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THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2024

#### Waterboro's 7-year old Motocross Star



Joseph Coppolino, a 7-yearold from East Waterboro, recently finished 22nd at the 39th Annual AMA Amateur **National Motocross** Championship held on Loretta Lynn's Ranch in Hurricane Mills, Tennessee. Joseph raced in the micro e class for kids ages 4-7. Joseph and his family spend winters in the south, training in places like Florida, with pro rider Ronnie Stewart who currently lives in Limerick. "Joseph got his start to motocross right in Lyman at mx207 only two years ago and we quickly realized he was driven enough to chase the big nationals,' said his mother Jade. She added "We couldn't possibly do this without the sponsorship and support from local businesses.' **COURTESY PHOTOS** 



#### **County Commissioners approve** \$21.5 million tax commitment

York County Commissioners approved the tax commitment of \$21.5 million at their July 10 meeting and soon thereafter, the county's 29 municipalities received their tax bills for fiscal year 2025 - which began July 1 - in their mailboxes.

The tax collected from the municipalities represents the lions'

share of the annual county budget

which is \$25.1 million for the fiscal year. Taxes help fund an array of county departments, from the registries of probate and deeds to the sheriff's office - which includes the jail, patrol and civil process - the district attorney's office, emergency management (Continued on page 3)



Clayton Durepos left, the 2023 Mitchell Scholar from Massabesic High School and a rising sophomore at the University of Southern Maine, returned to the school to present the Mitchell Scholarship to Massabesic's 2024 recipient, Gianna Thibeault, back in June. **COURTESY PHOTO** 

#### MHS student named Mitchell **Scholar**

The Mitchell Institute, a Maine-based nonprofit scholarship and research organization founded by Senator George J. Mitchell to improve college outcomes for students from every community in Maine, recently announced its 2024 cohort of Mitchell Scholars, including Gianna Thibeault, who recently graduated from Massabesic High School. The 184 recipients of the Mitchell Scholarship, representing public high schools statewide, will each receive a \$10,000 scholarship, as well as ongoing leadership and professional development programming and supplemental (Continued on page 5)



York County Commissioners have chosen an operator for its dredge program, intended to help coastal communities repair damage after a pair of January storms that devastated sand dunes, berms and beaches. Michel Construction will operate the Ellicott dredge, seen here at its mooring at Wells Harbor. PHOTO BY TAMMY WELLS, YORK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

### County dredge project progresses

The plan to put York County's dredge to work to help coastal communities recover from the damage wrought by a pair of January coastal storms is progressing.

York County Commissioners selected Michel's Construction as the dredge operator July 10. The parties will now draft a contract.

Michel's Construction, of Brownville, Wisconsin will be familiar to those in coastal areas - the company most recently performed dredging for a federal navigation project in Wells Harbor.

"We undertook a thorough review ... and we believe it is in the county's best interest to go with Michel's Construction," County

Manager Greg Zinser told York sioners present at the July session County Commissioners. The response to the county's request for proposals was one of two received.

Zinser said commissioners will be asked to choose from proposals from engineers for the projects, likely at an August meeting. He said engineers will help county officials determine how much sand to remove and disperse to help rebuild dunes and berms on coastal beaches, among other cal-

The dredging season commences in November and runs through April.

Zinser told the four commis-

- Vice Chair Robert Andrews, Richard Clark, Donna Ring and Justin Chenette - that Wells and Saco appear to be positioned to dredge.

"It is going to be a successful program and we are going to make this happen," said Zinser. He called the project "a very large undertaking.'

He said the project is taking many hours and thanked York County Emergency Management Agency Director Art Cleaves for his work on the project.

Communities across York County sustained an \$20 million in damage to public infrastructure - roads, sidewalks, culverts, beaches, sand dunes and more in the Jan. 10 and 13 storms. In all, there was an estimated \$70 million in damage in eight of Maine's coastal counties.

In March, President Joe Biden formally declared a disaster from (Continued on page 3)



LOCAL news, events and faces from your LOCAL community.



# COMMUNITY

Email non-profit event listings to: news@waterbororeporter.com

FREE CONCERT IN THE PARKS Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at 10 John Street, Lyman. Parking at the Community Library. Aug. 8 North River Music; Aug. 15 The Dapper Gents; Aug. 22 Half Moon Jug Band.

