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Fiddleist Katherine Moller plays to sold out audience

By JOANNE BARGIONI

On a warm night on Thursday, July 18 the first concert in many years was held at the Mousam Lake Pavilion on Back Road in Shapleigh. It is currently being restored by the Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society (ASHS) who now owns the building.

As people moved upstairs to the second floor, where the concert was performed, you could sense the excitement taking place again in the old meeting room/auditorium. When the concert began, the Chairman of the Mousam Lake Pavilion Restoration Committee Robert Riding and the President of the ASHS, Becky Turgeon introduce Katherine and her band. The band consisted of her husband Kim, who played a bodhran which is a one sided Irish hand held drum, and Pete O'Brien who accompanied on the guitar.

Katherine, who comes from

New Brunswick, Canada, spoke to the audience and explained she had been playing the violin since she was 6 years old. She came from a musical background as her father and other family members also played instruments. She studied in Ireland and laughingly said she learned how to play the fiddle in the Pubs. She has won many awards including the 2012 Music NB Classical Artist of the Year.

Most of her repertoire came from songs she wrote to commemorate an event in her life. They were lively, toe tapping songs full of fun. Some songs she played were also old favorites like "The Tennessee Waltz." She recalled stories from her childhood and career throughout the concert. At one point, she and her husband sang an old sailor tune acappella and were asked by the audience to do more, which they happily performed. After receiving a standing ovation, Katherine performed one more song called "The Lega-



Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society officers with fiddleist Katherine Moller, from left, Treasurer Jay Carter, Vice President Tracey Lasseur, President Becky Turgeon, Katherine Moller and Robert Riding, Mousam Lake Pavilion Chairman.

PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

cy," a slower, more moving piece that she wrote when her father passed away.

The Mousam Lake Pavilion was formerly the Mousam Lake Grange #467. The Grange Building was moved from North Alfred in 1923 and reconstructed on its current site. In 1928 an

addition to the kitchen and stage was constructed at the back of the building and in 2016 the Grange generously deeded the building to the ASHS. In January 2018 work began to preserve the building. It is the intention of the ASHS to restore the building as it was and not to change the authenticity of

the building.

For more information on Katherine Moller you can go to her Facebook page and for more information or to send donations for the Mousam Lake Pavillon restoration project you can go to the ASHS website at actonshapleigh.org.

Local author speaks at Limerick Library

By GEORGETTE CARIGNAN

Shelley Burbank, ghost writer for the book, "The Last Ten Days, Academia, Dementia and the Choice to Die" gave a presentation on ghost writing in the Limerick Public Library on Monday evening, July 22. It was enthusiastically attended by over 30 people.

The book is about Richard Brosio, Ph.D. who was diagnosed with primary progressive aphasia, which is an untreatable form of dementia that causes an individual's language capabilities to become progressively more impaired. Richard, together with his wife, put a plan in place and after two years of living with worsening symptoms. Richard chose to die by voluntarily stopping to eat or drink. It took ten days.

In her presentation, Burbank gave a brief account of how she was introduced to Martha Risberg Brosio, Richard's wife (through her boss, Chris Myers, at Myers Education Press in Gorham). She spoke about their first face to

face meeting when she flew out to Wisconsin and spent a weekend with Martha. They instantly had a very good rapport and Shelley went to work outlining the book and writing it.

Some challenges were overcoming the initial inertia and actually starting the book, getting Martha's "voice" on the page

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Shelley Burbank at the Limerick Public Library on July 22 speaking about her recent book. PHOTOS BY GEORGETTE CARIGNAN



Emily Cook, left, was People's Choice Winner for her Lobster Roll Chowder and her mother, Lisa Cook tied for second place for Easy Chili at the Alfred Festival Days' Chili and Chowder cookoff held July 19. PHOTO BY OF ARLENE CARROLL.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SHAPLEIGH COMMUNITY DAYS will be held on Friday, July 26 and Saturday July 27. There will be a Spaghetti Supper on Friday at the First Baptist Church, 600 Shapleigh Corner Rd. from 4 to 6 p.m. followed by a Concert on the Commons with the Cedar Mountain Bluegrass Band at 6pm. On Saturday the Parade will begin at 9 a.m. and proceed from Knox Road to the Common. On the Common will be vendors, food and a kid's area.

