

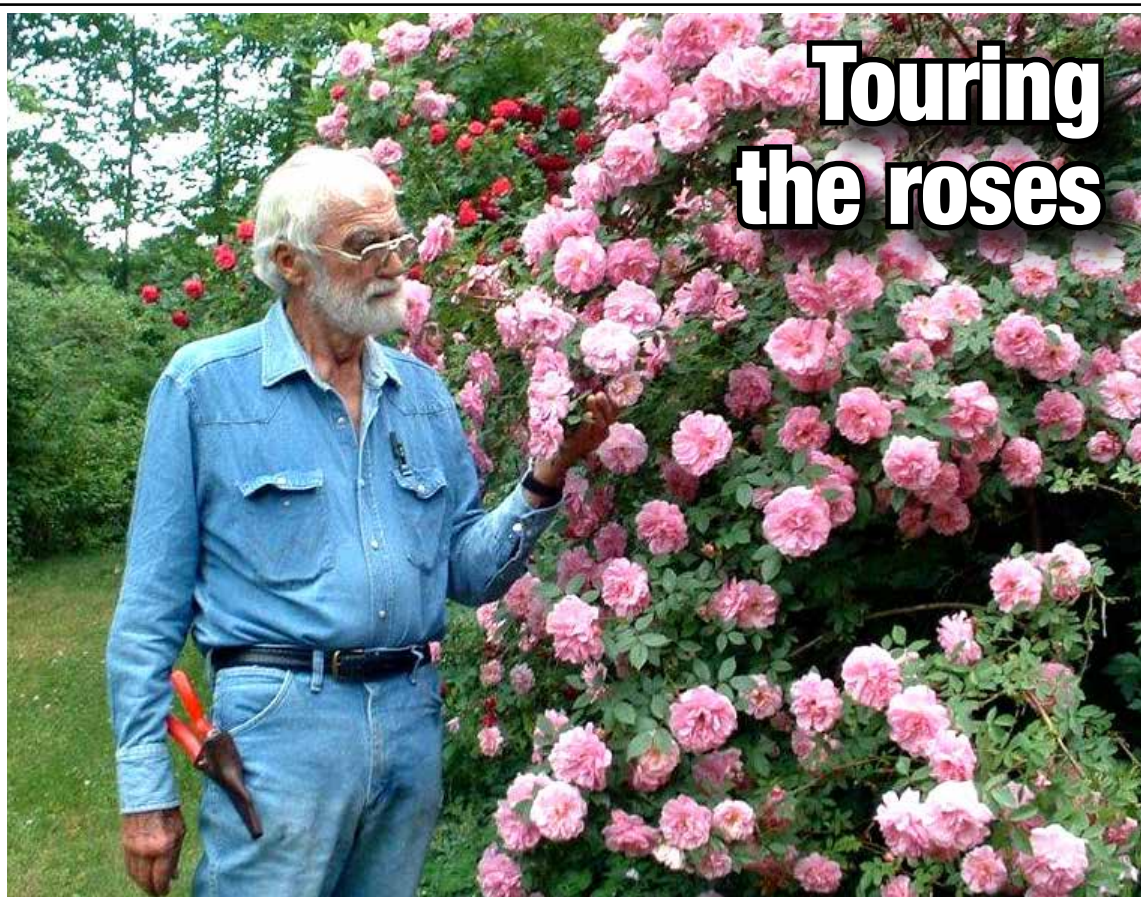
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Touring the roses

Ray Graber of Federal Street in Alfred explains the origin of one of his roses during a recent rose tour at his home and the location of Old Sheep Meadows Nursery. PHOTO BY ALLISON WILLIAMS



Fishing is Captain Robin Thayer's passion and she is ready for some off-shore fishing to reel in some stripers. COURTESY PHOTO

Capt. Thayer is living her dream

BY C.J. PIKE

Fishing isn't just for sport and recreation for Robin Thayer, it's a choice that she made over 30 years ago, to spend her time on the water. She has dedicated her entire life to her profession, and by the sounds, she can teach most of us how to reel in the big fish. Back in the day, when she first got started, she taught fly fishing lessons at L.L. Bean, and is still teaching it.

Among her many accomplishments, she is a Master Maine Guide and a New Hampshire Licensed Guide.

Captain Robin Thayer has her United States Coast Guard 25-ton Master Captains License, and is the proud owner of three boats. In her little fleet, she has a row boat, for the one-on-one trips; a 20-foot LUND for freshwater fishing; and a 26-foot Grady White for the saltwater fishing trips. During Maine's fishing season, she is quite busy, whether it is a trip down the Saco River with a couple of anglers in her well equipped LUND or an off-shore trip on her Grady White, to catch the bigger fish, like stripers, bluefish, haddock or ground fish, she's ready to go. Just the other day, she received

a last minute call to go out for an 8-hour trip and she was ready.

