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Owners of The Solomon Family Farm, from left, Jason Solomon, with his parents, Millard and Linda Solomon, who recently celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary. COURTESY PHOTO

Apple season at Solomon's farm

BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

You may remember hearing about The Solomon Family Farm years ago. In 1984, Linda and Millard Solomon purchased a farm on North Road (Route 160) in Cornish and sold turkey, chicken, beef and various meats. Maybe you remember Grumpy Grampy's hotdog cart? Well, their son Jason had the opportunity to purchase the 11-acre apple orchard next door, formerly known as Pulsifer's. The closing was June 1, 2025. "On that day, a cardinal and a blue jay flew by," said Solomon. "It was meant to be."

Solomon retired from the York County Sheriff's Office in January of 2026. The orchard had been here on the hill for over 50 years, but had been dormant

for some time now. In March, "I started the process of cleaning up the orchard," Solomon said. "There are 2,000 trees," he continued. "Pruning needed to be done." Solomon reported that the bittersweet vines were rampant.

Opening day of the orchard was Sept. 5. "In six months, I was able to get the orchard to where it's at right now with help from a lot of people," Solomon said. Kids he knew when he worked in RSU57 stopped by, and offered their help, volunteering to do what was needed. "It's just been neighbors, coming together," Solomon said. Wood was donated to build the ramp to the stand to make it ADA accessible. Steven Solomon, "Uncle Bear" helped with the build and other things

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Craig Normand, Sanford's new Facilities Director. COURTESY PHOTO

Normand is Sanford's new Facilities Director

The City of Sanford has announced Craig Normand as their new Facilities Director. Normand brings more than 25 years of electrical, technical, and facilities experience to the role. A licensed Master Electrician, Normand has owned and operated Normand Electric since 2012 and has extensive experience managing projects, facilities, employees, and contractors, along with electrical, mechanical, security, and fire alarm systems. Normand Electric has provided electrical services to the City for many years, giving Craig familiarity with it's facilities and staff.

Alfred Shaker Hill Apple Festival

A celebration of community, history and all things apple

BY JOANNE BARGIONI

The long-awaited Alfred Shaker Hill Apple Festival, held on Shaker Hill Road on Sept. 19-20, attracted hundreds of visitors from Alfred and beyond. Organized by the Friends of the Alfred Shaker Museum, the festival marked the culmination of a full year of planning, resulting in a lively, family-friendly weekend that blended fall, fun, apples and local history.

The festival grounds were filled with the sights and sounds of an autumn celebration. Children enjoyed pony rides, face-painting, and a petting zoo, while families browsed yard sales and explored a variety of local vendors. Music drifted across the property, food trucks served seasonal favorites, and a silent auction raised funds to support the Alfred Shaker Museum, located at 118 Shaker Hill Road.

And of course, there were all things apple, from baked goods and pies to fresh fruit; the festival honored the harvest season in true Shaker Hill fashion.

The Shop on Shaker Hill and Museum were open throughout the weekend, offering visitors a chance to explore Shaker craftsmanship, artifacts, and local heritage. Upstairs in the museum, a local historian welcomed guests into the library and helped them learn more about the Shakers who once lived and worked on this historic hill.

Who were the Shakers? The Shakers were a Christian religious community known for their devotion to communal living, celibacy, equality between men and women, and exceptional craftsmanship in furniture making and agriculture. They settled in Alfred in 1793, establishing what would become one of the largest and longest-lasting Shaker communities in the country, thriving for over 140 years on the Shaker Hill Road site as documented in local history.

Every Shaker village used a distinctive building color, according to the National Park Service. In Alfred, that color was red for agricultural buildings, barns,

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Brandy Pattee of the Friends of the Alfred Shaker Museum (FASM) volunteering at the silent auction during the Apple Festival. PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

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



Community CALENDAR

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

COMING EVENTS

LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE at Bonney Memorial Library, 36 Main Street, Cornish on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Honor Roll Plaque Presentation at 11 a.m. Come see the vast additions and improvements to technology, furnishings, accessibility, etc. as a result of several successful grants. Our Children's Room is a show stopper! Scavenger hunt, door prizes, refreshments. All are welcome.

