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Running to end hunger

BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

On Saturday, May 20, about 70 Runners and Walkers arrived at the top of Shaker Hill, the center of York County Shelter Programs (YCSP), to participate in the 10th Annual 5K Run/2M Walk to End Hunger. In the past, the event was held at Mother's Beach in Kennebunk and had about 200 participants. Numbers were a little lower than expected, but over \$15,000 was raised. In addition, the goal of bringing people to the Shaker Hill campus was definitely met. Many of this year's runners/walkers were participating in the event for the first time.

For Alisha Foley of Sanford, this was the first year she had participated. She walked this year with her 14-month-old daughter Nora in the stroller. "It was a lot of fun," she said. "I hope to run it next year." Jim Clark and his son Nick, both of Sanford, also ran the race for the first time. "It was a nice run," they said, having both beat their own personal times.



Runners at the start of the race.

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At the end of the race, Arthur French from the YCSP Board said that he was happy to have so many in attendance to enjoy the atmosphere on Shaker Hill, where the Brothers and YCSP share spiritual values.

The top three male and female finishers of the 5K run received medals and fresh apple pies from the YCSP Bakery. The top three male finishers were Leo Amabile, age 17 from Waterboro, Adam Warfel, 37 from Falmouth, and Blake Greenwood, an 11-year-old from Limerick. The top three female finishers were Amy Mc-

Nally, age 30 from Kennebunk, Erika Fecteau, 30 from North Waterboro, and Jessica McIntyre, 20 from Kittery. The top three finishers in each age division also received medals, but instead of apple pies, they received whoopie pies. First in each age division received a huge whoopie pie, while the second and third place received a regular whoopie pie.

Bob Dawber, CEO of York County Shelter Programs said, "It is an amazing turnout, and a beautiful day!" He continued to say that "most people don't even

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Should town prohibit marijuana businesses?

BY BRIGIT MCCALLUM
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Waterboro voters will soon decide whether or not to prohibit commercial marijuana enterprises from being established in the town. Five questions will be on the ballot on Tuesday, June 13 at the Massabesic East School Gym on West Road in South Waterboro.

Voters should read the questions carefully. A Yes vote will prohibit and a No vote will allow the enterprises being voted on in Articles 3 through 7.

Like municipalities around the state, Waterboro town officials were thrown into unknown territory last November, following the vote to allow possession, use and growing of limited amounts of the formerly illegal substance for recreational use by adults over the age of 21. The vote, which passed by a margin of 4,073 in the state and passed 2,213 to 1,757 in Waterboro, an adult over 21 may possess up to 2.5 oz. of marijuana, grow up to six plants for personal use, possess up to 5 grams of hash

or concentrate and possess related paraphernalia. This use was completely separate from rules governing the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Program, established in 2013.

Soon after the vote, the Legislature's Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation was established and charged with creating the rules and regulations governing the new recreational marijuana law. While personal possession and use of marijuana became legal for adults in January, implementation of commercial sales was postponed until February 2018, giving the committee a year to delve into issues such as law enforcement, licensing, regulation of cannabis products and sales tax collection.

At that point, Maine municipalities began considering how to respond, and whether or how to close the door on the new legal marijuana market that is expected to launch next year, once the regulatory system is set in place to oversee the industry. Waterboro officials looked at their options

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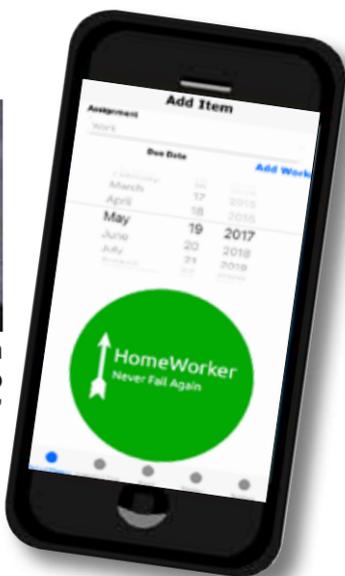
Topham creates winning app

BY KERRY DEANGELIS
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Ryan Topham, an eighth grader from Limerick who attends Massabesic Middle School took top honors and the first prize of \$1,000 in a student app creation contest with his flexible, full-featured "HomeWorker" app. The app enables students to track homework due dates and make notes about the work to be done and also includes a screen with inspirational sayings to give students a little motivational push when they're stuck.



