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Shapleigh resident raises awareness for rare kidney disease

BY JOANNE BARGIONI

On May 13, Governor Janet Mills signed a letter proclaiming May 20 as National MPGN Type 1 Awareness Day.

“Membranoproliferative Glomerulonephritis (MPGN) Type 1 is a rare and complex immune-mediated kidney disease. The individual is born with this condition facing a lifelong journey of medical challenges, requiring immense resilience, specialized care, and a steadfast commitment to maintain kidney health,” stated Governor Mills.

According to Gov. Mills, an increasing awareness of MPGN Type 1 can lead to early diagnosis, better access to specialized care and a stronger network of advocates for rare disease, health, and well-being. Shapleigh resident, Lindsay Reed has been diagnosed with MPGN Type 1. Reed said she “was born with this disease, but she did not realize it until she was 18 years old.” At 18 years old, she went on dialysis awaiting a transplant that would save her life. Her kidneys failed and she needed immunotherapy.



Lindsay Reed sent in a request to Gov. Mills to help raise awareness for her rare kidney disease, MPGN Type 1. COURTESY PHOTO

She is currently on dialysis and found that there is not much awareness of this disease.

There are few supporting groups for this rare disease. (Continued on page 4)

York County annual report online

It has been said that Maine is the oldest state in the nation when it comes to the age of its residents – but did you know that the median age of York County’s 220,113 residents is 45.5 years old – slightly less than the statewide 45.8 years figure? And nationally, the median age is 39.3 years, according to the US Census.

Perhaps the best way to think it all that is this way: Yes, Maine is the eldest state when it comes to the age of its residents – but really folks, 45.3 years old is barely middle-aged, so there’s lots of life left in us yet!

And how is that quality of life? What is York County’s median household income and its per capita income was in the 2025 calendar year? How about the poverty rate, and the unemployment rate?

Do you know which York County Commissioner represents the municipality you live in and how to get in touch?

You can learn all the answers to these questions and more, like the role of each county government department, by having a look at the 2025 York County Government Annual Report at www.yorkcountymaine.gov/courtymanager/annual-report.

The report represents the 2025 calendar year. It includes messages from Commission Chair Richard Dutremble and York County Manager Greg Zinser, information about York County Government departments, and more. The report includes the current fiscal year budget and the proposed upcoming budget, and folks should know a \$407,000 reduction has been made in the latter since the publication of this report, and there may be other changes prior to the budget being finalized.

We hope you enjoy reading about the role the county government plays in residents’ lives.

– By Tammy Wells,
York County government media



The 2025 York County Government Annual Report can be read online at: www.yorkcountymaine.gov/courtymanager/annual-report COURTESY IMAGE

Southern Maine Lake & Watershed Stewardship Expo May 28

Learn how to help protect southern Maine region’s lakes and watersheds

Shoreline or watershed property owners, leaders or members of lake associations, river or watershed organizations or conservation groups – and anyone that has interests in water-related recreation – will find something useful or of interest at the Southern Maine Lake & Watershed Stewardship Expo on Thursday, May 28, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Acton Congregational Church, 59 H Road, Acton.

Many folks are already active stewards of waterbodies or watersheds in the York County or southern Maine region. The expo event will provide veteran and “newbie” volunteer stewards, and others, with important information regarding starting some sort of monitoring or stewardship activity or adding something to monitoring activities already being done to protect favorite waterbodies or watersheds.

Information about stewardship programs that provide volunteer training, support or services will be presented at display tables by a variety of stewardship and related organizations. There will also be information about upcoming training events in the York County region. Displays at the Expo will include:

- York County Soil & Water Conservation District (YCSWCD), stream table or watershed Enviro-scape model
- Lake Stewards of Maine (LSM), volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Program
- Lake Stewards of Maine (LSM), volunteer Invasive (aquatic) Plant Patrol (IPP) program
- ME Dept. of Environmental Protection (MDEP), Courtesy Boat Inspection (CBI) program and Clean-Drain-Dry invasive aquatic species spread prevention initiative
- Maine Lakes, LakeSmart Program
- Stephanie Thornton/Lovell Lake Assoc. & AWWA volunteer,



Stephanie Thornton displaying equipment used to collect cyanobacteria samples from lakes at a previous LSM event held in Limerick. Observers were members of Kennebunk Pond Association.



Lake Stewards of Maine (LSM), provided samples of aquatic plants and materials to be able to determine if the samples were possibly invasive aquatic species at a previous event held in Limerick. Attendees at the table were from a few York County region lake associations. COURTESY PHOTOS

information about recognizing cyanobacteria “blooms” and reporting possible “blooms”.

