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School at the pool

By SHELLEY BURBANK

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Students in Patrick Parent's Massabesic Middle School science classes conducted "sea trials" for an innovative SeaPerch science project Friday afternoon, Feb. 27 at the Massabesic Health Resources pool. Prior to the testing and with the help of Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (PNS) volunteers, seventh-grade students had created SeaPerch submarines out of PVC pipe and other basic engineering materials. The seventh-graders were also assisted by some eighth-graders who had participated in the SeaPerch program last year, Parent said, adding that the volunteers from PNS – Scott Samson, Lucinda Allen, Nathan Hall and Martha Bowman – are all local residents who work at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

SeaPerch is an underwater robotics program that utilizes low-cost parts and includes concepts in engineering, basic skills in ship



From left, Ethan Perreault, Adam Boissonneault and Tyler Roy testing their handmade submarines at the Massabesic Health Resources pool.

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and submarine design, teamwork, problem solving, and technological applications. According to the SeaPerch website, students also learn how to use tools and are exposed to engineering career opportunities. Sea Perch hosts re-

gional and national competitions for students called the SeaPerch Challenge. This year the national competition will take place in May at the University of Massachusetts in Dartmouth. Winning

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Girl Scout Troop 2282 of Dayton, along with Brownies and Daisies from Dayton, Arundel and Biddeford, recently visited the Goodwins Mills Fire Station to present the fire department with blankets made by the girls. The blankets are specifically made by children for children to help calm and make them feel better should they have to be treated in the ambulance. The girls received a tour of the fire station and got to see the inside of the ambulance and how a patient is taken care of by EMTs. The girls are shown here with their blankets along with Chief Roger Hooper.

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ELECTIONS & TOWN MEETINGS

NEWFIELD



New town office, town hall renovation funding on ballot

By SHELLEY BURBANK

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When Newfield residents mark their ballots on Saturday, March 14 for the annual town referendum and election, they will be asked to decide whether to raise and appropriate \$80,000 to go toward the building or purchase of a new town office.

They will also be asked to vote on raising and appropriating \$15,000 to go toward renovating the old town hall building on South Effingham Road and will be casting their ballots for candidates for the select board. Incumbent Wanda Neville is being challenged by Jim McLaughlin for the spot on the board.

A breakdown of the renovation needs for the town hall was shared with residents at the Feb. 17 select board meeting. Accord-

ing to minutes, the board stated that the money raised this year would allow the town to get back into the building, but there would be many more updates necessary to get the town hall into good condition.

In addition to tackling the issues of the town hall building, the current town office on Water Street is in need of repair, according to the select board. A "facts and figures" sheet compiled by the board lists estimated renovation costs for fixing the current town office. Some renovation costs are listed as unknown, and total costs are estimated to be above \$53,000 to fix the building.

On the same "facts and figures" sheet, a Realtor assessment estimated the resale value of the town office building to be between \$129,000 and \$139,000.

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LIMERICK

Brick town hall updates and new selectman up for decision

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Limerick's annual elections will be March 13, and running for office are Joanne Andrews and Howard Burnham for a three-year open seat on the board of selectmen. Funds for updating the Brick Town Hall building also will be decided at the annual town meeting on March 14.

Judy LePage is running unopposed for tax collector and town clerk; Laura May is running unopposed for treasurer; Denise Benton is running unopposed for the budget committee and there is a write-in spot for the budget committee; Wanda Johnson is running unopposed for library trustee; two write-in spots are available for the planning board.

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SHAPLEIGH

Shapleigh annual elections uncontested

Shapleigh residents will have an easy time at the polls at their annual municipal election on Friday, March 13, as all candidates are running unopposed. There are also several write-in seats available.

Mark R. Cobb is running for a three-year term as selectman.

Joanne Rankin is on the ballot for another three-year term as town clerk and tax collector. Karla Bergeron is once again hoping to serve three more years as RSU #57 director. For trustee of the Shapleigh Community Forest, Michael R. Roux, Sr. is asking

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SMHC BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Charlotte Rae Archer was born on Dec. 30, 2014 to Bronson Archer and Brianna Richardson of Biddeford. Maternal grandparents are Brian Richardson of Biddeford and David and Denise Cutler of Lyman. Paternal grandparents are Donald Archer of Boston, Mass., and Belinda Shapleigh of Biddeford.

Benjamin Stetson was born on Dec. 30, 2014 to Manny Stetson and Talisha Giguere of Saco. Maternal grandparents are Andy and Shelia Tufts of Saco and Donald and Cristal Giguere of Alfred. Paternal grandmother is Selina of Saco.

Aubree Heather Hasty was born on Jan. 10, 2015 to Kenneth Hasty and Candice Parker of Springvale. Maternal grandparents are Douglas J. Parker and Heather Hartley of East Waterboro. Paternal grand-

parents are Steve and Gail Hasty of Porter.

Mason Orion Kent was born on Jan. 12, 2015 to Michael Kent and Lori Ann Haskell of Waterboro. Maternal grandparents are James and Emily Haskell of Sweetwater, Tenn. Paternal grandparents are Brian and Lori Gagne of Waterboro.

Maxx Edward Lemay was born on Jan. 22, 2015 to Keith and Roxanne (Leach) Lemay of Shapleigh. Maternal grandparents are Loyd and John Leach of Lyman. Paternal grandparents are Donald and Rita Lemay of Shapleigh.

