entrance to the parking area is off Skinner Mill Road in Wells.

The extraordinary Purple Martin is North America's largest swallow. It's a beautifully iridescent colonial nester, with a distinctive liquid gurgling call. Purple martins were once a common sight in summer all over the East Coast of the United States, but their populations have significantly declined over the past half-century. In Maine, where they used to be found all over the state, they have experienced a precipitous 95 percent decline in the last 50 years. There are now just a handful of active colonies in a few towns. Dr. Anna Forsman wants to better understand why that is the case.

The focus of her research at Colby College is understanding how birds, like purple martins, interact with bacteria, viruses, and parasites in their environments. She is also interested in how environmental factors like insect availability and climate affect immune system function in wild birds. Last year, the Pooper Snopers community science project that she created, received fecal samples from over 200 Purple Martin colonies in the U.S., including the one established by York County Audubon along the Mousam River in Kennebunk. DNA analysis of these samples will reveal the insect diet composition of these birds from across their breeding range.

Anna Forsman earned her doctorate in ecology and evolutionary biology at Cornell University. She studied Purple Martins for years through her postdoctoral work at the University of Central Florida, where she established the UCF Purple Martin Project. Three years ago, she joined the faculty of Colby College. She has studied cavity nesting birds for more than 20 years.

This program is free and open to all ages, and no registration is required for attending in person. To view it via Zoom, you'll need to register in advance at [www.yorkcountyaudubon.org](http://www.yorkcountyaudubon.org). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the meeting.

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**TOWN OF ACTON  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
May 20, 2026 – 6:00PM**

The Select Board will be conducting a public hearing to consider the application of a liquor license renewal request for **BARN LIGHTS, 189 HOPPER ROAD.**

The Public is Encouraged to Attend.  
*Questions or comments, which will be read aloud that evening, can be emailed in advance, to [jroux@actonmaine.org](mailto:jroux@actonmaine.org).*

**TOWN OF ACTON  
Job Opportunity  
PART TIME TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANT**

The Town of Acton is currently accepting applications for a part time Transfer Station Attendant. This position runs approximately from Memorial Day to Labor Day and will be Sundays 12pm to 4pm and Monday's 8am to 2pm. The ideal candidate will have a strong work ethic, work well with the public and have flexibility to possibly fill in on other days as needed. Interested candidates should stop by the Acton Town Hall, during regular business hours, to request an application. The hourly pay rate will be \$17.00 per hour.

**Deadline to apply is Wednesday, May 27, 2026.**  
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**TOWN OF ALFRED  
State of Maine Primary Election  
Municipal Election of Officers  
RSU#57 Budget Referendum/SRRF  
Alfred Water District  
Tuesday, June 9, 2026**

- One (1) Selectmen, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor, Three (3) year term
- One (1) RSU#57 Board of Directors, Three (3) year term
- One (1) Alfred Water District Trustee, Three (3) year term

**POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8AM-8PM  
Upstairs in the Town Hall, 16 Saco Rd., Alfred**

*You may register to vote in person, on the day of election by bringing a photo I.D. and proof of residency.*

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL  
Sarah Hewitt, Town Clerk at 324-5872 x204.**

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**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
Saturday, June 13, 2026  
To be held in the Alfred Elementary  
School Gymnasium @ 10AM**

# STATE NEWS



Sen. Susan Collins recently met with the crew of the Artemis II mission. After the meeting, she released the following statement:

*“I was honored to meet the crew of Artemis II today, along with my colleagues on the Senate Appropriations Committee. Commander Reid Wiseman, Victor Glover, Christina Koch, and Jeremy Hansen traveled farther from Earth than any humans in history. Their courage reminds us of all of the amazing places American ingenuity can take us. The Moon is just the beginning!”*

COURTESY PHOTO

## Animal Welfare Society hosts free Rabies & Microchip Clinic on May 16

The Animal Welfare Society (AWS) Community Veterinary Clinic will host a free rabies vaccination and microchipping clinic on Saturday, May 16, from 9 a.m. to noon at Saint Martha’s Church, 30 Portland Road, Kennebunk, ME 04043.