Her boats are all equipped with bait, tackle and gear, so the customer just has to show up, for a great time out on the water. For salt water fishing, they don't even need a fishing license, as her license covers everyone on board.

Thayer designs her trips for her customers, "to maximize their enjoyment." They may want to be out for just a couple of hours, or all day. Trips are not only for fishing, but she does light house trips, sun rise or sun set cruises, and cruises for children. In the spring and fall, she does kayaking excursions.

Some of her best fishing spots are out by Jeffrey's Ledge, Camp Ellis, down the Saco River and out on Saco Bay.

Prior to the virus, she provided snacks and drinks for the trips, but her customers have to bring their own these days, for safety's sake.

According to Thayer, her off-shore fishing trips are "dictated by the weather." Of course when the weather is bad, the trip is postponed. Her rates are from \$300-1,000 per trip, which depends on the length of the trip, and during

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'Pick your own' a little different this year

BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

Summer has arrived and Pick Your Own season has begun!

Doles Orchard in Limington opened, June 17, and again, June 24 and 25 for Pick Your Own Strawberries. "There are many factors affecting this season," owners Nancy and Earl Bunting said. "Plant damage from cold temps, stress from heat, and stress from drought." They added, "We are only picking two varieties of our normal eight. The berries we picked last week came on a couple of weeks early from stress due to lack of water." Mother nature has taken her toll on the strawberry plants over the past year. "Plus the added COVID factor that has disabled our labor force." The Buntings are running on a much smaller staff than usual.

The popular location has been busy each day of picking. "At 6:50 a.m., there were already cars lined up and down the road," reported

Earl Bunting. When you arrive at Doles, the set up is a little different from in the past. You will line up car by car at the entrance, waiting for your turn to drive to the parking lot by the strawberry fields. "There are only 25 cars allowed at a time," Bunting said. This way they don't have to count heads but can still keep the number of people in the field to a minimum. As

one car leaves, the next car goes in. "Masks are required when you are in line to check-in and check-out, but there is no need to wear them in the fields," said the Buntings.

"Due to lack of funds and help, there will be no baked goods this year," they reported on Facebook, and "No prepicked berries." You have to pick for yourself, or get

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Early-morning strawberry pickers at Doles Orchard in Limington. PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MATTHEWS

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FISHING CAPTAIN

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the summer she is busy, so call ahead if you want to go out at 650-3494 or email her at rthayer@gwi.net. Stripers are big in the summer, so a day on the water may be just what is needed to cure the virus and political concerns. Get out and catch some fish.

She has been guiding professionally since 1995. She decided early on that being on the water would be a big part of her life. I guess that one could say, she has the world by the tail, as she has found that the secret to life, is to do what you love.

Moose sightings

Moose are on the move in Newfield. There have been several sightings and some pretty good pictures. Guess the moose figure the humans aren't out, so it's their time to get out and roam around.

Rod and Gun club news

The Northern York County Rod and Gun Club on Lewis Hill Road now has their gun ranges open and ready for use. The 50 yard and 100 yard are complete and they have rebuilt the berm. They are now in the progress of working on the 200 yard range, and hope to have it completed soon.

Thrift shop open

The thrift shop in the Masonic Hall at 181 Wakefield Road is now open. They will be open on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donations are welcome.

Meetings

Scout Troop #329 will have their weekly meeting in the parking lot at the Line School at 818 Water Street, starting at 6 p.m. The decision was made in order to keep up with social distancing. Masks are required.

The selectmen's meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 30, at the Town Hall at 23 South Effingham Road, in West Newfield at 6 p.m.

The Northern York County Rod and Gun Club at Lewis Hill Road will have their monthly meeting on Friday, July 10, at 7 p.m., due to the holiday.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes go to the following people: Billy Vachon, Michael Bryant, Bev Manning and Dee Thornton.

Happy anniversary!

Congratulations to Janet and Harold Maxfield; and Bruce and Marion Bryant, who will celebrate their anniversaries.

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MAINE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY

Maine Forest Service temporarily suspends online burning brush permits

Due to increased wildfire risk, fire occurrences, and staffing shortages, the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry's Maine Forest Service (MFS) is temporarily halting issuing online open burning permits required for the outdoor burning of brush and wood debris. These conditions will remain in effect until the state sees an adequate level of precipitation. Also, MFS Director Patty Cormier is urging Maine's fire chiefs and town forest fire wardens to use extreme caution or suspend the issuance of written open burning brush permits.