Ryan Topham and his app "HomeWorker"



"I am very happy that I was able to get this opportunity," said Topham. "I am hoping that it will be able to inspire others to work at what they want to do, even if it isn't the popular thing in that time."

According to his Tech Integrator Charlie Cianciolo, Topham spent hundreds of hours over the course of a few months coding, testing, designing and redesigning his app. "Ryan has begun to explore all different kinds of coding languages to further his knowledge prior to his

entrance into high school. We are very proud of Ryan's accomplishment," said Cianciolo.

When asked about the future of his app Topham said, "I am hoping to continue to work on the improvement of HomeWorker, as it is not quite classroom ready yet." He plans to add a few more features for the teachers and hopes to release it this summer in time for the 2017-2018 school year.

The contest was sponsored by Blue Ox Technologies Ltd, based in Caribou, which is an independent studio that creates mobile apps and other entertainment products.



Girl Scouts honor

Girl Scouts from Troops #1477 and #2132 participated in the Memorial Day Parade and ceremony at Tibbetts Memorial Park in Limerick.

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Security changes at high school

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An incident involving a 25-year-old male at Massabesic High School has prompted school officials to update their security procedures.

Principal James Hand sent out a memo to parents and students on May 26 indicating that all outside doors would be locked during the school day when classes are in session. Hand's memo said that students would be able to enter the

West building through the doors in the science wing (which faces the East building) between classes. Doors that face the student parking lot will be locked the entire day. Students arriving late and all visitors will be required to enter through the the front entrance.

According to reports, the unarmed individual apparently walked into the building to use its wi-fi and to charge his cell phone. A current MHS student approached him and was told that he was there to drop off something to

his younger brother. The uninvited guest was told to report to the office, but when it became clear that he never did, the student reported the matter to the main office and the York County Sheriff's Department. Police reports seemed to indicate that the same person had also made an attempt to enter another high school earlier in the day.

Hand's memo asks students to do their part in making sure the doors remain locked to keep the West building secure.

10,000th pizza!



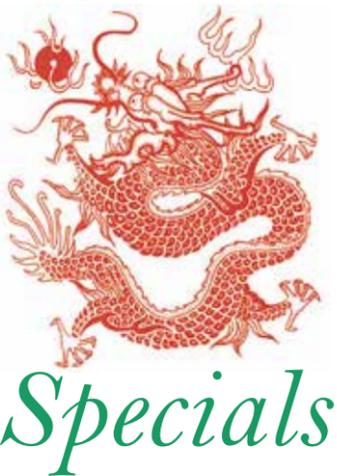
Waterboro's Flippin' Good sold its 10,000th Pizza on Saturday, May 27 to Jacob Boyden whose entire order was on the house. COURTESY PHOTO



Memorial Day Parade

Members of the Massabesic High School Band and ROTC program marched in the Memorial Day Parade in Limerick and Alfred on May 29. PHOTOS BY DAVID SAGE

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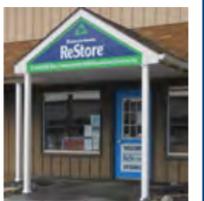
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and considered whether to create an ordinance to ban the activities and decided to ask the will of voters first, breaking down the individual uses into specific articles.

Each Maine municipality is working on the issue in its own way. Locally, Alfred has a moratorium on the five commercial uses on its ballot, to hold off any movement until the state regulations are clarified, although such a moratorium is time-limited, while Buxton and Hollis are asking voters whether they approve an ordinance prohibiting all five.

Article 3 would prohibit marijuana social clubs, that would operate similar to bars that serve alcohol. Such a facility is licensed to sell edible marijuana products and marijuana, to smoke or ingest on the premises only. Town Administrator Gary Lamb believes that allowing social clubs would have a negative local impact and comes with potentially serious police issues. "Law enforcement does not yet have a field test or impairment level for blood THC levels," said Lamb in a recent report.

