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An open-air barber shop. Public events were encouraged to be held outdoors to hinder the spread of the disease during the influenza epidemic. Photographed in 1919. PHOTOS COURTESY OF WWW.THEATLANTIC.COM AND THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES.



During the flu epidemic in 1919, college classes were held outdoors.

PANDEMICS PAST & PRESENT

Spanish Flu and COVID-19: Is history repeating itself?

By JOANNE BARGIONI

Birds are singing outside your window. It's a beautiful day and you can feel the warmth of the sun heating your room. You go downstairs for breakfast and can't find any eggs. You should have some, you always do but... and then you remember, the virus! You decide to run to the store only to find you have to wait in line to get in, you must wear your mask and gloves. Recently this sounds all too familiar doesn't it? Except this was also the reality of people in 1918 with the Spanish Flu pandemic.

The Spanish Flu infected 500 million people and killed 50 million people worldwide including 675,000 Americans from January 1918 to end of summer 1919 according to history.com.

The Spanish Flu and the 2020 Coronavirus share the same dis-

function of coming from the same viral strain, H1N1. Although similar in nature they are different subtypes and react differently to known vaccines. In both cases the origin of the virus has been in question. In 1918 it was believed to be brought over by serviceman after WWI ended, possibly from China or France. The current virus is suggested to come from Wuhan, China but this is denied by the Chinese government. In 1918 a vaccine was not available for the Spanish Flu, similar to today's Coronavirus. The public was in fear of overcrowded hospitals, lack of trained medical staff and equipment, and spreading the disease to the most vulnerable of society.

Standard precautions were in use then and now: social distancing, face masks, frequent washing of hands and staying home if you

are sick. The government in 1918 was very slow to react, even after mortality rates increased, in contrast to present time when Maine reacted after the first few days of the first case of COVID-19 emerged in the USA.

The following excerpt which appeared in *The Atlantic*, (Mar. 31, 2020) is from a diary written by a Seattle teenage girl regarding the Spanish Flu Pandemic restrictions in which the schools were closed. "Good idea? I'll say it is," but the teenager soon grew bored. She busied herself making clothing for her return to school and preparing cooking recipes from local publications. Seattle residents were asked to wear masks in public.

Back in 1918, there were restrictions placed on public gatherings after thousands of people had

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Camping at home

Isabel Enos hangs out in her tent while her little sister Katrina rides the 4-wheeler. COURTESY PHOTO

Virtual 'camp-ins' the new thing for Scouts

By C.J. PIKE

Local scouts in Scout Troop #329 had the opportunity to be involved in a virtual 'camp-in' over this past weekend, thanks to the National Boy Scouts of America organization. It was held on Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Scouts from all over the United States were able to follow along from their computers, on this exciting adventure.

Several Scouts from both Troop #329 G-girls and #329 B-boys, and their younger siblings, signed up for the event. Some of the scouts from #329 G were: Maelynn and Mariah Nelson, along with Chase Cyr, a member of Cub Scouts #85 from Gorham, according to Troop Leader Renee

Cyr. Cyr's daughters also enjoyed the events: Casey Cyr and Danielle Nelson.

Kelsey, Ian and Mady O'Hara; Isabel Enos and her younger sister Katrina got into the camp-in, as well. And, many of the boys from Troop #329B enjoyed the camp-in, too, including Andy Michaud.

This was a fun digital event for all families featuring camp-themed activities and a virtual 5K hike, which benefited Feeding America.

There was a different activity planned every hour from how to set up a camp site to the end-of-day, evening campfire. They had camp-style cooking to campfire singalongs, including skillet s'mores, all showing the best parts of Scouting life!

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“We will not give up on each other.”

— GOV. JANET MILLS

This is the first weekend of our state’s reopening.

Now many people will be able to get health care for the first time in weeks, such important procedures that have been long postponed, a critical change.

Now Maine people can also worship with members of their faith under new guidelines.

These are meaningful first steps towards creating a new normal – a different way of doing business, of shopping, traveling, of worshipping and enjoying the Maine outdoors in ways that will keep us all safe, if we all pull together and follow the rules that are based on fact and science.

We will keep working to answer questions about the plan, and to address especially the needs of small businesses striving to survive in this new pandemic-driven economy.

Our plan is a flexible one and we are always open to constructive dialogue from workers and businesses and members of the public.

Meanwhile, some people say they are frustrated that the State is moving too slowly; they worry about the toll on the summer tourist season.

Others say they want to go back to work but are afraid of having contact with the public, including the people who come here every summer, from Boston, New York, New Jersey and other dangerous

hot spots.

Some are engaging in partisan political chatter over this pandemic; but we know this virus plays no favorites: it doesn’t care whether you’re a Republican or a Democrat, a Green or an Independent. It does not take political sides; it is an equal opportunity destroyer.