RENAISSANCE FAIRE at the Acton Fairgrounds on Route 109 on July 27 and 28. The faire is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will include actors dressed in Renaissance costumes, jousting, food, music, vendors and much more.

BEAN SUPPERS at 19th Century Curran Village, 70 Elm St, Newfield, on July 27, Aug. 31, & Sept. 27, 5-7 p.m.. \$10 adults, \$8 seniors & \$5 Children On July 19, 4-6:30 p.m. there will be a Deluxe Bean Supper & Brass Band Concert, \$20 Single, \$35 couple. Call 205-4849 for more information or reservations.

DAVID MALLET - Friday, Aug. 2 at 7:30 pm, Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills. Tickets are \$15. Reservations call 929-6472 or www.sacorivertheatre.org. David Mallett returns once again, after an unforgettable sold out show last year! David is one of America's true original troubadours. In a career spanning four decades, he has recorded 14 albums, had several hundred covers of his songs, including the American folk classic, "Garden Song" and has performed in clubs, concert halls and festivals across the US, Canada and Europe. Known for his care-

fully written, poetic offerings, his body of work has provided material for an eclectic list of artists that includes Alison Krauss, Pete Seeger, Hal Ketchum, Emmylou Harris, John Denver, and The Muppets.

YARD SALE AND STREET ENTERTAINMENT Come on down to the Nason Community Center Aug. 3 for a fun day! Yard sale from 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Street Theatre begins at noon. Singing, dancing, guitar playing, two of our young talented actors recite a scene from Shakespeare's "Romeo & Juliet" and much more. Box office will be open if you want to purchase tickets to any of our upcoming shows.

94TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE SERVICE at the Elder Grey Meeting House, Sunday, Aug. 4 at 2 p.m. The Meeting House is located on Chadbourne Ridge Road, North Waterboro. Guest Minister: Rev Maren Tirabassi, Special Music: Palin Family Singers. Visit the website at eldergrey.org. For more information call Becky at 846.3827.

THE MILLAY SISTERS CABARET - Sunday, Aug. 4 at 3 p.m., Saco River Theatre's Old White Church, 15 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills. Tickets are \$15. Reservations call 929-6472 or www.sacorivertheatre.org. A rousing and inspiring performance presenting the story of the girl poet who became an American icon, as seen through the eyes of her fierce and charming younger sister Norma, the cabaret hostess. As an opening for the MILLAY SISTERS CABARET, soprano Christien Beeuwkes and accompanist and composer Dana Maiben will give the premiere performance of a new song cycle

by Maiben: "Love is Not All- Six Poems by Edna St. Vincent Millay." The musical settings of the songs draw on styles that would have been familiar to Millay, from Neo-Classical to Broadway and Jazz.

CALLING TALENTS OF ALL AGES! Looking for singers, dancers, musicians, mimes, magicians and more! Acts will be previewed Sunday Aug. 4 at Limerick Brick Town Hall. Contact Limerickcommunityblockparty@gmail.com or on fb to schedule a time or send a video. Talent show to be held Sunday Aug. 18.

The **YORK COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE** (YCRC) monthly meeting at the Wells Activity Center, 113 Sanford Rd. (Rte. 109), on Thursday, Aug. 8. Doors open 6 p.m. for socializing and refreshments, followed by a business meeting at 7 p.m. Special Guest Speaker will be the Honorable Beth O'Connor, Representative for District 5, Berwick and part of North Berwick, and ranking member on the Health and Human Services Committee. The topic of Representative O'Connor's talk is "Everything Energy 101," one of the hottest topics of discussion in Maine today. Also on hand will be legislators from both the House and Senate to discuss the outcome of the last legislative session and to answer questions. All Republicans are invited to participate in this meeting. FMI call 468-2395 or email communications@york-gop.org.

CRAFT FAIR & ART IN THE BARN Saturday, Aug. 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Taylor/Frey/Leavitt House Museum, 6 Old Alfred Road at the intersection of Route 5 in Waterboro Cen-

ter. Crafters spaces of 12' x 12' are available for \$25, and crafters should bring their own tables and tents. For more information, contact Jim Carll at 247-5878 or carllj@sacoriver.net. Sponsored by the Waterborough Historical Society.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES at the Parsons Memorial Library continues on Sunday, Aug. 11 at 2 p.m. for a concert with "Acoustic Bourbon", a group of local musicians. This program is free to all, funded by the Jose Fenderson Trust. Parsons Memorial Library is located at 27 Saco Road, Alfred.