Eric James Brackett was born on Jan. 26, 2015 to Michael and Jessica (Ledoux) Brackett of Buxton. Maternal grandparents are Ralph and Lorraine Ledoux of Lyman. Paternal grandparents are Edward and Candy Brackett of

Buxton.

James Abel Ferguson was born on Jan. 26, 2015 to James Ferguson and Kara Barstow of Dayton. Maternal grandparents are Time and Gayle Barstow of Dayton. Paternal grandparents are Mark and Linda Ferguson of Lyman.

Harper Rose Marcotte was born on Jan. 27, 2015 to Nathan and Anna (Dupuis) Marcotte. Maternal grandparents are Jon and Ellen Dupuis of Saco. Paternal grandparents are Richard and Bernadette Marcotte of Lyman.

Kyle Stephen Johnson was born on Jan. 29, 2015 to Scott and Jill (Tulley) Johnson of Lyman. Maternal grandparents are Stephen and Roberta Tulley of Arundel. Paternal grandparents are John and Debra Surran of Saco and John Johnson of Lyman.

Alila Lucille Lague was born

on Jan. 29, 2015 to Jason and Donna (Stevenson) Lague. Maternal grandparents are Lee and Debbie Dunbar of Limerick, Maine.

Isaac Nicholas Jaques was born on Jan. 29, 2015 to Nicholas Jaques and Alexandra Escoto of Shapleigh. Maternal grandparents are Jennifer Escoto of Shapleigh and Al Escoto of South Berwick. Paternal grandparents are Ron and Lori Jaques of Sanford.

Oliver Craig DeRoche was born on Feb. 1, 2015 to Alexander ReRoche and Bethanie Currier of Limerick. Maternal grandparents are Scott and Staci Earl of Pinellas Park, Florida and Matthew and Kira Greenleaf of North Waterboro. Paternal grandparents are Craig and Sara DeRoche of Limerick.

Arabella Faye Lemont was born on Feb. 1, 2015 to Shawn and Amanda (Langley) Lemont of

Shapleigh. Maternal grandparents are Chris and Bobbie Langley of Oxford. Paternal grandparents are Don Lemont and Colleen Berry of Maine.

Maddison Michelle Vanasse was born on Feb. 1, 2015 to Ryan and Kurstyn (Smalley) Vanasse of Waterboro. Maternal grandparents are David Vanasse of Alfred and Joanne Vanasse of Lyman. Paternal grandparents are Fred Smalley of Alfred and Sheila Thain (deceased) of Waterboro.

Sophia Grace Shuman was born on Feb. 2, 2015 to Jacob Shuman and Kirsten Gaddas of Sanford. Maternal grandparents are Lewis Gaddas and Terressa Delisle of Limerick. Paternal grandparents are Steve and Dot Shuman of Sanford.

Isabella Guadalupe Pia Houde was born on Feb. 8, 2015 to Joshua and Pamela (Sifuentes Sainz) Houde of Lyman. Maternal grandparents are Fernando and Alanis Sifuentes and Maria Guadalupe Sainz Espinosa of Saltillo, Mexico. Paternal grandparents are Keith Alan and Mary Louise Houde of Ave Maria, Florida.

Makenzie Ann-Marie Moreau was born on Feb. 9, 2015 to Joseph Moreau and Erica Sargent of Parsonsfield. Maternal grandparent is Duane Sargent of Malden, Massachusetts. Paternal grandparents are Roger and Jennie Moreau of Parsonsfield.

Oliver William Goodrich was born on Feb. 11, 2015 to Brandon and Lindsey (Sanborn) Goodrich of Saco. Maternal grandparents are Jeffrey and Catherine Sanborn of North Waterboro. Paternal grandparents are Craig and Denise Bailey of Waterboro.

Emilee Katherine Peterson was born on Feb. 17, 2015 to Matthew Petersen and Brenda Brooks of Limington. Maternal grandparents are Wallace and Judy Bernard of Shapleigh. Paternal grandparents are Cathy Petersen of Raymond and Ron Petersen of Buxton.

FEATURED IN THE MARCH 13 REPORTER:

Maine Maple Weekend

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The 32nd annual Maine Maple Sunday is March 22 and the Reporter will be featuring the event in its March 13 issue with a list of places to visit along with a map of the area.

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INDICTMENTS

from York County Superior Court
DECEMBER

The following area residents were indicted when a grand jury rose in December at York County Superior Court in Alfred:

Robert A. Larose, 55, of Beaulieu Drive, Lyman, Class C assault/domestic violence with a prior conviction for violation of protection from assault.

Brandon A. Pelletier, 25, Alfred Road, Lyman, Class C theft with priors (no value) and Class C forgery with priors.

Robert J. Bresten, 53, Sanborn Road, Acton, Class C theft/priors (no value).

Chad Bellefountaine, 31, Sanford transient, Class C assault/priors and Class C assault/domestic violence/prior Maine domestic violence conviction.

Robert J. Bresten, 53, Sanborn Road, Acton, Class C theft/priors (no value).

Nicholas Anthony Corrado, 25, Sherburne Street, Sanford, Class C sex offender/failure to register/update/comply with one prior.

Rose L. Do, 26, Sherburne Street, Sanford, Class C theft/priors (no value).

Grady A. Fox, 44, Sherburne Street, Springvale, Class D violation of protection from harassment and Class D criminal threatening.

Christopher J. Jojokian Sr., 33, of High Street, Sanford, Class C theft/priors (no value).

Todd E. Lanigan, 50, Winter Street, Sanford, Class C assault/domestic violence/prior Maine domestic violence conviction.