Others still are frustrated that we are opening up any businesses at all, because so many people in our state are older or have an underlying condition that puts them greatly at risk.

They know that more than 3,500 people have died in Massachusetts from this painful virus; more than 18,000 New Yorkers; more than 7,000 New Jersey people; more than 2,200 in Connecticut.

In one day this week, one day alone, 252 people died in Massachusetts – a state that is only fifteen miles from our border.

And in just the last 24 hours, the State of Georgia reported more than one thousand new cases.

That’s why, with every order I have issued and every action I have taken, I have thought long and hard about how Maine people – and Maine businesses -- may be impacted.

The challenges this pandemic poses to us and to our state are unlike anything we have seen in a hundred years.

We can’t simply flip a switch and open up all the restaurants, and

bars, and businesses and do business as usual and risk a more aggressive resurgence of this deadly virus that will devastate our entire economy for years to come.

So, let’s continue talking, continue listening, continue being part of the solution.

We continue to collaborate with people from all economic sectors across the state to prepare them to open as soon as they can and as safely as they can. And every day, we are working on that testing capacity issue that is so critical to opening our economy.

This virus sometimes tests the limits of our patience and the limits of our economic stability. Let us show the world who we are. Let us show them that, no matter what the challenge, no matter the difficulty, we will persevere.

Let’s keep talking.

The last thing any of us want to do is to overwhelm our health care system and put the lives of our brave health care workers and first responders in jeopardy.

But it is because of your actions – and solely because of your actions – that the virus has not destroyed us, that we have kept a measured lid on this insidious disease.

Let’s work harder than ever in these next few months to keep this thing at bay and keep our people – and our economy – safe.

We can do this. I believe in you, in the faith, ingenuity and willpower of the people of Maine.

Maine people are not quitters. People may angry and frustrated, some losing patience. But no matter what, we will listen to each other. We will work with each other. We will do everything in our power to keep each other safe. We will never give up on each other, never quit each other.

And I will never quit you.

This is Governor Janet Mills. Thank you for listening.

—Released as a radio address on May 1.

BUSINESS NEWS



Sarah Morelli of Grindstone Woodfire Bakery and Café with deliveries. COURTESY PHOTO

Limington businesses coping

BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

Here’s what a couple of local Limington businesses have added to their services to keep customers coming.

Grindstone Woodfire Bakery and Café’s owner Sarah Morelli officially closed on March 17, and spent a couple of days cleaning and sanitizing the space preparing for the next steps. Morelli reopened by taking orders for her woodfired sourdough bread, focaccia and potato rolls on Friday, March 20, for pick up or delivery. Since then, she has added scones and jams. Check Facebook for current offerings. Interested customers can place orders Sunday, Tuesday or Thursday by 5pm through Facebook or Instagram, or email sarah@grindstonewoodfirebakery.com, and items will be available for pick up/delivery on Monday, Wednesday or Friday. Pay with Venmo, credit card, or cash. Morelli will bring your order to your car (only staff members are allowed in the building) if picking up, or deliver to your home. As far as the future? “I am going to try my best and keep baking bread,” Morelli said. “We are all doing the best we can.”

Naturally Jammin’s owner Jeddy Nevells closed her shop on March 13, but decided to keep her online store open and expand her online offerings at <https://naturallyjammin.com>. She takes orders during the week (get your order in by noon on Wednesday) for pick up Thursday and Friday, 9-5 and Saturday, 9-3. All baked goods are baked to order, but Nevells added, “I always make a little extra, depending on the batch.” For example, each batch of bread makes two loaves, so if she has an order for 7 breads, she’ll have 1 extra. She posts these “extras” on Facebook at the end of the week, allowing others to pick those up. So far, she has sold everything she has offered. Pay electronically through the website, a contactless transaction, have your order shipped or there is no contact pick up (some goods are pick up only). Nevells has a table set up outside the shop with a sign asking customers to “Toot” to let her know you are there. She’ll come out and put your order on the table, or in your vehicle. And you simply take it home!

Naturally Jammin sells jams, fruit butters and syrups, as well as biscuits, scones and breads to go with them. Nevells also offers cinnamon rolls, whoopie pies and cupcakes (and sometimes, whoopie pie cupcakes!) all sweetened with honey. Each week she offers a variety of other options, recently adding cookies.

Check out the website to see what might be new this week... “You have to be creative,” Nevells said, “and make the best of it!”

By the way, Nevells also keeps her own bees, which make the honey she uses in her products. “It’s business as usual with the bees,” Nevells said. Covid-19 has not affected them at all.

Snickerdoodles has opened a “pop-up” café outside the store, with self-serve coffee and a wide variety of baked items. Open Tuesday through Saturday from 7-11 a.m.