Article 4 would prohibit retail marijuana cultivation facilities. Such a facility grows marijuana for the wholesale market but does not sell to the public in a retail setting. According to Lamb, cultivation is said to have serious odor issues so such a site plan or otherwise locally permitted and licensed operation either needs large setbacks from neighbors or air scrubbers cleaning the exhaust from the indoor growing area.

Article 5 would prohibit retail marijuana product manufacturing facilities that might process marijuana into consumable products but does not sell to the public in a retail setting in the manufacturing facility. Lamb sees a manufacturing facility the most benign of the five license classes.

Article 6 would prohibit retail marijuana stores that might sell marijuana, THC containing edibles and other marijuana consumables and related merchandise to the general public from a retail setting. Lamb says a retail store could have parking and security concerns since it handles large volumes of cash and can have major customer traffic.

Article 7 would prohibit retail marijuana testing facilities that might test for the THC potency prior to the marijuana being available for retail sale or retail manufacturing into edibles or other consumable products, but does not sell to the public in a retail setting in the testing facility.

Depending on how the vote goes on each of the articles, the selectmen will then create and approve ordinances that govern the use. Lamb has had discussions with the Board and Town Planner Lee Jay Feldman and says, "The easy ordinance text to write is the prohibition text – simply to prohibit any and all of the five license classes. You can do that in a sentence or two." But if some or all of the five uses end up being allowed and regulation is needed, "Then the heavy lifting starts."

Asked what they have been hearing about the marijuana votes, selectmen Tim Neill wrote,

"The commercial marijuana issue doesn't seem to excite people one way or the other. It will be interesting to see how the vote goes." And, when asked what he was hearing, Board Chair Dennis Abbott said, "I have heard 'nothing' outside of the conversations we've had in the meetings." Board member Dwayne Woodsome said he is critical of the way the voting is set up, saying that he has heard people who have already voted by absentee ballot complain that they had not read the articles closely enough and had voted yes, when they were in support of the use.

This week, some discussion on social media centered mainly on the economics of allowing local businesses to form and have the chance to generate growth through marijuana-based industries. Christine Salisbury commented, "I have (medical) conditions that would benefit from being able to access it locally rather than giving my money to another town. If done the right way our economy could flourish greatly." Kaylyn Leslie also emphasized the economic and health benefits of the sale of products that, "help people with current diseases." And Kenneth Knudsen added, "What would be the reasons that anyone would not allow these types of businesses? If someone says 'I don't want it near my children,' it is already there so that's not really valid. If they say, 'I don't like the smell,' you can't police what your nostrils may encounter. People need to accept it is here, legal, and has always been here."

Polls are open on June 13 at the Massabesic High School East building from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

LYMAN



On Friday, May 26, Fire Chief of the Goodwin's Mills Fire-Rescue, Roger S. Hooper and three members of the emergency staff, Joe Demers, James Gambino, and Jamie Mouzas, presented fifth grader Scott Pelletier with a letter of commendation. This citation was in recognition of his quick thinking and action on May 19 when Scott realized that a medical emergency was taking place at Lyman Elementary School and without hesitation reported the incident to the school office. A 911 call was placed and the school nurse and EMTs arrived to provide emergency care and transport the patient to the hospital. The citation reads: "Your thoughtfulness and quick action saved the day. On behalf of the Firefighters and Emergency Medical Technicians of the Goodwin's Mills Fire-Rescue, THANK YOU, for a job well done." COURTESY PHOTO

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Come learn the basics of keeping watch for the occurrence of invasive aquatic species at the workshop provided by Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP) and hosted by York County Invasive Aquatic Species Project (YCIASP), York County Soil & Water Conservation District (YCSWCD) and other local lake and watershed organizations.

We all hope an invasive aquatic species will never be introduced into our favorite waterbody, but if one is introduced it is much better to catch it early than to find it after it has become well-established and more difficult to control or eliminate.