Historical Society of Newfield, Maine presents: "FROM THE FIREPLACE TO THE COOKSTOVE" Presenter David Mann Ph.D. at the Historical Society building located at 64 Elm Street, Newfield. Sunday, Aug.

11 at 2 p.m. Join us to learn how the stove replaced the fireplace, altered New England architecture, and became America's first mass-marketed consumer durable.

**SUMMER READING EVENT AT THE FARM** Join us

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for Hollis Center Public Library's final Summer Reading Event on Monday, Aug. 12 at Rivers Edge Farm at 305 River Road in Hollis from 10 a.m. until Noon. Bring sturdy shoes if the kids want to interact with the horses. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. Activities include: Tour the barn, view saddles, bridles and see the stalls, Meet the horses, Scavenger Hunt, Take part in Hobby Horse Rodeo, Water Balloon Barrel, Story/Snack and a Barnyard Dance. All are welcome!

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT** Join the Sanford Police Department for National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 13 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Central Park. Enjoy a fun-filled evening with food, a dunk tank, music, vendors, and more. Meet officers, engage with your neighbors, and help foster a stronger, safer community.

THE YORK COUNTY RE-PUBLICAN COMMITTEE will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday, Aug. 14 at Alfred Town Hall, 16 Saco Road, Alfred. Doors open 6 p.m.; business meeting 6:30-8 p.m. Meeting will focus on upcoming events, especially activities of YCRC at Acton Fair. FMI: communications@yorkgop.org or call (207) 468-2395.

EFFINGHAM: ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND PICK-A-PRIZE RAFFLE, with lots of different prizes to choose from. Wednesday, Aug. 14, 6:30pm - 8:00pm, 1560 Province Lake Road (Rte 153). Proceeds to benefit the South Effingham West Parsonsfield Citizens Organization, which maintains the historical church building. FMI, please call Patty at 603-539-7518.

POW-WOW AND GATH-ERIING HOSTED BY METIS OF MAINE Aug. 17 & 18 at the Yellow Feather Cultural Center, 105 Gould Road, Dayton. Public is welcome to enjoy great music from host drum. Split Feather Singers along with Flute Music and Storytelling, many traders offering Indian Style items, and food available. Gate opens at 9 a.m. with Grand Entry of performers at Noon both days. Children under 13 are free, 13 and older \$5, age 65 and older \$3, veterans are free. Bring a chair or blanket. Absolutely NO Drugs or Alcohol allowed.

Aug. 17 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Tory Hill Meeting House in Buxton is celebrating the DOR-CAS FEST by hosting craft vendors on the church lawn offering a variety of Maine crafts. The church will also offer of our famous hot dog luncheon, baked goods and baskets for raffle along with a lawn sale table filled with items large and small. Our annual musician Bob Costigan will be playing for all to enjoy during the festivities. Activities include: 8 a.m. 5K race, Annual Cars & Coffee Show @ the Brewster Mansion; and at 11 a.m. the town sponsored parade with this year's theme "Calling All Friendly Ghouls and Goblins." At 6 p.m. The Mallett Brothers will be performing at the Brewster Mansion, tickets required (evenbrite.com).

LYMAN HISTORICAL SO-CIETY MEETING Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 6 p.m. at the Arion Lodge, Goodwins Mills, Lyman. The Trustees are meeting at 5:30 before the regular meeting.

THE ALFRED, WATER-BORO, AND LYMAN REPUBLICAN COMMITTEES invite all who are interested to attend our next meeting at the Alfred Town Hall on Thursday, Aug. 22 at 6:30 pm. Our guest speaker will be Donna Ring, a York County Commissioner, who will be speaking on abatements due to the new property tax increases in Alfred. This should also be informative to citizens of other towns since tax increases can happen anywhere. Doors open at 6:15 at the Town

**DELICIOUS** HADDOCK SUPPER BUFFET Saturday, Aug. 31 at 5 p.m. at Living Waters Church, Parker Farm Road, Buxton. Suggested donation: \$10 Adult, \$5 Child, \$20 Family. We will offer the option of takeout containers for those who do not want to come inside for seating.



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the storms at the request of Gov. Janet Mills - which means communities are eligible for reimbursements through the Federal Emergency Management Agency to help cover costs associated with repairs and in some cases, mitigation.