Campfire permits, required for some remote campsites in unorganized towns, remain available. MFS reminds everyone to obtain landowner permission and seek campfire permits which are available from MFS. Recreational campfires on one's own property for cooking and warming, unless

prohibited by local ordinance, do not require an open burning permit and are not subject to this suspension. The suspension of online permits for brush burning will continue until further notice.

"While we are temporarily suspending Maine's online burning permit systems, we are also going to rely on the experience of our Forest Rangers and our dedicated partners in the municipal fire service to ensure that Maine is protected from this current wildfire threat," commented Cormier.

Maine wildfire update

Maine is experiencing an abnormally high number of wildfires. To date, Forest Rangers have responded to 712 fires, representing 871 acres. This is the second-highest fire count in 10 years, and it's only June. So far, there has been a 170 percent increase in wildfires caused by campfires compared to 2019.

CAMPFIRE SAFETY TIPS

• Before considering burning, check www.maine-fireweather.org for local fire conditions.

• Keep the fire small, not tall. That way, if you have to leave suddenly, it is easy to extinguish.

• The campfire should be at least 50 feet away from any structures and on level ground.

• Do not use accelerants to start your fire.

• Always have plenty of water on hand and tools available to put out the fire.

• When you are done, check the fire several times to ensure it is out.

• Supervise children and pets near the fire and never leave your fire unattended.

BRIEFS

Springvale Library

The Springvale Library at 443 Main Street is also offering curbside pick-up. You can put items on hold by calling, emailing or by filling out a form with the link online for curbside pick up request. For more information call 324-4624 or online at spl@springvalelibrary.org.

The summer reading program began June 15 and goes until Aug. 15. The theme this year is Imagine Your Story. If interested email Sheila at sdube@springvalelibrary.org.

The teen summer reading program is also up and running. Register to get your Bingo card and be entered to win a weekly raffle of the book of your choice. Call or email the library at spl@springvalelibrary.org for more information.

Sanford Springvale Cham-

ber of Commerce and Springvale public library is offering a Summer Music Concert live on Facebook on July 9 from 6 to 7 p.m. The concert is featuring Colleen Rancy and Hanz Araki. Click on events at the libraries website to see the virtual performance and a live-stream concert will appear on your Facebook newsfeed at the scheduled time. www.springvalelibrary.org.

- By Joanne Bargioni

Library browsing by appointment

Goodall Memorial Library at 952 Main Street in Sanford is pleased to announce Browsing by Appointment starting July 1. Call 324-4714 anytime during the week and make an appointment for yourself or for you and your family to come into the library to

browse or to use a computer. Appointments are limited to a half hour and masks are required. Appointments start July 1st and will continue thereafter on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We look forward to hearing from you.

The Library also offers curbside service every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by special arrangement if Tuesdays are not convenient. We also have museum passes which allow free entry for our patrons. Currently we have passes available for the Maine Maritime Museum, Wells Reserve and Maine State Parks. Coming soon will be Ogunquit Museum of Art and Strawberry Banke. Visit www.lgoodall.org or find us on Facebook for more details.

LIMERICK

Limerick's Funshine Fair cancelled Super raffle offered instead

An annual tradition full of faith, friends, and fun will be on pause in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but organizers are still offering a way for people to help provide vital assistance.

The Funshine Fair, held for the last 36 years on the grounds of St. Matthew Church in Limerick, has been cancelled. The fair features family-friendly activities and special events that have drawn thousands of participants over the years and is a labor of love for the many parishioners and community members who pitch in to create an unforgettable experience for people of all ages.

The fair is a fundraiser to help the parish pay for services and expenses during the winter months. Though the event is cancelled, the parish's Super Raffle associated with the Funshine Fair will be held in an effort to assist St. Matthew in covering costs, a particularly daunting challenge during the pandemic.

"The raffle is incredibly important this year and we are hoping to sell all 1,000 tickets," said Heather Silva, a staff member at the parish.

Major prizes for the raffle range from \$250 to \$1500, with an additional 40 winners taking home \$50 each. The drawing will be held on July 26.

Tickets are \$15. If you are able to support the cause and purchase a ticket or tickets, visit <https://st-matthewlimerick.weshareonline.org>. For more information, please call the parish office at 793-2244.

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This rare orange lobster found its way to Landlocked Lobster Pound in Waterboro in a recent batch of lobsters. Owners Gary and Rachel Moreau are taking good care of him, and customers can view him in their lobster tank at 361 Townhouse Road, East Waterboro. They estimate the rare male lobster to be about five years old.