How to participate: The clinic operates on a drive-thru, first-come, first-served basis — no appointment is needed. Pet owners are encouraged to RSVP at [animalwelfare.org](http://animalwelfare.org) so organizers can plan adequate supplies of vaccines and microchips; however, selecting an arrival window during registration does not reserve a spot or guarantee service at that time. To ensure all waiting pets can be seen, the line will close at 11:30 a.m.

All pets must be leashed or in a secure carrier. To receive a 3-year vaccine, you must bring your pet’s previous rabies certificate or vet records. Otherwise, your pet will receive a 1-year vaccine.

“We want every pet in this community to be protected — and every family to have peace of mind. That’s why we’re bringing this clinic directly to Kennebunk, free of charge,” said Heidi Marsten, Executive Director of Animal Welfare Society. “We encourage everyone to come early; the line closes at 11:30 and supplies are limited, so we don’t want

any pet to miss out.”

Don’t wait—secure your pet’s health and safety by joining us on May 16. RSVP now at [animalwelfare.org](http://animalwelfare.org) or call (207) 292-2424 for more information.

*1 in 3 pets will go missing in their lifetime. Microchips increase reunification rates by 2x for dogs and nearly 20x for cats. (AVMA)*

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# SPORTS

## SOFTBALL

### Scots (5-2) rout Rams

Host Bonny Eagle won its third game in-a-row with a 7-1 thumping of Kennebunk on Monday, May 11. A four run second inning was all the Scots needed. Emily Ireland hit a sac fly to plate the first run and Bonny Eagle added RBI from Madison Weeks and Leah Curtis. Catherine Lopresti and Lily Regan each drove in run to help the Scots pull away late.

The win moved Bonny Eagle to 5-2. They beat Portland 11-0 on May 4, and they beat Gorham 15-9 on Friday, May 8

### Mustangs even at 4-4

Massabesic topped Thornton Academy (TA) 9-7 on Friday, May 8, but a 10-inning 7-6 loss at Westbrook on Monday, May 11 left them even at 4-4 on the season. Eight games remain. Ella Gerrish drove in three with a triple and homer in the TA game. Kendal Pelletier had a two-run double. She pitched well in the loss at Westbrook, tossing nine innings while giving up just one earned run.



Bonny Eagle softball team had a comeback win on May 8 to beat previously undefeated Gorham 15-9. COURTESY PHOTO

## TRACK & FIELD

### Massabesic results

Biddeford, Cheverus, Portland and Waynflete visited Massabesic on Monday, May 11 for an outdoor track & field meet.

On the girls' side, Caroline Dutton won the discus and the javelin throws. Corinne Shank won the triple jump; was runner-up in the long jump, and she was third in the 200 meter-dash. Alexa Roy won the high jump and was runner-up in the discus. Elizabeth Donovan was second in the 100 hurdles.

On the boys' side, freshman Gavin Melville was second in the long jump and Laszlo Brockamp was second in the 1600. Kenny Gluck had the third longest discus and shot-put throws, and he finished sixth in the javelin. Jaxson Lamb was third in the 400.

— By Mike DeAngelis  
Sports Writer

## FROM YORK COUNTY AUDUBON

### Maine Young Birders Club Eliminates Membership Dues and Launches Annual Giving Drive

Southern Maine youth birding club makes membership free for the first time in its 9-year history

The Maine Young Birders Club (MYBC), a York County Audubon-sponsored program connecting Maine youth with the natural world, has announced the elimination of annual membership dues and the launch of its first-ever MYBC Giving Drive.

Founded in 2017, MYBC provides Maine youth ages 11 to 18 with field trips, workshops, and scholarships to birding camps throughout the state. By shifting

from a dues-based model to one funded entirely by donations, the club aims to make participation accessible to every young birder in Maine, regardless of financial circumstances.

