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Massabesic junior Devenny Brickett was named SRTC's 2025 Student of the Year. COURTESY PHOTO

## Student of the Year

The Sanford Regional Technical Center (SRTC) recently announced Devenny Brickett, a junior at Massabesic High School, as its Student of the Year. Enrolled in the Health Occupations program, Devenny has distinguished herself through academic excellence, leadership, community service, and exemplary clinical skills while working toward her CNA license.

Devenny's accomplishments extend far beyond the classroom. As the current Class President for the Class of 2026 and Vice President of the Student Council, she demonstrates natural leadership abilities among her peers. Her academic achievements have earned her membership in both the National Honor Society and National Technical Honor Society, reflecting her commitment to scholarly excellence.

"I wholeheartedly recommend Devenny for student of the year," says her Health Occupations instructor, Jenna Holmes. "Her punctuality, kindness, time management, and strong clinical skills make her an exemplary candidate who has contributed greatly to the class. I am confident that she will continue to thrive and

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## Your local 'paper'

Rolls of newsprint stacked to the ceiling, waiting to be transformed into local publications, like the Reporter. FILE PHOTO BY KERRY DEANGELIS

# Remaining in print

*Some long-time local weeklies now digital-only – the REPORTER is not one of them!*

With several other weekly newspapers in the area stopping their print editions, we wanted to let readers know that the Reporter will continue to be printed every Thursday, and distributed free throughout the community, as it has been, since 2003.

Last week, Maine Trust for Local News (MTLN), the non-profit that owns the *Portland Press Herald* and other Maine papers, published their last printed editions of the Biddeford *Courier*, *Kennebunk Post*, *American Journal*, *Lakes Region Weekly*, *Forecasters*, *Scarborough Leader* and *South Portland Sentry*. MTLN had announced the decision in early March, to convert its free weeklies to a digital-only format.

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The last printed editions of the Lakes Region Weekly, American Journal and Courier were published last week. The Reporter is independently owned and will continue its regular weekly printing. PHOTO BY KERRY DEANGELIS

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– Kerry DeAngelis  
Publisher



This banded adult Osprey is part of a field study. COURTESY PHOTO

## YORK COUNTY AUDUBON PRESENTS: The Yellowstone River Osprey Project with Marco Restani

In 2009 a few members of the Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society in Billings, Montana initiated a field study of Ospreys. They were interested in monitoring the distribution and abundance of the local population, and in helping management agencies and electric utilities reduce human-Osprey conflicts. That first year three members found 22 nests. Today over 40 volunteers monitor nearly 100 nests along the Yellowstone River in collaboration with power companies, landowners, and government agencies.

This presentation will describe how nest monitors are trained to become proficient in Osprey observation and data collection. From the efforts of these dedicated volunteers, you will learn where Ospreys produced along the Yellowstone River migrate and spend the winter, how long they live, where they settle to breed, and their lifetime reproductive success. You will also learn how many electrocutions and twine entanglements occur

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**COMING EVENTS**

**ONLINE SILENT AUCTION** Waterboro Library's Online Silent Auction begins April 1 and bidding will continue until April 13. Staff has started to list items already, so you can get a "sneak peek" at the treasures available for your bidding starting now. Bidding begins April 1 at 9 a.m. and ends April 13 at 9 p.m. Call the library with questions at 247-3363. Online auction link: <https://m.charityauctionstoday.com/m/auctions/waterboro-public-library-13th-annual-silent-auction-43965>

**PUBLIC HADDOCK DINNERS** Fridays April 4 and April 11 (4:30 to 6:30 p.m.) at the St. Thomas School Cafeteria, 69 North Avenue in Sanford. Price is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. Bring canned goods or other nonperishable items for chance at 50/50 raffle. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, FMI call Ray at 651-6636.

**SHAPLEIGH COMMUNITY CENTER GRAND OPENING & RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY** Saturday, April 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 24 Back Road, adjacent to the Shapleigh town hall. Come and view the new facility. Light refreshments will be served.

# Community CALENDAR



Email non-profit event listings to: [news@waterbororeporter.com](mailto:news@waterbororeporter.com)

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY HOSTS BEAN SUPPER** The Arundel Historical Society will be hosting a Baked Bean and Pasta Supper on Saturday, April 5 at the M.L.Day School Gym from 4:30 to 6 p.m. located at 600 Limerick Road, Arundel. There will be 2 kinds of baked beans, mac-cheese, American Chop Suey, Hot Dogs, coleslaw, cornbread/rolls and brown bread, drinks and coffee and homemade desserts. Takeout is available. Suggested donations are: Adults \$10, Kids 6-10 yrs- \$5, Children 5 and under Free. There will be historical displays, membership info and merchandise available. Our annual raffle calendar will be available. This is to benefit the Arundel Historical Society and all are welcome to a great family evening.

**EGG HUNT AND PAINT PARTY** Shapleigh's PTC will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt and Paint Party on Saturday, April 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Shapleigh Memorial School, 467 Shapleigh Corner Road. The Easter Egg

Hunt will begin sharply at 3:30 p.m. The eggs go quickly so be on time.

**JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER** on Saturday, April 5 at 7 p.m. at the Sanford Performing Arts Center, 100 Alumni Blvd., Sanford. Join pianist Luther S. Allison and vocalists Quiana Lynell and Milton Suggs as they bring the spirited essence of Mardi Gras to life. Tickets are \$45-\$65, with discounts for seniors, students, military veterans and season subscribers. For information, visit <https://sanfordpac.org/lincolncenter/> or call the box office at 206-1126, or visit in person Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon.

**EVENT CANCELED!** The 2025 Hanna Powell Memorial Piano Competition originally set for this Sunday, April 6, has been canceled.