- NH Lakes and CD3, demonstration of CD3 boat cleaning unit (trailed, solar powered, waterless)
- Acton-Shapleigh Youth Conservation Corps (ASYCC) and Acton-Wakefield Watersheds Alliance (AWWA) shoreland erosion/stormwater run-off control and mitigation programs.

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Community CALENDAR

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

COMING EVENTS

ALFRED, LYMAN, & WATERBORO REPUBLICAN COMMITTEES meeting will be held at the Alfred Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 21. Doors open at 6:15 p.m.

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 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.

SEED SWAP AND NATIVE PLANT SALE on May 23-24 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. each day at Whaleback Nursery, 141 Whaleback Road, Limington. Do you have extra seeds/plants you want to share with the community? Bring them to Whaleback Nursery and exchange with others. Other vendors include: vegetable seedlings from Old Wells Farm, elderberry syrup and medicinal goodies from Sprit Brook Farm, handmade nature-inspired pottery from Winterberry Clay, and much more!

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.

The Sanford Veterans Memorial Committee invites everyone to the **MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE** on May 25 to remember all our past and present service members. There will be wreath-laying ceremonies at Central Park (7:45 a.m.), St. Ignatius Cemetery (8 a.m.), Oakdale Cemetery (8:15 a.m.), Sailors Park (8:30 a.m.), Riverside Cemetery (8:45 a.m.), Notre Dame Cemetery (9 a.m.), and Number One Pond (9:15 a.m.). The parade starts at 10 a.m., traveling from Number One Pond to Main Street, to the Gazebo at Walgreens in Springvale for the Memorial Ceremony.

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.

SOUTHERN MAINE LAKE & WATERSHED STEWARDSHIP EXPO Thursday, May 28 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Acton Congregational Church, 59 H Road, Acton. Hosted by Alliance for Watershed Stewardship in Southern Maine (AWSSM), a newly formed collaborative entity – comprised of lake associations and other conservation-focused organizations. The event is free and open to the public. Basic refreshments, beverages and snacks, will be provided. If desired, participants can bring a bag lunch. FMI email Laurie Callahan, York County Invasive Aquatic Species Project (YCIASP), Coordinator: yciasp@hotmail.com.

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. Plant varieties and prices are posted on the Doyle Family Farm website at: www.doylefamilyfarm.com.

FRAUD & SCAM PREVENTION According to the FBI, older Mainers reported losing over 12 million dollars to scammers in 2024. On Tuesday, June 2 at 6 p.m., Kyle Barrett from Kennebunk Savings Bank will be at the Lyman Community Library to present on Fraud & Scam Prevention. He’ll give you tips on how to recognize scams, as well as information about what to do if you think you’ve been scammed. There will also be a Q&A at the end, 10 John Street, Lyman.

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.

WOMEN IN MUSIC: THE REMARKABLE JOURNEY Chamber Music Concert by Ensemble Ad Libitum: Antole Wieck (violin) and Marina Minkin (piano), Sunday, June 14 at 1 p.m. Admission is free. Donations gratefully accepted. Refreshments available. Sanford Unitarian Universalist Church, 5 Lebanon Street, Sanford.

FATHER’S DAY CAR SHOW Join us on the Lyman Community Library lawn on Sunday, June 15, from 8 a.m. until noon, for our third annual Father’s Day car show devoted to vintage Volkswagens: Free to spectators, People’s Choice trophies, Chalk Bug for kids, Photo Bus, Food, 50/50 Raffle. Proceeds to benefit the library; contact us if you’re interested in showing your vehicle, by email: librarian@lymanlibrary.org or call the library at 499-7114

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@waterboromaine.gov for more information.



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ONGOING EVENTS

CHESS MATES at Limerick Public Library, 55 Washington Street, Limerick. Play chess with old or new friends 2nd Wed each month at 6 p.m. **DROP-IN LEGO BUILD** every Tuesday at 3 p.m. and Sat. at 10 a.m. FMI-793-8975 or limericklibrary.org. Enjoy building a creation with our LEGO collection.

CRIBBAGE CLUB Wednesdays, from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Lyman Community Library. All ages, all skill levels. FMI: 207-499-7114.

WRITING GROUP opened to all levels and genres. Meetings first and third Fridays of the month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Hollis Center Library, 14 Little Falls Road. Call 929-6817 FMI.

WEDNESDAY STORY HOUR The Acton Public Library holds Story Hour every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. Come meet other caregivers while your children make new friends. The Acton Public Library is located at 35 H Road, Acton.

RED HAT LADIES Women 50+ Enjoy Comradery, Card Games, Meals Out, Bowling, Mini Golf, Movies etc. Tuesday Card Games at 12:30 p.m.: Pay Me & Scat. Bring a snack to share. We take turns meeting at member's homes; you are not obligated to offer your home. FMI Diane Dunn 207-229-6135.