“Birding has the power to connect kids with the natural world in a way that stays with them for life. We want to make sure nothing — including the cost of membership — stands in the way of that,” said Laurie Pocher, Coordinator of the

Maine Young Birders Club.

The MYBC Giving Drive is now underway. Donations of any amount are welcome and go directly toward program and administrative costs.

Those interested in supporting the club can donate or learn more at [www.maineyoungbirders.org/donate](http://www.maineyoungbirders.org/donate).

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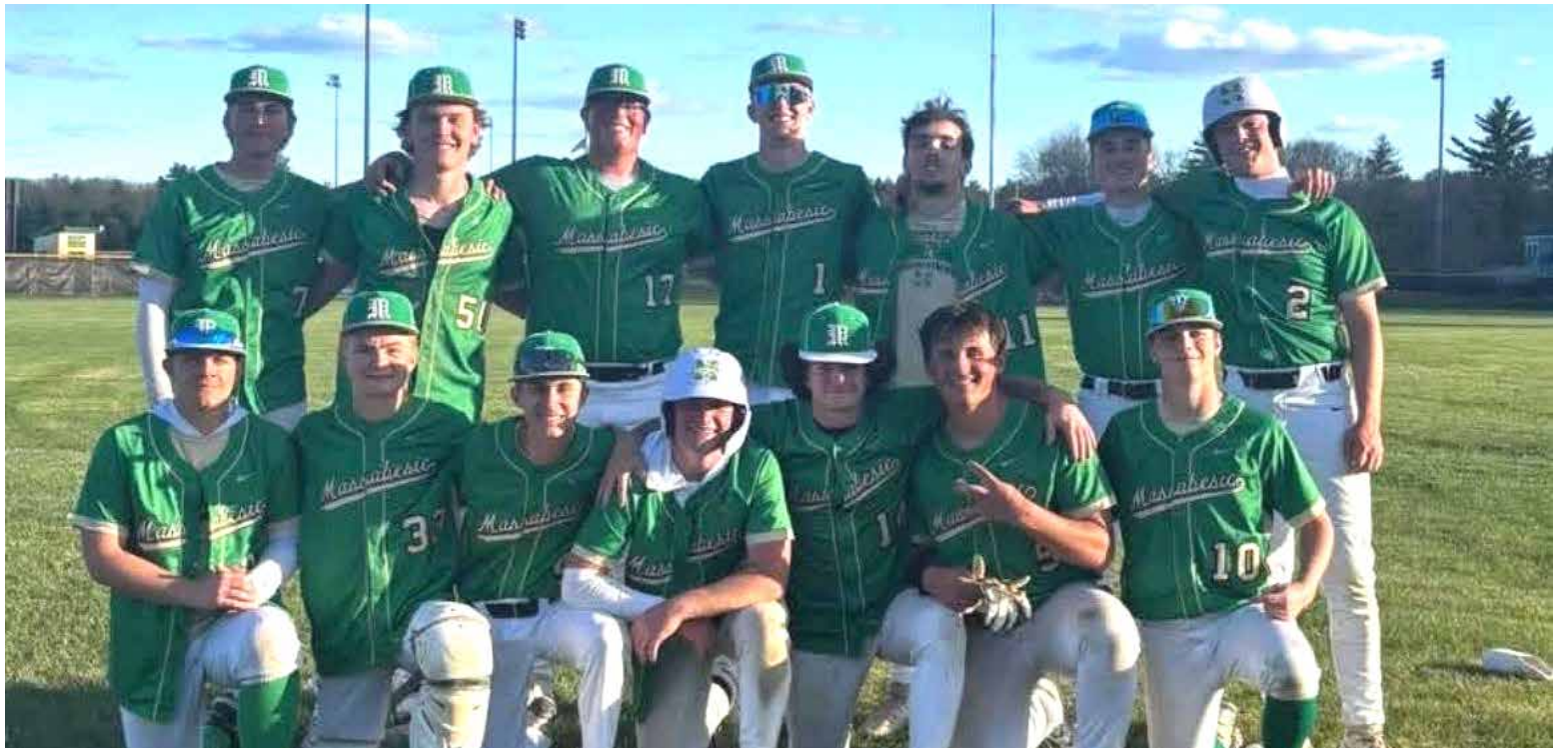
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# SPORTS