York County Commissioners agreed in late 2022 to purchase an Ellicott dredge with \$1.54 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds to help combat coastal erosion, nourish beaches with sand, and help keep waters navigable. It had originally intended to be turned over to a nonprofit, but that entity was not operational, and there were federal complications over the disposition of the dredge, so the county decided to retain it, with the intent to put it to use locally. Then came the storms and the damage – and the desire of the county to help its coastal communities mitigate damage.

"I want to thank Art and Greg and the entire team; I know it's a lot of effort," said Chenette as he moved to approve Michel's Construction as the dredge operator. "The county is providing hope to countless coastal communities because of your efforts; it does not go unnoticed. Our communities are in desperate need of this.... to save livelihood, businesses, to save our coastal communities."

Commissioner Clark seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

– By Tammy Wells, Media Specialist for York County Government

#### **COUNTY TAXES**

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agency, finance office, administration, IT, facilities and more. The remaining portion comes from revenues the county collects for services like deeds recording fees, other fees, grants, and undesignated funds.

County taxes are due from the municipalities on Sept 1; interest of 8.5 percent for any unpaid taxes will begin after Oct. 31.

The budget is up 7.38 percent from a year ago. The amount to be raised by taxes to the county's 29 municipalities is up 9.6 percent, or 1.8 million. Commissioners put the increase down to some revenues streams coming in a bit less than projected, and inflation, which has meant increased costs for goods and services. As well, county officials noted, the state has increased valuations of most municipalities.

The annual budget process begins with department heads submitting requests to administration, which crafts a budget. The budget document is scrutinized and voted by county commissioners. From there, it is passed to the separate York County Budget Committee, made up of elected municipal officials and members of the public from across the county. Once the budget committee has approved a budget, it is passed back to the commissioners - who can choose to set the tax commitment or recommend the budget committee meet to consider changes.

The town of York will pay the most in county taxes - about \$2.7 million this year, followed by Wells, at \$2.1 million. The town of Cornish

### Lion's Club receives Spirit of America Award



The 2024 winner of the Spirit of America Award at Shapleigh Community Days was the Acton-Shapleigh Lion's Club. The Municipal Resolution read in part, "The Lion's Club's primary directive is to serve the community and has volunteered countless hours to raise funds for the town. They volunteer time and effort to vision screenings for the vulnerable population." The President of the Club is Richard Nason, and the Club is in dire need of more members to get involved and help serve the community. If you are interested in volunteering for this group, email the Club at acton.shapleighlions@gmail.com. PHOTO BY JOANNE BARGIONI

is poised to pay the least - \$91,000, with Parsonsfield next, at \$132,600. Biddeford, Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Kittery, Old Orchard Beach and Saco all pay more than \$1 million each, with Sanford paying \$967,000 and Ogunquit, \$849,000. About 17 small towns pay varying amounts, from \$538,000 in Waterboro to \$196,000 in Alfred.

A sampling of three of the larger municipalities and three smaller ones shows the percentage of each municipality's budget - and therefore each property tax bill – went to pay county taxes in the previous fiscal year as shown on tax bills from those municipalities: in Wells, the county tax portion of a property tax bill was 4.86 percent last year; Biddeford, 2.67 percent; Sanford, 2.44 percent; Alfred, 2.80 percent, Arundel, 2.85 percent, and Parsonsfield, 2.67 percent.

- By Tammy Wells, Media Specialist for York County Government

#### CORRECTION

In the Aug. 1 issue of the Reporter, under the article "Shapleigh Community Days," it was incorrectly reported that this year's Spirit of America Award winners were the Shapleigh Election Workers. They won the Award in 2023. The 2024 winner was the Acton-Shapleigh Lion's Club.

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### TOWN OF ALFRED PLANNING BOARD

County of York, 45 Kennebunk Road – Tax Map 12, Lot 36

PUBLIC HEARING: Monday, August 19, 2024 at 6:30 pm at Alfred Town Hall (16 Saco Road, Alfred)

above referenced applicant for a Change of Use to allow the rental of portions of the courthouse building for office space. The complete application is available for review at the Alfred

Town Hall. If you would like an electronic copy of the application packet, email Liz at <u>lizdudgeon@alfredme.net</u>.

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### Presidential Election November 5, 2024

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS AVAILABLE** 

The Town Clerk's office is now accepting **Absentee Ballot Requests for the upcoming** November 5, 2024, Presidential Election.