SHAPLEIGH CRAFT GROUP is held every second Wednesday of the month from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Shapleigh Community Center, 24 Back Road. All crafters are welcome whether you knit, crochet rug hook, embroider, etc. you are welcome at this group. You can bring some of your projects for a show and tell if you wish.

ADULT COED VOLLEYBALL every Wednesday night at the Line School, 818 Water Street, West Newfield, from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Questions? contact Dan McAllister at 247-8857.

NEWFIELD MUSIC JAMBOREE Town Hall, 23 So. Effingham Road, 1st Saturday of the month May-October. Summer hours 6 to 8:30 p.m. Free, open to public. Spectators welcome. All family friendly music. FMI call 468-1491.

FANTASTIC FIBER ARTS Joining our Fiber Arts Group from 10-12 p.m. on Saturdays, we'll open up our Reading Room to folks who want to gather 'round the table and knit or crochet or do other fiber arts. We recently received a marvelous donation to our yarn pantry and also have needles and more to share. Don't know how? We've got people who can help you get started. The Parsons Memorial Library is located at 27 Saco Road, Alfred.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets every Friday evening, 7 p.m. at the Waterboro Town Hall, West parking lot entrance. All are welcome.

BUXTON TOPS The Buxton Chapter (0175) of the non-profit group Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) Support Group meets ev-

ery Thursday morning at 8:45 a.m. for weigh-in and meeting at Buxton Center Baptist Church (back door entrance), 938 Long Plains Rd., Buxton. FMI Christy 329-1020.

LIMERICK TOPS The Limerick Chapter 208 meets every Thursday at 4 p.m. at St. Matthew Catholic Church (rear entrance) at 19 Dora Lane, Limerick. Call Kathy Harriman at 727-3729 with questions.

LYMAN TOPS meets every Thursday night at 5 p.m. at Beacon of Hope Community Church, 1298 Alfred Road, (Route 111), Arundel. For more information email jjsteams@sacoriver.net.

SANFORD TOPS The Sanford Chapter 0113 meets every Wednesday night at 5:45 p.m. at the New Beginnings Church (bottom floor), 181 Grammar Road, Sanford. For more info call Linda Rose at 206-6234.

TOPS SANFORD 0207 at the Willard School 668 Main St. Weigh in from 9-9:45 a.m. on Fridays with the meeting to follow. For more info call Gloria Richer at 284-3748.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL THRIFT SHOP Open Wednesdays 12:30-2:30 p.m. at St. James Hall, Biddeford (use South Street entrance). Monies raised help those in need in York County. FMI Bob 229 2551.

LET'S EAT!

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER Public Welcome at Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church, 503 Goodwins Mills Road on Route 35. Serving 4:30-6 p.m. June 20: Cook-out, hamburgers and hot dogs, macaroni salad and baked beans, chips, rolls and cupcakes.

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.

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.

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.

WATERBORO COMMUNITY PANTRY 26 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro. Open the first Tuesday of month from 4 to 7 p.m. all other Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. Donations needed!

NEWFIELD FOOD CUPBOARD AND VILLAGE FRIDGE are open and available to all 24/7/365 at the Newfield Community Church, 643 Water

St. (Route 11), outside the side entrance facing the town office. Donations welcome. FYI 229-9245, newfieldcc@gmail.com.

The **CORNER CUPBOARD** which offers personal care, paper, cleaning, household, and baby items to anyone in need, is open the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Sanford UU Church, 5 Lebanon St., Sanford, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Bring your own bag.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ at Southern Maine Agency on Aging, 2nd and 4th Friday, at 21 Bradeen Street, Springvale (Use the entrance on Bodwell Ct.) and the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at Mayflower Place, 27 Mayflower Drive, Sanford. Call 396-6500. Suggested donation \$8.

COMMUNITY CUP Tuesdays 9 to 10 a.m. Free coffee, donuts and conversation at Southern Maine Agency on Aging at 21 Bradeen Street, Springvale.

ST. THERESE FOOD CLOSET open every Thursday from 12 to 2 p.m. at 66 North Ave., Sanford, directly behind the St Therese Church in the gray trailer.

ST. MATTHEW CHURCH FOOD PANTRY at 19 Dora Lane, in Limerick OPEN every Tuesday from 10 am to noon and the first Monday of the month from 6 to 7 p.m. FMI call 793-2244.

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

BUXTON ELECTION JUNE 9, 2026
Office of the
Buxton Selectman

My wife and I moved to Buxton in 1980 and raised our son here. I have been involved with the community in one way or another for the past 46 years.