**YORK COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE MEETING** on April 9, 2025, at Alfred Town Hall, 16 Saco Road. Doors open at 6 p.m.;

business meeting is from 6:30-8 p.m. Guest Speaker, Laura Whitcomb, President of Gun Owners of Maine, will provide an overview of gun rights and issues in Maine. All Republicans welcome. FMI: [YCRCsecretary@yorkgop.org](mailto:YCRCsecretary@yorkgop.org), (207) 590-1909.

**12TH ANNUAL SOUPER SUPPER** Parsonsfield Seminary 504 North Road, Parsonsfield, Friday, April 11 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Southwestern chicken soup, Corn Chowder, Zappa Toscana and Chili. Tossed salad, bread, biscuits, rolls, cornbread, tossed salad, drinks and dessert. Cost is \$14, 12 and under is \$5. Music by Steve Decker. FMI: (603) 539 5233 or (207) 625 8360.

**FREE COMMUNITY DINNER** at the Goodwins Mills Advent Christian Church, 503 Goodwins Mills, Rte 35 Dayton, April 12 from 4:30-6 p.m. Shepherd's Pie, Fruit cups, Cookies, Coffee and punch.

**GROW WITH US AT THE SANFORD COMMUNITY GARDEN** There are spaces available at the garden for you to grow some of your own food. Everything you need for a successful harvest is provided free of cost. Plus, Master Gardener Volunteers are available to guide you and provide information. Get started by visiting [mousamwaylandtrust.org](http://mousamwaylandtrust.org) and clicking on The Sanford Community Garden before April 12. The garden is a project of the Sanford Springvale Mousam Way Land Trust.

**THE YELLOWSTONE RIVER OSPREY PROJECT WITH MARCO RESTANI** presented by York County Audubon at the Wells Reserve and also via Zoom, Tuesday, April 15 at 7 p.m. Join Marco Restani to learn all about Ospreys and how they've been protected. For information, visit [yorkcountyaudubon.org](http://yorkcountyaudubon.org)



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**Come meet 'Domino' the African Crested Porcupine**

**HOMEMADE YOGURT-MAKING WORKSHOP** Tuesday, April 15 at 6 p.m. in the Community Room, downstairs, at Waterboro Public Library, 187 Main Street, East Waterboro. Claire Schreiber, Cooperative Extension Master Food Preserver, will present an introduction into the world of fermentation, unlocking the secrets of making homemade yogurt. You'll walk away with new skills, recipes to try and the ability to replicate at home without needing to buy expensive equipment.

Cornish Historical Society **ANNUAL DUCK DERBY FUNDRAISER** a fun family event with great prizes! Buy your duckie tickets at Cornish Hardware, the Inkwell or Lily's Fine Flowers. Rain or shine, Saturday, April 26. Race starts at 11 a.m. sharp! FMI 625-3095 or 625-3177.

The **ANNUAL MEETING OF BALDWIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY** is Saturday, April 26 at 5 p.m. at Brown Memorial Library. Potluck supper and the election of officers after the meal. You may also renew your membership at this time. The program for the evening will be a LIVE studio news broadcast of the 1920 Baldwin newspaper headlines. Save the date!

**SEEKING CRAFTERS** Tory Hill Meetinghouse in Buxton is celebrating community days on Aug. 9 by hosting the opportunity for vendors to set up on the church lawn and offer up attic treasures (yard sale items) and/or crafts. This lawn event will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.; we are offering spaces that are 10' x 10' for \$30/ space. (Note: There will be a \$5 discount if the application and check is received by May 15 – nonrefundable). It is for "space only" you must bring your own table/chairs. Saturday events will continue and include a road race, a town parade, the Dorcas Society's e Car and Coffee Show all centered around the church (vendor area). There will be lots of foot traffic. FMI regarding a space please call Carolyn at 229-4960.

**ONGOING EVENTS**

**NEWFIELD MUSIC JAMBOREE** Town Hall, So. Effingham Road, 1st Saturday of the month Nov-April. Winter hours are 1 to 3:30 p.m. Free, open to public. FMI call 468-1491.

**ADULT COED VOLLEYBALL** every Wednesday night at the Line School in Limerick from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Questions? contact Dan McAllister at 247-8857.

**CRIBBAGE CLUB** Wednesdays, from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Lyman Community Library. All ages, all skill levels. FMI: 207-499-7114.

**TODDLER STORY TIME** at Kezar Falls Circulating Library, 2 Federal Road, Kezar Falls, Wednesdays at 11 a.m. What to expect: A story with a short activity and a bit of music time. Geared toward ages 1-3 but all ages and abilities welcome. Open Tue. 2:30-7 p.m., Wed. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thu. 2:30-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

**WATERBORO COMMUNITY PANTRY** 26 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro. Open the first Tuesday of month from 4 to 7 p.m. all other Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. Donations can be dropped Saturdays 2 to 4 p.m. or put non perishable in drop box on the porch. FMI 247-7789.

**THE CORNER CUPBOARD** which offers personal care, paper, cleaning, household, and baby items to anyone in need, is open the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Sanford UU Church, 5 Lebanon St., Sanford, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Please bring your own bag.

**MONTHLY COFFEE HOUR FOR OLDER ADULTS** with Massabesic Adult and Community Education. Every third Tuesday of the month, 1 to 2 p.m. at Massabesic Lions Club, 813 Main Street, Waterboro.

The Acton-Shapleigh Lion's Club **MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST** the first Saturday of every month. \$7 includes pancakes (plain or blueberry), scrambled eggs, sausages, toast, orange juice, beans, and coffee, tea, and milk. The breakfast is from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road.

**BEAN SUPPER** Massabesic Lions monthly dine-in or take-out the 2nd Saturday of the month, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Lions Regional Medical Center, 813 Main St. Waterboro. Adults \$10. Children 5 to 12 are \$7, kids 4 and under are free. Kidney and pea beans, chop suey, ham, hot dogs, coleslaw, "our homemade" biscuits and a variety of desserts.