PHOTO BY KERRY DEANGELIS

ALFRED

Allison Williams

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Library offers passes to State parks and historic sites

Are you interested in exploring Maine this summer? Starting July 2020 Parsons Memorial Library patrons can borrow a vehicle pass for day-use to Maine State Parks and Historic Sites. The pass is made possible by a generous gift of the Friends of Maine State Parks. Passes can be checked out for three days, and allow a vehicle holding up to 17 people entrance to many state parks and historic sites, including Ferry Beach.

Rules include a 3 day check-out, no renewals, covers entrance fee only, \$70 replacement fee if lost, and is not accepted at some locations.

Passes are not accepted at Acadia National Park, Allagash Wilderness Waterway, Baxter state Park, Maine Wildlife park, Peacock Beach, Penobscot Narrows Observatory, Penobscot River Corridor, Scarborough beach, Songo Lock or Swan Island. A list of participating parks is available at <https://www.maine.gov> under park passes.

Pick up a summer reading bag for your child at the library. Bags will be on a table in front of the Saco Road entrance on Mondays from 1-6 p.m. and Tuesday and Wednesday 11 to 6 p.m. Curbside services will not be available on Tuesday or Wednesday. There are two age groups this summer, toddler/preschool and children 6-12. If you are 18 plus and want to register for summer reading we also have an adult challenge! Register for your summer reading program at parsonsmemorial-library.beanstack.org.

You can download the Beanstack app, or register online to log your hours and unlock badges. We encourage you to write a review of what you are reading! We can't wait to read with you this summer!

Will chipmunks take over the world?

I knew they were becoming very numerous but wasn't concerned until I saw one racing across our roof. How did he get up there? Did he climb a lilac? We have lilacs at both ends of the house. When I told my spouse about it, he began to list his encounters with these small rodents best seen in a Disney movie. And listed all the places he has recently encountered them.

He has found their holes under his shop, under the rain barrel, under the greenhouse floor, in the garden, in the compost bins and when he was lucky, in one of his Have A Heart traps. He has trapped eleven in those traps but some have managed to escape. They are fond of sunflower seeds. Twice they have managed to roll the trap down the hill while helping themselves to the sunflower seeds, and then escape. A small smoke bomb inserted in their tunnel can be a simple solution.

When we lived on the farm he would take the trap, with the chipmunk inside, and carry it away down the road before letting his prisoner out. But he was never sure or not if Mr. Chip returned and continued his life of crime. He related how one was let out too soon before my husband had taken the trap out of his truck, and led my spouse on a merry chase in the truck before being caught. They can dig up quite a mound of dirt before being caught in the garden. For awhile (when the rain barrel was full) he did a "death by drowning" procedure, immersing the trap with Chip inside. If this sounds cruel think about that garden with carrots, parsnips, and lettuce, all carefully nurtured until Mr. Chipmunk arrived. We do prefer chipmunks to birds – who also like sunflower seeds. Thus far, only one bird has been caught. He was immediately set free.

A neighbor has found a solution to his chipmunk problem. He has a black chipmunk loving cat, who deposits one on the step each morning. We do not have a cat, but a small dog who does chase chipmunks – but as yet has not caught one. We live in hope. The morning we could not find the dog he was at last discovered – he had rolled the trap down the driveway when trying to gain entry to the trap. The chipmunk was understandably terrified.

SHAPLEIGH

Joanne Bargioni

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Shapleigh Library

The library at 607 Shapleigh Corner Road is now offering outside curbside pickup on Tuesdays from 3 to 8 p.m., Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. To request items you may call 636-3630 or email the Shapleigh Library at shapleighlibrary@gmail.com. You can visit their card catalogue at <https://www.shapleigh.net/library.cfm> to place holds on books and movies.

When you know which book you would like, contact the library to ensure the book is available. At that time you will be asked what day you would like to pick up. Borrowing period will be for 3 weeks. When picking up, your bag of books will be placed outside the front entrance of the library during business hours. Please return books in the book return box.


When items are returned to the library they will receive a 3-day quarantine.

Town Hall News

The Town Hall at 22 Back Road is now open and back to regular business hours. Only one person however will be allowed in the Town Clerk's office and one waiting in the hallway. All others will have to remain outside for their turn. Masks need to be worn at all times and anyone from another state would have to quarantine for 14 days. If you do not have a mask, one can be provided for you. You may still access services over the telephone and online.

There are many committee vacancies available. If you have some free time and would like to get involved in the community call the Town Administrator at 636-2839 ext. 0.