I was a member of the Fire Department for 20 years, rising to the rank of Lieutenant for a short time. I drove the Rescue for 6 years and was a part time dispatcher for three years. I was a Police Officer for 33 years and started my Law Enforcement Career as a Corrections Officer with the York County Sheriff's Department in 1987. I came to Buxton in 1989 as a Constable. In 1991 we transitioned to the Police Department, and I continued my career with the town until I retired in 2019 at the rank of Corporal.

In 2019 I ran for the office of Selectman to fill an open vacancy. Since then, I have been elected for two more three-year terms. I am seeking a third term for the office of Selectman. I would like to thank the residents of Buxton for their support over the last 6 years and hope for continued support to get re-elected on June 9th.

Over the past six years, the Board of Selectmen has worked with focus and discipline to strengthen our town's financial position while keeping taxes as low as possible. Through careful planning and responsible budgeting, we have successfully eliminated the majority of our debt and built a strong financial foundation for the future. Today, the town maintains an undesignated surplus fund balance which is an important safeguard that enhances our fiscal stability and preparedness. Our remaining obligations are limited to just two final payments each on the Public Works building and the Police Department addition. Once these are completed, our town will be entirely debt-free. This progress reflects a continued commitment to sound financial management, long-term planning, and accountability to our residents.

As a future goal for the Town of Buxton, I would like to see a Public Safety Building built on a piece of town property in Buxton Center. We have a committee in place looking into the cost of this project. Of course, it would have to go to the town residents for approval before this could happen. This is just in the planning stages. If this did get approved by the residents we would see if we could get it through a grant. If we were unable to get a grant, we would have to get a bond. This is a major project.

Again, I would appreciate your support, and I hope to see you at the poles.

Sincerely, **Francis Pulsoni**

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BUSINESS NEWS

Annual reports for business and nonprofit entities are due June 1

All business, nonprofit entities on file as of Dec. 31, 2025 must submit annual report

Annual reports are due Monday, June 1, 2026, for all business and nonprofit entities on file with the Secretary of State's office as of Dec. 31, 2025.

Information about filing an annual report can be found in the Division of Corporations, UCC & Commissions section of the Secretary of State's website. Those who have not yet filed are encouraged to do so quickly and easily using the Secretary of State's online filing service. Payment may be made by credit card or with a subscriber account. If filing an annual report by mail is preferred, a report can be completed and printed using the preprinted annual report form service. A substantial late-filing penalty will be assessed, and may not be waived, on reports received after June 1.

The annual report fee is \$85 for domestic business entities, \$150 for foreign business entities and \$35 for domestic or foreign nonprofit corporations. Entities that

filed online in a previous year will be able to review and update their information as necessary prior to filing this year's report. For account subscribers, the online filing service includes additional functionality to assist with managing multiple annual report filings.

Available online services also include the ability for noncommercial clerks or noncommercial registered agents to change their addresses. Additionally, an authorized individual of a foreign entity (organized outside of the state of Maine) may change the principal or home office address. Anyone wishing to make these address changes separately from the online annual report filing service can also do so online.

The Department of the Secretary of State's Corporations Division is available to assist with questions regarding annual report filing or changing an address and can be reached at 207-624-7752 or cec.corporations@maine.gov.

KIDNEY DISEASE

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She sent the proclamation to Governor Mills to gain awareness for the disease, and for people to not feel alone, should they have to face this. There is no cure for MGN Type 1 which attacks the kidneys.

MGN causing chronic inflammation of the glomeruli (tiny vessels in the kidney) often leading to protein and blood in the urine and progressive renal failure. MGN Type 1 disease can only be managed as there is no cure according to rarekidneyandyou.com.

Signs of the symptoms of this disease can be fatigue that will not go away, high blood pressure, protein or blood in the urine, yellow deposits in the eyes, swelling of the hands, feet and ankles, and high cholesterol. These share similar signs or symptoms of other diseases, and it is important to see your doctor if you are concerned about any of them.

More information about this disease visit the National Kidney Foundation website at www.kidney.org.

LAKE STEWARDS EXPO

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Most of the information stations, or display tables, will be indoors. The CD3 unit demonstration and the stream table or Enviroscape model will be outdoors. Program staff or volunteers at each of the stations will provide attendees with information about their stewardship programs and some will provide brief "hands-on" activities.

The event is free and open to the public. Basic refreshments (beverages and snacks) will be provided. If desired, participants can bring a bag lunch.

The May 28th Stewardship Expo is hosted by Alliance for Watershed Stewardship in Southern Maine (AWSSM). AWSSM is a newly formed collaborative entity – comprised of lake associations and other conservation-focused organizations.

For more information, email Laurie Callahan, York County Invasive Aquatic Species Project (YCIASP), Coordinator: yciasp@hotmail.com.

THANK YOU FOR READING!