Scott R. Leclair, 44, High Street, Sanford, theft/priors (no value).

Justin R. Moses, 32, School Street, Sanford, Class B aggravated assault/indifference and Class D assault/domestic violence.

Thomas E. Perry Jr., 31, Sismard Avenue, Biddeford, Class E failure to report/custody in Alfred.

Michael D. Smith, 23, Gerrish Drive, Sanford, Class D sexual abuse of a minor; three counts of Class D possession of sexually explicit materials; Class D furnishing alcohol to a minor and three counts of Class B sexual exploitation of a minor.

Roy W. White, 77, Waterboro Road, Alfred, Class C possession of a firearm by a felon/other state.



The newly appointed Board of Visitors, from left, Ted Kryzak, Amy Fairfield, Ron Michaud, Sheriff King, Victoria Ridlon and Eugene Gaudette. COURTESY PHOTO

STATE NEWS

Senator Woodsome Encourages citizens to attend local DoT Meeting

Senator David Woodsome (R-York) is encouraging his constituents to attend a March 30th meeting in Sanford hosted by the Maine Department of Transportation.



Sen. David Woodsome

The Maine Department of Transportation is looking to "Talk Transportation" and seeks public input regarding any and all types of transportation issues during a series of public meetings throughout the state in February, March, and April.

"Maine's transportation policy affects all of us," said Senator Woodsome. "The Department of Transportation wants to hear from those they serve, and I encourage people to take advantage of this opportunity to discuss their concerns directly with the folks who

work on our infrastructure."

On March 30th, area citizens will have two opportunities to share their thoughts. One meeting will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and another from 6 to 8 p.m.; both will be held at the Sanford City Hall Chambers.

Input from the meetings will help MaineDOT understand the needs of the public and various stakeholders to help the Department formulate its Long-Range Transportation Needs Assessment. The Long-Range Transportation Needs Assessment documents anticipated transportation system needs for the next 20 years, with particular emphasis on the next ten years. Public input is an important part of this long-range transportation plan-

ning process. The meetings will also allow for the Department to inform the public about its activities and programs while obtaining information regarding any immediate concerns or needs from the participants.

POLICE NEWS

Board of visitors

On Feb. 20, Sheriff William L. King Jr. had a meeting with his new Board of Visitors, a board of five visitors to examine the jail operation with a special emphasis on the handling of inmates who may suffer from mental illness.

The Board of Visitors must be representative of a broad range of professionals who are interested in the well being of inmates. King's board consists of:

- Amy Fairfield, Criminal Defense Attorney and owner of Fairfield and Associates, Lyman.
- Eugene "Chip" Gaudette, Corporate Counsel, Sanford.
- Victoria Ridlon, Finance Director and York County Jail Volunteer, Acton.
- Ted Kryzak, Teacher and Selectman for the town of Acton.
- Ron Michaud, Former Mayor, city of Saco.

The initial meeting consisted of a briefing of the York County Jail finances, first-hand experience of the jail food service, and a tour of the facility. "I am very excited with the caliber of volunteers I have to serve on my initial Board of Visitors. I intend to use their expertise to help me provide the best correctional services in the state" said King. The Board of Visitors will meet bi-monthly.

'Honesty, integrity, transparency'

That's what one Newfield native said about Jim McLaughlin, candidate for the Newfield Board of Selectmen and 30-year resident of the town.

On Saturday, March 14, the residents of Newfield will decide at the polls between two candidates for selectman and whether to set aside \$80,000 for new town offices, adding to more than \$23,000 that has already been earmarked.

Unlike his opponent, Jim believes new town offices that will ultimately cost between \$300,000-\$400,000 are an extravagance and – considering the upcoming school budget and decreased revenue sharing from Augusta – an unmanageable tax burden for a town of approximately 1,500 year-round residents. Would the money be better spent upgrading the town hall and town office? If voters opt to build new municipal offices will there be enough money for the renovations? Those questions have not been addressed and Jim thinks they need to be.

Jim's opponent also dismissed the value of the town hall and town office buildings as "sentimental," saying they do not add to the history of the town. Are two buildings built to replace those lost in the fire of '47 not historical? They are now more than 50 years old.

Then there is the question of what would happen to the Newfield Public Library if the seat of local government moves out of its present location. Jim's opponent clearly stated her position at a recent hearing when she said, "The library is not part of the town."

Unlike his opponent, Jim wants to work with the library board of trustees to brainstorm a viable solution for the library. While the library is not town-owned, it was mandated by town meeting in the 1980s that the library and town government would equally share space in the old school building. If the building is sold or demolished, what would happen to the library? The townspeople have generously supported the library by paying for electricity, plowing and heating since the move. Clearly, the people of Newfield value their library and want to see it continue. Again, conversations and consensus needs to take place. This has not happened.

Jim believes in engaging in honest conversations about the issues facing our town. With the future of the town hall, town office and library in the cross hairs, the future of the town of Newfield is at a crossroads. The decisions we make now will affect generations to come.

It's your money and your town. Add your voice.

Vote for Jim McLaughlin – a vote for honesty, integrity and transparency.

Please mark your ballot on March 14 at the Line School from 1 to 5 p.m., then plan to attend town meeting later that day at the school, starting at 7 p.m.

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RSU #57 Public Input Session for the 2015-2016 Budget

The RSU #57 Budget Committee invites the public to a budget input session on **Monday, March 16, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.**

Massabesic High School Auditorium
at 88 West Road in Waterboro, Maine.