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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE Cable Television Franchise Renewal Atlantic Broadband PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Town of Shapleigh Board of Selectmen, in its capacity as cable television franchising authority pursuant to the federal and state law, will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 6:00 pm, at the Shapleigh Town Hall**. The public hearing will be for the purpose of receiving comments on the renewal franchise and shall be in accordance with the Town of Shapleigh ordinance, Federal and State law.

Shapleigh Board of Selectmen

NOTICE
TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH
The Transfer Station, Town Clerk/Tax Collector & Code Enforcement Offices will be **CLOSED SATURDAY, JULY 4TH** for the holiday.
Town Clerk's Office also **CLOSED FRIDAY, JULY 3RD.**

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH The Town Clerk's office is now taking ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUESTS

for the upcoming July 14, 2020 State Primary & RSU #57 Budget and Minor Capital Project Referendum.

You may request an absentee ballot by calling the Town Clerk's office 636-2843 ext. 1 or 6 or by visiting the State's website at: <http://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl>

Absentee Ballot requests will be taken up to and on Election Day.

To minimize interaction with others during this public health Pandemic (COVID-19), some voters may prefer voting by Absentee ballot. Casting an absentee ballot is convenient and secure.

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Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and during our gradual reopening process, the Maine CDC has been monitoring epidemiological data, like case trends and hospitalization rates, health care readiness and capacity, all of these things to inform our decisions on lifting restrictions and revitalizing our economy.

We look at these metrics every day. We look at them in their totality and look at them in context, as opposed to looking at daily changes of a single metric itself to inform our decisions.

Last month, the number of COVID-19 cases and the number of hospitalizations rose, particularly in southern Maine.

In light of that, we postponed the reopening of restaurants for dine-in service in York, Cumberland, and Androscoggin counties.

Instead, these restaurants were able to continue pickup and delivery food service and outside dining service, but not indoor dining, and that was a change, while it was dramatic and hard, we believed it was safer for the health of Maine people but still helping restaurants do business in at least one way.

That was a difficult decision – something that frustrated many restaurant owners, understandably so.

We also moved ahead with restaurant reopenings for dine-in and outdoor dining in the rest of Maine’s counties as scheduled, including Penobscot County, and we became the first state in New England to allow indoor dining at all.

Since then, the average number of cases in these three counties - Androscoggin, Cumberland and York - has plateaued, and hospitalization rates have stabilized.

In light of those encouraging trends, this week I announced that indoor dining in Androscoggin, Cumberland, and York Counties may voluntarily resume, with the

safety and health protocols outlined in the COVID-19 Prevention Checklist.

I also announced that bars, breweries, and tasting rooms may open in Cumberland, York and Androscoggin Counties for outdoor, seated service. Gyms, nail salons, and tattoo parlors can also reopen in those counties, all with health and safety protocols that must be strictly adhered to. Those businesses were already open in the rest of Maine’s 13 counties.

We also expanded capacity limits at retail establishments all across the state, allowing up to 5 people per 1,000 square feet, given the decreasing risk associated with retail shopping and the assumption that stores will follow strict public health precautions, such as keeping six foot distances in lines outside the stores. Stores being places where you move around, it doesn’t pose quite the same risk as indoor dining for instance.

Well with all these changes, reopenings across the state are aligned in all counties. We have now reopened our economy either on a par or ahead of other northeastern states.

We look at Arizona, Texas and Florida however, and as they report their highest case numbers yet and 22 other states are seeing climbing COVID-19 cases, as we reopen restaurants for indoor dining and other businesses in these areas, we have to remain very careful. We don’t want to make the same mistakes those other states have made.

The experiences in those states are a cautionary tale for Maine.

It is possible, if not likely even, that the changes we made will result in an uptick in cases and we will be keeping a close eye on epidemiological data as we have from the very start.

We’ll look at the data in our state, and the data in our neighboring states, and states like New

York and Connecticut where people come from to visit Maine in the summer.

If a review of the data concerning Maine finds evidence of an increase in COVID-19 or a risk to the capacity of our health care system, we will have to move forward to protect Maine people again.

But the most effective way to make sure that we don’t have to put on restrictions again is to practice good hygiene and take care of yourself.

So, I ask you as your Governor – please – if you own or work at a public-facing business, please strictly adhere to all health and safety protocols. Don’t let down your guard. Protecting your customers protects your business as well.

I ask all Maine people, please remember to wash your hands frequently, please maintain six feet of distance between yourself and others no matter where you are, stay home when you can, especially if you are older or have an underlying health condition, and wear a cloth face covering when you are out in public.