Absentee ballot requests may be in writing, by phone, online, or in person. However; if you are asking to receive your ballot by mail, please request it early enough to allow for postal mail delivery time - both to receive it and return it (at least 4-5 days each way).

- You can request an absentee ballot by calling the Town Clerk's office at 207-247-6166; each person requesting needs to speak to the clerk personally.
- · Printed ballots will be available by the second week of October. Once received, requested ballots will be issued as soon as possible.
- We recommend returning ballots as soon as possible, preferably by Thursday October 31st 2024.
- There will be NO Absentee Voting on Friday, November 1, 2024 and Monday, November 4, 2024
- Ballots MUST be returned to the Town Clerk no later than 8:00 pm on Election Day. If you have any questions or concerns, please give call our office at 207-247-6166 EXT: 110.

Marina Gagne, Waterboro Town Clerk mgagne@waterboromaine.gov

For additional information go to: https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/ voter-info/absenteeguide.html

#### WATERBORO



Albert Cummings COURTESY PHOTO

# Blues Fest coming to Waterboro

The 6th Annual York County Blues Fest will be held at Friendship Park on Old Alfred Road in Waterboro on Saturday, Aug. 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. Gates open at 3 p.m. and at 3:15 there will be a pre-show Jam with Deep SG & Co.

The Blues Festival Musical Lineup is Voodoo Clowns from 4 to 4:50 p.m., Memphis Lightning from 5 to 6:10 p.m. and the Albert Cummings Band from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Advance tickets are on sale for \$15 at https://www.eventbrite.com (search blues fest). No outside food or drink is allowed. Food will be available for cash purchase onsite. Beer and wine will be available with proper ID.

For more information visit www.yorkcountybluesfest.com.

**ECONOMICAL STORAGE** 

#### **BRIEFS**

#### **Acton committees**

The Town of Acton is searching for Board and Committee members. These are in the Warrant and Finance Committee (2 alternate positions), Recreation, Conservation/, Forestry, and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these committees, contact the Acton Town Hall, 35 H Rd.

### Free community movie nights

Sunday Night Movies will be held weekly throughout the summer at the Lifestage Landing, 275 Sam Page Road, Acton. Doors open at 5:45 p.m., and the featured movie begins at 6 p.m. Popcorn and water are available for \$1; all proceeds will benefit the Acton Business Club. The next feature will be Disney's live-action *Peter Pan and Wendy* on Aug. 11, on Aug. 18 will be *Disney's The BFG*, and on Aug. 25 is *Disney's Wish*.

#### **Springvale Library**

The end of the Summer Reading Program celebrates Adventures in Farm week. The library, 443 Main St. is hosting a Meet the Animals at the mobile Legacy Lane Petting Zoo. The zoo will be at the library from 2 to 3 PM on August 9. The mobile traveling zoo will be set up on the front yard of the library. Enjoy meeting and petting a few live, baby goats, sheep, ducks, rabbits, and maybe even a hen.

– By Joanne Bargioni

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### **OPINION**

#### **LETTERS**

#### **August follow-up**

This letter is a follow up to previous letters sent to this paper. The previous letters pertained to unresolved matters relevant to the Government Oversight Committee (GOC) of the Maine Legislature, a bi-partisan committee, with full oversight authority of Maine State Government operations, etc. This committee has investigative authority over State Department agencies and their bureaus. Further, this committee has investigative authority, among other authorities, to investigate and to address administrative agency matters, including administrative acts, actions, wrongdoing, misfeasance etc. from state agency bureaus and their staffers.

I wish to restate and clarify the following: Let's hope that the Government Oversight Committee (GOC), is diligently continuing its investigation into a multitude of issues with many transgressions involving ME Dept. of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and also the ME Department of Labor (DoL). This pertains to several ongoing issues and investigations of the DHHS, including but not limited to the recent cases of child abuse and numerous deaths on DHHS' watch. Further, let's also hope that

this committee will be diligently moving forward on these issues, among other related issues and matters involving this department (DHHS), with client services as well as those of the DoL. There are many issues that still must be addressed, investigated and resolved, including resolution of all unresolved, unpaid unemployment weekly claims and other benefits, including SNAP, that claimants should be fully entitled to. It is plainly evident that many Departmental reforms are clearly necessary for resolving the cumulative, multitude of problems plaguing these departments and their bureaus. This state oversight committee must act responsibly and continue to diligently work to address these ongoing heinous issues and problems plaguing these departments. This Committee's Chairs and its committee members must ensure that all constituents' issues are addressed and dealt with retroactively and mandate immediate corrective actions to resolve the multitude of problems. Further, meaningful accountability with corrective actions is necessary, as the current administration has continued to side-step the issues and matters at hand, unfortunately.

