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Massabesic welcomes new director for adult ed



Adam Goad. COURTESY PHOTO

Adam Goad is the new Director for the Massabesic Center for Adult Learning (MCAL). Goad took over in July after long-time Director Barbara Gauvin retired in June. This is his 10th year in the district, serving as the high school band director from 2012 to 2018, and the middle school band director until last year. Goad has a Bachelor's Degree in music education from Tennessee Technological University, a Master's in Music Performance from the University of Kentucky and he just finished his Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (aka CAGS) in Educational Leadership from the University of New England.

MCAL also has a new website that is part of the larger Maine Adult Education system at www.massabesic.maineadulted.org. According to Goad, this change allows better coordination with the state, and helps them to reach a larger audience.

"Adult Education is such important work, and I'm really excited to continue the great work that Barbara and her team did for so many years," said Goad in an email.

Goad hopes to increase
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Becky Turgeon demonstrates rug-braiding on a braiding stick at a recent program sponsored by the Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society. One of her rugs hangs is on display behind her. PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

The art of braiding rugs

BY JOANNE BARGIONI

A rug-braiding program was held on Monday, Sept. 13, sponsored by the Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society, and presented by Becky Turgeon, Secretary, and Past-President of the Society. Turgeon has had years of practice making braided rugs. She learned the craft from her grandmother and still makes her rugs according to her grandmother's tradition.

The history of rug braiding is fascinating. The settlers in Colonial times learned how to make braided rugs from the Native Americans who weaved these rugs as saddle blankets for their horses, according to braided-rugs.com. These rugs were very colorful and inspired the settlers to create their own type of rug. Material from leftover sewing projects was sewn into rugs during the 1500s to 1600s. They are made simply by braiding three strips of wool or any other material in a long braid and sewing them together, usually in an oval pattern, but other shapes can be used.

Turgeon informed the audience of the tools needed to braid rugs. Scissors, thread, a lacer, ruler, pins to hold the rug together before stitching, and a braiding stick or braid-aids. Turgeon uses her grandmother's braiding stick which her grandfather made. Braid-aids are small devices used to help fold the material into a shape easier to braid. The rug is braided from strips of wool. Turgeon is creative in finding suitable wool cloth. She will use old woolen skirts from Good Will stores or flea markets, old wool jackets, and wool material, but her one rule is to avoid clothes with too many pleats or seams as these will be difficult to cut into long strips.

After the presentation, the audience was invited to try to braid with strips of wool provided by Turgeon.

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Lt. Ron Smith (center) was accompanied on his annual Walk for Warmth from the Limerick Fire Station by Melissa Eaton (right) and Rob Fossett (left) from Limerick Rescue. PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

A memorable walk for warmth

BY C.J. PIKE

It seemed appropriate that two fighter jets flew over Newfield on Saturday, Sept. 11, as the town was gearing up for several local events. The jets were out of Pease Air National Guard Base and were doing an air show in remembrance of 9/11 - Sept. 11, 2001, when the Unit-

ed States was attacked. They flew around town for about an hour and were heard and seen by many. It was almost as if they were making an announcement, "Let the activities begin!"

Just after the jets passed over, at noon, Lt. Ron Smith walked into the driveway of the Newfield Public Safety Building on Water Street,

completing his 6.8 mile walk from the Limerick Fire-Rescue Station. This was his 3rd Annual Walk for Warmth to raise money for the local heating assistance program for the RSU 57 area.

He completed his walk in about three hours with three check points, at Range E Road, Newfield Town
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Community Calendar

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COMING EVENTS

BOOK SALE Springvale Library will be holding its Annual Book Sale on Friday, Sept. 17 and 18. The Book Sale coincides with the 'Music on the Patio Concert Series' on Sept. 17. Come shop for a book, pack a lunch, and attend the concert from 12 to 1 p.m. The Library is located at 1364 Main Street, Springvale.