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So, take a little time each month during the summer – when you are out enjoying your favorite lake or river – to be a steward of that waterbody. Join a team – local or regional – to keep a look-out for invasive aquatic species. Or if you are a "loner," you can do it "solo" too.

The primary goal of the Introductory Invasive Plant Patrol 101 Workshop is to provide those who wish to join Maine's "early detection" effort with information and guidance needed to get started. The workshop is presented in four parts:

- Overview of invasive species issues in Maine and beyond
- Plant identification fundamentals
- Plant identification hands-on exercise with live plants
- Conducting a screening survey, tools and techniques

Pre-registration with Maine VLMP is required for the workshop. Please contact VLMP at vlmp@mainevlmp.org or 783-7733 to register, or for more information. The workshop is free and open to the public.

The workshop will run on Friday June 16, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Heritage Room, lower level of the Anderson Learning Center in Springvale. A lunch break will be included in that timeframe. Attendees should supply their own lunch. Host organizations will provide snacks and beverages.

Information will be available at the workshop about additional invasive aquatic species training opportunities and activities that will be hosted or provided by YCIASP through the summer in southern Maine.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAMA MIA'S PASTA & PIZZA DINNERS at York County Shelter Programs' Dining Commons, Shaker Hill Road, Alfred, ME are back for the season starting Friday, June 2, from 5-7 p.m. and continuing every Friday night through September. Menu includes meat, veggie and clam sauces on pasta, with pizza, salad, Italian bread, pies and beverages. \$10 adults, \$5 children 3-11, and free children 2 and under. The Bakery at Notre Dame, open daily 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., is open extended hours to 7 p.m. on Fridays during the Mama Mia season. FMI call 324-8811.

FREE CLEAN UP DAY Saturday, June 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Waterboro Transfer Station, 132 Bennett Hill Road, East Waterboro. Take old and unwanted items for free, Waterboro residents only. Must have current sticker. No commercial haulers or businesses. Only accepting items normally allowed. No hazardous waste. FMI call 247-3440.

GARDEN DAY AND YARD SALE Saturday, June 3. The event is open to the public and will be held from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the church, 141 North St., Kennebunkport and is sponsored by the Ladies' Society of the First Congregational Church of Kennebunkport. Garden items for sale will include plants, seeds, vases, pots, and other garden related items. The yard sale will have a variety of miscellaneous items. The church's cook book will be available for purchase, too. Hot dogs and other refreshments will also be sold.

PLANT SALE Saturday, June 3, from 8 a.m.-Noon (rain or shine) at the Springvale Library, (443 Main Street, Springvale, Route 109). The Southern Maine Garden Club (SMGC) meets on the third Wednesday of every month at the library. Perennials (includes native plants) herbs, some house plants, raffles, and baked goods table. In addition to our plant sale, raffle basket and baked goods table, we are having a "Beyond the Garden Gate" booth with garden-themed, gently used items like decorative planters, wreaths, birdhouses, garden wall art, luminaires, small animal statuary, stained glass, etc. FMI contact Paula 475-8142 or Sheryl 432-8402.

YARD SALE Saturday, June 10 at Saco Valley Credit Union, Rt 202, Waterboro All proceeds to benefit local food pantries! 8AM to Noon

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SAVE THE DATE Donations are needed for the Waterboro Food Pantry's annual fundraiser yard sale to be held on June 24 and 25 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at 26 Townhouse Road, located right next to the Waterboro Town Hall. Not accepting electronics, appliances or large furniture, but all other items can be dropped off at the same location Saturdays 2-4 p.m. at the same location beginning June 3. All donations are greatly appreciated.