ATTENTION NEWFIELD TOWN RESIDENTS

**Annual Town Elections / Meeting
March 14, 2015**

- Vote by secret ballot between 1 and 5 p.m. at the Line School, 818 Water St., West Newfield

Absentee Ballots are available to vote in person at the Town Office during normal office hours.

- Vote on Warrant Articles at 7 p.m. at the Line School, 818 Water St., West Newfield.

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WATERBORO

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Committee gets to work

At its first official meeting on Feb. 25, the newly appointed Old Home Days committee broke up into sub-committees to get to work. Claire Tutt, advertising chair announced that July 10 and 11 will be the dates for this year’s festival, and the committee has chosen “Life’s Shining Moments” as this year’s theme.

The committee is seeking and accepting ads for the booklet, circulating applications for vendors, and seeking parade participation. You can find forms online through the town hall website at www.waterboro-me.gov or pick them up at the town hall.

They are also asking for help in selecting a grand marshal for the parade. There will be a ballot box at the town hall for recommendations or they can be emailed to Tutt at clairetutt@waterboro-me.gov.

Those interested in being vendors can contact Karen Turgeon at karenturgeon@waterboro-me.gov or Kristen Carll at kristencarll@waterboro-me.gov.

Speak Out winners

The district competition that includes contestants from Lions Clubs in York County was held at the Massabesic Lions Club in Waterboro on Thursday, Feb. 26, following a dinner at 6 p.m.

The three winning awards were all presented to Massabesic High School students. Jane Pettit of Limerick took first place with her speech on “The Importance of Bees.” Erica Suttles of Alfred was second with the topic of “Reality

TV,” and the third-place winner was Tiffany McCoy of Alfred, whose topic was “Motivation/Suicide.”

The three took the same places in the earlier local competition at MHS. The winner will move on to the regional competition to be held Saturday, April 25 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Auburn. If the first-place winner cannot attend, the second-place winner will move up.

Waterboro student heads to GeoBee

Matthew DeMers of Thyngs Mill Road has received notification that he has qualified to compete in the National Geographic GeoBee state-level competition that will be held on Friday, March 27 at the University of Maine Farmington. He will be representing his school district, RSU 57 and Massebesic Middle School at the competition.

Library news

Many unique items are being featured in the silent auction now underway. Quilted handmade items, homemade soap, a sewing machine, and baskets and gift cards from local businesses are all up for bid. Bidding runs until March 25 at 3 p.m.

Through repairs to the septic system, the library building has now passed its air quality testing with high grades. This includes the basement meeting room area, but, due to unresolved issues, that room is still not usable. Story hour continues to be held each Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Maggie Taylor Reading Nook upstairs.

Beginner to expert paper crafters can learn or practice making



Lions Speak Out winners include, from left, Erica Suttles of Alfred who placed second, Jane Pettit of Limerick who came in first and third-place winner Tiffany McCoy of Alfred. COURTESY PHOTO

all-occasion cards. There will be a card making night on Monday, March 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. All items for making cards will be provided in this free workshop. Please give the library a call if you are planning to attend at 247-3363.

Bedtime story hour will be held on Thursday, March 19 at 6:30 p.m. Children are invited to come in their pajamas, and a special stuffed animal or doll is also invited.

The library has received new audios and DVDs, including “The Theory of Everything” and “Gone Girl,” and now has the whole “Dr. Who” series at the request of several patrons.

More news from the library is available on its Facebook page. Just search for Waterboro Public Library and like it.

PTO activity

Bounce Into Spring, the first Waterboro Elementary School bounce house event, will take place Saturday, March 7 from 11 to 3 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door for \$8 a jumper, with a maximum of \$16 for a family. Concessions will be available for sale as well as hot dogs and grilled cheese sandwiches. This event is for children 5th grade and under.

WES PTO is holding its very first Sons Dance on Friday, March 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. The idea is for

that special person, whether it’s a grandparent, aunt or parent, to celebrate the “son” in their lives. The doors will open at 5 p.m. to allow time for a photo to be taken. The cost is \$10 per couple and \$5 for each additional boy.

The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

SHAPLEIGH

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for residents’ votes, and there is a write-in position for the same. Verna O. Gold is running for a five-year term on the budget committee. For trustee of the public library, two write-in positions are available.

The Shapleigh municipal election will take place at the town hall on Friday, March 13, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Absentee ballots are available at the town clerk’s office and can be mailed by calling the office by Tuesday, March 10.

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RSU # 57 Board of Directors - 3 year term (1 position)

Water District Trustee - 3 year term (1 position)

Papers may be picked up on March 11 at the Town Office after 11 a.m. and must be returned to the Town Clerk’s Office by **Tuesday, April 28** no later than 7 p.m.

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MHS Band turns up the music at home

Members chosen for Maine All-State Music Festival Concert

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The Massabesic High School band will give a concert on Tuesday, March 10 at 7 p.m. in the Massabesic East gym. The concert will feature a variety of groups playing jazz, Baroque, British and American music.

In November, several of the MHS band members auditioned and were accepted to perform with the Maine All-State band and

orchestra. Selected for this honor were Devin Adams, principal bassoon, Maine All-State Band; Erin Leach, piccolo, Maine All-State Orchestra; Justin Leach, principal trombone, Maine All-State Orchestra; Mitchell Thayer, bass clarinet, Maine All-State Band; and Olivia Whitehouse, clarinet, Maine All-State Band.