HARVEST FAIR Saturday, Sept. 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Arts Center at 8 Hancock in Hiram Village, sponsored by the The Hiram Cultural Center. This exciting event is a new twist on the Autumn Artisan Craft Fair, with the same quality of artisan wares with seasonal activities to really put you in the mood for fall. Plan to be in Hiram for lunch because the famous soups and other delicious offerings won't last all day!

WALK WITH A FORESTER on Sept. 30 at 5 p.m. at the Sid Emery Demo Forest on Brock Road in Lyman. This is your chance to

learn how to manage your woodlot, learn about programs that can assist your goals to improve your forest for wildlife and birds, get information on threats to our forests from invasives, and learn a little tree ID. The walk is easy and offers a chance for you to get your questions answered. Email melissabrandt@yorkswcd.org FMI or to register.

FAMILY STORYTIME Saturday, Oct. 3 at 11 a.m. for children ages 1-4 and their caregivers. Thirty minutes of themed stories, rhymes, and songs, followed by a small related craft. Lyman Community Library, 10 John Street. FMI: 207-499-7114.

AUTHOR TALK The Bonney Memorial Library is bringing Maine author, Monica Wood, to Cornish on Sunday, Oct. 4 at 3 p.m. for a book talk and signing. Don't miss your chance to meet this beloved local author of *When We Were The Kennedys*, a memoir of growing up in Mexico, Maine; *How to Read a Book*, an "unsparingly honest and profoundly hopeful" book set in Portland and so many others. Registration is free,

required and limited. Reserve your seat at: <https://bit.ly/4doSOsD> FMI (207) 625-8083, Facebook or bonneylib.org.

OCTOBERFEST BOOK & BAKE SALE Sunday, Oct. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thousands of items, priced to move. Stock up for winter. Also holding a free **SHARPIE TIE-DYE** event—who knew you could make tie-dye shirts without making a huge mess? Supplies available but limited, feel free to bring your own t-shirt if you need a specific size. Raindate: Oct. 25. Lyman Community Library, 10 John Street. FMI: 207-499-7114. Also holding a 50/50 RAFFLE and SILENT AUCTION that day. Outside will be Lyman Parks & Recreation's **2ND ANNUAL OCTOBERFEST** with handmade goods and crafts for sale, Local organizations to learn about, Good food, live entertainment, and more!

GRAHAMTASTIC 5K WALK/RUN, WAG & CELEBRATE Sunday, Oct. 18 hit the beautiful Mousam Way Trail for a morning of walking, running, and tail-wagging alongside your furry

friend! Come for the cause, and stay for the community spirit, live music by Rob Butler with a BBQ following the race courtesy of Patco Construction. Nasson Parking Lot, 457 Main Street, Springvale. **PAWS-OME VICTORY BASKET (\$500 VALUE)** The race's top dog winner will take home an exclusive award bundle packed with gourmet treats and stylish accessories. This incredible prize is generously provided by Wagerstown (1517 Post Road, Wells, Maine). Register at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/Register/?raceId=97118>.

LET'S EAT!

DELICIOUS HADDOCK SUPPER BUFFET Saturday, Sept. 26 at 5 p.m. at Living Waters Church, Parker Farm Road, Buxton. Suggested donation: \$12 Adult, \$5 Child, \$24 Family.

BAKED BEAN & CHOP SUEY SUPPERS The First Congregational Church monthly baked bean & American chop suey supper the last Saturday of each month from April to September (next on Sept. 26) from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the church, 141 North St., Kennebunkport. 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, \$5 per child under 12.

The Acton-Shapleigh Lion's Club **MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST** the first Saturday of

every month (Next on Oct. 3). \$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.

PUBLIC BEAN SUPPER at St. Thomas School, 69 North Avenue in Sanford on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Price is \$12 per adult, \$8 for children 6-12, and children 5 and under are free. Menu: Baked pea and kidney beans, American chop suey, cole slaw, hot dogs, ham slices, rolls, coffee, water, lemonade and dessert. New this year Bosco Sticks for kids! FMI contact Ray at (207) 324-7589.