FREE COMMUNITY DRIVE THRU DINNER Sept. 18 from 4:30-6 p.m. at the Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church, 498 Goodwins Mills Road on Route 35 by the Pond. Menu includes Baked Beans, Hot Dogs, Coleslaw, Rolls and Brownies

PLANT SALE University of Maine Cooperative Extension's Master Gardener Volunteers will host a Native Plant Sale at Wells Reserve at Laudholm Farm at 342 Laudholm Farm Road, Wells on Saturday, Sept. 18, from 9-11 a.m. The sale is expected to include 18 herbaceous native plants and will be held rain or shine and educational information on plant growing conditions, benefits to wildlife, and complementary species will be provided by knowledgeable Master Gardener Volunteers. Have a mask on hand if you are not vaccinated and/or feel safer being masked in a group setting. FMI email frank.wertheim@maine.edu.

The Arundel Historical Society will be hosting the **8TH ANNUAL HERITAGE DAY** on Saturday, Sept. 18 at the Society's North Chapel Common at the (corner of Limerick Road and Route 111 - Alfred Road) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission and parking are free. A community celebration of the rural history and legacy of

the people of Arundel. There will be farm animals, functioning antique engines, spinning and weaving, historical displays and a Civil War encampment demonstrating living history of life in the early 1860's. Crafters, games/activities for kids as well as music and food.

THE LYMAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 21 at 6 p.m. at the Community Library. This is the annual meeting with the election of officers. Please bring a lawn chair because we will continue to meet outside. The rain date is Sept. 22.

SANFORD BIKE FEST Saturday, Sept. 25 at 10 a.m. at 1 Emile Levasseur Drive, Sanford. Join us for self-guided cycling ride through Sanford. Event start: Sanford/Springvale YMCA. Round trip distance is 7 miles. Roads closed to car traffic. Mix of pavement and gravel surfaces. Bike rodeo at St. Ignatius parking lot. Get a ride on a retro rickshaw.



ONGOING EVENTS

KNOW SOMEONE IN PRISON OR JAIL? "Individuals don't go to prison alone, their families go also." Rose's Room is a support group for family and friends of incarcerated loved ones, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and equally respected! Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 6:30

- 8 p.m. in Sanford/Springvale location, Bishop Cote Hall, 10 Payne Street, Springvale (Facebook at "Rose's Room").

Massabesic Lions monthly dine-in or take-out **BEAN SUPPER** the 2nd Saturday of every month, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Lions Regional Medical Center building, 813 Main Street, Waterboro. Adults \$8. Children 5 to 12 \$5, 4 and under No Charge. Kidney and Pea Beans, Chop Suey, Ham, Hot Dogs, Coleslaw, "Our Homemade" Biscuits, variety of yummy Desserts. Everyone is Welcome.

The Sanford Unitarian Church will be bringing back their monthly **CORNER CUPBOARD** held on the third Saturday of every month. This is a non-food, essential item pantry from 10 a.m. until noon at 5 Lebanon Street, Sanford. We ask that you please wear a mask and bring your own bag.

The Acton- Shapleigh Lion's Club is happy to be bringing back their **MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST** the first Saturday of every month. The price is \$7, which 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 Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road. All are welcome.

Buxton Centre Baptist Church, 938 Long Plains Road, Buxton, weekly **SOUPER SENIORS SOCIAL**. Gather for conversation, cribbage, puzzles, and other games, every Monday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with a free lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Adults of all ages are welcome. Masks are not required, but we encourage people to be considerate of the health of others.



Butterfly banners adorn the slopes of Goat Hill at Kite Day, 2019. PHOTO BY RUTH GUTMAN

ACTON Kite Day & Stories at Romac Orchard and Goat Hill

Three Rivers Land Trust will host their popular Kite Day event at Romac Orchards this Saturday, September 18, from 11AM to 2 PM. The land trust has many kites to share and to give away for those who don't bring their own. The Acton Public Library will be there for story time sessions at starting at 11:30 and 12:30, and you can also sign up for a library card at the event. Light refreshments will be available at the land trust's tables, or bring a picnic.