**BRIEFS**

**Lake Arrowhead Community hosts annual Clean Up Day**  
*Fun, food and local connections*

The Lake Arrowhead Community (LAC) invites residents to come together for the Annual Community Clean Up Day on April 26, a community-wide effort to help beautify and care for the spaces we all share.

Volunteers will meet at 9 a.m. at Clubhouse 2, at 206 Old Portland Road in North Waterboro, to collect litter, clear trails, and restore key areas across the neighborhood. Bags and gloves will be provided, and all ages are welcome to join in.

But the day doesn't end there! After the clean up, everyone is invited to gather for an afternoon of games, food, and raffle prizes to celebrate our collective efforts.

Participants will also have the opportunity to connect with:

- The LAC Garden Club for hands-on gardening tips and advice on local planting.
- PALZ (Patrollers of Arrowhead's Littoral Zone) to learn about invasive lake plants and how we can help preserve our lake's ecosystem.

"This day is all about coming together—not just to clean up, but to connect with neighbors, learn



Scan this code to register today for the Lake Arrowhead Community Clean Up Day on April 26. The first 50 volunteers will receive a free T-shirt.

something new, and celebrate our incredible community," said Spike Ross-Corbett, chair of the Recreation Committee.

For more information or to volunteer, contact info@lacc.org OR visit lacinc.org.

Let's clean up, give back, and have some fun—together!

*Lake Arrowhead Community includes areas of North Waterboro and Limerick, surrounding Lake Arrowhead.*

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The Dayton Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing regarding the following proposal during the Planning Board meeting on **Tuesday, April 15, 2025**, which begins at 6:30 P.M. and will be held at the Dayton Town Hall.

**I. LIZOTTE USED CAR DEALERSHIP** – Joseph Lizotte, applicant; Roger Moreau, agent; Michael Hirst, owner. Conditional Use Permit for Motor Vehicle Sales. The applicant proposes to lease 6,000 SF of land for a used car lot. An office and work/storage area is proposed within the existing barn. The existing dwelling on the property to remain. The property is located at 586 New County Road. The property is located within the Rural Fields zone and is identified as Map 6, Lot 41-6.

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**NOMINATION PAPERS**  
Nomination papers for the June 10, 2025 Municipal Election ARE NOW AVAILABLE for the following positions:

- One-Select Board Member, 3-year term
- One-School Board Member, 3-year term
- One-Road Commissioner, 3-year term

Nomination papers are available at the Town Clerk's Office during regular office hours and must be returned by:

**FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025**

(Signature requirements: Minimum of 25 and no more than 100 qualified signatures of registered voters in the Town of Dayton). If you need additional information, please contact: Jennifer Thibeau, Town Clerk at (207) 499-7526

FROM THE MAINE DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY:

The nesting beach Plovers remind you: No pets, bikes or kites on the beach starting April 1



Piping Plover adult and chick. PHOTO BY AMANDA REED, MAINE AUDUBON

Each year beginning on April 1, all pets (including dogs, and horses), bikes, and kite flying are not allowed on the State Park Beaches in order to protect federally endangered nesting shorebirds.

Thank you for helping us protect shorebirds and the dune habitat they rely on.

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Be fire smart Know the fire danger and get online burn permits

Did you know ... in 2024, Maine had 652 wildfires, which burned 297 acres. Over 95% of these fires were human-caused. In fact, roughly 37% resulted from open burning, including escaped or improperly extinguished debris burns and recreational campfires.

As spring wildfire season approaches, Maine Forest Rangers would like to highlight some of the tools and resources we use to prevent wildfires in our state.

One of these tools is the Online Burn Permit system at maineburnpermit.com, which helps peo-

ple conduct open burning safely under the appropriate weather conditions.

Through this system, landowners and other authorized users can obtain free burn permits for debris burning and large recreational campfires (fires which are larger than 3 feet in height and diameter). Permits are available each day starting at 9 am when the daily fire danger rating is low or moderate, unless fire officials in the organized towns have set additional restrictions.

The Maine Forest Service Wildfire Danger Report website at mainefireweather.org is another very important tool used to communicate the current risk of wildfire growth to the public.

The Maine Forest Service, in conjunction with federal partners including the National Park Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and the US Forest Service, maintain a network of fire weather

stations around Maine. These stations collect a variety of weather data, such as temperature, relative humidity and windspeed which are then used to calculate fire danger. The fire danger conditions, reported as low, moderate, high, very high, and extreme, help inform the public and provide guidance to Forest Rangers and local fire departments about the risk of wildfires.

This season, we would also like to bring attention to Red Flag Warnings which are issued by the National Weather Service, in conjunction with the Maine Forest Service, when a combination of warm temperature, very low relative humidity and strong winds are expected. These warnings are given for a specified length of time and geographic area. They inform the public and firefighters that conditions are ideal for wildland fires and their rapid spread.

Outdoor fires are not allowed until the Red Flag Warning is over. So, it is very important to check with the landowner if you are camping while there is a Red Flag Warning in effect.

Maine Forest Rangers remind everyone to keep any open burning activities safe by checking the daily wildfire danger rating, obtaining a free burn permit when required, and keeping all fires small and manageable. Never leave a fire unattended, and please be sure your fire is properly extinguished before leaving the area.

- Terri Teller, Forest Fire Prevention Specialist, Maine Forest Service



Mud Season All ATV trails closed

Riding on trails before they are open for the season can cause significant damage and can result in landowners permanently closing trails to all users. Do your part to maintain Maine's ATV trails and wait until they are open.

When will the trails open? Conditions around the state are varied and the decision to open trails is managed by the property owner and/or the club or organization who maintains the trail system. ATV trails in Maine typically do not open until May.

Please do your part and respect private landowners and ATV clubs by obeying all mud season closure postings.

Stay in the Know About Trail Conditions:

- 1. Get condition reports from local ATV clubs and tread lightly. 2. Sign up for ATV Trail Alerts by texting ATV to 888-514-7527.