BEAN SUPPER Massabesic Lions monthly dine-in or take-out the 2nd Saturday of the month (next on Oct. 10), 4 to 6 p.m. at the Lions Regional Medical Center, 813 Main St. Waterboro. Adults \$15. Children 6 to 12 are \$8, kids 5 and under are free. Pint of chop suey for \$8. Kidney and navy beans, chop suey, ham slices, red hot dogs, coleslaw, "our homemade" biscuits and dessert.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER Public Welcome at the Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church, 503 Goodwins Mills Road on Route 35 from 4:30-6 p.m. OCT. 17: Beans and Franks, Cole Slaw/Macaroni Salad, Rolls & Chocolate Chip Cookies. NOV. 21: Chicken/Turkey Casserole, Mashed Squash, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls & Pies.

WEEKLY SPECIALS

- LUNCH SPECIALS READY IN THE WARMER BY 11 AM
- DINNER SPECIALS READY IN THE WARMER BY 4 PM

	MONDAY
LUNCH - AMERICAN CHOP SUEY	\$8.00
BBQ RIBS WITH WHITE RICE	\$8.00
SOUP - CHILI	\$6.50
DINNER- TACO MAC & CHEESE	\$9.00

	TUESDAY
LUNCH - SHEPHERD'S PIE	\$9.00
DINNER-CHICKEN MARSALA	\$10.00

	WEDNESDAY
LUNCH-BBQ TOPPED MEATLOAF DINNER SERVED W/ CORN & MASHED POTATOES	\$9.00
DINNER - GLAZED HAM DINNER W/ STARCH & VEG	\$10.00

	THURSDAY
LUNCH - TRADITIONAL LASAGNA & CHICKEN SPINACH ALFREDO LASAGNA	\$9.00
DINNER- SWEDISH MEATBALLS OVER EGG NOODLES	\$9.00

	FRIDAY
LUNCH - BBQ PULLED PORK SANDWICH	\$6.25
MAC & CHEESE	\$6.00
DINNER- BURRITO BOWL	\$9.00

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York County Soil and Water Conservation District (YCSWD) is seeking local residents who would be interested in joining our volunteer Board of Supervisors.

If you live in York County and have an interest in conservation, we would like to talk with you! YCSWD is part of a national network. Maine has 16 local districts. We have a long history (over 75 years) of providing service to our community. Some of our primary areas of interest are soil erosion control, dealing with invasive species (land and water), sustainable farming and forestry practices, protecting wildlife, providing technical assistance (either individually or in groups) and strengthening our conservation community.

Board members help identify and prioritize local conservation needs, assist in the promotion of community programs, and assist in the creation of the District's annual operating plans. Our Board oversees the work of the District as a team with our staff. Must be a York County resident.

TIME COMMITMENT: Board meets monthly usually for 1 to 2 hours, in person attendance is preferred, but an online option is available. Our meetings are informal and open to everyone. Participation in sponsored activities such as trainings and field days is encouraged.

Interested in conservation of land and water?
Please come and join us!

Contact melissabrandt@yorkswcd.org FMI.

FROM THE YORK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

County urges ‘yes’ vote to abolish elected treasurer position

With a professional finance director, finance manager, a skilled finance staff of four and an “A” grade from auditors, York County Commissioners are asking voters Nov. 3 to abolish the part-time elected treasurer position and appoint a treasurer, instead.

In York County, the elected treasurer post serves little purpose, county officials say, and the state statute governing the position requires no financial qualifications – in fact, the statute states only one requirement: that the person elected be a county resident.

The question on the Nov. 3 ballot asks “Shall the position of elected County Treasurer be abolished and replaced with a Treasurer appointed by the County Commissioners?”

Maine statutes state that an appointed treasurer, “must be qualified in the matters of business administration and finance.”

Commissioners who spoke about the elected treasurer position at a Sept. 16 regular meeting say in today’s world, skilled, financially trained and adept personnel are needed – and are indeed in place.

“Our (annual) budget is north of \$25 million, we need professional expertise to manage that amount of money,” said York County Commissioner Richard Clark. He pointed out the that the part-time elected treasurer position “doesn’t speak to ... efficiency, skills, financial management or understanding of budgets.”