It is essential that meaningful action with meaningful progress are made by this committee. The current administration sidestepped responding to the multitude of these serious problems. Why was this ever acceptable? Going forward, it is imperative that this oversight committee do it due diligence expediting its investigations and mandate meaningful reforms.

In closing, much more work and additional time are necessary to get to the bottom of these chronic issues and problems plaguing these departments. Going forward, this committee needs to ensure that there will be no more systemic failures or problems and that other corrective measures are put into place at once. Let's not have anymore deaths of children under DHHS care (at 54 so far) and not have any recurring issues on benefits for claimants, including SNAP benefits and unpaid unemployment claims, including from the pandemic. Please just "make it so". "Failure is not an option." Thank you.

> – David Hall Cornish

### In response to Mr. Edmund Stubbs

Thomas M. Crooks was 20 years old. He was intelligent. Those are the facts.

Donald Trump is a self-proclaimed "cheerleader." January 6th was Mr. Cheerleader rounding up "patriots" to destroy and kill for him. For him. Then he hid. Those are the facts.

President Joseph R. Biden is no cheerleader. He speaks wisdom and always has. Donald Trump has never spoken wisdom. He can't.

Mr Stubbs, you seem to have a lot of anger and hatred yourself. And since you "fear" everything, might I ask what you are doing to make a better world?

Thank God Mr. Simonds does not live in fear.

– Nancy Gammon Limerick

#### **Kudos to Jon**

Great opinion written by Jon Simonds. This Country needs to get back to civility! We may not always agree on everything but it's time to return to respecting each other. I never thought I would live to see what is happening in the political world today. Let's get back to decency....Kudos Jon!

– Roger Huppe Alfred



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#### MITCHELL SCHOLAR

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funding opportunities for activities related to career development.

The 2024 class of Mitchell Scholars will pursue their academic goals and career aspirations with the support of the broader Mitchell Institute community, including more than 3,600 alumni who mentor Mitchell Scholars and provide them with career networking opportunities.

When they matriculate at colleges and universities in Maine and across the nation, the new class of 184 Mitchell Scholars will join 458 currently enrolled Scholars, who, collectively, will receive more than \$6 million in awards from the Mitchell Institute during their college careers. With financial and programmatic support from the Mitchell Institute, 89% of Mitchell Scholars complete college and achieve a degree, compared with 62% nationally, and more than 90% earn all A's and B's in their college courses.

Casey Near, Scholarship Director at the Mitchell Institute, oversaw the selection committee's holistic review of more than 1,500 Mitchell Scholarship applications in 2024 that considered high school students' academic history, community impact, and degree of financial need.

"Our applicants this year truly wowed us with their aspirations, their courage, and their accomplishments," Near said. "By every measure, our 2024 recipients are exceptional."

Forty-two percent of the 2024 Mitchell Scholars were inducted into their school's chapter of the National Honor Society. Outside the classroom, 82% worked during the school year, they volunteered an average of 61 hours annually, and nearly one-third were captains of a varsity sport. Seventy-two percent reported having a household income below the state median,

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and nearly half will be the first in their family to attend college of any kind.

"From their letters of recommendation, we have students described as the fabric of the school, a force to be reckoned with, no better citizen, and a league of their own," Near said. "We have valedictorians, Maine Principal's Award recipients, Upward Bound participants, student body presidents, college-level researchers, and three-sport athletes. We have big siblings who provide for their families and young people who have lived through incredible tumult. They truly represent the best of Maine. We are so proud of all these students have accomplished and all they aspire to."

In 2024 and for the second consecutive year, the Mitchell Institute awarded 20 additional \$10,000 scholarships to graduates of Maine public high schools. The increase of 40 Mitchell Scholarships since 2022 is part of a plan to expand the number of scholarships the Mitchell Institute awards statewide over the next several years, said Jared Cash, President and CEO of the Mitchell Institute.