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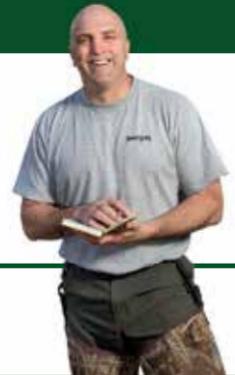


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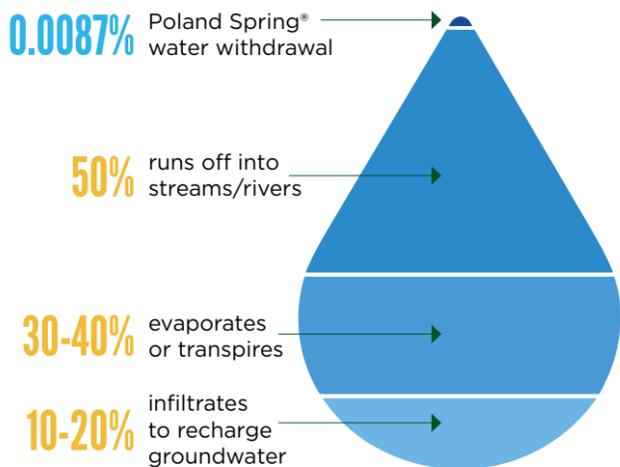
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Diamond girls roll into playoffs

Hammer Hawks 11-2

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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Grace Tutt went the distance for the win, fanning eight and giving up zero earned runs, and Julie Gregoire drove in four to lift Massabesic to a key 11-2 win over visiting Marshwood on senior night, Wednesday, May 31 at the Lion's Club field in Waterboro.

The Hawks scratched out two runs in the top of the first on a pair of singles, a pair of stolen bases and a pair of tough-chance errors and the score hung that way until the bottom of the fourth.

Julia Gregoire led off with a sharp single, but was erased at second on Kyra Cartwright's fielder's choice grounder. Janelle Sperdakos ran for Cartwright and she raced home on a gap-double by Morgan Houk. Houk came home a wild pitch to tie the game at 2-2 and the frame should have ended there, but the Mustangs went ahead to stay on a walk and run scored by Sarah Howe who ran home on a dropped fly ball off the bat of Sophia LaFrance.

Massabesic blew the game open with a five-run, five-hit fifth. Olivia Ducharme (3-4, 2R) led with a slap single and Lacey Bean followed with a single of her own. Gregoire chased both of



Massabesic pitcher Grace Tutt

them home with a triple, making the score 5-2. Cartwright drove in Gregoire with her second single of the night and Sperdakos (again running for Cartwright) and Sarah Howe made it 8-2 when a double by LaFrance landed in the gap between center and right field.

By this point, Tutt was cruising. She notched at least one whiff in every inning and didn't allow more than one base runner in an inning until the sixth when the Hawks sandwiched a pair of singles around a pop to short to start the frame. The threat was short lived as Cartwright caught a weak pop from her perch behind the plate and Tutt fanned the next hitter to close the inning.



Massabesic senior Morgan Houk slides into home after a wild pitch to tie the game.

PHOTOS BY KERRY DEANGELIS

Massabesic added three runs in the sixth. Ducharme and Bean again got on with singles to open the frame and again Gregoire cleaned them up, this time with a deep blast to left for a homerun.

The Mustangs had six seniors

start the contest: LaFrance, Houk, Cartwright, Howe, Ducharme and Meghan Goodwin. Two other seniors, Benedetta Raponi and Dawn Fusillo both got into the game in the late innings.

The win pushed the Mustangs'

final regular season record to an impressive 11-5, helping them secure the sixth spot in the standings and will allow them to host Maine Girls' Academy/Falmouth (MGAF) in the first round on Tuesday, June 6 at 4 p.m.



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Buxton/Hollis Rod & Gun Club
81 Plains Rd. Hollis, ME

SPORTS

LACROSSE

Perfect dozen LAX ladies finish 12-0

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
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Massabesic's varsity girls' lacrosse team got two goals from five different players to help pace a 17-2 rout of visiting South Portland (5-7) and wrap-up a perfect 12-0 regular season on Wednesday, May 31.

Hallie Benton, Taylor Manning, Morgan Pike, Skylar Renaud and Josie Ring each popped in a pair with Logan Champlin (4G, 1A) and Madi Drain (3G, 3A) tossing in the remaining seven scores.

The Mustangs blasted off to a 12-1 lead at the half.