"These students auditioned against several hundred musicians from across the state of Maine. The audition process required stu-

dents to play scales from memory, perform a challenging audition piece, and read a piece of music they had not seen before," said MHS band director, Adam Goad. "The students mentioned have proven themselves to be among the best high school musicians in the state."

The Maine All-State Band, Orchestra and Choirs will perform after a three day conference on Saturday, May 16 at Windham High School.



All-state band members, from left, Devin Adams, bassoon; Mitchell Thayer, bass clarinet; Olivia Whitehouse, clarinet; and Justin Leach, trombone. Not pictured, Erin Leach, piccolo.

At left, eight-grader Winter Whitten testing a handmade submarine in the pool at Massabesic Health Resources in Waterboro. **COURTESY PHOTOS**

SUBMARINES

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teams from regional competitions participate in the national event.

"Massabesic Health Resources has graciously donated this pool time once again," said Parent, pointing out the connection between the community, students and the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

The students from Massabesic Middle School were competing to see who would be sent to the regional competition, to be held Saturday, April 11 at the University of New England. Conducting "sea trials" at the pool helped them work the technical kinks out of the operations, to see who built the best SeaPerches and who the best ROV drivers were.

Kneeling on the edge of the pool, Ethan Perreault and Adam Boissonneault were busy with several ROVs they had built or helped build, examining their machines and the remote control devices that operated them and conferring on technical issues.

Katrina Dube and Ben Samson were testing their submarines mid-

pool. "I'm testing the buoyancy," said Samson. Dube had a problem to figure out. "It's tilting a little to the side. There must be too much buoyancy or one of the propellers is tilted too much," she said.

When asked about the project, Dube replied, "I liked the building part. Actually completing something that moves with a remote control was fun. I liked the creative part."

At the end of the pool time, the top finishers were Amie Giles in fifth place, Katrina Dube in fourth, Julia Gregoire in third, Winter Whitten in second, with Cabot Bryant in the first-place spot. The Massabesic SeaPerch teams going on to the UNH competition are Cabot Bryant and Winter Whitten for Team 1 and Julia Gregoire and Ashley Davis for Team 2.

The following students participated in the 2015 Massabesic SeaPerch building project: Ben Samson, Ethan Lambert, Katrina Dube, Jesse Gurney, Brendan Fedrizzi, Hunter Robbins, Adam Boissonneault, Julia Gregoire, Dan Johnson, Ashley Davis, Cameron Desrocher, Amie Giles, Mike



Hussey, Elijah Perron, Alexia Schultz, Adriana Walsh, Charlie Perkins, Sierra LeClerc, Tristan Pierce, Tyler Roy, Lauren Kiss, Kameron Emery, John Lestage, Kayleen Turner and Sam Fleming. The 8th-grade helpers were Winter Whitten, Ethan Perreault, Samantha Hall, Giuliana Mosher and Andreanna LaRiviere.

NEWFIELD ELECTION

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The Water Street building was constructed from two Quonset huts put together with a frame and a brick exterior after the Fire of '47 destroyed the town's Ethan Stone School. The building served as an elementary school until 1987, when Line Elementary School was built, and the town and library moved into the building in 1989.

According to Selectwoman Wanda Neville, money for fixing the 1947 building has not been included in this year's warrant. Voting to raise and appropriate money for those renovations would have to take place later at a special town meeting.

Moving the town office might impact the Newfield Library. In 1989, the town voted to allow the library, a privately-owned non-profit organization, to use one side of the building. The library has never paid the town any money in rent or for electricity or fuel, Neville pointed out.

Trustees of the library say that though the select board is only asking for \$80,000 on this year's referendum, the actual cost of a new town office will be much greater. According to Greg Cuffey, president of the library's board of trustees, at the Feb. 17 meeting the board stated the cost of an 80-

foot by 100-foot new town office building will cost \$300,000 to \$400,000. The \$80,000 on the referendum question is not the entire cost of a new building, he said.

Residents of Newfield voted to spend \$2,000 last year in support of the library which also uses fundraising to cover their costs, Cuffey said. Other towns spend much more to run their libraries, he pointed out. It is unclear what will happen to the library if the town offices are moved to a new location, and Cuffey said that

elected officials have not contacted the library trustees to inform them that they might have to find a new space.

Two other referendum questions include accepting a dog barking ordinance and to accept the population section of the town's comprehensive plan.

The town vote will take place at Line Elementary School on Saturday, Feb. 14, from 1 to 5 p.m. The annual town meeting will follow at 7 p.m. that evening, also at the school.



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To concerned citizens of Newfield,

We are writing you today to inform you of an important ballot vote coming up March 14. We are specifically addressing question #2 to appropriate \$80,000.00 to build or purchase a new Town Office. Please note it does not give you the option to specifically expand/remodel the existing Town Office. As worded you would think the building will only cost residents \$80,000.00. The actual stated cost is \$300,000.00 to \$400,000.00, for the new "dream" 80' x 100' building (560% larger than existing Town Office space). That is a large space for a town of approx. 1,500 people. One woman present figured her property taxes would increase \$200.00 based on the 2014 tax rate and that was only on the \$80,000.00, and not figuring additional school or town side budget increases. In addition to the \$80,000.00 ballot vote there is another article vote to add an additional \$10,000.00 to an existing fund set up to construct a new Town Office building behind the Public Safety building.