- Matthew Foster, ATV Program Supervisor

TOWN OF ACTON PUBLIC NOTICE. The ACTON PLANNING BOARD will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 6:00pm for the Discussion of a Site Plan Review for E&E Holdings, LLC. for Fairgrounds Variety Fairgrounds Variety, 631 Route 109 Corner of Route 109 & Milton Mills Road, Map 241; Lot 006-001. This Hearing will be held in person at the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Road. For more information, please contact the Land Use Assistant at (207) 636-3131 Ext. 410

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**Maine Senate gives initial support to bill to honor veterans by renaming Salmon Falls Bridge in Buxton and Hollis**

*This year, Sen. Bailey also sponsored legislation to rename Goosefare Brook Bridge in Old Orchard Beach and Saco after Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran Captain Christopher S. Cash and co-sponsored legislation to rename the Saco Memorial Bridge in Biddeford and Saco after Korean and Vietnam Wars veteran General Wallace H. Nutting.*

On April 1, the Maine Senate gave its initial support to a bill from Sen. Donna Bailey, D-Saco, LD 672, "Resolve, to Rename the Salmon Falls Bridge Between Buxton and Hollis the Salmon Falls Veterans Memorial Bridge," would honor Maine veterans by renaming Salmon Falls Bridge the Salmon Falls Veterans Memorial Bridge. Last month, the Legislature's Transportation Committee gave its unanimous, bipartisan support to the bill at the work session.

"I am grateful to my Senate colleagues for lending their unanimous, bipartisan support to this bill," said Sen. Bailey. "As we all know, honoring Maine's veterans is not a partisan issue – it is simply the right thing to do. Each and every day, I am grateful for the

sacrifices that the men and women of the armed services — past and present — make to defend our democracy and promote our shared values."

In the 132nd Maine Legislature, Sen. Bailey has honored veterans by working to rename bridges across Senate District 31. In Old Orchard Beach and Saco, LD 37, which Sen. Bailey sponsored, renamed Goosefare Brook Bridge the Captain Christopher S. Cash Memorial Bridge in honor of a local Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran. In Biddeford and Saco, LD 79, which Sen. Bailey co-sponsored, renamed Saco Memorial Bridge the General Wallace H. Nutting Memorial Bridge in honor of former mayor and Korean and Vietnam Wars veteran Wallace Nutting.

Both bills received unanimous, bipartisan support in the Transportation Committee. They also passed both the Maine House and Senate and were signed into law by Governor Janet Mills. They will go into effect on June 20, 2025.

LD 672 now faces additional votes in the House and Senate before it goes to the Governor's desk.



First County Foundation (FCF) board members recently had an up close look at York County government's two building projects – a first responder training center and a substance use recovery center – under construction on Layman Way in Alfred. FCF is the charitable arm of the county government, and looks to help fill in the gaps – from equipping a kitchen to supplying beds for the recovery center – through fundraising. The steel has been hung for the training center, and the footings for the recovery center are to soon be installed. Pausing for a photo following their tour were, from left, Senior Project Manager Tim Sommers and Superintendent Steve LaPointe of Landry French Construction; FCF Chair Billy Shore, who also serves on Kennebunkport Fire Department, along with FCF Board Member and Kennebunk Police Officer Candice Simeon and FCF Board Member and Sanford Housing Authority Executive Director Diane Small. PHOTO BY RACHEL STANSFIELD/YORK COUNTY GOVERNMENT



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# New hires at AWS

With recent hiring, Animal Welfare Society (AWS) has added three new members to its management team: Astrid Wielens, Cam Raymond and Allie McCarthy.

Joining AWS in February as Director of Administration, Astrid Wielens brings nearly twenty years of non-profit management to the team. In her role, she will manage the finances, human resources, facilities and the business office. "AWS' culture of empathy, compassion and inclusion drew me to this position. I am excited to have found another inspiring and rewarding mission to support," Wielens states.

Cam Raymond joins AWS as Director of Operations, "Drawing from my experience in veterinary medicine and companion animal diagnostics, I was attracted to AWS because of its unique mission and commitment to supporting the local community," Raymond explains. "With my background, I can contribute to the organization's growth, support our staff and volunteers, and help serve our community members and clients." At AWS, Cam will oversee the Community Veterinary Clinic, Adoption Center, Canine Training and animal services team.

Rounding out AWS' recent hires is Allie McCarthy as Community Engagement Manager. Allie

brings nearly ten years of animal welfare experience to her role, most recently as a volunteer program manager at a central Maine animal shelter. At AWS, Allie will maintain the volunteer program, attend community events, engage with area schools and libraries and support AWS' youth programming on-site and in the community.

"Our new leadership team members are a welcomed addition as AWS continues to develop the programs and services needed by the pets and the people in our community," says Executive Director Abigail Smith, "We're excited for our future and are ready to keep growing." To learn more about AWS' community programs and services, and how these new hires support the organization's mission, visit [animalwelfaresociety.org](http://animalwelfaresociety.org).

For more information, contact Abigail Smith, Executive Director (207) 985-3244 ext. 106 or Stephanie Kelley, Marketing Communications Manager (207) 985-3244 ext. 130.

*Animal Welfare Society, a non-profit organization, exists to serve as the safety net for lost and homeless pets and to provide access to affordable services and resources necessary for long term well-being, so pets and their families stay together and thrive. Located at 46 Holland Road, Kennebunk.*



New AWS hires, from left: Allie McCarthy, Community Engagement Manager; Cam Raymond, Director of Operations; and Astrid Wielens, Director of Administration. COURTESY PHOTO

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**STUDENT**

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will make a meaningful impact as she moves through her journey to become a healthcare professional.”

Devenny’s dedication to community service is equally impressive, having accumulated over 200 community service hours during her high school career. She maintains this commitment while excelling as a two-sport athlete in indoor track and softball, and pursuing her passion as a competitive dancer.