York County Commissioners voted nearly 20 years ago to place finance operations in the hands of a professional finance director and staff, with investment decisions made in consultation with the board and county management. That decision came in the aftermath of the discovery in late 2006 and early 2007 of a \$1.2 million fund balance deficit, due, those in county government at the time recall, to accounting errors and a lack of timely audits. The elected board of York County Commissioners and an ad-hoc committee set about to right the ship – and they did.

York County Commission Chair Richard Dutremble is re-

tired from his professional life, where he worked as a financial cost analyst and managed budgets in the \$100 million range in private industry, and later served as a comptroller in municipal government.

“In 2007, the county was basically bankrupt,” said Dutremble, who had joined the board of commissioners in mid-2006, just months before the financial condition of the county was discovered. He recalled that hiring a finance professional was one of the first tasks the board undertook to get back on track.

“We took the bull by the horns and set up a finance director position,” he recalled of that time. “The (elected) treasurer’s position was obsolete.”

Fast forward to early 2026, when Dutremble pronounced that York County’s finances are “in the best shape they’ve been in 20 years.”

“I’m proud of where we started and where we are now,” said Dutremble. “You can’t drop the ball. Every time you do a budget you have to make sure you’re right on top of it, and that it’s a reasonable one, and that the revenues and expenses are what they should be.”

A report from the auditing firm RHR Smith & Company bears that out. The firm undertakes three audits annually for the County of York – the financial statement audit and one each for federal and state compliance, because the county receives funds from both entities.

“If we found problems, if we found error.....we’d be required to report that to you in a separate letter and modify our report,” RHR Smith & Company Managing Partner Ron Smith told commissioners during an August presentation. “None of that happened in the County of York.”

Smith noted that York County received the firm’s highest opinion – an “A” grade.

County leaders have been contemplating abolishing the elected treasurer position for some time. In 2015, several years after establishing the finance office, commissioners voted to reduce the salary of the elected part-time treasurer position to \$500 annually, starting in 2018. Also in 2018, they voted to put the treasurer question to the voters, but the referendum to abolish the position failed to pass.

At the time, some voters indicated they believed an elected treasurer provided “an extra set of eyes,” on the county’s finances.

“Is it really an extra set of eyes?” County Manager Greg Zinser asked, pointing out the statute’s sole required qualification of residence for the elected treasurer position, and today’s complexities of finance management, grant administration and other like matters. “And just as important, the county has developed the finance

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Healthcare Access

My name is David Mongeau. I am the unenrolled candidate for District 141 in the Maine State Legislature covering Springvale, Shapleigh, and Newfield. Last week I talked about changes I would propose in the healthcare market. In Maine to increase access to care. This week in the Springvale News, I wrote an article talking about the need to create competition in our healthcare market at the provider level. Please check it out.

Here I would like to explain three reasons why I am choosing to support this route as opposed to the insurance plan being supported by the Democrats.



2. Unrealistic Assumptions

The assumptions that have been modeled into this solution do not make sense. The problem we have in Maine is that insurance companies left the market because it was small and unprofitable. This new plan assumes that the insurance that are profit-making concerns will return to the market where they did not make money, and somehow the price of the services they pay for goes down enough for them to make money. There is no ghost in the machine that is going to help prices go down without more capacity.

3. Federal Approval

The third reason is that it is not going to happen. Not soon anyway. Any Insurance scheme that uses federal funds (like the ones proposed under the 1332 waiver being touted here) must be approved by the federal government. The three that have been approved happened between 2021, and 2023 (During Biden’s administration). This administration has approved no plans like this. (Not Iowa, not Massachusetts, or Idaho., not California, not Oklahoma, not Vermont...).

The only thing pursuing this strategy now is going to do, is create a platform for some politicians to grandstand for higher office, as they rail against the administration.

Maine does not have that kind of time. We need action on healthcare now.

There is only so much you can get from reading. If you would like to meet me or ask me questions in person I have 3 meet the candidates nights coming up.