Kite Day is held during Romac Orchard's pick-your-own apple season, so families can make a day of it with apple picking, kite flying, and exploring both the scenic summit of Goat Hill and the Goat Hill Trail. The Goat Hill Trail is an easy-walking gravel path that ascends 150 ft along a ¾-mile route from H Road, and ends at the summit's picnic area. Improvements to the trail are ongoing, with the intention of creating a wheelchair accessible route to the summit in upcoming years.

Romac Orchards is located at 1149 H Road in Acton, next to the Town-owned summit of Goat Hill. Parking is available at the orchard, and also at the parking lot for the Goat Hill Trail (1205 H Road) for participants who want to climb the Trail before attending the event.

Kite Day this year is held in memory of land trust member Philip Yakubec, who passed away in January. Philip was a great friend to the land trust and, as an avid kite flyer, supported past Kite Day events by donating kites and helping to manage the land trust's considerable kite collection. Philip is greatly missed, and the land trust thanks his family, friends, and loved ones who made donations to this event in his honor.

Please visit the Three Rivers Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/threeriverslandtrust for more details and updates. Contact 207-358-9695 or ruth@3rlt.org with any questions.

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Sept. 11 remembrance ceremony

A large and respectful audience gathered on the York County Courthouse Lawn this past Saturday to honor those lost during the destruction of the Twin Towers in New York twenty years ago. A welcome was given by Master of Ceremonies Pastor Jeffrey S. Pelkey of the North Berwick Congregational Church following special music. Sheriff Bill King gave the introduction after the National Anthem, Lowering of the flag and Taps. A Reading of Events and meaning of the Bell Tolling were given by Joe Hanslip, and a poem by Commissioner Donna Ring. There was an Historical Remembrance with a recognition of David Shane and presentation of flowers to his wife followed by a wreath ceremony and special reading by County Manager Gegory T. Zinser. It has been included as follows.

What A Difference A Day Makes

On Monday we emailed jokes...
On Tuesday we did not.
On Monday we thought that we were secure...
On Tuesday we learned better.
On Monday we were talking about heroes as being athletes...
On Tuesday we relearned who our heroes are.
On Monday we were irritated that our rebate checks had not arrived...
On Tuesday we gave money away to people we had never met.
On Monday there were people fighting against praying in schools...

On Tuesday you would have been hard-pressed to find a school where someone was not praying.

On Monday people argued with their kids about picking up their room...

On Tuesday the same people could not get home fast enough to hug those kids.

On Monday people were upset that they had to wait six minutes in a fast food drive-through line...

On Tuesday people didn't care about waiting up to six hours to give blood for the dying.

On Monday we waved our flags signifying our cultural diversity...

On Tuesday we waved only the American flag.

On Monday there were people trying to separate each other by race, sex, color and creed...

On Tuesday they were all holding hands.

On Monday we were men or women, black or white, old or young, rich or poor, gay or straight, Christian or non-Christian...

On Tuesday we were Americans.

On Monday politicians argued about budget surpluses...

On Tuesday grief stricken they sang 'God Bless America'.

On Monday the President was going to Florida to read to children...

On Tuesday he returned to Washington to protect our children.

On Monday we had families...

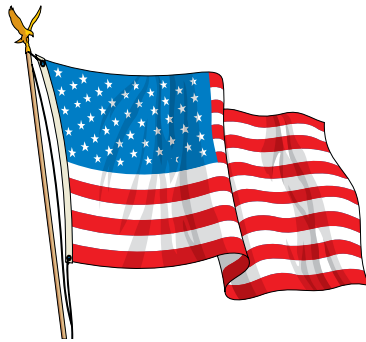
On Tuesday we had orphans.

On Monday people went to work as usual...

On Tuesday they died.

It is sadly ironic how it takes horrific events to place things into perspective, but it has. The lessons learned this week, the things we have taken for granted, the things that have been forgotten or overlooked, hopefully will never be forgotten again.

-Author Unknown



Apple festival cancelled

The Shaker Apple Festival, that was scheduled for Sept. 25 and 26, has been cancelled. The recent surge in COVID-19 cases helped the committee decide that the Apple Festival should be cancelled this year.