Contact me with any state related questions.
(207) 283-5729
John.eder@maine.legislature.gov
REPRESENTATIVE JOHN EDER
 LYMAN, ALFRED & WATERBORO



TOWN OF LYMAN PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
 11 SOUTH WATERBORO ROAD, LYMAN MAINE 04002
 207-247-0648 www.lyman-me.gov

The **PLANNING BOARD** will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on **Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 5:00 PM** at Lyman Town Hall, 11 South Waterboro Road.

This **Public Hearing** is to allow public comments regarding the site plan review application of **Patrick & Linda Spang, 30 Spang Lumber Lane**, to open a small business on his property. This will be open 4 days a week 10am to 3pm selling antiques and primitive decor. Copies of the application and plans can be viewed in the Code Office during regular business hours.

William Single, Chair

TOWN OF ALFRED Absentee Ballots are available for the June 9, 2026 STATE OF MAINE PRIMARY ELECTION OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS ALFRED WATER DISTRICT TRUSTEE RSU57 BUDGET REFERENDUM/SRRF

One (1) Selectmen, Assessor & Overseer – Three (3) year term
 One (1) Director of RSU#57 – Three (3) year term
 One (1) Alfred Water District Trustee – Three (3) year term

Registered voters or immediate family members may request an absentee ballot in person, in writing, or by phone. Voters with an Ongoing Absentee Status will automatically get their ballots mailed to them.

If you are interested in this option, please call the Town Clerk for more information, or visit Alfredme.gov. **The last day to obtain an Absentee Ballot is Thursday, June 4, 2026** unless the voter qualifies for "Special Circumstances."

POLLS WILL BE OPEN on June 9, 2026 from 8:00AM-8:00PM upstairs in the Town Hall, 16 Saco Road, Alfred, ME.

The last day to change your party affiliation is May 25th.
The Registrar of Voters is available Mon-Thurs 8:15-4:30 to register voters. You may also register on the day of election. Please bring a photo I.D. and proof of residency.
 – SARAH HEWITT, TOWN CLERK
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TOWN OF ALFRED PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC HEARING: Monday, June 1, 2026, 6:30 pm, Alfred Town Hall, 16 Saco Road, Alfred

- A Land Use Permit Application has been submitted by James Marchese to add 4 units to barn, lower level parking, and storage – Location is 27 Waterboro Road, Alfred (Tax Map 014 Lot 021)
- A Land Use Permit Application has been submitted by Amber Stone to provide licensed in-home childcare – Location is 35 Mouse Lane, Alfred (Tax Map 003 Lot 015-A)
- A Land Use Permit Application has been submitted by Wayne Silva (Coldfire Properties LLC) to add 6 apartments in the building – Location is 8 Court Street, Alfred (Tax Map 012 Lot 062)

The complete application is available for review at the Alfred Town Hall. If you would like an electronic copy of the application packet, please email Holly at ceo-secretary@alfredme.gov OR find it on the Town's website: www.alfredme.gov, **Boards & Committees, Planning Board, Public Hearings**

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Joanne Bargioni
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Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society presentation May 27

Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society is pleased to present the Art of Hunting for History with a metal detector. Join them on Wednesday, May 27, at 6 p.m. at their headquarters, at 122 Emery Mills Road in Shapleigh, for this informative program.

Many people metal detect as a hobby. They "sweep" areas after crowds have left an event in search of dropped money or lost possessions. Others, like Ben and Rebekah Thompson of Maine Dert Sweepahs, enjoy sweeping around old foundations and properties in search of artifacts. They'll explain how they got into the hobby, their detectorist work, and talk about some of the amazing artifacts they've found over the years. For a sneak peek at their work, check out their YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@mainedertsweepahs>.

This program is free and open to the public and doors will be open at 5:30 p.m. There is plenty of parking and building access is handicap accessible. Light refreshments will be available. Contact info@actonshapleigh.org if you have questions.

Established in 1964, the Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society has been actively preserving the history of these two towns. The vast majority of donations are from families who lived and/or continue to live in this area. Many of these families were some of the original homesteaders. Their goal is to preserve the items they currently house, as well as provide a safe and secure home for all future items. Dedicated members organize and categorize these items, assist and educate the public as well as provide fresh ideas for the direction of the Society. For more information visit www.actonshapleigh.org.

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Women in Music: The Remarkable Journey

Chamber Music Concert by Ensemble Ad Libitum

On Sunday, June 14 at 1 p.m., join Ensemble Ad Libitum for “Women in Music: The Remarkable Journey,” an exploration of three centuries of women composers, arranged for violin and piano. The program is free to the public (although donations are gratefully accepted) and no reservations are needed. The concert will be held at the Sanford Unitarian Universalist Church, 5 Lebanon Street, Sanford.

