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Town requests get overwhelming support at polls

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK – Months of effort to streamline the town’s municipal and school budgets paid off at the polls on Friday, May 29, when nearly every budget request and zoning ordinance passed by a comfortable margin of votes.

And, even in the midst of financial concerns, there was good humor at the polls as well, as the now-famous “Enforcer Skunks” returned to town for a visit, as they have been doing since April.

Looking first to the results of the budget referendum, only one request failed to receive majority voter support: Article 18, which sought the funding in the amount of \$24,000 for a four-wheel-drive pickup truck for the Parks Department. While 1,048 voters supported the request, the majority of 1,664 voted against the funding.

The other 54 budget-related articles, including the state-mandated validation of the school budget, won majority support - most by a margin of 500 votes or more.

There were some requests, however, that passed by narrower margins, including Article 7, which asked voters to appropriate \$20,000

to rent office space to offset the overcrowding at Town Hall, passed by just 45 votes, with 1,395 in favor and 1,350 against.

Article 25, to fund the York Public Library’s Fiscal 2010 operating budget at \$428,793, passed by a vote of 1,578 to 1,273, a similar margin to Article 30, which authorized the Recreation Department budget of \$122,402 by a vote of 1,594 to 1,146.

In terms of capital budget requests, the closest vote was on Article 40, a request for \$2 million to allow the Board of Selectmen to enter into negotiations with the intent to purchase land suitable for a new public safety building. The vote was 1,523 to 1,167 to authorize the bonds to be issued once a proposed site is selected and the public is advised of the location, according to the town warrant.

Other large-ticket items, including \$800,000 for the Short Sands Beach Drainage Enhancement Project; \$400,000 for the Long Sands Beach Drainage Enhancement Project; \$426,000 to replace York Fire Department’s Squad 1 fire truck; \$950,000 to rehabilitate Town Dock #1; \$110,000 for the design and construction of repairs to the dam at Lake

Carolyn, and \$95,000 for renovations at Town Hall all passed by wide margins at the polls.

On both the budget and ordinance sides of the ballot at the May 29 election, voters showed support for environmentally-friendly programs around town.

First, voters approved Article 50, which requested voters to approve a plan to develop alternative energy solutions for the town, create energy conservation projects to help achieve those goals and to appropriate \$100,000 to fund the costs of such projects, by a vote of 1,861 to 899.

Then, voters showed overwhelming support for Article 4, a zoning amendment to permit the installation of small windmills on private and municipal lots that meet specific qualifications within the ordinance. The vast majority of voters approved the request, with 2,411 in favor and 357 in opposition.

All 10 zoning articles, which ranged from improving the way yard sale signs are permitted in town to changing the Residential Growth Ordinance to account for difficult economic times, passed by similar margins.

Jackson McCarty and Andrews win terms as selectmen

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK – The Board of Selectmen has two new members, following a three-way race at the polls on Friday, May 29.

Longtime public servant Mary Black Andrews was the top vote-getter in the Board of Selectmen’s race, with 2,095 votes, while newcomer Tracy Jackson McCarty and former Planning Board member and Selectman Torbert Macdonald Jr. nearly split the vote at 1,263 and 1,205 respectively. By a margin of 58 votes, McCarty won the other three-year term on the board.

When a town board includes vacancies for terms of the same length, candidates do not run for a specific seat. Instead, the candidates with the highest overall number of votes are elected to fill the posts.

Prior to the vote on May 29, the town’s newest selectmen shared their visions for the three-year term ahead.

As a former selectwoman and state legislator representing York in both the Maine House and Senate, Andrews said her goals include continuing efforts to provide new police and municipal facilities, improving communication and working to encourage more residents to volunteer in town.

McCarty said community service has been a part of her life since childhood and that she looks forward to bringing her experience and objectivity to addressing the issues the town will face in the term ahead. She, too, spoke of the importance of improved communication and addressing the town’s infrastructure needs as goals for the future.

Both Andrews and McCarty were scheduled to join current Selectmen Mike Estes, Cathy Goodwin and Kinley Gregg at the board’s first meeting after the election, which was scheduled after deadline. Andrews and McCarty replace Vice Chairman Dave Marshall and

Selectman Ted Little, who both decided earlier this spring not to seek additional terms on the board at this time.