"MYSTERIES BY MAINE AUTHORS" series, presented by the Parsons Memorial Library and the Waterboro Public Library concludes with the next meeting Monday Aug. 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Parsons Memorial Library. The current title is "Cold Hard News" by Maureen Millien. This program is made possible by a grant from the Maine Humanities Council. Please call the library to register and come in to pick up a copy of the book. Parsons Memorial-324-2001, Waterboro Public-247-3363. This program is offered to Maine libraries through the Maine Humanities Council in partnership with the Maine State Library.

The next meeting of the **LYMAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY** will be Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 6 p.m. at the Lyman Community Library. Visit us at Funky Bow on Aug. 16, 17, and 18 for some new Theodore Lyman ale! Check out coming events for the Lyman Historical Society on Facebook.

JENNIFER PORTER - Saturday, Aug. 10 at 7:30 pm, Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills, ME. Tickets: \$15. Reservations call 929-6472 or www.sacorivertheatre.org. Join SRT's own Independent Music Award nominee Jennifer Porter and her new band for an intimate evening featuring songs from her recent album, "These Years," which has been receiving rave reviews both here and abroad, and has been played on stations around the world! Jennifer's inspirational song "Road to Redemption" has been topping multiple Country, Adult Contemporary and Blues charts for several months. Whether you're a fan of Jennifer's, or you've never heard her before, you'll want to catch this exciting moment in her musical journey, which takes her to northern Europe this November. You'll hear Texas and Louisiana Blues, Soul, Country, Jazz, and more, sung and played as only Jennifer can!!

POETRY WORKSHOP, Limerick Public Library, 2nd Thurs. of every month at 6:30-8 p.m. All poets from beginners to advanced are invited to bring an original poem to discuss.

MAMA MIA'S ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT PIZZA AND PASTA DINNER Friday night, 5 to 7 p.m. at Henry Hall on the York County Shelter Program's campus. The public suppers, served from June until mid-August, benefit YCSP. They have been served for 26 years. Dinner features delicious homemade spaghetti sauce and pizza, salad, bread and pie. Adults, \$10; children, 3 to 11, \$5; children under 3, free. FMI, call Scott Davis, Food Services Director, at 324-1137 or e-mail him at scottd@ycspi.org.

THE TAYLOR/FREY/LEAVITT HOUSE MUSEUM, 6 Old Alfred Road at the intersection with Sokokis Trail, Waterboro Center, will be open each Saturday morning from 9 to Noon from May 25 through Sept. 21. Admission is free with donations appreciated. The 1850 home is on the National Register of Historic Places. The museum campus includes the 1817 Deering Schoolhouse and the 19th Century blacksmith shop where blacksmith Sam Smith is at work. The barn and ell of the house contain antique cobbler, optician and barber shops. For more information, contact Jim Carll at 247-5878.

MAMA MIA DINNERS Enjoy a delicious all-you-can-eat pizza and pasta dinner, held every Friday night at Henry Hall on the York County Shelter Programs' campus, The "Mama Mia" dinners are held throughout the summer, with proceeds going to YCSP. The dinners are 5 to 7 p.m. Adults, \$10; children, 3 to 11, \$5; children under 3, free. FMI, call Scott Davis, Food Services Director, at 324-1137, or e-mail him at scottd@ycspi.org.

MONDAY WRITERS at the Waterboro Public Library, first Monday of every month (when the library is open) 6-8 p.m. All writers are welcome. Bring a short piece to read and discuss.

PARSONS COMMUNITY LIBRARY COMMUNITY SURVEY Help us plan for the future! To best serve the needs of our community, we would like to know more about how you use the library and how we can grow and improve. www.surveymonkey.com/r/pml2019. If possible, complete our survey online. Printed surveys are available at the library and Alfred Town Hall. Complete the survey and be entered to win a \$50 Nonesuch Books gift certificate. Survey ends July 31.