"We are deeply grateful to our many loyal and generous supporters for investing in the Mitchell Institute's mission to increase the likelihood that young people from every community in Maine will aspire to, pursue, and achieve a college education," Cash said. "Each of this year's new Mitchell Scholars represents the best of our great state and reflects Senator Mitchell's vision of investing in young people so they, in turn, can strengthen their communities."

ABOUT THE MITCHELL IN-STITUTE: Founded by Senator George J. Mitchell, the Mitchell Institute's core mission is to improve the likelihood that young people from every community in Maine will aspire to, pursue, and achieve a college education.

#### **BUSINESS NEWS**



#### **Chamber welcomes Jass Boxing, coming to Sanford**

The Sanford Springvale Chamber Ambassador Committee visited Jass Boxing gym with a ribbon cutting ceremony recently. Jass Boxing is a non-profit organization partnering with neighboring youth outreach programs teaching life skills such as respect, self-control, discipline, self-esteem, and physical fitness through boxing. They offer the opportunity for disadvantaged youth and adults to improve on these skills with other local youth programs making Jass Boxing a prerequisite to complete their programs. Participants are encouraged to maintain healthy habits, and some have continued boxing long after completing the outreach program. Jass Boxing is bringing boxing to Sanford Memorial Gymnasium on Aug. 24. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with boxing starting at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15. For more information visit www.jassboxing.org, 603-978-9563. Jass Boxing is located at 24 Rochester Street, Berwick. Pictured, from left, Chamber President Rick Stanley, Chief Operating Officer Jenn Siudut-Oleson, CEO Joe Siudut (Promotor, Trainer) Jo-Ann Siudut (Secretary/Treasurer), and Karen Hebb, Rebecca Lapierre and Al Hebb all from Town Square Realty. COURTESY PHOTO

#### NOVEL JAZZ SEPTET

- Keeping the musical legacy of Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn alive and swinging at Saco River Theatre, 29 Salmon Falls Road, Bar Mills, Friday, Aug. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15 General Admission at www.sacorivertheate.org.



Novel Jazz Septet.

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The Ordinance Review Committee will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, August 15**<sup>th</sup>, **2024 at 6:00pm** located at the Lyman Town Hall to allow for public comment and present information on proposed ordinance amendments

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CONCRETE CURBING & SIDEWALK INSTALLATION

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2024 at Noon at the Public Works Office, 156 School Street, Sanford, Maine 04073, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Notice of Bids, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Specifications, Supplemental Specifications and Bid Proposal Exhibits are available at the Public Works Office and online at <a href="https://www.sanfordmaine.org">www.sanfordmaine.org</a> under Business: Bid Opportunities.

*Matthew E. Hill, P.E.* DATE: July 29, 2024 Director of Public Works, City of Sanford, Maine

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#### **Benjamin Roland**

It is with the deepest sorrow and heartfelt grief that we announce the passing of Benjamin B. Roland, who

left us far too soon, on July 24, at the age of sixteen. He entering his Junior year at Massabesic High School and worked as a Milfoil Inspector for the Town



Benjamin Roland

of Waterboro at Little Ossipee Lake. Ben was a vibrant soul whose passion for music and zest for life

touched everyone who knew him. Born on April 23, 2008, in Connecticut, Ben exuded joy and creativity. His love for music was evident in everything he did - whether playing his bass or drums, writing songs, or talking about the Beatles with his family and friends. Ben had an eclectic taste in music, from Frank Sinatra to Mac DeMarco, and he loved turning people on to new music. He was an avid shopper, always planning his next "fit." He loved to cook, especially for his girlfriend, and was really good at it. He knew everything there is to know about Star Wars. He loved

spending time with his family, and he loved traditions - no one was a bigger fan of Christmas. He loved driving around with his brother, Liam, for hours talking and listening to music. Ben had a short life, but a full life. He had so many plans and enjoyed countless adventures; the house was always filled with an amazing group of friends.

Ben's enthusiasm was infectious, and he had a unique ability to light up a room with his presence. His smile, kindness, and genuine spirit made him a cherished and devoted son, grandson, nephew, cousin, and friend. Ben's energy was limitless, and dreams were as expansive as his heart.