Recent studies show that those face coverings work.

If we protect ourselves and protect one another by taking these steps, we can continue to reopen our economy in a safe way and limit the spread of this dangerous virus as we welcome tourist season in Maine.

It is all up to every one of us. Thank you for listening and please stay safe.

—Released as a radio address on June 19.

OPINION

LETTERS

Sara Gideon works to raise taxes but won’t work for Maine

Maine deserves elected representatives who truly understand the real issues and will fight for real Mainers. We have this in Senator Susan Collins. Through her leadership, Collins has worked bi-partisanly across the party lines to author the Paycheck Protection Program, which has helped tens of thousands of Maine workers continue to receive a paycheck during this troubling economic time. The Senator has also fought to protect Mainers and she championed for the needs of Mainers securing much needed Federal funds at this time. From this, Maine has seen the results, and we all thank Senator Collins.

Unfortunately, Maine’s Speaker of the House, Sara Gideon, has repeatedly wanted to raise taxes on all hardworking Mainers. She supports a gas tax that would cost drivers about \$10 more every time we fill up our cars and trucks. Gideon called the tax “one of the most important things we have to do.” When thousands suffer in the unemployment mess and ongoing debacle, she won’t show up to help fix the problems that need fixing, including the Dept. of Labor’s issues and problems. This is totally unacceptable and uncon-

scionable! What has happened since all of this started in March? Next to nothing, all. Many claimants still await their payments.

Senator Collins has shown up to work all during the corona-virus crisis and has a perfect attendance record. Gideon left the State House over three months ago and is leaving all of the tough choices that need to be made up to the Governor. That’s not very responsible leadership, period. It seems that one of the most important things we need to do is ensure Sara Gideon never gets the chance to do to America what she has done to Maine on her watch. Let’s get Maine’s issues and America’s problems fixed.

— David Hall
Cornish

Thank you

Once again I have to write and say how amazed I was to read the brilliant Opinion piece in the June 18 issue, Terms of Endearment. Mr. Simonds explanation was everything there is to say about the subject and should be widely publized. It is so gratifying to pick up a local paper and read such well written, informed pieces. So, Thank you Reporter again for courageous journalism.

— Julie Fernee
North Berwick

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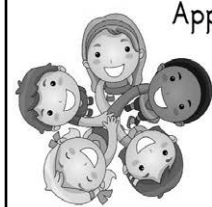
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Obituaries

Jennifer Carole Sanborn

Jennifer C. Sanborn, 52, of Lebanon, passed unexpectedly on Friday, June 19, 2020.

Jen was a welcomed early Christmas baby who was born at Fort Huachuca, in Arizona on December 23, 1967, the daughter of Albert P. and Frances D. (Tubolino) Stanley



Jennifer Carole Sanborn

Jennifer was a typical, lifelong military kid (military brat) traveling and exploring the world as her Dad received his new postings in Germany, Thailand, Puerto Rico and Fort Knox. Following high school, she began working as a civil servant on Fort Drum north of Watertown, New York.

She met her future husband, Martin, while out with friends at The Strand – an old movie theater. They were married on August 19, 2000 at Trinity Episcopal Church in Watertown, NY. Jen was 32 years old as Martin was just 25! They enjoyed their honeymoon on Alexandria Bay in New York.

Jen was the consummate military wife, who was organized, could pack up the kids and house and made friends easily with other families on the base. Martin warmly shared, “That behind every successful service person is a better military spouse!” Jen kept the household running smoothly, being both Mom & Dad while Martin was on deployment. Jen also attended the family support group within the military bases.

Jennifer was a wonderful cook who cooked from her Italian heritage, lasagna, spaghetti & meat-

balls and many other ioya dishes. Anything she cooked was delicious! She was very devoted to her children and their home was a welcoming place for friends and family to gather. Her home was filled with Americana and on the front of the fridge were tons of photos of the family. Jennifer had great empathy for people, things going on in the world and animals; especially her five kitties. Each summer they planned to visit both sides of their families for a couple of weeks in Maine and New York.

Through-out her life, Jen nourished her spirit by attending Mass and held onto the Catholic teachings of her childhood. It gave her peace and she raised her children in the church.

Jennifer is loved by her family and will be deeply missed as we find comfort in knowing she has entered into eternal rest.

Jennifer is lovingly survived by her husband Martin P. Sanborn of Lebanon, ME; her three children, Brandon C. and Stephanie Stanley of Nashville, TN; Martin P. and Raylee Sanborn, Jr. of Fort Campbell, KY; and Alexander L. Sanborn of Lebanon, ME; her mother, Frances D. Tubolino; her sisters, Dominica A. and Erin Rock, Michele M. Geary, and Elisa Stanley, and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her father, Albert P. Stanley.