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The future of the old apple shed

Albion K. P. Towle and his family first settled in the Newfield area in 1870 when they purchased the Captain James Ayer house along the Little Ossipee River on what is now Water Street. Towle and his wife, Ada Calista, settled here and raised three children, Frederick William, Albion P., and Ada Jane. Albion P., the son, ran a dried apple business during the early part of the 1900's out of the shed, that still stands on the property, crating and shipping his products to England. It was one of those family businesses that was involved with foreign trade

The family held onto the property, even after the 1947 fire destroyed everything but the shed. Albion P. Towle's children inherited the property and for many years, spent summers in the area. His son Charles and his wife Alice lived there in the 1940's with their son Herbert. His daughter, Ada Melissa Towle Hawkins and daughter-in-law, Alice Kitchen Towle, donated the two parcels of land, where the family home had been, to the Newfield Historical Society in 2002.

Years have gone by and the old building has seen it's better days. The floor has rotted out and the building is leaning to the side. The society has been discussing ideas of what to do, and even though it is one of Newfield's historic old buildings, there is not enough money to have it fixed.

According to vice president Cheryl Cause, at this time, they

are looking for input from the community and welcome any suggestions. Some of the ideas that have been tossed around at the recent meetings are that a contractor could take it apart in order to purchase lumber and granite, which will help to pay for any projects for the land. Some contractors pay very good money for old beams and wood, and selling it would also help out with regular expenses at the historical society building on Elm Street.

Some of the suggestions for development are to put in a small recreation area with picnic tables and benches down by the river. Also, to put in a hiking trail and a pathway for joggers. Permits will be needed, so this project will take some time. But, once a decision is made, they would also need volunteers to help out.

For any suggestions, please contact Joe Iannazzo at 850-6237 or Cheryl Cause at 809-7014 at the library during regular hours.

Black bears are busy

Black bears have been busy lately. One was spotted at the old Mee house, and there have been some on my street. They have been into the feeders at a neighbor's house and I'm pretty sure that one visited my house. I put out my feeder on my shepard's hook just last week, and a couple of days later, I found the hook bent to the ground and the empty bird feeder over next to the woods.

Quilt Raffle at library

Newfield Village Library at 637 Water Street is having a home made Quilt Raffle and tickets may be purchased at the library during regular hours. Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, or 13 for \$10. The drawing will be held at the Pie and Bake Sale on Labor Day weekend.



The old apple shed on the former Towle property, now owned by the Newfield Historical Society. PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

Lions host golf tournament

The Limerick Newfield Lions Club will host a golf tournament on Tuesday, Aug. 6, at the Indian Mount Golf Club at 310 Route 16B in Center Ossipee, New Hampshire. The tournament starts at 11 a.m. and is \$85 per person. Lunch is provided and the course is 18 holes with a cart. Prizes will also be awarded. For more information, please contact Lion Cynthia Vermetter at 793-8140 or Lion Faith Smith at 608-4369.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes this week go to: Wayne Vaters, Ernie Packard, John Turgeon, Patricia Campbell and Silas Blanchard. .

Meetings

Newfield Firefighters training session - July 30, at the Public Safety Building at 85 Water Street in West Newfield at 7 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.

Newfield Selectmen - July 30, at the West Newfield Town Hall at 23 So. Effingham Road at 6 p.m.

Tea Time - July 31, at the Newfield Village Library at 637 Water Street at 3 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop #329 - July 31, at the Brick Town Hall, at 19 Main Street in Limerick at 6:30 p.m. New members always welcome. Jim Dion is the Scoutmaster. Call Joe Iannazzo at 850-6237.

BRIEFS

Murder-suicide in North Waterboro

State Police say they are investigating the deaths of a couple from North Waterboro as a domestic violence - murder suicide. The bodies of Christal and Christopher Denis, both 45, were found in their home at 620 New Dam Road just before 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 20 by York County deputies who had been called to the house by relatives of the couple.

Detectives said Denis shot his wife with a shotgun and then turned the gun on himself. The two bodies were found in the living room of the house. Detectives, deputies and evidence technicians worked into the early morning hours gathering evidence and conducting interviews.

Results of the autopsies were not yet available from the State Medical Examiner's Office in Augusta. The couple owned Deer Pond Fuel in North Waterboro, along with Christal's mother.