Parish church

The next service at Alfred Parish Church will be on Sept. 19 with the Rev. Mabel Laird leading the service at 10 a.m. She will also be speaking on Oct. 14.

Library news

The Library Book Sale on Sept. 25 is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and includes both children's and adult books. There will be something for every booklover. You may bring your own bag or use one provided by the library. It is \$5 a bag.

Historical committee

The Historical Committee members will meet Friday, Oct. 1 at 3 p.m. in the Village Museum. Members will be deciding when to close the museum for the season.



Patrolling the lake

Limerick residents Dale Schultz and Debbie Broderick were awarded the 'Invasive Plant Patrollers of the Year' award at the Lake Stewards of Maine (LSM) annual conference, held virtually in July, for their continued work as stewards of Lake Arrowhead. COURTESY PHOTOS

LSM works to protect Maine lakes and to promote lake stewardship through widespread citizen participation in the gathering and dissemination of credible scientific information pertaining to lake health. For more information about the Lake Stewards of Maine visit <https://www.lakestewardsofmaine.org>.

ADULT ED

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community engagement by partnering with libraries and local businesses to further support community members looking for educational, workforce, and personal growth opportunities. "I'm really honored to have the chance to help so many people — it's been great so far!"

Massabesic Center for Adult Learning is located at 84 West Road in Waterboro. For more info contact Goad at 247-2022 ext. 2206 or visit <https://massabesic.maine-adulted.org>.

RUG-BRAIDING

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Next month's presentation will be entitled, "The History of Photography," with an emphasis on snapshots by Linwood Dall on Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the ASHS building, 122 Emery Mills Road, Shapleigh.

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Club members enjoy the annual pig roast

Shane LaMontagne, interim president of the Northern York County Rod and Gun Club (NYCRGC), kicked off the annual Pig Roast on Saturday, Sept. 11, with a moment of silence in honor of all of the lives lost on that day.

NYCRGC hosts the pig roast every year in the fall and it is always a good time. Members are up early to get the pig roasted, which takes 7-8 hours, but it is always done in time for lunch.

We get to see people that we might not have seen since the previous year and it's fun to catch up. And, since we missed it last year due to the virus, it was a special treat to see all of the members.

This year, Shawn and Tracy Bernard, Lou Polianites daughter and son-in-law, came to it with Lou's wife, Gayle. Lou was president of the club for many years and was a big supporter of the roast. He passed away in May of this year, and was missed by everyone.

About 35 people turned out for the roast and buffet which included, mashed potatoes, squash, 3 kinds of corn bread, fried rice, potato salad, baked beans, 2 kinds of chili, and several desserts. Everyone brought a dish to share; the buffet table was set up under the canopy for all of us to serve ourselves.

The raffle is a big part of the days' events and the table was set up with over 35 raffle items donated by local businesses. Gift certificates for \$25 from several local businesses, money cards, craft items, fudge, a rifle scope, a carry-on bag, a camp cot, 4 pots of mums and many



Beth Elliott and Shawn Bernard both had a great time at the annual pig roast. This was Beth's first time and Shawn is the son-in-law of the late Lou Polianites. He and his wife Tracy came with Gayle Polianities.
PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

other items were there; the price of a ticket gave you the chance to win. Romeo and Sandra Fortin go out to the various businesses to get donations of prizes, and set it up the day of the roast. Other members helped to call the winning numbers. The 50-50 was won by Steve Franz who received \$79.50 in cash.

It was Beth Elliott's first time coming to the pig roast with a friend, and she was lucky enough to win several of the raffle prizes.

The big raffle prize of the day was a .22 caliber revolver with 4 3/4" barrel, which was won by Lynn Libby of Newfield and donated by Humphrey's Smokers of West Newfield.

As always, good food, a quiet peaceful setting and good friends make for a nice, relaxing afternoon, which was exactly what we all needed. The club plans on holding elections in December for new officers.