The town’s other boards and committees also have new members following the election, though few of the races had any contests, and one had to be filled with one candidate on the ballot and two write-in candidates.

Despite a shortage of candidates filing papers to run for the board back in April, it looks like the Budget Committee will have a full complement of members after all.

Only one name appeared on the ballot for the three seats open on the board, and Domenic Tringale received 2,084 votes in his candidacy for a term on the committee. However, Fred Weston and Jerry Allen, who both indicated their willingness to serve on the board as write-in candidates in the weeks after the nomination period closed, were also elected by write-in ballots.

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My partner in life – John O'Brien

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Scott McNeill

Kathy Tower

Patrick McGarry

Sheila Matthews-Bull

The staff at Shelton's

York Corner True Value (especially Ann)

MJ at Stolen Menu Café

The many volunteers on Election Day

The York Senior Center

The individuals who signed my petition, and the groups who met with me about various issues in York.

I would also like to thank all of my neighbors who were ever so tolerant of the numerous yard signs around town, in the yards, and on the public ways. Thank you.

I would also like to thank the many entities that are a part of our daily life who offered support, and guidance over the past 6 weeks – from YYL, the YMSPG Board, Town Staff, YBVC Subcommittee, business associates, neighbors and friends.

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School Notes

Voters support York School Department budget by 2 to 1 margin

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — The results are in, and the \$25.7 million York School Department budget has been approved.

By a margin of more than 2 to 1, voters approved the budget by a vote of 1,920 to 929. That vote supported the decision made on in a public town meeting on May 18, as mandated by the state, where voters had their say on the fiscal 2010 school budget proposed by the School Committee after several months of review and revision.

Although concerns have been raised in the past two months about whether the budget should have any increase at all, the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools Henry Scipione and members of the teachers' union have been sharing information in recent weeks about the process and the estimated impact on taxpayers in the hope of seeing the budget win voter support.

The fiscal 2010 budget of \$25,714,621 is up 0.6 percent over the fiscal 2009 approved budget of \$25,559,327, but the impact on taxes is estimated at slightly higher than that, just shy of 0.9 percent, due to funding cuts at the state level that were beyond the control of local school officials.

"In their deliberations over the last three months, the School Committee removed almost \$1.5 million from the budget. Ultimately, the proposed budget maintains needed programs and services with only a 0.6 percent increase in spending, striking a fair balance between student needs and taxpayers' interests," The York Teachers Association Executive Committee wrote in a letter to The York Independent prior to the vote.

The increase has been estimated at amounting to about \$20 on the tax bill for an average house in York.

As Scipione explained of the two-prong

election approval process, had voters not approved the budget as presented on Friday, May 29, the funding levels would not have reverted to the prior year's amounts, as has long been the case for York. Instead, due to the new state law, the School Committee would have had to begin the process again, followed by another town meeting vote and secret ballot ratification, and continued to repeat the process until the majority of voters accepted a budget for the year ahead.

State law requires the new budget process to remain in place for the next two years as well, at which time local voters would have the option of deciding to return to the prior secret ballot vote process.

The School Committee was scheduled to hold its first meeting after the election on Wednesday, June 3, to discuss several issues related to the year ahead, now that the lengthy budget approval process for fiscal 2010 have

been completed.

With School Committee members Tim Fitzgerald and John D'Aquila returning to the board after being unchallenged in the election, the board was scheduled to hear reports from Scipione on the department's community survey, staff vacancies and end-of-year activities. Other agenda items included the ongoing planning for the York High School music wing project and discussion of the May 29 School Budget Referendum Results.

Teacher appointments for the year ahead were also scheduled for the meeting, including Jessica Baxter for a one-year York Middle School Language Arts position in grades 7 and 8; Tracy Pepin for a grade 3 teaching position and Caitlin Sanborn for a grade 2 teaching position, both at Coastal Ridge, and Katelyn Seigney for a grade 1 teaching position at Village Elementary School. Information on the final actions of that meeting were not available at press time.

York High students make a difference, one bead at a time

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — York High School seniors are gearing up for graduation, getting ready to embark on college or work adventures in the months ahead.