Coach Jason Tremblay spoke about the current group. "This team dedicated itself in the off-season and that helps us with our success. They're driven and an excellent bunch to coach and be around, everyone works so hard for each other. As a staff, we are extremely proud."

Brooks Bowen, as mentioned by Tremblay, heads the staff, up. He and Tremblay have jockeyed the Mustangs for all 14 years of the program's existence. Katherine Fournier, the junior varsity coach for the last six years, has also been a member of the program in its entirety. She began as a player, moved to the middle school to head-up the girls' program there, and then returned to the high school, rejoining Bowen and Tremblay.

Massabesic will host Scarborough in the opening round of the

playoffs on Wednesday, June 7 at 2:30 p.m. They hammered the Storm 18-4 back on May 16. The lady Mustangs outscored their previous five foes by a 78-19 margin and they hold a 163-40 scoring edge for the full 12-game regular season. They'll be looking to claim their fifth Class A Regional Championship, fourth in the last five years. The Mustangs are two-time state champions.

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On Tuesday, May 30 Massabesic scored the first 11-goals of the contest, on their way to their 11th consecutive win at Gorham. They finished with an easy 13-1 win.

The Rams (7-5) entered the game with six straight wins of their own and in firm control of a playoff berth, but Massabesic left little doubt as to which team is carrying more momentum heading into the playoffs.

Against Gorham, Massabesic used superb passing and excellent interior defense to dictate the pace. Their first goal began with a turnover forced by defensive-minded senior Madeline Beauchesne who collected a ground ball deep in the Mustangs end and headed up field. Beauchesne didn't head too far up field, but instead fired a 30-yard cross-field pass to an open Cailin Forrester who saw a cutting Josie Ring racing through midfield. Forrester hit Ring in full stride, and Ring immediately hit Skylar Renaud heading toward the Rams' goal. She caught Renaud in full gallop and the speedy sophomore beat the final defender



Massabesic's Logan Champlin.

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Gorham had back before ripping a low shot for a goal inside the left post.

Massabesic made four perfect, but lengthy passes, moving the ball 90-yards to bury a goal in what seemed like the span of an eye-blink. Reasonable estimation: six seconds.

Mary Guimond, head coach of Gorham shook her head saying, "that team is so-fast, they're going to win it all."

The score was 3-0 just after the midpoint of the first half when the Mustangs put on another passing clinic. This time it was

started by Madi Drain (hat trick) who knocked the ball loose near midfield, collected it and tossed a quick outlet pass to Renaud along the right sideline. Renaud hit Forrester dashing through midfield and Forrester quickly found Taylor Manning heading towards the circle. Manning collected the pass and in one motion put the ball in the back of the net, just under the

cross bar, making it 4-0.

The Mustangs added five goals in the final eight minutes of the first half to go ahead 9-0 at the break: Drain's second, Logan Champlin's second, two from Morgan Pike (who finished off her hat trick in the second half) and Manning's second.

Lydia Wasina made six saves in goal for Massabesic.

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Guimond honored

Massabesic graduate Sarah Guimond recently finished up a superb season of softball at Southern Maine Community College. Guimond was named to the honorable mention USCAA team, giving her All-American status along with two teammates.

Guimond topped all Yankee Small College Conference (YSCC) pitchers with a 2.81 ERA and her 97 strikeouts, 8.7/ game, were both best. She took the mound for 13-starts and finished seventh in the nation with 10-wins.

SPORTS

BASEBALL



The Massabesic baseball team's two seniors Ethan Daigneault, left, and Ethan Nugent.

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TRACK & FIELD

Track ladies 8th

The Massabesic varsity girls' track and field team collected 40-points, good for eighth place out of 16 high schools, at the annual Southwestern Championships held Saturday, May 27 at Noble High School.

Thornton Academy was first with 85 points, Scarborough was next with 78, South Portland had 68, Cheverus 63, Noble 46, Gorham 44, and Westbrook had 42. Bonny Eagle was right behind the Mustangs with 39 as just seven points separated fifth place from ninth.

Moriah Biener led the way for Massabesic. She was third in the 400-meter dash and runner-up in the high jump. Biener won the 200 with a speedy 27.23.