The program will feature the music of five classical women composers:

Clara Schumann (1819–1896), German virtuoso pianist, composer and educator, recognized as one of the most distinguished musicians of the Romantic era. A child prodigy, she made her professional debut at age 11 and by 14, had premiered her own piano concerto.

Cecile Chaminade (1857–1944), French composer and pianist who in 1913 was awarded the Légion d’Honneur, the first female composer to receive the honor.

Elisabeth Jacquet de La Guerre (1665–1729), French composer, harpsichordist, and organist, who was the first woman to compose an opera in France. Her talents were recognized early – after a performance at age five – by Louis XIV, who became her patron.

Louise Farrenc (1804–1875) was the only female professor of music to be hired in the nineteenth century by the famous Paris Conservatory. She was a renowned pianist as well as a composer of symphonies and chamber pieces.

Lili Boulanger (1893–1918), a pioneering French composer and child prodigy, heralded as the first woman to win the prestigious Prix de Rome in 1913.

Founded in 1995 to perform music from the Baroque era as well as lesser known classical and contemporary works, Ensemble Ad Libitum features Anatole Wieck on violin and viola and Marina Minkin on harpsichord and piano. The name Ad Libitum (“with free rhythm and expression”) reflects the stylistic diversity as well as the broad range of composers in the Ensemble’s repertoire.

Born in Latvia, Anatole Wieck (violin, viola) received his first musical education in Riga and Moscow. In the United States since 1973, he studied violin and viola at the Juilliard School of Music in New York City, where he completed his Doctorate in Musical Arts working closely with

Ivan Galamian, Lillian Fuchs, and Paul Doktor. He also studied baroque interpretation with Carol Lieberman at Boston University. He plays baroque viola, viola d’amore and baroque violin. Since 1986 Dr. Wieck has taught upper strings at the University of Maine and conducted the University of Maine Orchestra. He has performed and conducted in Europe, North and South America, and has participated in chamber music festivals such as Chamber Music/West (San Francisco), White Nights (St. Petersburg, Russia) and festivals in Montepulciano, Italy and Newport, Rhode Island. In May, 2006 he traveled to Guatemala as a Fulbright Senior Specialist where he conducted the Juventud y Música Foundation orchestra, gave master classes to students and faculty of the Guatemala National Conservatory. He performs regularly with the Baroque Orchestra of Maine and is the director of the String Program at Maine Summer Youth Music at the University of Maine. In 2010 Dr. Wieck co-founded the Chamber Music Institute (CMI) with his Juilliard classmate Akiko Hirose-Silver.



Anatole Wieck and Marina Minkin of Ensemble Ad Libitum. COURTESY PHOTO

Marina Minkin (harpsichord, piano) performs and records regularly as a soloist, and as a member of the Phoenix Ensemble, the Spectrum Ensemble, Ad Libitum Ensemble and Mediterranean Baroque Quartet featuring Italian and Israeli musicians. Among many chamber music festivals, Marina Minkin has appeared at the Fifth International Recorder Festival in Montreal, Canada, the Abu Gosh Festival, Israel, Cluj International Festival, Transilvania, Jerusalem Bach Festival and Brianza Early Music Festival, Italy. She was a founder and an Artistic Director of the “LAUDA: Jewish-Arab Youth Ensemble of

early and ethnic music based in Galilee. Ms. Minkin has released highly acclaimed CDs: a recording of Vittorio Rieti’s harpsichord solo and chamber music on NEW WORLD RECORDS featuring American and Israeli artists, and “Conversations” – contemporary music for 2 harpsichords (with David Shemer) on OMNIBUS CLASSICS. Her other recordings include the CD Harpsichord

Music by Israeli Composers (ALBANY RECORDS), the album Bach, Bach & Bach (ARTONA) and numerous appearances on the WGBH radio station (Boston), the Kol Israel classical music radio station (Israel), RCJ radio Paris, and WNYC radio New York.

Currently, Marina resides in Maine and serves as pianist and organist at the Sanford Unitarian Universalist Church.

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The Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry's Maine Forest Service is asking residents, landowners, and municipalities to help slow the spread of the invasive emerald ash borer (EAB), a destructive insect responsible for killing millions of ash trees across North America.

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For more information about emerald ash borer, identification resources, and reporting tools, visit https://www.maine.gov/dacf/mfs/forest_health/invasive_threats/index.htm#EAB.

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Members of the Sanford Public Works competed in a regional competition called a Snow Plow Rodeo. COURTESY PHOTO

Snow Plow Rodeo

Sanford Public Works Department staff Gary, Wade, Ken and Ron, along with Crew Lead Scott competed in the York County Snow Plow Rodeo Competition on May 7.