However, many of them are also thinking about the plight of women and children half a world away, and doing their part to help them through the Fair Trade Federation member organization BeadforLife.

Students in English teacher Rebecca Hembree's three senior World Literature classes were challenged this year, as Hembree has done with past classes, to find a project that would raise their awareness of other cultures and help the students to be, as Gandhi put it, "the change you want to see in the world."

Hembree explained that in teaching World Literature, she has always believed it is important for students to gain not only an understanding of the literary works they are reading, but also of other cultures well beyond York's borders.

For her students, life could not be more different than it is for the women of Uganda, but they agreed that learning of the plight of families in this distant country has been nothing short of an inspiration as they look toward their own future beyond high school.

"Before reading out BeadforLife I didn't really know about this," explained Sarah Tourigny. "In the process we've really learned the truth about the hardships there."

"I am so proud of these students," Hembree said of their commitment to the project.

BeadforLife "began with a chance encounter between a Ugandan woman, Millie, who was rolling beads near her mud home, and the founders, Torkin Wakefield, Ginny Jordan and Devin Hibbard," according to the organization's Web site. "Stopping to admire the beads, the women learned that there was no market for her jewelry, and that Millie worked for a dollar a day in a rock quarry crushing stones in the hot sun." The three women bought some of the beads, which are made from recycled paper, and upon returning home to the United States, were inspired to help the women in Uganda market their beads internationally as a way out of extreme poverty, according to the Web site.

According to BeadforLife, "With great ingenuity, bead-ers have started small ventures such as a poultry business, or a vegetable stall. The bead-ers, directly and indirectly, support over 4,000 other people, who enjoy better health, housing and education."

Members of Hembree's classes have been selling the bead-



Students in York High School teacher Rebecca Hembree's three World Literature classes, some of whom are pictured here, have taken their classroom experiences well beyond York's borders by joining with BeadforLife to help impoverished families in Uganda. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

ed necklaces, bracelets and other jewelry at recent events and continue to offer the remaining items for sale through June 12, when any remaining items must be returned to the bead-ers through BeadforLife.

To date, the students said, the support from the community has been wonderful.

"We went way over the amount that we expected," Kelsey Caramihalis said of the first sale, which was held late in May. "We just want to sell all of them before we have to send them back."

The classmates noted that is especially true, given the fact that a \$10 necklace, for example, represents 10 days of hard labor for the women of Uganda prior to BeadforLife.

Knowing that they are serving as a step on the staircase out of extreme poverty for these women, their families and, in some cases, communities, is an important lesson for their final weeks

of high school, Tourigny said, describing the story of one woman who cared not only for members of her own family but for orphaned children in her village.

"She is providing for them with so much less than we have," she said.

Alex Brennan agreed.

"It definitely opens your eyes to how privileged you are," she said, adding that in the videos provided by BeadforLife they were able to see these women greeting life with hope and optimism, despite having to go without the basic comforts and conveniences so many of us take for granted.

Anyone interested in purchasing one of the remaining BeadforLife items may contact Hembree at rhembree@yorkschoools.org.

To learn more about the organization, its history and its goals, visit www.beadforlife.org.



York High School students rehearse for their recent Spring Choral Concerts at St. Christopher's Church. (Courtesy Photo)

York High School music wing plans move forward

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — Although the music instructional space addition at York High School will not include new performance space, local educators and their students are looking forward to the not-too-distant time when rehearsals and classes will be held in rooms that allow the performers to actually hear themselves.

It has been an issue for the extremely popular York High School choral and band programs for years, as the programs — and the student population itself — outgrew the York High School Auditorium space and music room that are original to the high school. At a chorus rehearsal, for example, the singers often cannot fit on the stage and instead stand in the audience, battling the acoustics and, as one former student put it, are not able to truly hear their blend until they arrive at St. Christopher's Church in York Village for their seasonal performances for the public.

With the voters' support last May of an addition to provide music instructional space at York High School, part of the problem will soon be remedied. Plans for the new addition are moving forward, Laurie Coffenberry of the School Building Committee confirmed at a recent meeting, with the project architect, PDT, now having the final packet in hand.