Thanks from Thurston and Peters

Thurston and Peters on Bond Spring Road was the place to be if you like 'free ice-cream,' and according to Debi Hartford it was very busy. Hartford reports that they made \$1,113 in donations toward the Newfield Heating Assistance Fund, and Monday somebody showed up to donate an additional \$100, bringing this year's total to \$1,213. Since they first started this in 2013, they have now raised \$7,199.80 in donations to the town's fund. Hartford also wanted people to know that they can donate to the town on their own, by going in on regular business days.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes go out this week to: Craig Richardson and Dorothy McGlincey

Happy anniversary!

Happy anniversary to Gene and Marlene Gerry

Crafters needed

Crafters are needed for a fundraiser that will be held on Saturday, Oct. 9, to raise money for the old library on Elm Street. Tables for crafters are \$35 each and there is a limited amount of space. Planned for the day are the crafters, a raffle and a bake sale. It will be held at the West Newfield Town Hall at 23 So. Effingham Road from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. They would also like crafters to donate a raffle prize. For more information, contact Cheryl at 809-7014 to reserve your space.

Cowboy shoot-out

Troop #329 camped out in Berwick at the Rod and Gun club where they also had a fundraiser. The scouts picked up the brass shotgun shells from the range, and they got donations for that, which is known as a Cowboy Shoot-out.

Meetings

The Newfield Historical Society Sept. 20 at the headquarters at 64 Elm Street at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited. They will be having quarterly meetings now, and we will post those in the paper.

The Newfield Selectmen Sept. 21, at the West Newfield Town Hall at 23 So. Effingham Road, at 6 p.m. Public is invited.

WALK FOR WARMTH

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Office and Symmes Pond. He was dressed in his firefighters gear and this year, he added an air tank, to make his load a little heavier for the walk.

He opened the invitation to walk with him to anyone who was up for the task, and Melissa Eaton, of Limerick, was the only one to respond, and he would like to extend his thanks to her for joining him.

Rob Fossett is also on his list of people to thank, for following him in the EMT truck, for his safety; and a special thanks to his wife Jessica for checking on him at each checkpoint.

Each year that he has done the walk, he has gone to a different fire station in the RSU 57 area, and next year, he plans to walk to Limington.

Donations for the heating assistance can be made to JP Carroll Fuels, call them at 793-2331, to make a donation for fuel to help the elderly and young struggling families in this area. Just mention the 'Walk for Warmth.'

This year's donations were \$2,356.65, making a grand total of \$5,788.33 to start the winter heating season; \$3,000 is in the account left over from last year. Libby's U-pick also donated their cans from this season which totaled \$123.

Smith would like to thank all of his supporters for their continued support of this cause.



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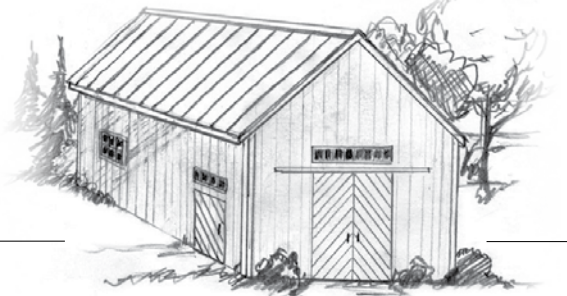
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Massabesic seniors, from left, #17 Caitlynn McAllister, #22 Emily Jacobs, #16 Mary Duffy, #32 Bri Stephenson, #26 Micaela Jacobs, #23 Molly Abbott and #27 Alexi Dyer. COURTESY PHOTO

SPORTS

FIELD HOCKEY

Mustangs stay perfect

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
Sports Editor

Massabesic's varsity field hockey team poured 16 shots on net and scored a goal in each half to pace their fourth straight win of the season, this one 2-0, at Noble on Tuesday, Sept. 14. Emily Jacobs gave Massabesic the only goal they'd need in the first quarter. She collected a pass from Kenzie Nason and potted the lone score of the first half. Charlie Anderson added an insurance goal in the third off a feed from Micaela Jacobs and Lydia Suhy posted her second shutout of the season. The Mustangs have outscored their opponents 12-3.