This event brought together public works professionals from across York County for a morning of friendly competition celebrating the end of a long snowplow season. Sixteen participants competed in teams of two on a course featuring eight different obstacles designed to test both driving skills and the ability to maneuver plows and wings with precision.

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SPORTS

BASEBALL

Mustangs win eighth

Massabesic blew open a tight game with a nine-run sixth inning to help lift them to a 13-0 win over host Biddeford on Tuesday, May 19. The win, the Mustangs' fourth in-a-row, moved their record to 8-2. Against the Tigers, Massabesic got all the runs they'd need in a two-run top of the third. Henry Marcotte had a hit and scored a run and Parker Soule-Parent had a hit and an RBI to put the visitors up 2-0. They doubled up the lead in the fourth when Marcotte singled home a run and Ryan Merrifield scored his second run in as many innings when he and Marcotte executed a first and third double steal that made it 4-0 and effectively sealed the win. That reality was reinforced thanks to a steady performance from Landon Richard, Massabesic's starter, who went six, gave up three hits and fanned eight. Emmett Carroll hit a grand slam in the sixth.

Massabesic beat Falmouth 7-5 on Saturday, May 16 behind five innings from Carroll (2H, 2ER, 6BB, 10K) and a pair of RBI from both Merrifield and Nolan Pomerleau.

Scots pound Portland

Bonny Eagle plated six runs in the bottom of the first to help pace a 15-5 rout of visiting Portland on Tuesday, May 19. The Bulldogs scored three in the top of the first to jump ahead, but the Scots responded by doubling that output in the bottom half top go up 6-3. Portland fought back with two runs in the top of the second to close the gap to 6-5, but Logan Sturgis and Atticus Dixon combined for five innings of scoreless relief to seal Bonny Eagle's second win in-a-row. The Scots had at least one run batted in from four different players. Leadoff man Colin Moran had three. The win pushed the Scots' record to 7-3.

They beat Windham 5-2 on May 16.

Streking Spartans stopped

Scarborough broke up visiting Sanford's three game win streak with an 11-2 win on Tuesday, May 16. A five-run bottom of the first sank the Spartans. The loss followed wins over (most recently) Marshwood, Bonny Eagle and Portland. Cayden Gendron got the win on the mound against the Hawks. He went the distance on an economical 84 pitches. Gendron gave up five hits, a walk and a run. He whiffed six.



SOFTBALL

Scots streak past Knights

Bonny Eagle won its fifth consecutive game, routing host Noble 17-0 on Monday, May 18. It was over quickly as the Scots scored eight runs in the top of the first. Catherine Lopresti doubled in three runs to get Bonny Eagle on the scoreboard and begin the scoring parade.

The 7-2 Scots beat Marshwood 20-4 on Wednesday, May 13. They've piled up the runs during their five-game win streak, outscoring opponents 70-14 over that span.

Mustangs stall at SoPo

South Portland banged out 15 hits and 14 runs to help them claim a 14-4 win over visiting Massabesic on Tuesday, May 19. The Mustangs scored four times in the third to get the lead, but the Red Riots responded with five runs in the bottom half. They added a run in the fourth plus four in the fifth and four more in the sixth. Massabesic, with five games remaining, sits at 5-6.

- By Mike DeAngelis
Sports Writer



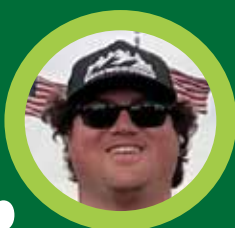
Bonny Eagle varsity softball beat Sanford 14-0 on May 20. Reese Bryante, shown pitching above, got the win. PHOTO BY ALI PENNELL, AME PHOTOGRAPHY

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POEM

BLACK FLIES

Ahh, the wee black fly,
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He's a bloody beast at best
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When the warm winds of spring
woo us to be out
he'll come swiftly calling
to suck our warm blood out.

If a lonely one can find you
the hoards aren't far away.
They come from every quadrant
their bloody game to play.

No man or beast too big,
no man or beast too small,
no man or beast too beautiful
on whom they will not call.

So, here on this fine day
I'm stuck within this room.
Here I sit a seething
against this black fly brood.

— By Frank Vasalle
Lebanon

LETTER

Letters you'll never read

I guess my first true love was
and still is music. It began in the
back of a Limo when I was maybe
six with the Milkman's Matinee on
the AM radio. The limo driver was
really into Frank and Dean. John-
ny was cool. Tony Bennett. He
loved them all.

This, of course, was Pre-Beat-
les.