At a Feb. 17 informational meeting on the existing Town Hall, the fate of the Newfield Library was brought up by concerned citizens. Town leaders have contacted a real estate agent to figure out how much the town might sell Town Office & Hall for. We have also heard citizens saying another option is to burn both town buildings and elected town officials talking about the voter rejected ranch next to Public safety building still being for sale. After more than three years of building committee study, the library board to date has not been contacted by elected town officials that we would need to find a new home. Back in 1988 the library's new home and Town Office were voted in by the citizens of Newfield to share equally the use of the old school building after it was abandoned by the school department.

Area town libraries spend tens of thousands of dollars on their libraries. Newfield has an exceptional Library Association and in 2014 the citizens of Newfield voted to spend \$2,000.00 on. What does the Newfield library offer the town? It acts as the town Welcome Wagon to new residents, hosts an annual Veteran's Day ceremony, free computer access, children's programs, author talks, weekly afternoon teas, healthcare insurance information, best selling & interesting books and DVD's for loan.

Please pick up a paper absentee ballot now or vote in person at the Line School starting at 1 p.m., March 14.

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Parson’s Memorial Library wins a quilt

It was advertised as a cabin fever reliever (just what we all need), and between a delicious potluck meal and lively game of trivia, the get-together in Parsons Memorial Library last Saturday proved to be just that. Playing trivia revealed none of us was as clever as we thought. What was the most popular write-in candidate for president? Mickey Mouse Who was Maine’s first governor? William King. Where is Mt. Everest? Nepal, not Tibet. What planet is nearest the sun? Mercury. Those were the easy ones. Beth Dewolfe was the questioner and then pulled out the winning ticket for the quilt which has hung in the library for over four weeks. It proved to be her own ticket. She is generously donating it to the library.

Handcrafters needed

When members of the Alfred Historical Committee met last week, it was decided because the Alfred Village Museum was going to feature handcrafts this next season, they would ask handcrafters to be on hand on Saturdays to demonstrate their work. The first demo would be on opening day, May 17, with Almon Williams demonstrating how to make hand-cranked ice-cream. Many other demonstrations were suggested, everything from bee keeping (without the bees) to basketry and nature art. A member has offered to create fliers to publicize the exhibit.

Parish Church

The Rev. AbbyLynn Haskell will occupy the pulpit on March 8 during the pulpit exchange. Session 2 of the book study, “On God’s Side” will be held in Parsons Library at 6:30 p.m. with Bruce Burnham and Larry Greer on Monday, March 9. The “Last Week” study group will meet on Wednesday, March 11, at noon. The Men’s Breakfast South will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 11.

Historical society

Bruce Tucker has researched Alfred’s involvement in the War of 1812 and will speak at the March 17 meeting of the Alfred Historical Society on “The 33rd U.S. Infantry in the War of 1812” at 1 p.m. in Parsons Memorial Library. Local people had been recruited for the federal infantry fighting in Plattsburg, N.Y. on Lake Champlain. Visitors are welcome to attend.

Town hall notes

The new code enforcement officer, James Allaire, reports there were only four permits issued in February. These included a re-inspection fee for John Bshara; land use permits to Nicole Duplisea and Matthew Leach; and one to York County for the jail office remodeling. Town Clerk Andy Bors licensed 78 altered dogs (all late) in February and four unaltered. There were two deaths, one burial permit and one marriage license issued, also two hunting and fishing licenses. Susan Crowell of Lyman has been hired as the new secretary for the Alfred planning board and the board of appeals.

Kindergarten registration

Will your child be entering kindergarten this fall? If so, registration for Alfred youngsters is Tuesday, March 17, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Parents should bring the child’s birth certificate and immunization record and also proof of residency in the district. It would be helpful for the school to know ahead of time (by March 9) the child’s name and address, date of birth, parent’s name, email, and telephone number.

Village notes

The York County Republican Committee is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, March 11 in the courthouse at 7 p.m. The Country Acoustic Jambo-ree will meet in the Legion Hall on Saturday, March 14 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. The newest member of the Alfred Fire Department is Steven Calan of Acton. Chris Carpenter is being deployed, and he is taking his place.

Food Preservation

From March 18 through May 13 the Maine Extension Service is sponsoring a series of hands-on workshops in food preservation. The basic steps in freezing and canning garden produce will be taught. Those interested may call 207- 929-9185 or sign up online. Another series of classes available is the “Kids Can Grow” program, teaching children ages 7-12 to grow vegetables in raised beds. The commitment is for one Saturday morning a month. Applications are due March 27 and may be obtained at the Extension Service in Springvale.

THE NEWS STAMPEDE

Massabesic Mustang Nation

Check Please!

Annually, the Massabeic High School Drama Club takes part in the one-act festival (Maine Drama Festival), competing against at least ten other high schools in our area to see which club can put together the victorious and rather short, one-act play. This year, the club is headed by two new advisors: Ms. Hunter, a first year social studies teacher, and Ms. Rolfe, a first year art teacher. The two came together to help create not only the first play of the year for the young mustang actors, but also their first play as a collective directing team.



by
Jack Melanson

“Check Please” by Jonathan Rand will be performed by MHS, a play to comically portray blind dates and show unfortunate scenarios about how such dates can result. The truth is that dating can be hard, especially when said dates happen to be with your grandmother’s bridge partner or even a mime! “Check Please” follows a series of blind dates that couldn’t possibly get any worse, until those dates actually do get worse.

The short play normally takes about 25 to 40 minutes to act and usually casts about seven female and seven male actors. The set for this play is fairly simple to recreate, only needing four chairs, two tables, and other various pieces of restaurant props such as table settings, silverware, and other things of that nature. The hilarious and even awkward script by Rand has led to “Check Please” being the number one most produced high school short play for the last ten seasons.