Recent discussions around the project have centered on such details as acoustic panels, exterior materials and flooring choices. One of the committee's goals is to incorporate as many Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System elements as can be funded within the project's budget, Coffenberry explained.

York has adopted an ordinance to have its municipal buildings built to LEED certification standards; however, that provision went into place after the funding for the project had already been proposed to the voters and approved at a level that

did not account for the upfront costs of LEED construction.

The project was approved at \$2.3 million, with \$800,000 coming from the School Department's fund balance account and \$1.5 million to be bonded. Prior to the voters' approval of the request last May, Selectmen Vice Chairman Dave Marshall estimated the impact on the average property tax bill in York at about \$13 per year.

Looking toward the future, the project will incorporate "as many LEED components as possible," Coffenberry told her fellow School Committee members.

School Committee Chairwoman Marilyn Zotos noted that in determining the specific materials to be used for the project, the School Department is adopting many "green" practices, including maintenance and cleaning products that are environmentally-friendly.

Additional information on the project status is expected in mid-June.

In the meantime, the York High School Band was recently seen performing in the Memorial Day Parade and Service, while the past week featured the York High School Choral Spring Concerts at St. Christopher's Catholic, under the direction of York High School music teacher Rob Westerberg, with accompanist Deborah Clough and University of Southern Maine student teacher Nathaniel Menifield.

The concerts included the Treble Choir, Chamber Singers and full York High School Chorus — with nearly 170 students, more than one quarter of the school's entire student population, performing a variety of selections including Mozart's "Missa Brevis in C" with guest musicians from the Portsmouth Symphony Orchestra.

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York's Chris Cassidy prepares for NASA space mission

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — Anyone who knows Chris Cassidy, or has followed his story since his acceptance into NASA's most recent astronaut class, knows his dream has been to travel into space.

That dream is slated to come true on Saturday, June 13, when Cassidy, 39, will be one of the mission specialists on Shuttle Endeavor's 16-day flight to the International Space Station.

According to information provided by NASA, STS-127 will deliver a new station crew member and complete construction of the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency's Kibo laboratory and the shuttle and station crews will attach a platform to the outside of the Japanese module to serve as what NASA officials called a "front porch," providing space for experiments requiring direct exposure to space. Cassidy is one of the specialists slated to perform the mission's five spacewalks.

While Cassidy was not available for comment in advance of the flight, given the extensive preparations required of the astronauts, NASA officials noted, family and friends here in York spoke about the accomplishments of this young man who is viewed by so many as a hometown hero.

Although Cassidy, his wife and their three children now live in Texas, his parents still reside in York, and it was here at home that Janice Cassidy learned her son had been selected for the mission.

And her reaction?



York High School alumnus Chris Cassidy will be part of the Space Shuttle Endeavor's 16-day flight to the International Space Station, scheduled to depart from Kennedy Space Center in Florida on Saturday, June 13. (Photo courtesy of NASA)

"It was just so much pride and so much happiness for Chris because this is what he's really wanted and he's worked really hard to get where he is right now," she said.

At the time, she said, it seemed that the date for her son's trip into space was far off in the future - so far that it didn't quite seem real.

"But now, oh my heavens, we're leaving this Friday to head down," she said of traveling to witness the shuttle's departure from

Florida. "It's really hitting me that my son is going to be in a space shuttle and blasting off to outer space."

As a mother, Janice Cassidy said she cannot help but feel a wave of many emotions - from pride to nervousness, though she has faith the mission will be a success. She will be there to see it happen, with her extended family, grandchildren and other guests invited by her son - including his former principal and his football coach from his years at York High School.

York High School Principal Bob Stevens and Athletic Director Ted Welch are among the guests Cassidy has personally invited to see the shuttle lift off on June 13.

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," Stevens said of the reaction he and Welch had to learning they would be among those to witness the historic event.

Remembering Cassidy as a "typical all-American kind of kid when he went here," Stevens said he has been thinking about what propelled his former student to attain such a goal.

"He was willing to attempt a new adventure - whether or not he was successful at it," Stevens said. "He worked extremely hard to be very competitive and to be successful, but he was prepared for difficulties."