Family and friends may call on Thursday from 5 – 7 p.m. at the Autumn Green Funeral Home, 47 Oak Street, in Alfred. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, June 26, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish, Holy Family Church, 66 North Ave. in Sanford.

Committal Prayers and burial will be held later at Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery.

During this time, we ask that you wear a mask at all services, be aware of social distancing and that we are allowed up to 50 people at a

time to visit with the family and at the church service.

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

Philip M. Flint Sr.

Philip Meredith Flint Sr., 88 of Lebanon, passed away at his home surrounded by his loving wife and family on June 13, 2020 following a long battle with cancer.



Philip M. Flint Sr.

He was born in Buxton on June 10, 1932 to Alphonso and Madelene Hamilton Flint. He graduated from Sanford High School in 1949 and was drafted into the Army in November of 1952, completing his service in November of 1954 with the rank of corporal.

Phil had numerous jobs at first, but his true talent lie in the automotive field. He worked at Jones Lincoln Mercury, Pike’s Auto Body and finally at Wescott Ford all in Sanford. While at Wescott’s he began to do auto repair work nights and weekends at his home. In 1975 Phil left Wescott Ford and opened Flint’s Garage in North Shapleigh. He moved to Lebanon in 1977 and has been there ever since doing auto repair and towing but specializing in custom exhaust work. Customers came from all over New England and even New York to have him work on their vehicles.

Phil’s other passion was antique cars, particularly Mercury’s. He owned several but his pride and joy were his blue and white 1956 Mercury. Phil and his wife, Maxine, enjoyed many years of traveling to car shows and swap meets. Their particular favorites were in Stowe, VT, Hershey and Carlisle, PA. and the Bonny Eagle High School and Par Sem annual car shows. They could often be spotted at Shapleigh Corner Store on Monday cruise nights when many antique cars would gather for food, fun and prizes.

Phil will always be remembered by his love of a good story. With a joke always at the ready, he was often the center of entertainment wherever he went. Whether family, friend, or a customer in the garage, when he would start in with, “Did you hear about the...” be prepared! The punchline always came with his signature impish smirk, while waiting for your reaction.

As a life-long Ford man, he was especially grateful to Chevrolet for keeping him steadily employed over the years. He was known to say, “Without Chevy’s I’d have to throw rocks at cars out on Rt. 202 to drum up business.”

In his later years he loved his daily newspaper, jigsaw puzzles, working in his yard, Turner Classic Movies, and old-time country music. He seldom missed a NASCAR cup race, rooting for his favorite racing team – the Wood Brothers.

He was predeceased by his father and mother, his son, Jody in

2007 and his son, Scott in 2013 and his sister-in-law Ferne Penney.

He is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Maxine (Penney) Flint; son, Philip (Pete) M. Flint, Jr. of Newfield; daughters, Kendra Flint and husband, Dave Watson of Springvale and Dana McGlincey and husband, Brian of Acton; stepsons, Michael Lord and wife, Kate of North Berwick and Donald Lord and partner, Vicki Kearney of Fort Fairfield; step-daughters, Hazel McGlincey and husband, Richard of West Newfield, Tammy Franklin of Darien, GA, and Susan Welch and husband, Dana of Lebanon; sisters, Patricia Bourgoine of Lebanon and Sharon Sprague of Sanford; sister-in-law Hazel York and husband Gordon of Sanford and brother-in-law Thomas Penney of Shapleigh; 15 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Known to many as “Grampa Phil”, he was a fun and loving grandfather to all his grandchildren. But he was over the moon happy with the birth of his most recent great-grandson, who carries the name of Philip Meredith Flint into the fourth generation.

Rest easy Grampa Phil. We will all miss you.

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks to the Cornerstone Visiting Nurse and Hospice for their excellent and loving care during this difficult time.

Interment at Springvale Veteran’s Cemetery will be at a later date.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, June 27, 2020, from 1 - 4 PM at the Flint residence, 964 Carl Broggi Highway, Lebanon, ME. To honor his passion for antique cars, those who wish to are encouraged to bring them.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to: Cornerstone VNA, 178 Farmington Rd, Rochester, NH 03867 Or Animal Welfare Society, P.O. Box 43, West Kennebunk, ME 04094.