David Warren and Alison O’Brien, both seniors at MHS, have been cast as the leading girl and guy of “Check Please,” followed by Cassidy Watson playing Melanie; Alex Rouillard as The Waitress; her sister Jasmine as Mary; Abby DeRosie as

Pearl; Jane Pettit playing Linda; and Ashley Jones is casted as Mimi. Rose Wolfe, Jillian Miller, and Eva Labbe play the three patrons in the restaurant during the dates. Several actors in the performance have impressively taken on multiple roles, such as Will Secunde who will be playing Louis, Mark and Manny; Ryley O’Connor acting as Ken, Todd, and Brandon; and Zoey Nedsbala, who is taking on the role of The Bartender as well as Sophie. Ms.Hunter took on the job as co-drama advisor at MHS after

she also acted in one-acts and other plays during her time as a high school student. Hunter continued to take classes in drama in college at The University of Maine at Farmington where she graduated in 2014. She feels acting in high school is a highly important element and social destination, adding that “A variety of students participate in drama, and are all accepting of each other towards the common goal of performing together,” something both Hunter and Rolfe certainly agree on.

On behalf of the new advisors, along with the actors and actresses, they hope to have support at the regional one-act festival this coming Saturday, March 7, at 1 p.m. at Garland Auditorium located on the Thornton Academy campus in Saco. Success at the festival for MHS could open a spot for them to compete against kids from all over New England. Rolfe and Hunter hope that this group of performers will gain lots of confidence as they prepare to act in another production at MHS this spring.

Jack Melanson is a senior at Massabesic High School in Waterboro and the president of the student council. He can be reached at Jack-melanson@waterbororeporter.com.

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Knitting for Beginners	T, 3/31-5/12	6:00-8:00 PM
Self Defense	T/Th, 3/31-5/21	7:30-9:00 PM

OBITUARIES**Richard Walter Drenzek**

Richard "Dick" Drenzek passed away on the morning of his 85th birthday, Feb. 25, 2015, at Pine Point Center in Scarborough from prostate cancer.

The youngest son born to Stanley and Eva Drenzek, Dick grew up in Hartford, Connecticut.

He attended New Britain Teacher's College and Wentworth Institute in Boston, where he trained to be a pattern maker. Now his craft is a dying art, but Dick was always proud of his skill as a master craftsman. He worked in various shops in Connecticut, including Pratt & Whitney. He moved to Maine in 1966 when he began working at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

He also earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Maine.

In 1967, Dick and his wife Mary moved with their two daughters to Mousam Lake in Shapleigh. Shortly after, Mary died suddenly, leaving him to raise two daughters alone. It was a challenge he met head-on. Despite a serious handicap due to bout of polio when he was an infant, Dick taught his girls to swim, water ski and ice skate. The family shared many happy times on the lake for more than 30 years. In 2001, Dick moved to an apartment in Newfield next door to

his daughter, Ann Fisher, where he resided until moving to Pine Point in December.



Richard Drenzek

When he was younger, Dick enjoyed boating, snowmobiling and swimming, buying and driving antique cars and riding the back roads holding a "cold one" with his golden retriever or German shepherd riding shotgun. He was a true animal lover who owned many dogs, cats and parakeets. Since he moved to Newfield he liked watching the variety of wild birds that would visit his feeders.

He also liked playing poker with the guys and telling stories during family gatherings about his escapades as a young man.

Dick was generous to his loved ones and, in recent years, took family members first to a trip to Poland to see where his parents emigrated from, and then to San Francisco to visit his niece, Sandra Ingrish.

In addition to his wife and parents, Dick was predeceased by his sister, Wanda Ingrish and three brothers, Alfred, Edmund and Theodore.

He is also survived by two other daughters, Amy Drenzek of Merrimack, New Hampshire, her significant other, Derrick Edward and Melissa Bernier; a son-in-law, William Fisher of Newfield; two grandsons,

Zachary Fisher and his significant other, Jennifer Birkemose of Effingham, New Hampshire and Kyle Fisher and his wife, Kelsey Lavallee of Newfield; two great-grandsons, Liam Fisher and Rowan Fisher, as well as two other nieces and a nephew.

In keeping with Dick's wishes, his body was donated to the University of New England and there will be no funeral. A private time of remembrance will be held at a later date.

Dick's family wishes to extend their deepest gratitude and a group hug to the staff at Pine Point, who treated Dick with love and dignity at the end of his days through their devoted care.

James Oliver Hammond

James O. (Jim) Hammond, 89, went peacefully home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015. Jim

was surrounded by his family and dear friends. For the past seven months, Jim made his home at Huntington Common Assisted Living in Kennebunk.

Jim was born on June 28, 1925 the son of James L. and Grace (Hobbs) Hammond and grew up on Bauneg Beg Hill in North Berwick. He had many fond memories of his childhood and was raised with his brother, Ansel Sumner Hammond.



James Hammond

Jim served his country in the U.S. Navy and the Marine Corp during World War II and did not hesitate to serve with the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a 68 year member of the American Legion, Brown Emmons Post # 134 in Alfred.

Jim was employed as a repairman by Brown's TV in Springvale before he started his own business; Bauneg Beg Radio and TV Repair. In his later years, he got involved in delivering Meals on Wheels for the Sanford group right up until 2013, when his health started to fail. He was a longtime member of the Waterboro TOPS group and earned the KOPS status. At the meetings, Jim was known to tell a joke "right off the top of his head" and could put people at ease by engaging in conversation with them.