(See related obituary on Page 6 for service announcement.)

Upcoming events in Hiram

ROAST BEEF SUPPER Sat., Aug. 3, at 5 p.m. at the Hiram Community Center, 14 Historical Ridge, Hiram, \$10/\$4 under 12, drawing for 2 free tickets to next supper. FMI call 625-8074.

MILLTOWN ROADSHOW IN CONCERT Sat., Aug. 3, from 7-9 p.m., Arts Center at 8 Hancock Avenue, Hiram, suggested donation \$10 adults/\$5 child.

OPEN MIC Sat., Aug. 10, at 7 p.m., at the Hiram Community Center, 14 Historical Ridge, Hiram, donations welcome, snacks & soft beverages available or BYOB. FMI call 625-4549.

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The plans may be viewed during regular business hours in the Code/Planning Office.

David Christensen, Chairman

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LETTERS

Sprague City as it really was

I would like to give some valid accounts of the authentic Sprague City, as one of the four living descendants of William and Lena Sprague, Patriarch and Matriarch of Sprague City. William Sprague was born August 7, 1865, died January 26, 1938. Lena Sprague was born January 7, 1872, died June 5, 1950.

Married in 1887, they made their home and raised a family in what became known as Sprague City. They had several children but only three boys lived to be adults. The eldest was Walter, then Arthur and my Father Harley being the youngest.

Walter married and had a daughter that died of measles at a young age. Walter was a farmer like his father. Arthur worked in the box shop in Newfield and played the violin for local dances. He married late in life and had no children. He had lots of time to spoil his nieces, the only Grandchildren, four girls of Harley. Harley worked in the woolen mills in Sanford but in his spare time he stilled farmed in Sprague City.

Life in the very small settlement of Sprague City life was very simple. They always had at least one cow and a work horse for the family. A steer or heifer for beef to eat, at least one pig for pork, as this was the easiest meat to preserve. Also they had a few laying hens for eggs and some to eat. They always had a very large vegetable garden and a small ap-

ple orchard. Vegetables fruits and berries were canned for winter use. Anything they could not use themselves my Grandfather would pedal down around the beaches by horse and wagon. Because of the of the ample apple trees, Macintosh, Northern spy, and Cortland, hard cider was made as it was on most farms at the time. My Grandmother spent many hours over a wood cook stove cooking hearty meals for the men who worked so hard on the farm. She never had the benefit of electricity or running water. Her household chores would take a book to write about, she was always working. She was plagued with Arthritis so she used crutches for many years but still kept up the pace.

As the need arose my Grandfather opened a small store across from their house so people in the settlement could get flour, sugar, salt and feed for their animals. The sacks came in beautiful flower cotton that could be used for many things. These staples the Raleigh man did not carry so they had to go to the store for them which used to be difficult. At the same time frame, he made it possible to have a General Delivery mail stop at the store. Residences could easily get their mail and mail things out. If you were lucky could catch a ride with the mail carrier to Newfield.

I can remember as a small child in the evening I would watch for the fireflies and lay in bed with my Grandmother and listen for the

whippoorwills. Everyone went to bed before it was dark under the table, or at least that's what they would say. Before dark George Eastman, a border at my grandmother's house, would whittle kindling to start the fires with or prepare wood for the baskets that they were so well known for. My Grandmother's brother Charlie used to make them, in all sizes from very small to a bushel size.

One of my daytime fun things were, cutting people out of an outdated Sears catalogue and pasting them in a Life Magazine with flour and water paste to make collages. I also spool knitted from a wooden spool.

My Grandmother had never had her hair cut and her hair was very long. We girls used spend lots of combing her hair that she used to condition with tea so it would be soft and manageable. When we got tired of combing she would put it up in a simple bun. I could write so much about those years, I guess I should write a book.

In 1947 Sprague City was burned to the ground except for Everett Sprague's farm where he lived since the age of 14 when he left home and my Grandfather gave him that land to start his life. He never married. He used to work on a chicken farm in Newfield for a little cash to keep him over. He lived in the same place until a very short time before he died, many years after the 1947 fire.