All of the local businesses are thankful for your patronage. Please continue to support your local, often self-employed small businesses.

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Opening of town hall

The tentative date for opening Alfred Town Hall is Monday, June 1 but there will be another meeting before then to review circumstances so this is only a tentative date.

Town hall totals

The following permits were issued by Codes Enforcement Officer Jim Allaire in April; to Bonnie Gagnon on Mouse Lane for a shed; Helen Lamb of Chickadee Drive to replace an existing deck; Normand Pelletier of Fort Ridge Road, also to replace an existing deck; Mark Dibolt of Brackett Hill Road for a personal use barn; Christopher Leo of Shady Lane for a new home; William Lefebvre of Church Street for a 12' by 16' addition; Jon Lord of Sevigny Drive for a garage addition; Sonya Montgomery of Montgomery Way for two 20' by 40' metal garages; and Emily Dube of Gile Road for a new home.

The town clerk reports there were four births in April, four deaths and two marriages. No dogs were licensed or hunting and fishing licenses sold.

Astronomy as taught by Cousin Louise

My grandmother was one of nine children; there were only seven in my mother's family. As my Cousin Margaret observed one day, "When Grandma discovered where all the babies were coming from, she began getting up at 4 a.m." That took care of the proliferation of babies. It wasn't that Gram didn't love everyone one of them. She did. But what a lot of care. Plus the cooking and cleaning and helping her husband in the family business. She had a sharp eye for business and its success was probably as much due to her business sense as it was to his innovations.

When my grandfather was a young man in college he thought he would like to be a farmer. So he quit college but his father had no interest in buying a farm for him. His family had always been involved in commercial interests. They ran the village store in their home town. There were four brothers involved in this enterprise. It wasn't just a little store but a very large building where grain and groceries and whatever would sell was sold. (It is still there.) They needed greener pastures to give all of them something to do.

New York City beckoned. I can imagine there were many discussions about what they would sell. Mirrors and picture frames sounded like a good choice. After some investigation it was decided by all of them to invest in the frames and mirrors. A store on Fifth Avenue was rented and they were soon in business.

Apparently there was enough business to keep all four boys busy. My great grandfather, (of the previous generation), was still not interested in purchasing a farm for Henry, his son. But by chance a florist moved to

town, and Henry applied for work. Greenhouse work was growing plants, something close to farming. He was a hard worker with a growing family. It was a good fit.

When his father died inheritance funds were available to buy the greenhouses, and he did. Then a small flower shop became available and he also bought that. It wasn't farming but he was content with the growing business. The greenhouses included a large home which he needed for his seven children. And for visits from his numerous cousins. None of them appeared especially interested in the commercial aspects of the New York store but they liked to visit Henry. Cousin Will had become an artist, also his brother. Henry's three sons became florists, as did two of his daughters. Cousin Helen became a teacher, as did her sister Louise who taught astronomy at Yale. I remember them as two Yankee ladies with Yankee accents. Louise was also interested in mission work, and became a missionary in Japan. Her experiences in Japan would have made an interesting book. I have some of the letters. Cousin Joel Lovering became a lawyer; I only saw him once, at my aunt's funeral. He was a giant of a man, head and shoulders above everyone else at the service.

Teachers like to teach and apparently Cousin Louise felt Henry's children would benefit from her knowledge of astronomy. Where could she instruct all of them at the same time? They would use the clothes porch. This was a large square porch at the rear of house and barn used only for hanging the laundry. My mother didn't trust us to play out there without falling off into the flower bed below, so had a fence constructed which worked very well. I had always been leery of tumbling off the edge; I was really happy about that fence.

Louise felt everyone should be comfortable so suggested they all haul their mattresses out to the porch and so it was done. I can only imagine the tugging and hauling, particularly by those sleeping upstairs. There was only one door to the porch and that was from the dining room. I do not know if the adults participated in this astronomy lesson, but I'm sure Great-Aunt Bertha didn't. She probably relished the peace and quiet with the whole family out on the clothes porch.

And so the lesson commenced. They lay comfortably on their mattresses and listened to Cousin Louise. I know what constellations were visible because in later years my bedroom window was just above the clothes porch. When the lesson was over they stayed where they were, sleeping in place. My mother told me about this episode from her childhood; it must have made a big impression on her. And when we return to my hometown and drive along the highway down below where the greenhouses were, I look up and imagine all the Whittemore children sleeping on their mattresses up there on the clothes porch on a warm summer night after their astronomy lesson.

Alfred Elementary Staff & Friends parade

A socially-distanced themed car parade is planned from the teachers at Alfred Elementary School on Thursday, May 7 from 4 to 5 p.m. The parade route will run from Alfred Elementary School, to Mountain Road, to Gore Road, to Shaker Hill Road, to Back Road, to Swetts Bridge Road, to Harvest Circle, to Stone Road to Kennebunk Road. Find the AES Facebook page for the specific addresses and map. Continue to practice safe social distancing while enjoying the parade.