Jim was a member of the South Waterboro Bible Chapel and was also baptized in May of 2004. He also attended the senior luncheons on a regular basis. On Sept. 7, 2000 Jim married the love of his life, Madelyn Smith, and they were blessed with seven years before she passed in 2007.

Some of Jim's hobbies included chair caning, whittling wooden chains, reading and spending time with his loyal friend and companion, Midget, his dog, who is being well taken care of now by a close friend.

Jim was predeceased by his parents and by his brother, Ansel S. Hammond.

Jim is survived by six nephews, Mike Hammond of Exeter, New Hampshire; Mark Hammond of Windham; Larry Hammond of Ly-

man; Gary Hammond of Sanford; Peter Hammond of Alfred; and David Hammond of East Waterboro; their wives and many great nieces and nephews.

He will be sadly missed by all as he would attend family game days, Christmas and Thanksgiving get-togethers, trips to the Brunswick Naval Air Show and Owls Head Museum.

We would like to thank Beacon Hospice for their excellent care given to Uncle Jim in his last days. They honored him for his service to the country by presenting him with a handmade patriotic quilt which he kept warm with every day, and a special plaque. They also made sure he was comfortable and enjoyed spending time listening to him reminisces.

Also, a big thank you goes out to the awesome team at Huntington Common who soon became Uncle Jim's adopted family. He had many excellent, loving care managers, nurses, med people, kitchen staff, housekeepers, who interacted with him on a daily basis and did an outstanding job.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at 4 p.m. at the South Waterboro Bible Chapel, 911 Main Street in Waterboro with Pastor Dan Lambertson, officiating. Following the service, you are invited to share your stories and memories and enjoy light refreshments in the fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to SWBC senior luncheons or to Beacon Hospice, 54 Atlantic Place, So. Portland, ME 04106.

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LIMERICK ELECTIONS (Continued from page 1)

Mark Edgerly is challenging incumbent Robert Richardson Sr. for a two-year term as road commissioner. Anthony Brunton is running unopposed for RSU #57 director, and there is a write-in spot as well; Stephen Malmude and Russell Nutting are both running for trustee of the water and sewerage districts.

There are no referendum questions this year.

At the annual town meeting, residents will vote on the town department budgets, appropriate funds for charitable causes, vote to approve the sale of town-owned lots, and appropriate funds

for such items as road paving and maintenance, snow removal, cemetery maintenance, milfoil control on Lake Arrowhead, maintaining the public boat ramp on Sokokis Lake and installing a gate at the Pickerel Pond ramp on Route 11.

Funds for updating the Brick Town Hall building will be used to maintain, and make repairs and improvements to the Brick Town Hall for the year including utilities, boiler maintenance, fire extinguishers, sprinkler system, and an alarm system. Selectmen and budget committee are recommending a sum of \$19,746. In a separate article, voters will decide whether to transfer up to \$25,000 from the capital project reserve account to the Brick Town Hall

project reserve account to replace doors, stage curtains, kitchen equipment, and safety rails for the front entrance.

Limerick residents will also vote on whether phase 3 of a five-year plan to improve the transfer station should go forward, with paving being proposed this year. The selectmen and budget committee also recommend that a proposal to spend \$60,000 to move and install the town vault into the Limerick Municipal Building be approved.

Town voting will take place on at the Limerick Municipal Building on March 13 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The annual town meeting will open at 9:30 a.m. on March 14 at the Brick Town Hall.



Kaden Rodriguez of Cub Scout Pack #329 in Limerick took the first sled run down the hill behind Limerick's municipal building on Saturday, Feb. 28. "I like seeing the snow and going fast down the hill," Kaden said. The sledding party was organized by Limerick Parks & Recreation with a donation from the Limerick Bass Club. About 50 people showed up for the sledding event. "All had a great time and we got many great comments; we had hot cocoa, cookies, veggies, and fruit for warm-up breaks," said Lisa LePage. "We also set up a table of books and coloring pages. It was great seeing the kids and parents sledding, reading and coloring, lots of laughing and a great time was had by all. A special thanks to Frank Carroll Jr. for making the packed trails and Charles Pellegrino for coming up with the idea of making packed trails." COURTESY PHOTO



Four-year-old Harley J. McLean, of Limerick, playing with LEGOs at the Limerick Public Library. The on-going LEGO club runs through the month of March on Fridays from 2 to 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. The Library will be closed for the Annual Town Meeting on Saturday March 14th. COURTESY PHOTO

Suicide prevention workshops

Suicide prevention workshops will be held on Saturday, March 7 at 3 p.m. and Monday, April 6 at 6 p.m. at the Limerick Library

People will learn warning signs, risk factors, protective factors, how to help someone who may be suicidal, where the resources are in the area, and how to help with the aftermath of a suicide.

Sign up for one of these classes led by Cheryl Morin from the JD Foundation by calling 793-8975. The minimum class size is

10 adults and the suggested age to attend these classes is 17 and up.

The JD Foundation is a non-profit organization (501(c)3) that serves the state of Maine to bring awareness of suicide and anti-bullying through education by providing holistic approaches and helpful tools to individuals who seek our support.

There will also be a benefit breakfast for The JD Foundation for Suicide Prevention at the Cozy Corner Café, 924 Main Street Waterboro, on Saturday, April 4. Cost is \$12 and includes coffee, tea, juice and choice of breakfast that will be on special menu.

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