Already First Aid and CPR certified, Devenny aims to become a Registered Nurse, with a particular interest in palliative care. Her passion for working with elderly residents shines through in her own words: “Being able to connect with residents, show up for them consistently, and hopefully brighten their day has always been part of my plan.”

Her compassionate approach to healthcare is evident in her philosophy of patient care. “I look forward to going and trying to lift the residents’ spirits. Whether that’s cracking a joke, complimenting an outfit, or roaming the halls with baby dolls, I strive to make connections and build relationships with each resident,” Devenny explains. “I want people to feel loved, cared for, and

dignified no matter what stage of life they are in or what path they choose.”

Devenny values the practical education she has received at SRTC, noting that the real-world, hands-on experience has deepened her understanding of the healthcare industry. This practical knowledge, combined with her natural empathy and strong work ethic, positions her well for future success.

“Ultimately, I want to make a difference in people’s lives,” says Devenny, a sentiment that perfectly encapsulates why she has been selected as this year’s outstanding student. Devenny is the daughter of Alfred and KyleAnn Brickett of Lyman.

The Sanford Regional Technical Center provides Career and Technical Education to students from several area high schools, preparing them for both higher education and direct entry into the workforce. Devenny Brickett exemplifies the center’s mission of fostering technical skills, leadership, and community engagement. She, along with students from the other 26 CTE schools in the State, will be honored at the MACTE Student of the Year Banquet held on Saturday, May 3 at 11:30 a.m. at Eastern Maine Community College in Bangor.

– By Matt Petermann  
SRTC Director

**AUDUBON EVENT**

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each year, and the management to reduce these mortality factors.

Marco Restani began birding with the Seacoast Chapter of New Hampshire Audubon in the late 1970s and the mentorship he received launched him on a lifelong journey with birds. Originally an ‘Army Brat’, he attended high school in Durham before heading west to the University of Montana (BS), Montana State (MS), and Utah State (PhD). Following post-doctoral research at the University of Washington, Marco was Professor of Wildlife Ecology for 15 years. Currently, he is a Biologist at NorthWestern Energy in Montana responsible for developing and implementing the company’s avian protection program. He has studied raptors for over 35 years and each summer since 2012 conducts research for the Yellowstone River Osprey Project.


This program will be presented at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15 in the Mather Auditorium at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm. It will be free and open to all ages, and no registration is required for attending the program in person. It will also be live-streamed via Zoom. To view it via Zoom, you’ll need to register in advance. To do so, visit



Marco Restani with a golden eagle. COURTESY PHOTO

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**Joyce Rose Caron**

Joyce Rose Caron, 68, of Dover, NH, died peacefully at home on March 7, 2025, surrounded by her family.



Joyce Rose Caron

Joyce was born to Romeo and Claire Caron on March 11, 1956, in Sanford. As a child, Joyce spent summers visiting her extended family in New Brunswick, Canada. She graduated from Sanford High School in 1975. After graduation, Joyce became a mother to her four children – being a mother was what brought her the most joy in her life. Joyce loved her hometown, Sanford, and enjoyed the beach, long walks, writing short stories, drawing, going to bingo (with one of her elephant nick-naks for good luck), and, most importantly, her family. Joyce spent most of her career in retail, but she was most fond of her time while working as a Crossing Guard for Sanford’s school department. Before her retirement, she worked for over 15 years at HMS Host in Kennebunk, ME, where she made lasting friendships, developed pen pals, and enjoyed meeting travelers on their way through Maine.

Surviving Joyce are her children, Travis Penney (Madeline), Cuddy Penney (Jen), Nyah Penney, Kera Levasseur (Tyson), and her sister, Sandra Gray (Armand Morin); six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Richard Hoskins.

Memorial services will be held at 10 am on Tuesday, April 22, at Bibber Memorial at Autumn Green (47 Oak Street, Alfred, ME). Buri-

al will follow at St. Ignatius Cemetery in Sanford. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Wentworth Home Care & Hospice (Amedisys Foundation) at [www.wdhospital.org](http://www.wdhospital.org) or to the Alzheimer Association at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org).

To share a memory or leave a message of condolence, visit [www.bibbersautumngreen.com](http://www.bibbersautumngreen.com).

Arrangements are in the care of Bibber Memorial at Autumn Green, 47 Oak St, Alfred, ME 04002.

**Gail Lawrie Buccini**

Gail Lawrie Buccini, age 91, of West Newfield, passed away peacefully at home on March 20, 2025. Gail was the daughter of the late William and Lillian (Laitala) Purdy. She is predeceased by her husband, Joseph (Joe) Buccini, and brother, William Purdy. Survivors include her children, Gregory Buccini and Maryann of Plymouth MA, Robert Buccini and David Buccini of West Newfield, Laurie Powers (Joseph) of Holbrook MA, Lynne Forti (Kevin) of Middleboro MA, Joseph Buccini and Sheila Curran of Palm Harbor, FL and Michael Buccini (Kimberly) of Mansfield MA, fifteen grandchildren, and eleven great grandchildren.



Gail Lawrie Buccini

Gail was born in Fitchburg, Massachusetts on March 8, 1934.

After graduating from Thayer Academy, in Braintree MA, Gail attended Rhode Island School of Design. She met Joe when they were both 16 and they spent 70 loving years together. They married in 1953 and went on to raise seven children together in Quincy, MA. After working by Joe’s side at Buccini’s Mister Sub, she

opened her own store, Encore Quality Consignments, right next door. The family later opened a homemade ice cream shop next to that and named it Purdy’s, after Gail’s family.

Gail and Joe purchased their home, affectionately known as “The Farm”, in West Newfield in the early 70s as a vacationing spot for their children. The Farm became a multi-generational gathering place for the family, made cozy and welcoming by Gail.

Gail was an avid reader and enjoyed painting, playing piano, and doing crossword puzzles. But more than anything else, she loved being a mother and a nana.