When you go down through

from Newfield to Ross Corner, all that you will see that is original to Sprague City is, a small grave yard with one large grave stone, which is my grandparent's grave. Many times you could see four pink geraniums, one for each of the Granddaughters planted in front of the large stone. That used to be my Grandmother's favorite flower and color.

If you ever wondered about Sprague City, now you know. This was written by someone that knows. One of the proud to be Sprague girls, Bea Sprague.

— Beatrice Sprague St. Amand

Editor's note: This letter is in response to the 'Sprague City' article that ran in the May 24 issue on Page 1.

Thank you

The Deeper Well Church in Standish would like to publicly thank Poland Spring for donating 8 cases of water to our church for community outreach summertime activities.

We will continue to utilize Poland Spring's Water Donation Program for future events. The process is easy and the people at Poland Spring are very helpful. We appreciate their generosity.

Sincerely,
—The Deeper Well Church
Standish

They were all winners

The kickoff event on Alfred Festival Day was the road race. Just for the courage to run on such a hot day one suspects they each deserved a blue ribbon or flags flying! The top male runner was Brian Lightbody of Alfred who came in at 22:30 seconds. The top female runner was Mel Maisel at 36:46. Sarah Tibbetts' time was 43:24. A nine year old, Brayden Bradett of Alfred ran with his aunt Aleda Cote. Their time was 1:12:03. Fewer runners were competing this year.

The weather was sweltering and the line was long but it seemed everyone was eager to taste the chili, chowder and pies which the Massabesic Lions Club was serving during the tasting event on Alfred Festival Day. First place winner for chili was the Alfred Country Store with Our Chili and tying for second place were Lisa Cook with Easy Chili and Colin Canning Jr. with Big Bang Chili. Dominique Zulueta took third place with Goldlocks Just Right Chili.

Chowder winners were the Landlocked Lobster Pound getting first place for Lobster Chowder; Emily Cook receiving second for her Lobster Roll Chowder; Donita Plummer tied for third with Clam Chowder and Grace Frechette also third for Cheeseburger Chowder. The pie contest winners were Paul O'Donnell placing first for his key lime pie; Donita Plummer coming in second with her blueberry pie and Beth DeWolfe placing third for her peach pecan pie.

The People's Choice winners were Karen Gosselin-Diebolt for her 52 Secret Chili and Emily Cook for her Lobster Roll Chowder.

The judges were April Rosignot, Emily Sposotaio and Al Carlson for the pies; Glen Dochtermann, Perley Yeaton and Dave Rynne for the chowders, Stephen Dochtermann, Chris Chadbourne and Scott Carbone for the chili entries. There were 12 others competing. (See related photo on Page 1.)

Parade

The Little Threads Sewing Studio received first place in the parade; Girl Scout Troop 1099 received second place and Alfred Fire and Rescue was in third place.

Parish Church

The coolest place in Alfred was Conant Chapel, with air conditioning. For that reason the morning church service was held there, with Tammy Chadbourne of Autumn Green leading the service taking the Beatitudes as her theme. Also in Conant Chapel the many winners of the penny auction were announced in the p.m. Townspeople had been very generous with their donations which benefitted the church.

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Obituaries

Christal Denis (Goodrich)

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Christal Denis (Goodrich), 45, on Saturday July 20, at her residence in North Waterboro.



Christal Denis (Goodrich)

She was born Sept. 2, 1973 in Sanford, the daughter of William and Sherri Hanson. She attended local schools and graduated from Massabesic High School in 1991.

Christal owned and operated Deer Pond Fuel of Waterboro for over 20 years. Previously, she worked alongside her family at Deer Pond Variety.

Christal enjoyed boating, spending time with her children and grandchildren and family gatherings "in the field" up north.

Most recently, Christal and her husband Chis of 10 years enjoyed being able to spend time together at their new home in Florida enjoying the warm weather, beaches, and planting a garden.

Christal was predeceased by her husband Peter Goodrich, her father William Hanson Jr., her grandfather William Hanson Sr., grandmother Norma Hanson and grandfather Conrad Roux.