WATERBORO

Summer cancellations

Due to the state restrictions on large gatherings, The town of Waterboro has cancelled the annual Old Home Days celebration as well as their concerts in the park series at Friendship Park. The York County Blues Festival, to be held in August has also been cancelled. The recreation department remains closed at this time.

Town hall

Plans are in the works to reopen the town hall to the public mid-late May. For now, limited services are available by calling 247-6166, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For the Code Office, use Ext. 121 and call ahead.

The Primary Election has been moved to July 14 will be held at the Waterboro Town Hall, 24 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro from 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Nomination papers are available and due by May 29 for the following positions: Selectmen 3-year term (2 positions); Selectmen 2-year term (1 position); RSU #57 Board of Directors - 3-year term (1 position); Water District Trustee - 3-year term (1 position); and Water District Trustee - 2-year term (1 position)

Transfer station update

Beginning Friday, May 8 the Waterboro Transfer Station will be accepting the following items with their normal fees applied: All Demolition, Burnable Furniture & White Goods/Appliances w/Freon. Metal, recycling and household trash are accepted as usual. Waterboro residents may also bring brush and leaves.

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SCOUTS CAMPING

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Some of the other events were a Virtual 5K Hike, led by Paralympic gold medalist David Blair; cooking with a master chef, building a flashlight, wilderness survival training, and much more. They even were able to watch NASA astronaut Doug Wheelock give a presentation.

Local kids were able to join in from their living rooms, backyards or wherever they happened to be! They could even post photos of themselves as they participated in the outdoor fitness, on their walk, run or hike, or whatever they were doing.

Andy Michaud participated in the camp-in, right in his own backyard. He had a hammock set up to sleep in and a small 'imitation' campfire and 'imitation' bucket of water, in keeping with 'safety first' for scouts, according to his mom Kathy Michaud.

I asked what he liked best about the whole virtual camp-in and he said "setting it up" and "seeing a couple of hawks during the day."

Isabel Enos of the Troop #329 G camped in for 3 nights, too and she liked building the camp fires and riding an ATV. (See related photo on Page 1.)

The O'Hara kids enjoyed s'mores in their tent, right in the



Andy Michaud relaxes in his hammock at his campsite. COURTESY PHOTO

middle of their living room.

The scouts from the troop also received merit badges for the Klondike Derby, which was held in February, at 19th. Century Curran Village, here in Newfield. That was the final day for the historic museum, so it was fitting that the scouts held their derby as a send off to Newfield's treasure.

Transfer station re-opens on Wednesdays

The Newfield Transfer Station will resume their regular hours, as of Wednesday, May 6, 2020. They will only be accepting household trash and recycling. All other areas are closed down for yard debris; large items, and con-

struction items. Weekend hours remain the same 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on both days. The Recycling Center is also still closed.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes go to: Karen Hall, Penny Demeritt, Scot Allen, Frank Pike IV, Lisa Vachon, and Paisley Poire.

Happy anniversary to Phil and Ada Burbank.

Thanks for the masks

A big shout out goes to Stacey Boston Jette, who has gone above and beyond to make sure that the community stays safe, during the pandemic. She has been making face coverings (masks) for anyone in Newfield who needs one, free of charge. Thank you Stacey from all of us, for keeping us safe from the virus.

Meetings

There will be no meetings during the month of May due to the pandemic. Please check with your organizations, as to when your meetings will start again.

Mother's Day parade

Newfield will be having a Mother's Day parade around town. Vehicles will leave the Public Safety Building on 85 Water Street at 11 a.m. and drive around the various streets in town. Decorate your car if you wish.

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LIMERICK

A parade to honor mothers

The Limerick Fire and Rescue Dept will have a Mother's Day Appreciation Parade with their Firetrucks and Ambulances on Sunday, May 10 at 2.p.m., according to firefighter Ron Smith. They will be traveling various roads around town, such as Rte. 11, Emery Corner Road, Doles Ridge Road, Foss Road, etc., to show appreciation for all the mothers in town.

The trucks will have their lights and sirens on and possibly be decorated with flowers. They ask that everyone remain in their vehicles, and please don't park at the Fire Station.

Penny Sale & auction cancelled

Due to the current pandemic restrictions, the Limerick Historical Society will not be having its traditional Memorial Day Penny Sale & Auction on May 28.

ZOOM meetings

The Limerick Board of Selectmen will meet Tuesday, May 11 at 7 p.m. via "ZOOM" a videoconferencing tool. The meeting will be live on SRC-TV Channel 1302 and will also be live-streamed. If you have questions you would like to ask the Selectmen, email your questions to: Selectmens-Secretary@LimerickME.org.