Her family was her pride and joy, and spending time with them was her favorite aspect of life. She embodied unconditional love that you could feel through her tight hugs and affectionate words. She always ensured that those in her life knew that they were welcome, appreciated, and loved as they were.

She will be remembered for her bright, nurturing, and loving personality that filled those who knew her with joy and comfort.

A private ceremony will be held at The Farm at a later date.

Online condolence messages can be submitted at the Chad E. Poitras Cremation and Funeral Service website, [www.maine-funeral.com](http://www.maine-funeral.com).

Donations in her memory can be made to St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital.

**Steven Urbain Roberge**

Steven Urbain Roberge of Shapleigh was born on Aug. 8, 1948, in Sanford. At age 76, he peacefully passed away Friday, March 21, 2025, with his family at his side.

As a young child, he spoke only French; as he learned English in school, he helped his parents and siblings learn English. In his youth, he loved and played most

sports, but football was definitely his favorite. He graduated from Sanford High School in 1968 and then enlisted in the Navy in 1969 for a four-year term. While in the Navy he got to experience being stationed in Iceland and Scotland each for a year. During the time he spent at sea, Steve was often used as the ship’s French-English interpreter. He then went on to work as an electrician and radio technician at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, where he later retired as a planner and estimator in 2003 at the age of 55.



Steven Urbain Roberge

Steve always had a passion for life and a love for the outdoors; he filled his early retirement years with many rounds of golf with his dear friends and family, as well as plenty of long cruises on his beloved Harley. Throughout his entire life, he has been an avid outdoorsman. Whether it was spending countless hours fishing on his boat or sitting in his tree stand waiting for that big buck to walk by, nature was his happy place.

Steve was a kind, caring, fun, loving soul. Always the first to offer a hand to anyone in need. He was a devoted father and a loving grandfather. The family was always very important to Steve. Whether it was a birthday, a reunion, a school event, a sports game, a dance recital, or cheer, Steve was there. He was also an active member of the American Legion and the Lafayette Club, where he could often be found hosting his weekly cribbage tournament.

Steve is survived and will be greatly missed by his son, Jeremy Roberge of Shapleigh, and his three granddaughters, Rachael Bonia, Madison Roberge, and Makenzie Roberge. Also surviving are his younger twin sisters, Linda Poirier of Lyman, and Stella Roberge of Daytona Beach, Florida, and his younger brother, Rodney Roberge of Arundel. He was preceded in death by his loving parents Urbain Leo Roberge and Cecile Aurora Caron.

Graveside services with military honors will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, at the Southern Maine Veterans Ceme-

tery in Springvale. A Celebration of Life will follow from 3-6 p.m. at the V.F.W. Post #9935 in Sanford.

To share a memory or leave a message of condolence, visit [www.bibbersautumngreen.com](http://www.bibbersautumngreen.com).

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**Gail Marie St. Peter**

Gail Marie St. Peter, 73 of Lyman, passed away March 24, 2025, surrounded by those she loved including her little dog Woozy.



Gail Marie St. Peter

Gail was born Dec. 15, 1951, in Waterville to Louis and Pauline Bourgeois.

Gail enjoyed spending time with her friends and family. She loved to laugh, many times the laughter was so strong it would bring you to tears. She enjoyed shopping, often times you could find her at kohls, it was said that she would buy things just to return them so she had a reason to go back and shop some more. She also enjoyed crocheting and most recently got into doing what she referred to as diamond art.

Gail is survived by her daughters- Kellie Tetu and her husband Rod of Lyman, Lisa Pomerleau and husband Tracy of Lyman, Jamie Legros of Arundel and Stepdaughter Leane St. Peter of Dade City, FL. Her grandchildren, Kaylie St. Peter and partner Jeff, Madysen, Bryson and Mason and her two great granddaughters Peyton and Paislee. She is also survived by her brother Louis “Louie” Bourgeois and wife Kathy of Winslow, as well as many Nieces and Nephews.

Gail was preceded in death by her loving husband Richard St. Peter. Her parents and her sister Linda, all of whom she missed dearly.

Gail’s spunky personality and love for laughter touched many lives, she will be missed by those who loved and cared for her.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Online condolences can be submitted at the Chad E. Poitras Cremation and Funeral Service - Waterboro website, [www.maine-funeral.com](http://www.maine-funeral.com).

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**Ronald David Thibeault**

Ronald David Thibeault (T-Bo) of Alfred, passed peacefully from this life on March 25, 2025, following complications from a rare spinal stroke. Ron was born on June 15, 1959, at Goodall Hospital in Sanford, to Simone (Roux) Bergeron and Maurice Thibeault. He grew up in Alfred, attending Alfred Elementary and graduating from Massabesic High School in 1977.



Ronald David Thibeault

One of Ron's proudest accomplishments was his family. He welcomed his daughter Crystal in 1979, his first son David in 1985, and his second son Michael in 1987. In 2000, he met his eternal wife, Patti, and they were married in their backyard on July 28, 2007. Ron instantly gained three stepchildren, Jill (Ramsdell) Marek, Jamie Ramsdell, and Kevin Ramsdell, who he treated as his own children.

Ron loved all things sports and games. As a child, he began playing horseshoes and developed a lifelong passion for the sport and

community. He was the Maine State Junior Champion in 1976 and 1977 and still holds the record for the highest ringer percentage by any junior. He competed in the World Horseshoe Championship Tournament in 1996, checking off a dream he had had since he was a teenager. He was active in the Maine Horseshoe Pitchers Association, where he served as both former president and current vice president. Up until age 39, when he wasn't pitching horseshoes, he could be found on the ballfields of Sanford and Waterboro pitching for his various Men's softball teams. He also loved playing cornhole and "horsenuts" and for many years held a party for all his friends and family he called the Maine State Horsenuts Championship, where he would serve, among other things, his famous homemade fish chowder. He was also an avid candlepin bowler and golfer.