## BASEBALL Mustangs rally at Hadlock for fifth win

Massabesic scored four times in the top of the seventh, turning a three-run deficit into a 6-5 win over Portland on a chilly Spring afternoon, Tuesday, May 12, at Hadlock Field. The Mustangs scored in their first at bat when Parker Soule-Parent tripled home Henry Marcotte who walked leading off. The Bulldogs made it 2-1 with a pair of runs off Massabesic starter (and winner) Landon Richard who went six innings, tossing 106 pitches while fanning six and yielding five runs (two earned). The teams traded single runs in the second before Portland made it 5-2 with two unearned runs in the third. The game hung at 5-2 until the final frame. Ryan Merrifield opened the inning with a walk and Marcotte followed with a base-on-balls of his own. With the runners going on the pitch, Trent Tyler reached on a bunt that scored Merrifield and sent Marcotte third. With the tying runs at second and third, the Bulldogs changed pitchers, but Soule-Parent delivered the key hit, plating both runners for a 5-5 tie. Emmett Carroll kept the inning going with another walk and JT Barden moved him to second and Soule-Parent to third with



Massabesic boys baseball team. COURTESY PHOTO

a sacrifice bunt. Judd Rand's sac fly to left gave the Mustangs their first lead since the top of the first. Tyler worked a hitless bottom of the seventh for the save. The win moved Massabesic to 5-2.

### Spartans get even at 4-4

Brody Baron broke a 1-1 tie with a three-run homer in the fifth inning to help lead Sanford past

host Bonny Eagle, 10-3, on Tuesday, May 12. The Scots got two runs back in the bottom half on RBI singles from Garrett Secord and Gavin Saucier to stay close at 4-3, but the Spartans blew it open with four runs in the six and two more in the seventh. Drew Vessels had three hits and drove in two. Ryan Alexander had two hits and drove in two.

### Scots steady at 5-2

Bonny Eagle had won three straight games before a 10-3 home loss to Sanford on May 12. They beat Massabesic 16-6 on May 2, and they followed with a 7-5 win over Kennebunk three days later. On Thursday, May 7 the Scots visited Marshwood and won 4-1 behind pitcher Caleb Racicot who got the win. Bonny Eagle scored twice in the first on a two-out sin-

gle from Gavin Saucier to take control. They added a run in the second to go up 3-0 and Saucier made it 4-0 with another RBI hit. The Hawks got an unearned run in the fifth, but Racicot was in control throwing 73 of 110 pitches for strikes and fanning eight while giving up just three hits. Atticus Dixon got the final out and save for the Scots.

— By Mike DeAngelis  
Sports Writer

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# Hangar Food Truck Park set to open at Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport

## SANFORD

A new community gathering space at the Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport is preparing for its official opening Memorial Day weekend, offering residents and visitors a unique place to enjoy local food while watching planes arrive and depart from the active airfield.

The Hangar Food Truck Park, which recently began operating through a soft opening, will officially celebrate its grand opening on Saturday, May 23 with a full day of food, aviation activities, and family-friendly entertainment

from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The project follows a bid process for a food truck manager and mobile food vendors. Following that process and the award of the bid, the concept for The Hangar Food Truck Park was developed. The Hangar is operated by Parker Montano, owner of Pine Tree Helicopters, which has been based at the Sanford Airport for five years.