The Library Board of Trustees will meet via ZOOM on May 14. The Library book return is now locked. Hold on to your books until the quarantine is lifted. There will be a 30-day amnesty period starting at the end of the quarantine for ALL overdue books.

From the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office

Beginning Monday, May 4, the Limerick Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office will be open to the public M-F 9 a.m.-noon, and 1-4:45 p.m. Enter through lobby doors on the side of the building and stand on the blue X's that are attached to the floor. Only 10 customers will be allowed in the building at a time, and you must exit the building by following the blue arrows that are attached on the floor, unless you need to use the elevator and keep the 6ft. away from each other to ensure everyone's safety.

For more information, or special requests, please contact Judy LePage, Town Clerk/Tax Collector at 793-2166 ext. 10, Email: jlepage@limerickme.org or Deedee Tibbetts at 793-2166 ext. 12, Email: dtibbetts@limerickme.org.

PANDEMIC

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already contracted the disease. Temporary hospitals were initiated and alternative locations were found to treat the sick. During the current crisis, a Stay-at-Home order was issued in Maine on April 1, while only 500 cases were suspected of the disease. In 1918, all across Maine, volunteers came forth to distribute food and transport supplies. This has also been demonstrated in current times. The Spanish flu killed thousands and 6 percent of Mainers contracted the disease, with a population drop in Maine of over 2 percent.

In 1918 the understanding of viruses and how they spread was not clearly understood. People were treated with homeopathic remedies and sometimes quackery. Antibiotics were not discovered until 1928 to help combat the respiratory illnesses associated with the disease. There were also no modern viral PCR (polymer chain reaction) testing done or no positive and negative rapid testing

done for viruses.

One thing seems to be clear for both pandemics. Human beings do not like to remain confined at home with restrictions even if for their own good. "I don't mind wearing a face mask in public places," says Shapleigh resident, Barbara Britten. She goes on to say, "I think they protect both me and someone else. A mask on everyone will protect both wearers and will keep droplets from being passed to each other." Britten also believes that we should start opening up businesses. She is all for "opening up the economy". She worries that there won't be any money left in people's pockets. She does not want this to become "a socialist state relying on the government."

In 1918 businesses and restrictions relaxed after approximately six weeks. It has been a little over six weeks since we currently went on a Stay-at-Home order and although we are getting tired of being at home, we should remember that in 1918 a second, more virulent and deadly wave of



Shapleigh school parade

On Wednesday April 29, at 3:00 pm the Shapleigh Memorial School held a Shapleigh School Parade. It started from SMS, 467 Shapleigh Corner Road, and followed the same bus route that brings breakfast and lunch to the students who are home due to the COVID-19 outbreak. A long line of cars with balloons and signs followed behind the Sheriff's Department car, Rescue and Fire Trucks, all with horns beeping. Students and spectators lined the route keeping distance between each group. Some wore masks while others carried signs showing their support of the parade. PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

the virus surfaced and many more were sickened and died as people returned to normal life and the virus spread rapidly. It is important

to continue to take it slow to lessen our exposure to the virus lest history repeats itself!

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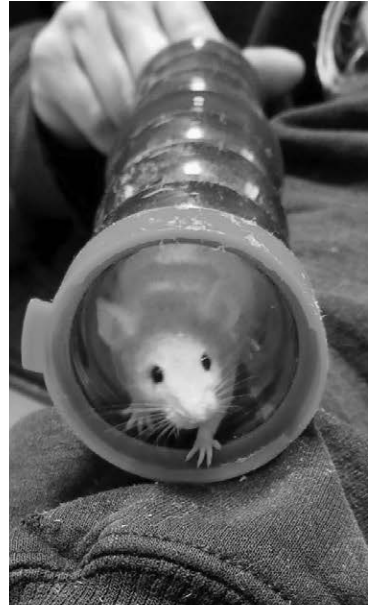
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• Mice are very loving and affectionate. Mice like to be snuggled and pet just like any other animal (although, probably a little more gently). They enjoy riding on your shoulder or sitting in your hand to snack on some veggies. They are great TV watching and reading companions as they are happy to curl up in your lap or in your pocket for a nap!

• Mice don't take up much space and are clean and tidy. They keep their sleeping area free from getting soiled or dirty from loose food or debris and may let you know when things get untidy! They tend to do their 'business' in designated areas of their habitat, separate from their eating



COURTESY PHOTO

they can teach children how to be responsible and compassionate caregivers. Even children as young as toddlers (with parental oversight, of course) can participate in taking care of their pet mice by feeding, preparing fresh water or cleaning the habitat. Kids are naturally drawn to mice, as they are commonplace in cartoons and children's books – Mickey & Minnie, Cinderella's dressmakers, the Rescuers, Tom's Jerry, Stuart Little, motorcycle-riding Ralph S. Mouse, the list goes on and on.