Prior to his retirement in 2022, Ron worked as a machinist. While he worked at several places throughout his career, his favorite was his job at TK Machining in Waterboro, where he worked for 15 years. As with everything he did in life, he was surrounded by friends at work and made the shop a happy place filled with stories and laugh-

ter. Many days after work and in retirement, Ron loved stopping by to have a beer with his friends at the Lafayette Club, where he was an active member for over 45 years and was the club's president until his death.

Once he met his beloved Patti, they spent countless weekends at various campgrounds in Maine and New Hampshire camping together. They also enjoyed spending time with their many friends with whom they would share good food, drinks, and laughter whenever they could. Patti and Ron loved going to Disney World or to visit Jilly in Virginia and dressing up for Halloween to give their trick-or-treaters a special treat. Patti would keep score for Ron at his many horseshoe tournaments. Ron and Patti always set time aside just to enjoy each other's company, whether it was Thursday date nights, floating quietly in the pool, or cruising around Estes Lake in Sanford. Above all, the most joy in their lives was being with their children and grandchildren.

There was nothing more important to Ron than his family and friends. He coached his kids' little league teams and never missed their high school football or basketball games. He spent his No-

vember hunting deer with friends, and as Dave and Mike got older, it became a special time for the three of them to be together in the woods. In 2000, Ron and Patti welcomed their first grandchild, Madison, followed by Kaylee and Molly a few years later, and the Pepe/Pepere phase of his life began. From 2009-2016, the number of grandchildren tripled when Leyla, Wesley, Calvin, Nolan, Joe, and Freya arrived. In 2018, when Dave brought Heidi into the family, he gained a bonus grandchild, Kaylin, and two grandchildren, Aubrey and Peyton. Most recently, his youngest grandchild, Ivy Jay, joined the clan in 2024. He loved taking his grandkids camping and fishing, as well as swimming with them in his pool in the summers.

He is survived by his loving wife, Patti (Young) Thibeault; his children, Crystal and her husband Randy Pike of Sudbury, MA, David and his wife Heidi of Alfred, and Michael and his wife Morgan DiPietro of Portland; stepchildren, Jill Marek of Chesapeake, VA, Jaime Ramsdell of Sanford, and Kevin Ramsdell and his wife Sarah of Shapleigh; his 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; his mother, Simone (Roux) Bergeron and her husband Richard of Sanford;

his brother, Rene Thibeault and his wife Annette of Sanford; his sister, Diane Pike and her husband Wayne of Shapleigh; his sisters-in-law Christine Bresnahan and her husband Dan of Groveland, MA, Mary Sue Ring and her husband Chuck of Lynn, MA, and Nancy Thornell and her husband DJ of Naples, FL, brother-in-law, Tom Young and his wife Valerie of Dundalk, MD; and many nieces, nephews, and friends. He is predeceased by his father, Maurice Thibeault; his brother, David Thibeault; and his mother-in-law, Barbara Young.

Visiting hours will be held from 1 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, April 5 at Bibber Memorial at Autumn Green, 47 Oak St., Alfred. Following the visitation, the family invites you to a Celebration of Life at The Ridge, 49 Shaw's Ridge Rd., Sanford.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Ron's memory may be made to the Maine Horseshoe Pitchers Association, 36 Brann Rd., Somerville, ME 04348.

To share a memory or leave a message of condolence, visit [www.bibbersautumngreen.com](http://www.bibbersautumngreen.com).

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Obituaries

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**Robert (Bobby) Alan Powers**

Robert (Bobby) Alan Powers died March 25, 2025. He was born to Albert Joseph Peter and Claire Evelyn Powers on March 31, 1961 in Saco. Born to a large blended family he was 9th out of 10 brothers and sisters.



Robert (Bobby) Alan Powers

Bobby attended Saco schools and went to Thornton Academy for his first three years of high school. He graduated 1979 at Biddeford high school. As a child, he attended the Bible Baptist Church on Ferry Road in Saco, where all of his brothers and sisters and him went for many years. He was baptized when he was Eight years old and received his first Bible.

Bobby loved life, he loved being in the outdoors.

As little kids, we were always camping, going to fairs, swimming, boating, taking long walks, and causing mischief for our parents.

Bobby loved family time, all of us watching a movie together, and later on in years we would all meet together at our parents house for holiday dinners, Thanksgiving, Christmas New Year's, he enjoyed seeing his brothers and sisters all his nieces and nephews.

When he was younger, he used to love to hang out with his brother, Gordon Googoo. They would meet up after work and play pool.

Bobby loved sports when he was in high school he played on the football team. He loved playing golf and darts. And he loved playing pool. He was really good at pool. He used to play on pool teams with his nephew Eric Maclean.

Bobby had many friends, most he grew up with and went to school with, and a lot of friends at work.

Bobby worked at General Dynamics in Saco for many years. He loved his job and was always talking about his buddies there.

On May 11, 2002 Bobby Mar-

ried Cynthia Andreoli at Faith Christian Center Limerick.

Bobby was predeceased by his Mother and Father Albert and Claire Powers, a brother Joseph Powers, a brother Gerald Powers, a sister Paula Powers Mitchell, a sister Gloria Googoo Spencer, a nephew Troy Blaine Sampson, a great nephew Bradley Parslow and a Brother-in-law Robert Houle

He is survived by his His son Raymond Ferland, sister Peggy Powers, a sister Jenny and her husband Harry Smith, a sister Gayle Houle, a brother Gordon Googoo, a sister, Lorraine, and her husband Eric Maclean. He is also survived by his nieces and nephews Victor Sampson, Mellisa Rummery Gordon Googoo Jr., Carl Brooks, Lynn MacLean, Lisa MacLean, Amy MacLean, Eric Maclean, Ricky Spencer, Shawn Mitchell, Tammy Hurst, Joey Powers Jr., Jessica Powers, Stephanie Powers, Stephen Powers.