1. Competition for Services

It is true that the insurance market is consolidated in Maine. Like in the Provider market there is one market-share Gorilla Anthem, with over half the business, and a few companies with pieces of market share. But the markets are different. The Insurance market does not include Mainecare, and Federally regulated Medicare.

- Think about how insurance works. You go to the doctor and the company pays out. If the cost of medical care keep going up then the cost of insurance keeps going up.
- Think about how Mainecare works. You go to the doctor and the State pays out. If the cost of medical care keeps going up then the costs to the State keep going up.

The State, and Medicare account for 50% of healthcare sales. Insurance companies most of the remainder. This means they are competing consumers of healthcare services. Right now you have a virtual monopoly in the healthcare provider markets across the State. Unless you expand the capacity for being able to provide medical service, the costs for both the State and the Insurance companies and their customers will continue to rise.

The idea that having a third insurance option will lower prices is like telling me you are going to kick your gambling habit because now you pay your bookie with Venmo. The underlying addiction, in the case of Maine, to a monopoly, is still the problem.

PLEASE JOIN ME AT ONE OF MY MEET AND GREETs

- **Tuesday, September 29, 5-8 PM**
SPRINGVALE SOCIAL CLUB
22 Bridge Street, Springvale
- **Wednesday, September 30, 5-8 PM**
SHAPLEIGH COMMUNITY BUILDING
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LETTERS

Support for King

My name is Phil Finemore, and I live in Hollis with my family. I am voting for Bill King this fall and would like to explain why. He has been the sheriff for three terms and the sheriff's office has flourished under his leadership. For example, The York County Sheriff's Office is the first county law enforcement agency to receive accreditation by the Maine Law Enforcement Accreditation program. This shows that the Sheriff's Office has current policies and procedures and subscribes to only the best practices in the law enforcement field. This clearly demonstrates the professionalism of the entire department.

I also learned that the York County Jail received a perfect score (100%) during its last state inspection. Achieving a perfect score is very rare. It is clear to me that the sheriff's office is being run professionally and Sheriff King is doing an outstanding job.

It makes no sense not to keep this professional law enforcement manager, who is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and the National Sheriffs Institution. He has authored numerous law enforcement articles in professional law enforcement journals and has traveled internationally in efforts to stop Americans from being victimized by scammers.

Not reelecting Sheriff Bill King simply does not make sense. I urge everybody to please join me and vote to reelect Sheriff Bill King this fall.

– Phil Finemore
Hollis

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no political letters published on Oct. 29, the issue prior to the Nov. 3 election. Political letters run as space allows. The opinions expressed on these pages are not necessarily those of the Reporter or its contributors.

Support for Tilburg

Charles Tilburg is running for the Maine House of Representatives, District 137, representing parts of Buxton and Hollis.

What can be achieved with an honest and transparent approach? He supports public education from pre-school through post High School so that our children will become successful members of society in Maine's future. He supports older residents as they try to pay rent or mortgages, manage healthcare issues and have enough food on their tables. What about climate change and energy solutions for the future?

He is meeting and listening to many of his neighbors as he has knocked on 1700+ doors. He plans to reach 2100 before the November election.

He will seek solutions in a scientific, non-partisan approach.

I am voting for Charles Tilburg and I hope you do the same. Vote on Nov. 3, 2026 or earlier on absentee ballot!

– Ellen H. DeCotiis
Buxton

APPLE FARM

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around the farm. RSD Graphics in Waterboro made all their signs. You'll find Gabby and Emma Solomon working in the stand. Solomon also mentioned his grandkids, Reni, Emilio and Ari.

In the stand, there are some pre-picked bags of apples in the cooler, as well as apple cider (Solomon Family Farm apples, pressed by Giles using a UV light method), Apple Cider Slushies, raw milk from Highland Farms, cane sugar glass bottle Cokes and bottles of water. They also have Richard's raw honey for sale. "Richard put his hives at the farm this spring, and now we get to enjoy the honey his bees made right here," said Solomon.

Apples are \$1.50 per pound, pick-your-own. Various sized bags are available or you can bring your own bag.