The Mustangs dropped visiting Thornton Academy 5-2 on Sept. 11. Micaela Jacobs gave

Massabesic a lead they'd never relinquish, taking a pass from Mary Duffy and scoring with 2:25 left in the first quarter. Emily Jacobs scored unassisted early in the second, but Faith Tillotson closed with a late goal for Thornton Academy to make it 2-1 before the first half closed. Emily Jacobs pushed the Mustangs ahead 3-1 just before the third closed and Charlie Anderson scored at the 8:46 mark of the fourth to move Massabesic ahead 4-1. Anderson dumped in another goal to close out the scoring and Lydia Suhy made nine saves.

Massabesic got goals from Sydney DeSimone and Charlie Anderson to help pace a 2-0 win over host Windham on Sept. 8. Lydia Suhy had six saves in the Mustangs' second contest of the season.

FOOTBALL

Mustangs fall to Red Riots

Massabesic's varsity football team dropped their second game of the season to South Portland 26-0, on Friday, Sept. 10 at home. The Mustangs ran the ball well at times, picking up 167 yards on the ground. Quarterback Collin Scully ran for 101 yards before leaving the game late with an undis-

closed injury. Ethan Masse, who took over for Scully, rushed for 20 yards and threw for 25 more. Austin Scribner picked up 24 yards on the ground and fullback Sean Wakefield added 23. Wakefield was a monster on defense too with 10 tackles, two for a loss of yardage. Jack Carroll had five tackles

and Jared Breton had three and a half. Preston Steeves had a nice 22-yard catch and run, and on defense he added a QB hurry, plus two tackles.

The Mustangs visit Deering on Friday, Sept. 17.

-By Michael DeAngelis
Sports Editor

CROSS COUNTRY

XC men third

Luke Cloutier was third and Ian Sampson was sixth at a four-team cross country meet held Friday, Sept. 10 in Alfred at Massabesic's home course. Adam Bendetson of Scarborough was first with a 17:57.80 and Scot Andrew Sirois was next with an 18-flat. Cloutier crossed in 18:10,

part of a group of just 12 (along with Sampson) that posted a time under 20 minutes on the hilly and rugged course that the Mustangs call home. Bonny Eagle won the team event with 37 points and Scarborough finished with 45. The Mustangs took the tie-breaker over Westbrook for third place with 71 points.



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NOTICES

INVITATION TO BID TOWN OF LYMAN PAVING

The Town of Lyman is accepting proposals for paving.

Bid sheets and further information can be obtained at the Selectmen's Office or on the Town website www.lyman-me.gov.

Bids will be opened at the Selectmen's Meeting on **October 4, 2021 at 6:00 PM**.

The Town of Lyman reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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Obituaries

Bea Ramsell

It was with great sorrow, we said good-bye to our beautiful, loving Mom; Bea Ramsell on Saturday Aug. 21, 2021. Mom was surrounded by family as she moved on to her next chapter.



Bea Ramsell

Mom was born in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire on Sept. 27, 1931. She moved a lot during her early years due to her dad's employment as a woodsman. Her parents Ruby (Elliott) and Walter Chellis moved to Newfield and created a home there with her dad's parents.

During the fire of 1947, the family was uprooted when their beautiful family home was destroyed.

Mom was never one to complain and always took a positive approach to any hardship and helped create a new home with her

family.

During Mom's first marriage, she moved to Boston during the early 1950's, she often shared stories about how different Boston was from her beloved hometown of Newfield.

Mom's first marriage was blessed with two children: Richard Hurst and Sandra Hurst Conklin.

In 1955, Mom married George Ramsell and this loving union was blessed with two additional children: Hazel Ramsell VanGaasbuk and Frank Ramsell.

Mom always dreamed of having two boys and two girls and was so happy to have these precious gifts in her life.

Our family moved to Waterboro in 1961 where Mom created a wonderful loving home for us all.

The door was always open for our friends, and Mom became a second mother to many; she prepared food if they were hungry, provided love and support when needed.

Our mother was always quick with a smile and a loving uplifting message when you needed it most.