The new food truck park will feature a rotating lineup of local food trucks serving pilots, airport visitors, and the broader Sanford community. The venue includes covered pavilion seating, an outdoor patio area, and direct views of runway activity.

“We’re excited to continue diversifying the amenities and services available at the Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport,” said Airport Manager Allison Navia. “The Hangar gives pilots and visitors another option to enjoy while also creating a new way for the community to experience the airport.”

She added that as activity at the airport continues to grow, projects like The Hangar help bring more people to the airport while showcasing ongoing operations and activity.

“We wanted to create a place where people can come hang out, grab great food, and enjoy the

atmosphere of the airport,” said Parker Montano, operator of The Hangar Food Truck Park. “You can sit outside, watch planes take off and land, and try something different every time you visit. There really isn’t anything else like it around here, and we’re excited to bring that experience to Sanford.”

The official opening celebration will feature food trucks serving barbecue, burgers, egg rolls, desserts, and other local favorites throughout the day. A pilot fly-in is also planned, with aviators from around the region invited to participate in the festivities. Helicopter rides will be available to event attendees for \$30 per person on a

first-come, first-served basis.

Organizers say they hope the food truck park will become a regular destination throughout the warmer months, with vendors rotating frequently to give visitors a reason to return throughout the season. For the latest updates, watch the airport sign along Route 109 and follow The Hangar on social media for special events and announcements throughout the season.

The Hangar Food Truck Park is located at the Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport, 199 Airport Road, Sanford, ME 04073. More information is available at [foodtruck-hangar.com](http://foodtruck-hangar.com).

## MARGRATEN

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Europe.

The date of the presentation – May 7 – was especially meaningful, marking the anniversary of Germany’s surrender during World War II. According to Wikipedia there were two surrender signings. The first was on May 7, when Germany surrendered, and the second was by German Field Marshall Keitel the next day in Berlin, which was insisted upon by Soviet Premier Stalin. May 8th is proclaimed Victory in Europe (VE) Day. The program began with expressions of gratitude to the members and officers of the Limerick Historical Society who organized this event. Barbara Guimond’s account was both poignant, emotional, and occasionally tearful, as she described Alfred, her brother-in-law as part of a close-knit family, noting that her husband Butch is his last surviving next of kin.

Fred died on April 15, 1945, just three weeks before the end

of World War II. His younger brothers, Raymond and Roy, also served in the military and had hoped to reunite with Fred in Europe, but that reunion never came.

Before entering the service, Fred left his home in Maine during the Great Depression to find work in a Connecticut factory. Following the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, he enlisted at the age of 19. Though he was eventually deployed to Europe, he never returned home.

Fred was laid to rest at the Netherlands American Cemetery in Margraten, where his remains have stayed by his family’s choice. His mother had always hoped to visit his grave, but she never had the opportunity. She corresponded for the rest of her life with Fred’s Lieutenant, but she never had a picture of Fred’s grave. “One of the pieces of the story,” said Guimond “is that the US Army Cemetery Association never found a way to notify the Gold Star families that they could request a photograph of their loved one’s headstone and that they could actually

send flowers.”

In 2015, a Christmas Day article in the Portland Press Herald by Bill Nemitz, brought renewed attention to families of soldiers from Maine who were buried in Margraten. The story highlighted a Dutch tradition in which local families adopted the graves of fallen American soldiers, ensuring that they were honored and remembered. Because Fred had enlisted in Connecticut, his headstone did not indicate that he was from Maine, thus making it more difficult for his history to be widely known.

Each year on May 4, the Netherlands observes Liberation Day, its National Day of Remembrance. At exactly 8 PM on that date, every church bell in the country rings, and the entire country comes to a standstill for two minutes. They are doing this to remember and recognize those who fought and those who died for their freedom. At Margraten cemetery, a large ceremony is held featuring military honors, flyovers, music, wreathlaying,

and the playing of taps. Dutch citizens gather to pay tribute to those who sacrifice their lives for their liberation, embracing the enduring promise, “We will never forget.”