On opening weekend, musician Keith Bowen was set up on the deck, singing and playing guitar while folks walked around the orchard. The Food Truck "Licensed to Grill" was also available for folks to buy snacks/lunch. Owners John and Heather Mayo commented on the work they've seen, the transformation of the orchard. "Jay has done an amazing job," Heather said. Solomon could be found by the stand, greeting people here and there. We overheard one customer say, "The orchard looks so good, amazing."

Solomon Family Farm is located at 1903 North Road (Route 160) in Cornish. The entrance is NOT the old Pulsifer's entrance – go a little further down the road. You can't miss the apple stand on top of the hill. They are open Friday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., but if you are looking to pick up some cider, or just stop by and say hi, Solomon Family Farm welcomes you.

Check their Facebook page for updates or text 207-432-5027 for private picking or questions. Currently McIntosh, Cortlands, Jonagolds and Mcouns are ready for picking.

They will be open through October, as more varieties ripen and are ready to pick.

Oh, and they have some pumpkins, too!

TREASURER

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director approach."

The current treasurer is Democrat Stacy Kilroy, who was appointed to the position in May 2024 by Gov. Janet Mills upon the resignation of the prior elected treasurer, Bobby Mills. Kilroy is not seeking re-election, and her term expires Dec. 31.

As well as the referendum to abolish the elected treasurer position, voters will also receive a ballot to elect a treasurer; Mills, also a Democrat, threw his hat in the ring and is the sole candidate for the post in the Nov. 3 election.

State election officials have noted that according to statute, if the county referendum to abolish the elected treasurer position is approved, the treasurer election itself would be rendered moot.

"Our interpretation of (the statute) is that if both the question and the office are on the ballot in November, and the voters vote to abolish the position, whoever is

elected treasurer would have no office to serve in," Deputy Secretary of State Julie Flynn wrote in an email.

York County is among three Maine counties looking to abolish the elected treasurer position Nov. 3. Franklin and Washington counties also have the question on the ballot. Currently, Cumberland, Androscoggin and Knox counties appoint treasurers.

If York County voters approve the referendum, York County Commissioners would appoint an individual to fill the treasurer role – that could be someone within the county administration like the manager, the finance director, or another individual.

"It seems like our county has outgrown the need for the (elected) treasurer's position," said Commissioner Robert Andrews. "It's an unnecessary position at this time, and in our best interest to streamline and eliminate that position."

– By Tammy Wells,
York County Government media

Thank you for reading!

TOWN OF ALFRED

PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, September 29, 2026 at 4:05 pm

Pursuant to Title 22 MRSA § 4305 the Municipal Officers of the Town of Alfred, Maine, will meet at the Alfred Town Hall on Tuesday, September 29, 2026 at 4:05 p.m. for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing to adopt the 2026 **General Assistance Ordinance with appendices, in its entirety**. A copy of the proposed ordinance can be viewed at the Alfred Town Hall during regular business hours or on the Alfred website at: <https://www.alfredme.gov>.

– Board of Selectmen, Town of Alfred

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TOWN OF HOLLIS

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Hollis Select Board is holding a PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at 6 PM

Hollis Meeting Room

34 Town Farm Road, Hollis, ME 04042

To review a cannabis business license renewal application for a **Medical Cannabis Cultivation Facility** submitted by **Eric Haberski - Hidden Greens, 62 Hollis Road, Hollis, ME, 04042**.

The public is welcome to attend in person or virtually. Additional meeting information is available on our website calendar at www.hollismaine.org.

– Posted by the Hollis Select Board

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To review and adopt the **General Assistance Ordinance** dated September 2026 and **General Assistance Appendices A-H**, which are in effect from Oct. 1, 2026, to Sept. 30, 2027.

The proposed ordinance and appendices will be available at the hearing and on our website. The public is welcome to attend in person or virtually. Additional meeting information is available on our website calendar at www.hollismaine.org.