Syeira New had a pair of fourth place finishes in both the 100 and 300-meter hurdles and Kylie Johnson took third in the 3200.

For the Scots it was Ami Beaumier at the top of the podium in the 3200 with an 11:31.56 and she was second best in the 1600. Emma Abbott was runner-up in the 800.

Scots track men 5th

Bonny Eagle finished fifth with 56-points, behind Scarborough's 131, Deering's 80, Thornton Academy's 68 and Westbrook's 60 at the annual Southwestern Championships on May 27.

The Scots won the 4 x 400 with a 3:34.00 and they were second in the 4 x 800. Michael O'Clair won the 300-meter-hurdles with a 40.46, Ben Steeves won the 800 with a 1:55.21 and Caleb Pendleton took silver in the 1600.



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SHELTER

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know we're here," even though YCSP has actually been at this location for over 30 years. "We wanted people to come and see the beauty of the place," he added. "Once you're here you see how gorgeous it is." Dawber stated that the campus is open to the public, people can come have lunch there, walk the trails, or get a tour of the campus if they'd like.

You may not have realized that York County Shelters is on Shaker Hill, as there is no signage, only the Notre Dame Spiritual Center and Brothers of Christian Instruction. Dawber reports that the land is owned by a third party, and at the moment, the sign cannot be changed. But there is a small sign below the Notre Dame sign that shows the YCSP logo, announcing the start of Mama Mia Suppers, beginning June 2. Perhaps you've been to one of these suppers, and not realized that it was York County Shelters?

The Shaker Museum is on campus, and reflects the history of the area. The Shakers came in 1783 according to local history, and settled in Alfred. They bought Shaker Hill and the surrounding land, 300-acres, from the Abenaki Tribe that lived there, selling it for sugar, rum and other items. The Shakers built a meetinghouse and established Shaker Village in 1793 on both sides of the aptly named Shaker Hill Rd, which included a school, gardens, orchards, a grist and saw mill, farm land, barns, a dairy and shops. The orchards are seen all along Shaker Hill Road, and contribute to celebrating the Shaker Hill Apple Festival in September.

In 1931, the Shakers sold the property to the Brothers of Christian Instruction, as their numbers were dwindling, and the remaining 21 Shakers merged with those at Sabbathday Lake. The Brothers, a worldwide Catholic educational organization founded in 1819 with the goal "to educate the young and to make Jesus Christ better known and better loved," took over operation of the farms, occupied the buildings, built a school, and continued their mission of education, serving the

poor, the orphaned, as well as overseas mission work.

There are now only 12 Brothers remaining at the Notre Dame Spiritual Center at Shaker Hill, and weekend Mass is still offered at the Chapel on Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. followed by the Rosary at 8 a.m. and on Sundays at 9 a.m.

In 1984, Don Gean, the new Executive Director of the Shelter at the time, then located in the old jail in Alfred, heard of the Brother's bakery on the hill and went up to see if the Shelter could get day old bread donated. In 1985, YCSP began leasing the basement of the Brother's Gym. In 1988, YCSP began providing food to the hungry. "What started as providing day old bread from the Brother's bakery grew to become the largest food pantry in Southern Maine," said Lucas Labbe, YCSP Human Resources and Fiscal Support Administrator. "Since that time, with the support of our community and the Brother's generosity, YCSP programs have evolved and expanded to help nearly 400 previously homeless families and individuals on any given night," said Labbe. Now, York County Shelter Programs has over 130 rental units throughout southern Maine, from Kittery to Portland. YCSP offers job training opportunities, community outreach, emergency shelter, Maine Health Care and addiction services - including two Residential Treatment Programs located in Portland and West Newfield.

According to Dawber, after years of discussion and negoti-

ations, YCSP and the Brother's signed a 10-year lease to own agreement in December of 2014. The agreement was finalized during a late summer conversation between Dawber and Brother Jerome Lessard while Dawber was visiting on Brother Jerome's front porch. The agreement embodies the warm relationship between the two entities.