After George passed away in 1974, Mom had many careers. The

one she loved the most was caring for children in her home creating many wonderful relationships along the way.

Mom accomplished a major goal when she returned to Sanford High School to earn her diploma.

We proudly attended her graduation, just as she had attended all of ours.

Mom obtained her driver's license and purchased her first car.

Mom traveled to see her children no matter the distance; she loved being close to her children and family.

Mom loved her home and community in Waterboro. She always looked forward to returning when she did spend time away.

Mom never met a child or animal she did not love. Her love of animals led to volunteering at Last Chance Rescue for several years. She rescued many dogs and cats, providing them with a safe and loving home.

Mom loved all her children and was blessed with five grandchildren: nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Mom was always ready for an adventure and enjoyed her weekly trips for lunch and shopping, always on the hunt for her next teapot. Mom never saw a teapot she did not love and as a result collected them wherever we went.

One of her favorite shopping spots was Threads of Hope in Sanford. She loved interacting with all the friendly staff which always chatted with her, often leaving with new books and of course a teapot or two.

Mom was the most positive, upbeat loving person you could meet; she faced many hardships during her life and managed to overcome them with sheer determination and grace.

Mom is lovingly survived by daughters Sandra (Buster) Conklin of Oak Harbor WA, and daughter Donna Christina; Hazel VanGaasbeek and her husband Len of Hollis, and their children Andrea MacAlpine and Matt VanGaasbeek; son Frank Ramsell and wife Tracey of Springfield, MA,

and their son Darryl; daughter-in-law Sue Hurst of Acton; many loving great grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Mom was predeceased by her first husband John Hurst and second husband George Ramsell; son Richard Hurst; first grandson Michael Conklin and granddaughter Tabitha Stoddard.

Mom's granddaughters Tabitha and Andrea (MacAlpine) shared a special bond with their Grammy; her home was filled with books, both recall sharing many "Grammy adventures" while spending time during their request's visits. When Tabitha was ill Grammy lovingly helped with her daily needs to ease her journey with cancer, this is a testament on how strong, kind, and generous our mom was with those she cherished.

Our Mom loved deeply and taught her family many valuable lessons that continue to help us navigate through life. We will miss her forever.

Bea's family request in lieu of flowers, to consider donating in her name to Hospice of Southern Maine, who provided outstanding care to her during the last year of her life.

Another Chance Rescue in Sanford was also a non-profit that she held close to her heart.

A private memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 18 at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak St., in Alfred. Friends may visit with Bea's family from 2 to 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

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

Edward (Eddie) Walter LaCourse Jr.

Edward (Eddie) Walter LaCourse Jr., age 35, reunited with his beloved creator on Aug. 25, 2021.



Edward Walter LaCourse Jr.

He came into this world on May 27, 1986, the son to Edward and Grace (Eveleth) LaCourse.

He gently slipped from this world in his sleep after expressing his love to those closest to him.

He graduated from Massabesic high school in 2005. He actively participated in Special Olympics and ROTC.

He will be remembered most for his unwavering and continued love of God, along with his contagious smile. Those who knew him best recognized divinity in his unselfish behavior and willingness to forgive.

He enjoyed all things related to art and creativity. He enjoyed playing the guitar and other musical instruments, always reminding others that he would someday get the band together. That time has finally come for Eddie as he is now pulling on our heart strings from heaven.

His example of love has left an indelible mark on many souls.

He leaves behind his dad, Edward and his mom, Grace, along with eight siblings and 15 nieces and nephews.

A contribution that Eddie would have appreciated most would be that we share our love with each other, thus following his lead.

TOWN OF HOLLIS PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hollis Select Board will hold a **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING** **Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2021 at 7:15PM** **Hollis Community Building** **35 Town Farm Road, Hollis, ME**

The Warrant can be reviewed on the Town's website www.hollismaine.org or at the Hollis Town Hall, 34 Town Farm Road, Hollis.