Guimond went on to say that the Foundation for Adopting Graves was established in 1945 by a group of Dutch citizens. Its initial mission was to encourage Dutch citizens to express gratitude for American liberators by adopting their graves. By Memorial Day 1946, 100% of the nearly 18,000 graves had been adopted. To this day few Americans know about the Dutch adoption program. This is the only such program in the world.

In May 2017, the Guimonds traveled to the Netherlands to attend the Memorial Day ceremony. During their visit, they were deeply moved by the gratitude expressed by the Dutch people. Many approached them to offer thanks for their freedom secured by soldiers like Alfred. As Barbara Guimond commented, their “journey was not only about reconnecting with Alfred, but also about discovering a profound and lasting bond with the people of the Netherlands.”

At the conclusion of her presentation, Guimond encouraged attendees to take three actions: to review a list of the 50 Americans buried in Margraten, which is part of the Forever Promise Project. The mission of this project is to connect the Dutch grave adopters with 100% of the next of kin of

all 10,000 American heroes buried or honored on the walls of the missing at the Netherlands American Cemetery. The names of the adoption foundation and their contact information are on a sheet that was handed out after the program or you could always contact the Guimonds for help; to spread awareness in case others have relatives there, and continue sharing these stories so that the sacrifices of these soldiers, are never forgotten.

The evening concluded with a slideshow created by Jennie Carroll Herriman, featuring images of the cemetery, with flowers, and both Dutch and American flags adorning the graves. One particularly meaningful tradition – the stone sanding ceremony – was highlighted. At this practice, sand is gently applied to the engraved letters on the gravestone and rinsed with water, causing the name to stand out clearly against the stone.

A final observation noted during the video was the reverence of the ceremony: at no point did either of the American or Dutch flags touch the ground – the symbolic gesture of the utmost respect for those who gave their lives for freedom.

For more information contact the Foundation for Adopting Graves at the Netherlands American Cemetery at Margraten at [adoptiegravenmargraten.nl](http://adoptiegravenmargraten.nl); [facebook.com/margraten.adoptie](http://facebook.com/margraten.adoptie); [info@foreverpromise.org](mailto:info@foreverpromise.org) and [ABMC.GOV](http://ABMC.GOV).



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Obituaries

**Jason Hap Anderson**

Jason Hap Anderson, 46, of Buxton, passed away unexpectedly, but while doing something he loved, on May 3, 2026.

He was born in Silverton, Idaho on March 26, 1980, the son of Carol Griffin and Roger Anderson.



Jason Hap Anderson

Jason was proudly from Northern Idaho and was homeschooled by his loving mother. He did spend a few years in a Christian school, which he also enjoyed. He attended Christ for the Nations bible college in Dallas, Texas. While there he enjoyed working as a valet and as a waiter at Johnny Rockets.

Shortly after, he moved to Maine and began a career in carpentry. He was self employed for a few years before finding a work-home as a sub-contractor at Eider Investments in 2004. He acquired such tremendous skill and knowledge over the years that he became the go-to man whenever someone needed guidance or direction on a project. He was honestly the go-to man for everything, work, friends and home life. If he didn't know the answer right away, he was the guy who could always figure it out. Many days in the last 10 years, since becoming the Eider Shop Manager, he would joke about how he didn't even get to touch wood at all that day.

Jason met his wife, Stacy, online in June of 2011. They only texted each other, with 2 or 3 nervous phone calls to one another, until March 25, 2012 when Jason asked Stacy if she like to meet, right that moment, at the Dayton Rod and Gun Club. It was like magic when they met. All they wanted was to be together from that moment on.

Jason and Stacy were married on June 14, 2014, with their son, Abel, being born the following April. Jason was such an amazing provider for his family. He absolutely loved being able to have Stacy stay home to raise their son while he worked so hard to provide such a wonderful life for them.