– Posted by the Hollis Select Board

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Glenda and Diana of 'Nana's Creations' at the Alfred Apple Festival on Sept. 19.
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APPLE FESTIVAL
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and workshops, a tradition reflected today in the red exterior of the Alfred Shaker Museum. The original Shaker property is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places, preserving its legacy for future generations. Upon entering the Alfred Shaker Museum, visitors see a striking mural by Sandra Howe depicting the original Alfred Shaker Village. The museum itself occupies the historic carriage house, which was moved from its original location to its current spot on the property. At its peak, the Alfred Shaker

Village spanned more than 300 acres and included more than 50 buildings. The land was later purchased by the Brothers of Christian Instruction, and today the Museum (formerly the Carriage House) houses religious artifacts, historic tools, local history collections, and the preserved Shaker heritage unique to Alfred. The museum welcomes visitors on Wednesday and Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m., offering a glimpse into the lives, work, and traditions of the Shakers who shaped the community. The Alfred Shaker Hill Apple Festival is more than a seasonal celebration. It honors the people who built and sustained

the Shaker community for generations. By blending fall festivities with historic appreciation, the event continues to honor the Shakers' legacy while bringing neighbors together in the spirit of community.

SPORTS

FOOTBALL
Klehn, 4TD, leads
Scots over Mustangs

Lucas Klehn threw two touchdown passes and he rushed for two more to help lift Bonny Eagle over host Massabesic, 27-14, on Friday, Sept. 18 in Waterboro. The Scots built a 21-6 lead at halftime, but Massabesic got a touchdown and a two-point conversion in the third to close the gap to 21-14. Bonny Eagle had the lone score in the fourth. Klehn had 117 yards rushing and 97 yards passing on eight completions. Drew Gervais had five catches for 69 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Bonny Eagle hosts 0-3 Scarborough next while Massabesic visits 0-3 Sanford.

Knights stomp
Spartans

Noble moved its record to 2-1 with 48-8 win over visiting Sanford on Friday, Sept. 18. Mark LaPointe threw two touchdown passes and Tristan Miniutti added two rushing touchdowns on 18 carries. Alec Hale caught a 51-yard touchdown pass from LaPointe. The Knights fell to Bonny Eagle in week two and they beat Dover to open the season. Noble visits 3-0 Marshwood next week.

VOLLEYBALL
Mustangs beat Rams
in tight thriller

Massabesic moved its record to 4-3 with a five-set win over visiting Kennebunk on Tuesday, Sept. 22. The lady Mustangs won the first set handily, 25-17. They followed with a tight 28-26 win in the second set. The Rams edged Massabesic 25-22 in the third set and they sent the match to a fifth and final set with another tight 25-23 win. The Mustangs pulled out the win, 15-13, in the last set. Ophelia Klausmeyer and Paige MacAlpine each had 14 kills for Massabesic. Everleigh Verdejo had four blocks. The win for the Mustangs halted a three-game losing streak after a 3-0 start.

Scots soar past Eagles

Bonny Eagle won its third straight, topping visiting Windham 3-1 on Tuesday, Sept. 15. The lady Scots won the first set 25-15 and they followed with a 25-13 second set win. The Eagles took the third set, but the Scots closed it out in the fourth (25-18). Bonny Eagle beat host Portland in straight sets and they started the streak with a 3-0 win over Cape Elizabeth back on Sept. 8.

— By Mike Deangelis
Sports Writer



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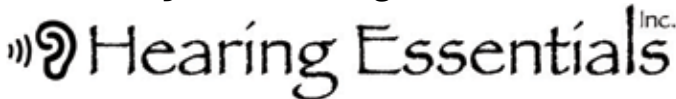
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Obituaries

Coleen Rae (Smith) Candelmo

Coleen Rae (Smith) Candelmo, age 77 of Limerick, wife of Edward, passed away peacefully at Gosnell Hospice House in Scarborough on Friday, Sept. 11, 2026, after a long, hard, courageous battle with liver disease.



Coleen was born on Nov. 7, 1948, in South Hiram, the only daughter of the late Charles H. Smith and Eva M (Durgin) Smith. She grew up in Porter and attended and graduated from Porter High School, class of 1967, where she was always proud to be Prom Queen.

She lived most her adult life in the Limington and Limerick area.

She spent her early adult years working at the Limerick Shoe Shop and then being a homemaker and taking care of her children, the house and many other children around town. She was always known to have the cleanest house around.