My Seat in the back of the Limo
wasn't a reflection of wealth or en-
titlement or anything of the sort. It
was merely a ride to a day camp
located on the corner of Remsen
and Church Avenues in Brooklyn.
I think it was Remsen and Church.
It was a YMCA building right on
the corner and I was one of a few
families off the school-turned-to-
camp bus beaten path, so the camp
director hired a limo driver from a
local car service with a car radio
stuck on 11:30 a.m. to pick up my-
self, my sister and three other kids
off the beaten path.

I still listen to those guys today.
Cash. Sinatra. The whole bunch.

Forgive the run-on sentence.

I only wanted friendship. I re-
member you once telling me 'don't
fall in love. I'll chew you up and
spit you out like a shitty piece of
gum.'

Should I apologize for not lis-
tening?

I remember years later you say-
ing, 'I can't believe you still talk to
me.'

Why, I asked and you smiled
wide and said 'I gave you the worst
advice of your life.'

'You did.'

But things could have been
worse for you. It could have been
you.

We lost touch again. I spent
years wondering, really hoping
you found what you were looking
for. I always thought you'd make
an incredible mom. I know how
much of a caretaker you could be.
Anyone would be blessed to have
you. It never bothered me that it
wasn't me. My love has always
been selflessly. Some things just
aren't meant to be.

And besides you never took ad-
vantage of me.

And then you were there again.
So many years later. Too many
pauses.

I sometimes think if you were
here i'd have to trade the speakers
for the ear buds, but that's okay. It
all comes through the iPhone now.
I've gone from an AM radio with
crackling speakers in the back of
a limo, to earbuds from a phone.
So it would work, you know. If
you needed anything you could
call and it would pause the music.
I would answer the phone. I know
how migraines are. My daughter is
no stranger to them though it's in-
frequent with her.

We've come so far.

Sometimes having someone
who loves and cares about you;
who wants to take care of you
can affect your health, even your
outlook on life. And I'm not sure
there's anything more important in
life than life.

I know. I'm a bore.

Anyway, Lana just came in
from Norman Fucking Rockwell.
She says 'Hope is a dangerous
thing for a woman like me to have.'

This from my first love.

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It made me think of you.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Newfield Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall (23 South Effingham Road)**

For a Land Use Ordinance Amendment of Article VI District Regulations, Section 2B Permitted Uses, to add Tiny Homes.

PLEASE NOTE: This will correct a clerical error from the 2024 Annual Town Meeting of Article 49. Tiny Homes were added to the ordinance but omitted from the Permitted Uses list.

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Obituaries

Norman R. Paradis

Norman R. Paradis, 76, of Sanford, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 18, 2026 at the Lodges Assisted Living in Springvale, surrounded by the love and memories of a life well lived.



Norman R. Paradis

Born in Sanford on Jan. 17, 1950, Norman was the son of Gerard and Pauline (Boucher) Paradis. He grew up in Sanford, attended local schools and graduated from Sanford High School with the Class of 1970. Sanford was always home to Norman, and throughout his life he remained deeply connected to the community and the people he loved.

Norman dedicated nearly 40 years of his working life to WASCO in Sanford, where he fabricated skylights and earned the affectionate nickname, "The Legend." Known for his strong work ethic, reliability and quiet determination, he took great pride in his work before retiring in 2015 at the age of 65. His coworkers and friends will remember him not only for his skill and dedication, but also for his dry wit and wonderful sense of humor that could brighten any room.

Outside of work, Norman found joy in life's simple pleasures. He loved listening to music, especially classic rock from the 1970s and 1980s, and looked forward to summertime outdoor concerts in Wells. In his younger years, he enjoyed attending drag races and car shows, passions that reflected his appreciation for excitement, craftsmanship and good times shared with friends and family. At home, Norman was happiest working on projects around the house, tinkering and fixing things with care and patience.

Though he was a quiet man by nature, Norman's love for his family spoke volumes. He was kind, loving and deeply devoted to those closest to him. Following the passing of his beloved wife, Jenny, in 1992, Norman devoted himself to raising his son as a single father, providing unwavering love, strength and support through the years. In 2015, he was blessed to find companionship and happiness again with his significant other, Claire Thibeault, with

whom he shared many cherished years.

Norman was truly one of a kind — a gentle soul with a caring heart, a sharp sense of humor and a steady presence that brought comfort to those around him. He will be dearly missed and lovingly remembered by all who had the privilege to know him.

He was predeceased by his wife, Jenny Paradis; his parents, Pauline (Boucher) Landry and Gerard Paradis; his step-fathers, Andre Auger and Roland Landry; and by his brother, Leo Paradis.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28 at St. Ignatius Cemetery on Berwick Road in Sanford.

Arrangements are under the direction of Black-Heald & Walker Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider sending a memorial contribution to the Lodges Assisted Living Activities Fund, 51 Main Street, Springvale, ME 04083.

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