Over the years he's enjoyed many annual big family trips to a rented summer lake house in Gray, and to Santa's Village in New Hampshire, always just a week or so before Christmas, as that's when it's most magical. Jason was always up for anything Stacy wanted to do. Be it going to the old Saco Drive-In, searching for sea glass at Spring Point Lighthouse in Portland, Funtown/Splashtown, Salem, Massachusetts, the Fryeburg Fair, Monster Truck shows in the pouring rain, the Globetrotters, The Nutcracker, and so many concerts, plays, musicals,

and comedy shows.

Jason was an artist. He was not only an extremely gifted carpenter and cabinet maker, he was also so gifted musically that he taught himself how to play the guitar, ukulele, and mandolin, with a side of bongos. He sang beautifully. There was a season in his life where he enjoyed weekly jam sessions with a few friends at the church across the street from his house.

Jason had a love of cooking and was amazing at throwing things together and having them come out delicious every time. Many times his son Abel would only like food the way it comes from the restaurant, so he would find their recipes and make them exactly the way Abel liked them. He was also the grill master for the whole family, including his Eider work family.

In the last handful of years Jason really became interested in hunting and fishing. He found peace in the beauty and quiet of nature. As with everything else he did, he immersed himself in reading and learning all he could about each hobby. He had them down to a science. He spent so many days taking his son, Abel and grandson, Sylas fishing with him for hours at a time. He loved every moment.

Jason was also a born gun enthusiast. His mom has fond memories of him sticking his toy guns in the side of his pants as a toddler, and there they'd stay. It was a lifelong interest, with him teaching many others the rules of firearm safety, how to shoot correctly, and winning competitions at ranges around Maine.

Jason is predeceased by his father, Roger Anderson. Survivors include his wife Stacy of Buxton, his three sons and one daughter, Justin Anderson and his partner Katlyn Breault of Portland, Avery Townsend and his fiancé Jamie White of Old Orchard Beach, Abel Anderson of Buxton, and Cobbi Anderson of Portland, along with one grandson, Sylas Townsend of Old Orchard Beach. He is also survived by his mother and stepfather, Carol and Richard Griffin of Rose Lake, Idaho, along with brothers Scott Abey and Brian Abey of Sandpoint, Idaho, sisters Landa Lacey, of Rose Lake, Idaho, Viki Yeager, Nikki Thompson, together with "his brothers' sister" Heather Drago, all of Sandpoint, Idaho. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews from both Idaho and Maine. He enjoyed an extra special relationship with his niece Lily Phillips-Carter and his nephew Max Carter, of Buxton.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 14 from 1 to 2 p.m., followed by a 2 p.m. service at the West Buxton Baptist Church, 62 Parker Farm Road (Rt. 112) in Buxton.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Poitras Funeral Homes, [www.maineFuneral.com](http://www.maineFuneral.com).

**Sheila M. Talbot**

Sheila M. Talbot of 27 Shayham Lane, Hollis, died on May 2, 2026, peacefully at her home.



Sheila M. Talbot

Sheila was born in Saco on April 26, 1941, daughter to Richard W. Peacock and Madeline L. Peacock. As a child she attended Saco Schools and grew up with 10 siblings.

She worked many years for Cohen Egg Farm where she taught the disabled work skills. From there, she and her husband owned a motorcycle shop, a convenience store and had numerous rental properties in the area.

Sheila loved her children. After 17 years of retirement in Florida she moved back to Maine permanently to be with them.

Here in Maine she spent her summers with the beautiful flower and vegetable gardens she had built. You could always find her sitting somewhere in the sun.

Sheila has such compassion for people. She is loved by many and she was dedicated to those around her.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Robert R. Talbot; son-Michael Caton and his wife Linda of Dayton; daughter Kimberly Elwell and her husband Robert of Buxton; daughter Cynthia Dwelley and her husband Greg of Hollis; daughter Lisa Kenne and her husband Ted of Dayton; son Randal Caton and predeceased wife Daisy of Shapleigh; daughter Robin Talbot and her husband Brian of Hollis; 9 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and her dog Foxy.