• Last but not least, mice are downright adorable and amusing. Watching a mouse run on its wheel or nibble its fruit is great entertainment and a wonderful way for a family to bond.

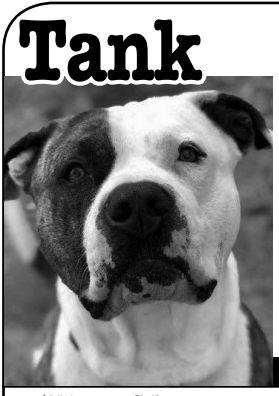
The Animal Welfare Society in Kennebunk has more than a dozen young mice available for adoption. Male mice prefer to live in a habitat solo while females can live alone or in pairs. The adoption fee is \$10/mouse or \$16 for a pair of females. Appointments to meet and adopt can be made by calling AWS at 985-3244 between the hours of 11 am and 3 pm daily.

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and sleeping areas – some can be trained to use the litterbox! Also like cats, they groom themselves regularly and keep themselves very clean.

• Mice can entertain and exercise themselves in their habitats, provided sufficient space and activities. A wheel, a hidey hole and a few ramps, ropes or shelves can keep a mouse busy for hours, all in the safe confines of his home.

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JOB DUTIES:

- Knowledge and proper care and maintenance of greens, tees, fairways, bunkers and rough. Use and application of herbicides, pesticides and fungicides when properly licensed. Proper care and use of equipment on the golf course. Proper care and use of fertilizers and fertilizer application.
- Proper troubleshooting and repair of golf course irrigation which includes but is not limited to: heads, valves, pumps, lateral and main water lines. The planting of trees and shrubs.
- Daily maintenance requirements on a golf course. Proper supervision and operation of centralized irrigation computer systems. A working knowledge of computer operation with experience in Word and Excel would be helpful but not required.
- Ability to work independently of the Golf Course Supervisor and supervise the work with others. Effectively sequence work tasks and distribute among co-workers. Keep records and make reports. Order materials and equipment needed.
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JOB DUTIES:

- Maintain golf course by completing daily assigned tasks; assist with maintaining and operating the irrigation system; care for the putting greens and tees by watering, reseeding, manicuring, spiking, topdressing and mowing using specialized equipment; care for sand traps, fairways, and roughs by raking, watering, edging, spiking, aerifying, weeding and manicuring; care for grounds around golf course facilities and structures; perform minor tree-trimming
- Operate and repair golf course equipment by adjusting the tolerance on mowing equipment for specific greens and areas, sharpening blades, changing belts and filters, replacing batteries and spindles, restoring radiators, water pumps, and alternators, and inspecting the green irrigation system for problems.
- Working knowledge of golf course equipment and repair, i.e. mowers, carts, maintenance carts, and landscaping equipment.
- Maintain, clean and perform light maintenance to golf course facilities including clubhouse, maintenance building, storage facilities, and other campus venues.

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TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH Invitation To Bid

Town of Shapleigh Winter Road Maintenance Contract for 2020-2023 Snow Removal, Sanding and Salting of Town Roads

The Town of Shapleigh invites bids for snow removal, salting and sanding for the 2020-2023 seasons. The Winter Road Maintenance Contract specifies the terms and conditions of the contract.

The Contract is divided into two districts: Northern District and the Southern District. Bidders can bid on either district or both. Southern District is 25.6 miles of roads and Northern District is 32.1 miles of roads.

All sealed bids will be due by **Friday May 29th, 2020 by 4:00 pm** at the Town Hall/Town Administrator's office or mail to PO Box 26, Shapleigh, ME 04076 – Winter Road Maintenance Contract.

Bids will be open at the Selectmen's meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 6:00 pm. You do not have to be present for your bid to be considered.

Please contact Karla Bergeron, Town Administrator, Town of Shapleigh, PO Box 26, Shapleigh, ME 04076 to request a copy of the contract. You can call at 207-636-2843, Ext. 0 or email: administrator@shapleigh.net

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Shapleigh Board of Selectmen



Obituaries

Charles W. Wigmore

Charles W. "Chuck" Wigmore, 59, a resident of Sanford, died peacefully surrounded by some family on April 23, 2020.

Charles was born on July 9, 1960 in Dansville, New York, the son of William T. and Joan (Stehlar) Wigmore.

Chuck served his country in the Army National Guard for 27 ½ years, retiring in 2011 due to a disability.

Having a strong work ethic Chuck was employed as an electrician for IBW and NHTI, retiring in 2013.

In May of 2019, Chuck graduated with his Medical Assistant Certification and began a career in the phlebotomist field working at the York Hospital.