From his graduation from York High School in 1988 to his post-graduate year at the Naval Academy Prep School in Rhode Island in 1989; his Bachelor of Science degree in

Mathematics from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1993, and his Master of Science degree in Ocean Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2000, to the honors he received as a Navy SEAL and during four six-month deployments in Afghanistan and the Mediterranean, to his selection by NASA in 2004 and completion of Astronaut Candidate Training in 2006, it is clear Cassidy has that commitment to achieving his goals.

And yet, Stevens said, "He's never lost sight of his home. He sees York and everything about York, including his school, as his home."

Even on his NASA biography, Cassidy's hometown was listed as "York, Maine."

To those ends, Stevens noted, Cassidy will be carrying a York High School varsity letter into space to be certified and then sent back to the school, as he did with a flag during his past military service.

"He's always looking out for us," Stevens said.

And, as he did when he visited York a few years ago to give the commencement speech at his alma mater's graduation exercises, Janice Cassidy said she has no doubt the message her son would want to share with everyone in his hometown of York.

"Don't ever give up," she said, "and don't ever sell yourself short."

To learn more about York's special connection to the upcoming mission, visit www.nasa.gov/shuttle.

York resident brings new story to life to help worthy cause

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — Where do dolphins go at night?

That is just one of the questions that Jake has for his cousins during their visit to the ocean, but it will take a special cast of characters to answer him in the new book, "Jake's Day at the Beach," written by York resident Deanna Block and featuring her stunning photographs of the waterfowl of her other favorite place to be — Florida.

Deanna Block, affectionately known as "Nana" by her seven grandchildren - Anthony and Andrew LaMonica, Chloe Lahme, Lauren, Ethan and Nolan Layton and Jake Block — is once again using her creative talents and the inspiration of her grandchildren to create a project to benefit her home town.

"They're always my inspiration and my helpers," Deanna said.

As the youngest member of the family Jake, in fact, is the basis for the main character in this fictional story, where each of his older cousins have helped name the fictional characters that are based on birds such as sandpipers and egrets.

"The story is fiction, but the answers to the questions are true," Deanna explained, smiling. "It's not just a book for children."

Researching the factual parts of her story, Deanna learned a lot, she explained, including the truth about what dolphins do at night — and the very interesting way in which they go to sleep.

It all began about six years ago, Deanna explained, when the children donated their

Christmas money to the York Public Library.

In the years since, Deanna and her grandchildren have created and self-published a range of community projects, including their picture book, "Our Kinda Town," "The Adventures of Piper and Eddie" and "Letters from Nana from the Gulf of Maine to the Gulf of Mexico."

In addition to the library, the local beneficiaries of the funds raised in past projects have included the York Food Pantry, the Dream Factory and York Community Service Association Fuel Assistance Program.

This year's project also features a new treat: sets of six photographic note cards, complete with envelopes, tied together with a ribbon for \$10 per set.

"Every penny goes to the York Food Pantry," Deanna explained, as she has even donated the costs of printing the books and cards to make sure all funds raised go to help her York neighbors in need. "We hope to raise a lot of money for the pantry."

York Food Pantry Director Tom Whalen said the benefit could not come at a better time, as the summer's sales will assist the pantry in stocking its shelves for the fall and winter months, when many area residents lose their seasonal incomes and the pantry serves an increasing number of people. This past winter saw an all-time high, he said, with the pantry helping about 55 individuals and families per week.

"I think what they're doing is terrific," Whalen said.



Deanna Block and two of her grandchildren, Lauren Layton and Jake Block, look over the book and cards they have created as a community service fundraiser for the York Food Pantry. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

And what do her grandchildren think of this annual project?

As Lauren put it, "I always hear about people doing things to help others, and it makes me feel good that we do this every year."

Want to get a copy of "Jake's Day at the Beach" or pick up a pack or two of the beauti-

ful note cards to keep or for a friend? Watch for Deanna — and some of her grandchildren — at the Farmer's Market on Tuesdays at the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce Visitor's Center or call 363-3449. The books and cards will remain on sale through the summer.