Services will be at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jukes Children Hospital.

Arrangements are by Dennett, Craig & Pate, 13 Portland Road, Bar Mills, Maine.

**Carmine P. DeSimone**

Carmine P. DeSimone, 86, of DeSimone Way, Waterboro passed away April 30, 2026, at Maine Medical Center in Portland surrounded by his family. He was born on July 14, 1939, in Nyack, New York, the son of Antonio and Amelia (Papa) DeSimone.



Carmine P. DeSimone

He graduated from schools in New York before serving his country in the U.S. Army from 1957 until 1960, and later in the Reserves.

Carmine married his "sweetheart," Grace (Meme), on May 4, 1963. After owning and operating a restaurant in New York for several years, they moved to Maine in 1971 with their four sons. In 1977, Carmine and Grace opened The Peppercorn Restaurant in Waterboro, where they served their customers until 2001. He fondly referred to his home as "Boy's Town" while his sons were growing up and was grateful it served as a gathering place for them and their friends. Later, his four sons all built homes neighboring his, and he greatly enjoyed the time spent with his children and grandchildren.

Carmine enjoyed bass fishing, teaching his sons to wrestle, watching them play football, and cooking for his family. He took pride in growing and cutting grass, and enjoyed burnt hot dogs, long drives with Grace, trips to Boothbay Harbor, and building model trains, birdhouses, and clocks. Most of all, he loved being surrounded by his large family.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Grace DeSimone; four sons, Anthony DeSimone and wife Gloria, Michael DeSimone and wife Andrea, Carmine DeSimone Jr. and wife Crystal, and Peter DeSimone; one bonus son "number five," Richard DeRosier and wife Brenda; a brother, Larry DeSimone and wife Terri of Mount Juliet, Tennessee; a brother-in-law, Thomas Peluso of Sanford, Florida; and a sister-in-law, Carol Torchio and husband Harry of Wallkill, New York. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren: Grant, Samantha, Catherine, Allie, Carly, Rebecca, Luke, Sophia, Grace, Antonio, Sydney, and Emily; five great-grandchildren: Charlotte, Carmine, Oliver, Finn, and Lily; and many nieces and nephews.

Carmine was predeceased by his parents; Antonio and Amelia; his sister, Theresa Peluso; his sister-in-law, Betty Mullins; his brother-in-law, Bob Mullins; and his daughter-in-law, Teri DeSimone.

A memorial service will be held on June 12 at 1 p.m. at the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery, 83 Stanley Road, Springvale. Services will conclude with U.S. Army Military Honors.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516.

Dennett, Craig & Pate Funeral Home, 13 Portland Road, Bar Mills, Maine, is entrusted with the services.

**FROM THE MAINE DEPARTMENT OF INLAND FISHERIES & WILDLIFE**

**Game Warden pilot killed in airplane crash**

At Approximately 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 12, a Maine Warden Service airplane crashed in the town of Avon.

Maine Game Warden Pilot Josh Tibbetts, age 50 of New Gloucester, was killed in the crash. Josh was a Maine Game Warden for 18 years, three of those as a warden service pilot.



Josh Tibbetts

Franklin County Emergency Rescue Personnel and Franklin County Sheriff's Deputies were the first to reach the scene, and were later joined by Maine Game Wardens. The cause of the crash was unknown at the time of this release.

The National Transportation Safety Board will investigate the crash, as they do with all aircraft crashes. The Department will assist the NTSB with transportation to the remote, wooded crash site, and with other aspects of the investigation as needed.

Inquiries regarding the crash investigation should be directed to the NTSB.

**To place an obituary, EMAIL: [news@waterboro-reporter.com](mailto:news@waterboro-reporter.com)**




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