Bobby's funeral is listed with Dennett, Craig and Pate, 13 Portland Rd., Buxton, ME 04093.

Funeral services will be Friday, April 25 from 4 to 6 p.m. Pastor Bobby Frost will give the service.

**Diane Elizabeth Rose Moreau (Bacon)**

Diane Elizabeth Rose Moreau (Bacon) of East Waterboro passed away peacefully on March 26, 2025. Diane was born on November 8, 1936, in an upstairs bedroom of the family home on 23 Pooleys Ln, Welham Green, England. She was the oldest daughter to Harry and Rose Bacon and the big sister to Roy and Mary.



Diane Elizabeth Rose Moreau

Diane grew up in England during wartime with her best friend, Polly. She told many stories of the adventures they had as children, playing in the countryside and going to school. They would often go "scrumping" - raiding apple trees in the local orchard. Being wartime they would often have to hide in bomb shelters when the sirens would go off. American GIs would sometimes come along, giving them candy and helping them get home safely. There were

also many nights when the village would have to black out; this meant turning off all lights in every home of the village so they were not seen by bombing planes from above. Diane finished her education, going to secretarial school in Bournemouth, where she'd moved to be with her mother, then working as a secretary until she married.

She met her husband, Richard Moreau, in 1956. He was in the United States Air Force and stationed in Bournemouth, England. One of Richard's jobs was to drive a bus, transporting people back and forth from the village to the Air Force base. They met on the bus and would often attend dances at the base. The rest is history; they fell in love and were married in 1957. They stayed in England until 1959, when they moved to Saco.

In Saco, they raised their four children, Gary, Peter, David, and Susan. During her time there she had a few temporary jobs until she found her way to Southern Maine Medical Center. She worked there for 23 years as a switchboard operator and an admitting representative. There are still people who speak of hearing her soft-spoken English accent over the intercom. While working at SMMC, she met her BFFs. This close-knit group of women are still friends today. They have and still enjoy luncheons, shopping trips, bus trips to Boston and New York, trips to Pennsylvania, and much more. These ladies became Diane's extended family. When she retired from SMMC she stayed on as a volunteer for 14 more years.

She had many hobbies, including knitting, cross-stitching, gardening, bowling, bird watching and walking. She also loved her sports. English football, baseball, and, in her later years, American football were some of her favourites. But her true love was NASCAR. Most Sundays, you could find her in front of her TV, watching her favourite drivers. One of the big highlights of her life was when she went to Lowe's Motor Speedway in Charlotte, NC when she was able to watch Carl Edwards win the race.

Another huge love of Diane's was dogs, and the feeling was

mutual. She had many dogs in her life: Sheba, Dream, Lexi, Autumn, Scruffy and Charlie. It was with many of these dogs that Diane would walk with her dad and then her brother, Roy, on their annual visits over the years.

In 1999, she moved to Waterboro and lived in her apartment over the garage for her remaining years. Here, she was able to be close to family, giving her the opportunity to spend time with her young grandchildren. They would often take walks to the "frog pond" and even ended up with a few frogs in her pockets. Her grandchildren loved walking with her so much that a few of them decided to cut a branch off of a beloved maple tree and make her a walking stick, which she used for the rest of her life.

Diane was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Rose Bacon, daughter Julie, nephew James, childhood friend Polly, and most recently, her brother Roy. She is survived by her children, Gary and his wife, Rachel, Peter, David and his wife, Laura, Susan and her husband, Will, and her ex-husband Richard; nine grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister Mary, niece Charlotte, and nephews Philip, Daniel, Andrew, Stuart, and Robert, who all reside in England. Diane will be deeply missed by her best friends, Cheryl, Robin, Winnie, and Charleen.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 11, at Bibber Memorial at Autumn Green (47 Oak Street) in Alfred. Visiting Hours will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 10, at the funeral home. Inurnment of the cremated remains will follow at Laurel Hill Cemetery Columbarium in Saco.

**Patricia Annaclette Smith**

Patricia Annaclette Smith of Alfred, was born in Brunswick, Oct. 8, 1942 to Donald and Mary Smith and passed away on Jan. 22, 2025. After WWII, her family settled in Portland, where she was graduated from Deering High School in 1960. In 1963, Pat traveled to California to attend the

ArtCenter School. Although Pat returned home after only two semesters, she never left the skills she learned and her artistic talent behind. Pat continued to work in Maine as a management trainee in the Systems & Programming Department of Canal Bank. Ahead of her time, Pat was one of the only females to hold this position and forge a path in the burgeoning field of information technology and programming. She progressed onto Data Processing at Canal Bank and later, at Blue Cross & Blue Shield, became Assistant Manager of Purchased Systems. Beyond her groundbreaking work in her career, Pat was well known as an artist and naturalist.

Pat frequently roamed the forests of Southern Maine with her camera in tow, taking photographs of local flora and fauna, journaling and cataloging her research, which is now held at the Three Rivers Land Trust. She was an active member of the Three Rivers Land Trust, the Josselyn Botanical Society, and the Maine Audubon Society. Pat also illustrated many wildlife pamphlets for Wells Reserve at Laudholm. Birds, plants, and flowers were often the subject of her artwork, most beautifully depicted in the scratchboard medium that she mastered in her lifetime.

A active member of her community, Pat served as the Alfred Treasurer and was a member of the Maine Women in the Arts, as well as the Art Guild of the Kennebunks. She was an avid reader, gardener, genealogist, and cat lover who gave back to her community through her art and passion for the natural world. Her green thumb, artistic vision and sure-headed spirit will forever be remembered.

Pat's Celebration of Life will take place at 11 a.m. on April 19, 2025, at the Kennebunkport Conservation Trust, 57 Gravelly Brook Road, Kennebunkport. All community members who would like to honor her life are welcome to attend. Please bring flowers in her memory.

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