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

BUSINESS NEWS

Virtual Strawberry Festival announced

Event normally draws visitors from all over New England

Cornish Area Businesses (CAB) announced a 2020 Virtual Strawberry Festival in light of crowd restrictions and safety concerns due to COVID-19. The event, which usually draws crowds of visitors from Maine and beyond, consists of many local vendors and craftspeople, music, food, entertainment, and of course, fresh strawberries. The virtual event will feature Strawberry themed content, vendor product showcase, and a few surprises! It will start June 26. Visitors can check it out by visiting www.cornish-maine.org

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SPORTS

River Rats back on the diamond

By MICHAEL DEANGELIS
Sports Editor

The Southern Maine River Rats recently got their season started, playing approximately 130 baseball or softball games across their age groups over the last two weekends.

The 17U baseball team 'Showcase' topped the Maine Sting in a doubleheader at St. Louis Field in Biddeford on Sunday, June 21.

The Showcase dominated game one, scoring three in the first, three in the second and four in the third to romp to a 13-3 win. Gavin Rawstron went 2-3 at the plate. He drove in a run and scored a run. Rawstron pitched two scoreless innings as well, fanning three and yielding just one hit. Brady Wildes pitched two scoreless innings for Showcase who collectively fanned seven and

walked just three

Brady Graffam drove in two and scored two. Showcase batters drew 13 walks.

Showcase took game two 3-1 thanks to a run in the first and two in the second. Oliver Genest and Max Dobkowski each drove in a run. Oliver Leonard and Ben Carroll combined for four innings of one-run pitching.

The River Rats this year boast 18 baseball teams and 10 softball teams, with total participants topping 350. For the past several years they've participated in a league alongside teams from both Massachusetts and New Hampshire, but COVID-19 forced a change that left teams competing in state only.

For information on the River Rats organization and their COVID-19 response visit riverrats-baseball.com.



Aaron Kiss heads for home during a recent game for the 15U River Rats. Kiss had a monster weekend at the plate going 7-10. COURTESY PHOTO

baseball.com.

STAT WORTHY: Aaron Kiss went 7-10 over the weekend at the plate for the 15U River Rats who

went 4-0. The 14U team is undefeated at 7-0. The 12U 'Black' team is 7-1 and the 11U 'Black' team (playing up a level at 12U) is 7-1.

PICK YOUR OWN

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someone to pick for you.

The day this reporter went to the fields, Earl was in the driveway greeting people and monitoring the entrance and exit of cars, while Nancy was in the "shed" by the fields, handling the strawberry purchases. Both were happy to see their customers and chatted with each one.

Doles has Pick Your Own throughout the summer and fall. Blueberries will be next in mid-July, followed by cherries, plums, peaches, raspberries and apples. Keep your eye on their Facebook page to find out which fruit is available and the days/times for picking.

Libby's and Son U-Picks in Limerick is gearing up for their fruit picking season, beginning with blueberries. "Blueberries should be ready early to mid-July, around July 8-12," said owner Aaron Libby, "and right now they are on target." Libby's is considered a large farm, and has lots of space. You will see gloves being worn by employees following the food safety act. You will also see more open areas, with sinks and/or hand sanitizing stations for safety. "We'll do our best to keep things moving," Libby said, "while keeping a safe distance and following the guidelines." He added, "We're watching for updates on a daily basis."

In addition to blueberries, Libby's has summer raspberries, followed by plums and peaches, then fall raspberries and apples. "We are excited to be open to offer a place for people to come to get some fresh air and fresh food."

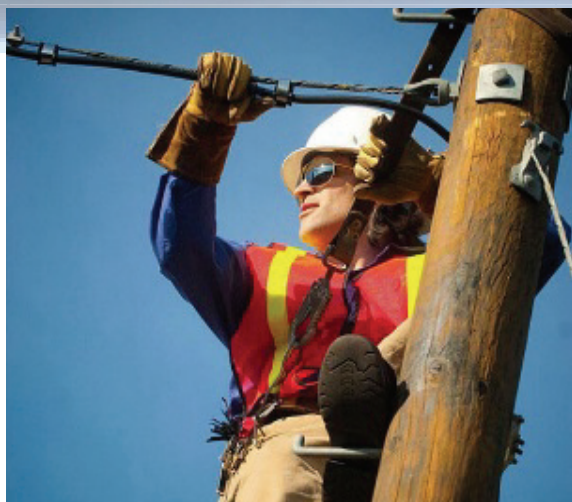
When asked about the store, and if it will be open, Libby replied, "We'll have to wait and see." If you are looking for fresh fruit smoothies and old fashioned donuts that Libby's makes every day they are open, you may want to call ahead and/or check their Facebook page. "Our Facebook page and website are updated daily," Libby reported. "We are looking forward to seeing everyone!"

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