Chuck absolutely loved spending time fishing and camping with his brother and two Chihuahuas Bella and C.B.

Chuck had a passion for planes and often enjoyed attending air shows with friends and family.

A faithful servant of God; Chuck thrived on helping people and his church family whenever there was a need for spiritual guidance or just lending a hand.

Chuck cared deeply for his family and together both he and Judy lovingly raised his granddaughter Trinity for eight and a half years.

Chuck had a loving and kind way about him, there was always room for the people he cared for but for Chuck, his granddaughter Emma held an incredibly special place in his heart.

Chuck and Judy were a devoted couple for over 13 ½ years, this past October the couple shared their commitment to each other and married along the Wells sea shore.

"Fly high baby, you are free and walking with Jesus, until we meet again"

Charles is lovingly survived by his wife Judith (Daige) Wigmore of Sanford; children Jennifer Potter of Shapleigh; Hilary Stone of Colchester Vermont; Brianna Wigmore of Milton Vermont; Treh Wigmore of Swanton Vermont; Blane Wigmore of Essex Vermont; also his Stepmother Dorothy Wigmore of Brandon Vermont; nine brothers; three sisters and seven grandchildren.

Charles was predeceased by his parents William and Joan (Stehlar) Wigmore, and son Stephen Daige.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking that you consider donating in Chucks name to Maine Works or Maine Recovery charities.

There will be not services at this time.

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



Charles W. Wigmore

Roberta Lee LaPage

Roberta Lee LaPage, 67, a lifelong resident of Waterboro and beloved wife, sister, mom, and aunt, passed knowing she was loved in the comfort of her home on April 30, 2020. Being the consummate gardener, Roberta was blessed to see the first daffodils and birds returning announcing the arrival of spring.

Roberta was born on February 28, 1953 in Saco, the third of four girls born to Roberta and Elizabeth (Place) Abbott. She grew up in a tight knit family with family values which embedded her daily life. Her childhood days were spent finding ways to fill days making fun with her three sisters and neighborhood kids; riding bikes, playing hopscotch, setting up homemade tents and riding Rupp snowmobiles with her Dad that he managed to keep running. Roberta shared a bed with her sister Linda and Linda's memory included that her standard of cleanliness didn't match Roberta's! Roberta was a neat freak and she would make Linda wash her feet before she could get into bed. To make sure she stayed on her own side; Roberta rolled up a blanket and placed it in the middle of the bed for extra assurance that their feet wouldn't touch one another!

Mrs. Abbott made sure it was a priority for her children to attend Sunday school and church each Sunday which Roberta continued into her adult life. She married her high school sweetheart, Robert, and they had just reached their 46th year of marriage. Family was very important to both she and her husband; many happy memories were made as they shared time with both of their families.

Following graduating from Massabesic High School, with the Class of 1971, Roberta pursued a career with Union Mutual (now known as Unum) and enjoyed working their until her retirement in 2015. She developed lifelong friendships with a few of her co-workers including Barry, Gary, Carlene and Trish. She still hosted holiday get-togethers at her house with them through the years, including this past Christmas. Roberta took great pride and enjoyment from maintaining a meticulous yard and working in her flower gardens.

Roberta was a down to earth woman. No frills and she told it like it was. That's probably why she loved watching Judge Judy! Although she tried to come across as a tough cookie; she possessed a generous heart and loved unconditionally. She received a lot of pleasure out of keeping up with what was going on within the family, and putting much thought and love into "just the right gift" for them on holidays, making them their favorite blueberry pie for their birthday or slipping someone an unexpected



Roberta Lee LaPage

gift when it was needed the most.

She made sure geraniums were on her parent's and sister's grave each summer, Mums in the fall and a Christmas basket during the holidays. A tradition that will be carried on! Roberta also looked forward to planning a get-together at her house for the LaPage side of the family - a tradition that will surely be missed. She always looked forward to picking strawberries with her mother and in later years her fresh strawberries with cream cheese dip on the 4th of July became a staple that you could count on! We all looked forward to her pumpkin rolls and holiday mix every year!

One of the family traditions she made with her sisters Gaye and Linda was shopping "until they dropped" in North Conway the day after Thanksgiving which included eating out at Apple Bees and enjoying a Mud Slide.

Roberta had a lot of the same characteristics and personality of her father, Robert Abbott and was often referred to as "Robert Jr." She had a reputation for "telling it like it was with a tough attitude" - but, there was no one that cared more. She was like an Oreo cookie - hard on the outside but gooey and soft on the inside.

Shortly after marrying, she found herself in need of a kidney transplant and after only a few months on dialysis became a recipient of a transplant that gave her the freedom from dialysis for 30 plus years! We celebrated as a family by going out to eat! In spite of working full-time, she spent endless hours tending to the needs of her grandmother, her parents and her sister in their last years. After her sister Mary passed she and her husband Robert opened their home to her sister's daughter, Cheyenne and provided her with a home any child would give their "eye teeth" for!