Labbe says, "YCSP continues to seek innovative approaches and partners that can help make our community a better place. York County FCU, who organized the Run/Walk this year, has certainly become one such partner."

Labbe added, "Since the days of the Abenaki Tribe to now, the Shaker Hill land has served as a place of caring and spiritual warmth. The work being done by YCSP is made possible by the kindness of the people of Alfred who embrace the values of helping those in need.

For more information about York County Shelter Programs, call 324-1137, email info@ycspi.org or visit www.yorkcountyshesterprograms.org. You can donate online or send to York County Shelter Programs, 24 George Rd, Alfred, ME 04002. If you are interested in helping by donating items, email Lisa LaMontagne at lisaf@ycspi.org or Joan Sylvester at joans@ycspi.org for more information.

The bakery is open to the public seven days a week from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., with hours extended to 7 p.m. on Fridays during the Mama Mia season. Mama Mia's suppers are Fridays from 5-7 p.m.



Leo Amabile, 17 from Waterboro receiving his first-place award, a medal and an apple pie. PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

and will continue throughout the summer. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 3 to 11, and children under 3 are free. The menu consists of pasta with

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Memorial Day service

It was a drippy, chilly morning but many townspeople gathered for the Memorial Day service on the green in Alfred. Also included were the Massabesic High School Band and members of the ROTC. During the service on the village green, the prayer was given by Robert Liberty, chaplain of Brown-Emmons Post 134 and the address was given by Dr. Tom Collins, the American Legion commander. He pointed out the first Memorial Day services were held following the Civil War.

He recounted how two local servicemen were lost in 2017. This past May Special Warfare Operator Senior Chief Petty Officer Kyle Milliken of Falmouth was fatally injured "while serving with Navy SEAL Team 6 in Somalia". He had received four Bronze Star medals in previous tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. James B. Trowbridge had served his country in the United States Air Force for 22 years and also earned a Bronze Star for meritorious service for his year in Vietnam.

His widow, Jean Trowbridge, and his son laid the wreath at the monument.

The second speaker was ROTC Executive Officer Andrew Cotton, of Alfred who also read "I Am the Flag."

The ceremony concluded with the Massabesic High School band playing "America the Beautiful". Appreciation was expressed by the Legion for so many people attending the ceremony.



Commander of the American Legion Post 134, Tom Collins, gave the first address during the Alfred/Waterboro Memorial Day ceremony in Alfred. PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS

years of age. Only your fishing rod, reel and bait are required. Trophies and prizes will be awarded for the first fish caught both by a boy and a girl, and the largest fish caught by a boy and a girl. There will be other trophy categories.

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The Women's Connection

Guest night at the women's connection will be held in The Barn at the Sanford Country Club

on Monday, June 12 at 6:30. The first speaker will be Susan Morgan who will tell the history of the oxen farm in the 1800's which was changed into the present day Country Club where Morgan is the food and beverage manager. Membership is not required for the golf course or restaurant. It is available for special events.

The other speaker is David Wiernicki who spent 28 years in the New York State Prison, walking out in 2013 a free man. He will tell how he survived and thrived through riots, mass disturbances and threats of daily living behind the wall.

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Library open house

Parsons Memorial Library has had the good fortune to have watercolors by Paul Braddon showing "Haunts of Charles Lamb" which were framed through the Jose W. Fenderson Trust. These have been hung in the reading room and can be viewed this Sunday afternoon. They were presented to the library by Lewis S. Conant.

Charles Lamb has been described as "an eccentric, a misfit, and one of the finest essayists of the age." He lived 1775-1834 and wrote plays, poetry and the "Tales from Shakespear" which has remained in print ever since.

Paul Braddon began his career by creating architectural drawings of churches and cathedrals, and later did pencil sketches from which he did watercolours. His work is in many museums; much of his work was sold in the United States.

Less famous but equally enjoyable are the downstairs murals in the children's room by Linda Migneault. She had several years ago done murals of animals there which have a fairy tale quality about them. She has since added a dragon and other characters in the corridor leading down to the community room.

In the community room there are paintings on the walls done by Doris Porell of scenes reminiscent of New England.

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