The Registrar of Voters will be open to register voters prior to the election on Tuesday, Thursday & 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 at the polls to correct any errors, correct a name or address on the voting list and to accept registrations of eligible persons and accept new enrollment.

Posted by the Hollis Select Board

TOWN OF HOLLIS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Shoreland Zoning Application
315 East Old Alfred Road
Map 3 Lot 1

The Hollis Planning Board has received an application for a Shoreland Zoning Permit from John and Sally McGarry to remove the existing building at 315 East Old Alfred Road and replace it with a new single-family residence.

On **Wednesday 22 September 2021, at 6:00 PM**, the Hollis Planning Board has scheduled a site visit at this location. All Hollis residents are welcome to attend.

On **Wednesday 22 September 2021, at 7:00 PM**, there will be a public hearing regarding this application during the regular Planning Board meeting at the Hollis Community Building. All Hollis residents are welcome to attend.

For further information, or if you would like to submit comments to the Board regarding this project, please mail to: Hollis Planning Board, 34 Town Farm Road, Hollis ME 04042, or email to: planningboard@hollismaine.org.

- Paul Mattor, Chair - Hollis Planning Board

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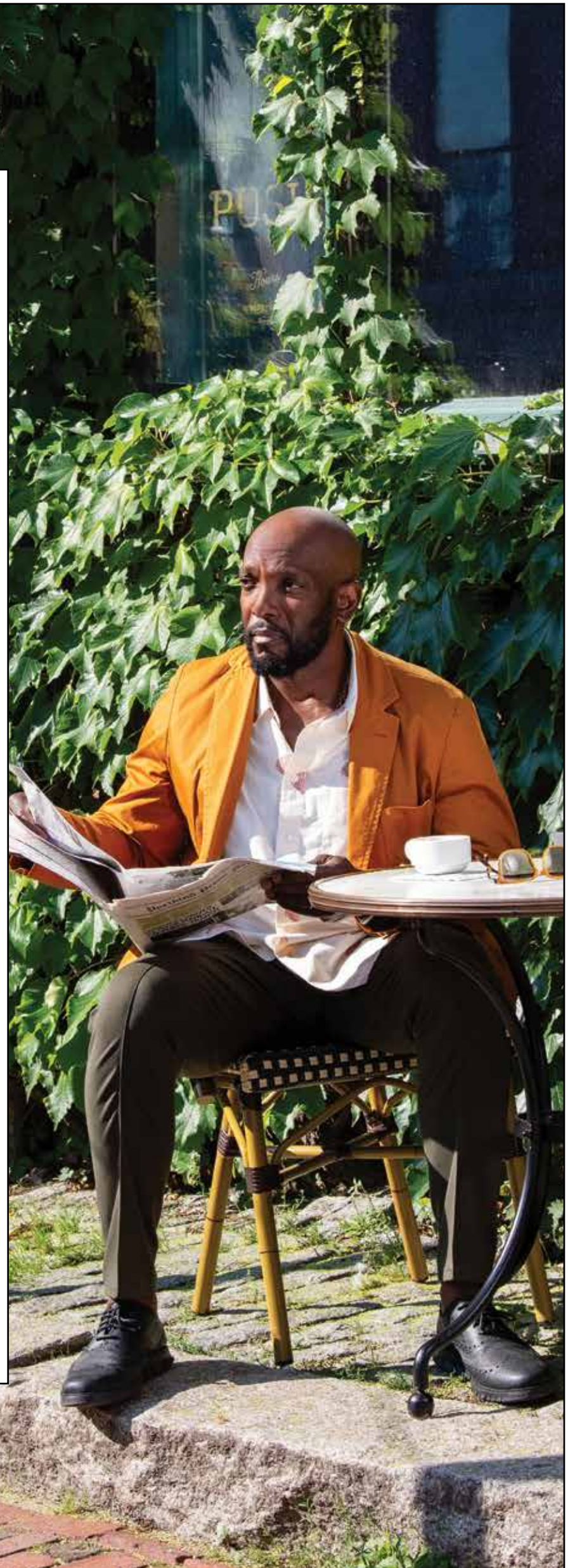
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