Roberta and Robert provided tough love and guidance in an effort to help Cheyenne become a responsible adult someday and able to take care of herself. Endless hours were spent in guidance and instruction with the goal of Cheyenne becoming a self-sufficient, independent woman. Roberta really took her under her wing and with a dose of humor and love; gave her the tools needed to be successful in life. Roberta took great pleasure in providing for Cheyenne's every need, while trying to maintain her "tough" reputation. Deep down she was such a softie!

Roberta has been dealing with health issues for the last two years of her life. Her devoted husband Robert has been her rock, her biggest supporter throughout it all. Her love of life on Ossipee Hill Road was quite obvious with Robert and her Boxer, Max! She and Robert have owned several Boxers throughout their lives and they were definitely important family members whom they loved spoiling. Her beloved Boxer, Bellamy became ill and crossed The

Rainbow Bridge last year. She and her sister Gaye would meet most mornings to walk their dogs together until her health waned. She always tried to put a positive spin on things to anyone on the outside, but family members could see her struggle and declining health. She was a trooper and gave it her best until the very end. She was "the Real Deal" and will be remembered for being fun loving, quick witted, snarky, organized and dog lover - especially her Boxers. Roberta would be the first one to reach out to those that needed a helping hand up.

Roberta made an impression not only with her immediate family, but with those who had the good fortune of being in her circle of friends. She was beautiful, inside and out. Feisty at times - a strong woman who fought for the underdog and her shoes can never be filled and she will be forever missed by all that were graced by her presence.

She is lovingly survived by her husband, Robert LaPage, Jr., niece Cheyenne, sisters, Gaye Littlefield and husband Gordon, Linda McNamee and husband Bruce, sister-in-law Jackie Campbell and husband Larry, brother-in-law Raymond Gray, nieces Angela Littlefield (who drove her to the hospital in Boston), Melina Richards, Amy Noble, Heather Glidden, Amanda Thornton, Kathy Carroll, Tracy Gray and nephews, DJ Sawyer, and Jonathan Campbell; and many great nieces and great nephews.

A private graveside will be held for immediate family at Elder Grey Cemetery on Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Matt O'Neil officiating.

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

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the National Kidney Foundation (NKF Serving New England) 209 West Central Street, Suite 220, Natick, MA 01760.

Kevin "Raven" Bush

Kevin "Raven" Bush, 64, died peacefully at his daughter's home in Alfred, with his family by his side on May 2, 2020.

Kevin was born April 26, 1956, in Dover New Hampshire, the son of Robert and Bernice (Poulin) Bush.

Many may have found Kevin's personality quiet and reserved; he could at times be outspoken but also light and fun; he had a wonderful laugh. Kevin was the first one to point out an injustice and enjoyed challenging people to a good debate.



Kevin "Raven" Bush

He enjoyed sharing a great story; though he never liked to be the center of attention, he did captivate his audiences when he spoke. On many occasions, Kevin would share stories of when he drove a taxi as a young man and playing in a rock band.

Music was a big part of Kevin's life; he played acoustic and bass guitar; during his younger years, he played bass in a band that performed in the Biddeford and Saco area. He was always on the lookout for a good jam session with friends and family.

Kevin loved connecting with nature and was immensely proud of his Native American heritage; being a very spiritual person he enjoyed the tranquility of the outdoors often hiking, fishing, canoeing, kayaking, or attending powwows.

On many drives in the country Kevin took the long way around so everyone could enjoy the scenic views, for him, it was as much about the journey rather than where he was going.

Kevin had an artistic and creative personality among many of his talents; he enjoyed painting and photography.

Kevin enjoyed reading material that made him pause and think, he often shared random life tidbits that to some seemed strange at the time, but these bits of information became useful later.

As a father, grandfather and friend, Kevin was exceedingly kind and caring; he would be there for anyone who needed a hand at the drop of a hat.

Kevin was a proud father of three daughters; he raised each to be strong independent woman making sure that they could take care of themselves. If something was important to his family, it was important to him.

Kevin protected his girls but also would quietly stay in the background until they reached out to him for guidance.

As a grandfather his relationship with each of his grandchildren was as different as they are but he always enjoyed the time he spent with them.

Kevin was predeceased by his loving wife April Delorey. In April, he found his soul mate and they spent 20 years sharing adventures together.

Kevin is lovingly survived by his three daughters; Luana Crawford and her husband Jason of Alfred; Kerry Bush of Biddeford; April Szafranski and husband Josh of Hollis; sisters Starr Belanger; Sharon Gulezian; Shawn Bush-Keating; Fannie Vaillancourt; brother Brian Bush; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

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