Ben was known for his compassion and ability to make people feel valued and loved. He had an extraordinary gift for seeing the good in everyone, "looking on the bright side," and making people feel special. Many times, Ben was referred to as an "old soul." He was able to strike up conversations with anyone at any time. He genuinely loved getting to know people and having deep, meaningful conversations. He would shake their hand and be able to find some commonality with them, leaving them feeling like they had just made a new friend.

He is survived by his parents, Brian and Kristen Roland; brother, Liam Roland; grandparents, James

and Roseann Hubbell; aunt and uncle, Kellie and Joseph Kodz, Jr., all of Maine, grandparents Scott and Jill Roland, godmother/Aunt and Uncle Ame and Guillermo Gonzalez, aunt, Kathy Williams, and several other aunts, uncles, and cousins of Connecticut. He also leaves his best friend, Cian Barrett, his girlfriend, Katie Turner, and many special friends.

We will deeply miss Ben, who enriched our lives with his presence. His memory will live on in the hearts of all who had the privilege of knowing him.

A memorial was held on Aug. 6,

at Bibber Memorial at Autumn Green in Alfred. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to TN 38105.

St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis,





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### **FRIDAY**



#### **Early Evening**

PIZZA DINNER W/ SALAD & DRINK

CATERED BY ALFRED COUNTRY STORE - UNDER THE BIG TENT



#### 5-7PM

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

@ PARSON'S MEMORIAL LIBRARY



#### 5:30 -8PM

KENNEBUNK RIVER BAND

ON STAGE UNDER THE BIG TENT



#### **DUSK**

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#### FOOD TRUCKS \$-

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\*SOME WILL HAVE A SNEAK PEEK 🦠

#### 4-8PM

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(§) 4-8PM **\$** 

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### **ALFRED FESTIVAL DAYS**

Schedule of Events



Free Family Friendly Events, Live Music, Food, Shopping, History & Community Activities

#### **SATURDAY**

FOOD TRUCKS ALL DAY - ADDY'S - KONA ICE - LION'S CLUB THE TREAT TRUCK - PAM & FAM FORKIN' GOOD GRUB \$

**6AM -** LION'S CLUB BREAKFAST - UNDER THE BIG TENT\$

**8AM -** FUN RUN - LINE UP @ TOWN HALL

8AM - 8PM PENNY RAFFLE - CONANT CHAPEL \$

**8AM - 8PM** SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - @ COURT HOUSE LAWNS

#### **OVER 70 VENDOR BOOTHS**

VILLAGE SQUARE, COURT HOUSE AREA & LIBRARY LAWN\$

**9:30AM -** TRACTOR PULL, REED PROPERTY (Near Swett's Bridge Rd.)

**10AM-1PM -** USED BOOK SALE \$ & CHILDREN'S COLORING CONTEST @ PARSON'S MEMORIAL LIBRARY (PML)

**10AM - PARADE** (Grand Marshals: Allison & Almon Williams)

**11AM - CARNIVAL GAMES & BOUNCE HOUSES - ALL DAY** 

11AM-2PM - ALFRED VILLAGE MUSEUM IS OPEN

**11AM-3PM -** CLIMBING ROCK WALL; CHURCH TOURS

11:30 AM - GUIDED CEMETERY TOUR - BY LOCAL HISTORIAN

BRUCE TUCKER; MEET @ THE GATE BEHIND THE BIG TENT

**12-2PM -** ACOUSTIC BOURBON BAND - under the big tent

12-4PM - BALLOON TWISTING BY ANGELIOUE

2:30-5PM - CATTLE CALL - FEATURING SONGS FROM MARK FARRINGTON, UNDER THE BIG TENT

4-6PM - ALFRED PARISH CHURCH SERVING PULLED

PORK & SIDES - TICKETS REQUIRED, UNDER THE BIG TENT\$

5:30-8PM - SOGGY PO' BOYS - UNDER THE BIG TENT

#### SUNDAY

11AM-2PM - BRUNCH SERVED BY ABOVE & BEYOND CATERING, UNDER THE BIG TENT; MUST HAVE TICKETS AHEAD \$

(See Facebook, Town Hall or at Above & Beyond Catering)

11-11:30AM - PENNY RAFFLE - CONANT CHAPEL (drawings at 12:00)

**10AM-2PM - SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR @ COURTHOUSE\$** 

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