Survivors include her mother Sherri Hanson of North Waterboro; her grandmother Shirley Roux of Alfred; two daughters Kathleen Goodrich and her partner Blake Boudreau of Limerick and Jaclyn Carson of Porter; a son William Goodrich and his partner Emma Athearn of North Waterboro; sister Lisa Hanson and husband Stewart Mack of North Waterboro and their children Trevor, Sarah and Shylee Mack; grandchildren Corbin and Colton Boudreau; and special cousin Jennifer Watson of Buxton. Christal is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins who loved her very much.

Friends and relatives may call at the Dennett, Craig & Pate Funeral home, 13 Portland Road, Buxton, on Sunday, July 28, from 3 to 7 p.m. An 11 a.m. funeral service will be held Monday, July 29 at the funeral home. Pastor Charlie Storey will officiate. Burial will follow at the family lot in Pine Grove North Cemetery in Waterboro.

For those wishing to make memorial contribution in her memory please consider Make a Wish Foundation 66 Mussey Road, Scarborough, ME 04074.

Robert (Bob) P. McCormick

Robert (Bob) P. McCormick, 70, a longtime resident of Sanford, died on July 16, in Tantallon, Nova Scotia.



Robert (Bob) P. McCormick

After mowing the lawn and weeding for a dear friend, the final moments of Bob's life were spent beside his wife Lily, lying in tall grass in the shade of a birch tree.

Bob was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts to a loving family. He grew up in Milford, Connecticut as one of four children who remained close no matter their geographic distance. After living out his adolescent years as a child of the '60s, Bob laid down roots in Newburyport, Massachusetts in the 1970s and became a mason and chimney sweep running his own business for many years. In the 1990s, he moved to Acton, and finally settled down in Sanford with his beloved wife Lily (Jill) E. McCormick. In Sanford, he ran a building and grounds maintenance company and worked in the facilities department of the Wells Elementary School.

Throughout his life, Bob was a jack-of-all trades who had an endless list of projects, which

were his passion. His caring disposition was what family and friends most enjoyed about him. His children were often working by his side, learning the many life lessons he provided with an open heart. A dedicated member of the community, Bob counseled many with unparalleled compassion and respect. Bob never judged a person, he never assumed to know another's burden but instead always tried to be understanding and help if possible.

He is survived by his loving wife Lily (Jill) E. McCormick, his children Seamus McCormick, Patrick McCormick, Conor McCormick, Noah McCormick, Forreste McCormick, Gabriel Balkus, Derek Bourque, Bradley Darby, and Dusty; his Grandchildren, Emerson, Hunter, Adeline, Kayla, Liam, Lakyn, and Mason.

His sudden passing has left sadness in many hearts. Musicians have dedicated songs to his life, family members have gathered to laugh, and an outpouring of love has been felt from the community he surrounded himself with for so many years. For a man that loved so many people in his life, no greater testament of his greatness could be found than in the fact that his wife sewed the quilt that now rests with him and his children hand-built his casket out of the very tools and wood he would often say was "For a project I am going to need someday."

A Funeral Service to celebrate Bob's life will be held on Friday, July 26 at 4 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 5 Lebanon Road in Sanford. Committal prayers and burial will be at Oakdale Cemetery at 9 a.m.

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

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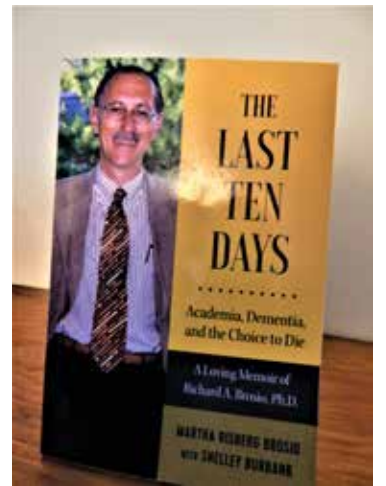
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AUTHOR TALK

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and interweaving the stories of Richard's life as an existentialist and a highly respected academic. There was also a very genuine love story between Martha and Richard that needed to be told, and finally the diagnosis and the last ten days.

Shelley Burbank is a resident of Limerick and, temporarily, San Diego, California. She used to be a contributing writer for *The Reporter*, has had short stories published in little and literary magazines. She has several more projects in the works, but none, at this time, as a ghost writer.



Shelley Burbank, of Limerick, ghost authored "The Last Ten Days". COURTESY IMAGE

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