Some other adventures she did throughout her years were running a small restaurant in Limerick known as "Mammys", owned and operated a video store and food truck in Limington and spent many years providing Karaoke and DJ services all around at many functions. "Co-Ed Karaoke and DJ".

Some of her absolute favorite things in this world were seeing her grandchildren and great grandchildren, Halloween and Christmas decorating for days, shopping and redecorating her house (including moving the furniture), watching horror movies and driving in her convertible with the top down on a hot summer day. She was definitely Elvis Presley's #1 Fan

She is predeceased by her parents Charles and Eva Smith, brothers Chuck, Richard and Robert (unknown), her first born infant son, her ex-husband of 34 years and the father of her children, Keith and her current husband's children, son Eddie and daughter Christine.

She is survived by her husband of 22 years Edward Candelmo, her children Michelle Martell Day and husband Jeff, Briand Martell and his significant other

Angie and Cherie Martell Eastman and husband Tim. Grandchildren: Amanda, Danielle, Levi(Nick), Josh, Justin and Jonathan. Great-Grandchildren: Tiara, Jameson, Dawson, Jaylah, Briella and a new one on the way.

As well as, Ed's children Catherine and Philip Candelmo, grandchildren: Courtney, Nolan, Shawn, Hayley and Peyton and Great-Grandchildren: Arianna and Christopher.

At her request there will be no funeral, but rather a party in her honor on Sunday, Sept. 27 at 3 p.m. at the Old Limerick Town Hall, Main Street, Limerick.

Coleen's family extends a special thank you to her in-home caregivers and the staff at Maine Medical Center and Gosnell Hospice House.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Chad E. Poitras Cremation and Funeral Service, East Waterboro, www.mainefuneral.com.

Larry Keith Sanborn

Larry Keith "Hank" Sanborn, 66, of Alfred, passed away peacefully at 1:58 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2026, at MaineHealth Maine Medical Center in Biddeford. Throughout his journey with cancer, Larry displayed incredible strength, grace, and unwavering hope until the very end.



Larry Keith Sanborn

Born in Sanford, on Aug. 20, 1960, Larry was the son of the late Roger H. and Anita A. Sanborn. He attended Parsonsfield Elementary and attended Sacopee Valley High School. Larry was a hardworking and dedicated man. Larry spent 30 years as a foreman for George R. Roberts Co. and went on to work for 13 years as a flagger with Libby Scott Paving before retiring in 2026 due to declining health.

Larry "Hank" was a very loving, caring and simple man who enjoyed the outdoors and living

life to the fullest. Whether he was riding ATVs, snowmobiles, or his motorcycle, out hunting and fishing, or simply sitting by a roaring campfire listening to music, he was in his element. Larry spent many hours on his golf cart riding around and visiting friends. He was also a passionate racing fan who loved watching NASCAR and attending local races. Larry was a familiar face in the community and a member of both the Wolves Social Club of Sanford and the Eagles Club of Waterboro.

He is survived by his lifelong partner, Sylvie "Sophie" Quirion of Alfred; his daughter, Nicole Stone (Sanborn) and her husband Gary of Waterboro; and his two cherished grandsons, Tyler Stone and Brandon Stone, both of Waterboro.

He also leaves behind his brothers and sisters: Daniel Sanborn and his wife Jenny of Parsonsfield; Joanne Sprague and her husband Bob of Sanford; Richard Sanborn and his wife Kathy of Parsonsfield; Donna McDonald and her husband Rob-



Shapleigh Republicans at yard sign distribution from left, Marc Boisse, Kim Pomerleau, Cindy Normandeau and Sandy White. COURTESY PHOTO

Shapleigh Republicans hold weekend yard sign distribution

Marc Boisse (Maine State Rep), Kim Pomerleau (Maine State Senate), Cindy Normandeau (Shapleigh Republicans Chair), Sandy White (Shapleigh Republicans Treasurer), were at Shapleigh's Town Hall Parking Lot

on Saturday Sept. 19, where yard signs were handed out to those who stopped by and requested them. The Shapleigh Republicans have a few more signs for anyone who could not make it last Saturday. The signs will be available

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