WE REMEMBER YOU



Hundreds of local residents lined York Street from St. Christopher's Church to the First Parish Cemetery gates to observe Memorial Day on Monday, May 25 and witness veterans, community groups, scouting organizations and York Middle School and York High School Bands pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country. Pictured here, area servicemen and women march past applauding crowds in the center of York Village. The day's events, which were sponsored by York VFW Post 6977 and American Legion Post 56, included the laying of wreaths at each of the town's monuments and a Memorial Day ceremony in the First Parish Church Cemetery. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

York Housing offering new program to help address housing challenges

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—Have you ever considered sharing your home with someone else to help make ends meet?

Or have you been looking for a place to live in the Seacoast while keeping expenses under control?

To help individuals in both of those scenarios, York Housing recently launched its HomeShare program to match up those seeking additional funds to offset the costs of remaining in their own homes with those who are seeking a place to live in the Seacoast communities from Kennebunk to Portsmouth, N.H.

"We are always looking for creative ways to provide affordable housing, whether it's renting, home ownership or home sharing," York Housing Executive Director Patricia Martine said. "We're very hopeful that we reach out to the people who have the need."

York Housing was created in 1978 and has been in existence ever since with a mission of providing safe, clean and affordable housing, the program can help homeowners as well as those seeking a new residence. Beginning on April 1, Martine explained, HomeShare became one of those options.

"HomeShare" is a safe, qualified way to match the needs of many people," Martine said. "It often means a homeowner can stay in his or her own home longer and both parties can enjoy more affordable housing, a sense of safety and companionship."

For homeowners, the application, screening and background check process involved through York Housing can provide a chance to have not only companionship with an approved home-sharing partnership but also

the opportunity for help with household chores as well as additional funds to pay mortgage and tax bills.

For the home seeker, the goal of HomeShare is to provide safe, decent, affordable housing as well as the companionship and security of living with another person.

All applicants, both those seeking homes and homeowners, will be screened and interviewed by the York Housing staff. York Housing staff will introduce individuals who are found to be compatible and will then help develop a home sharing agreement should both parties wish to proceed in that direction. York Housing will also facilitate the required background checks. Once a match is made, a legal contractual agreement is signed between the homeowner and the home-seeker.

In an effort to make sure each HomeShare arrangement is appropriate for all parties involved, staff will refer applicants to other appropriate housing options should a home sharing application not be the best option.

Applicants have begun coming in over the past six weeks, Martine said, and the hope is that many more will be submitted as residents learn of the new program.

"We would like to let it move toward the need," she said, explaining there is no specific age range associated with the program. "If the need is something that you have, then give us a call."

To learn more about this new program or for information about applying to share your home or to find a home-share arrangement in York, call York Housing at 363-8444 or visit www.yorkhousing.info. All discussions are confidential.

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Letters to the Editor

We want WGBH, BBC America back!

To the Editor,

This letter is a complaint concerning Time Warner’s recent decision to drop among other stations, Boston’s WGBH public broadcasting, and BBC America from the standard tier. These two stations are informative, educational and entertaining. WGBH is one of the premier public broadcasting stations in the country and to have it removed from our access is outrageous. If you are upset about Time Warner’s recent removal of television channels such as WGBH, BBC America and others from the lineup please call Melinda Poor at Time Warner. Her telephone number is (207) 253-2217. Let this company know we want these stations returned!

Patricia Shaw
Cape Neddick

Tramato has made a positive difference

To the Editor,

We fully support Donato Tramuto for reelection to the Ogunquit Select Board and truly believe that he has made a positive difference during the last three years.

Both of us have known Donato for nearly 20 years and we have witnessed first hand his widespread generosity to so many causes that affect both our local community and to organizations in need in the State of Maine and New Hampshire. While most of us would be content to simply reserve our time to our professional careers, he has found time amidst a busy schedule to serve the Town of Ogunquit both as Chairman and as a member of the Ogunquit Board of Selectman. He is always prepared for the meetings and conducts them in a manner reflective of leadership and confidence, he understands the issues at hand, listens to all sides, and adds a flavor of humor and professionalism. We shared in the enthusiasm of many when he decided to seek a second term knowing full well that his level of expertise and professionalism is sorely needed to effectively address the important issues facing our town.

We urge all of you to vote for Donato on Tuesday, June 9 and bring back the experience and knowledge that has helped make a big difference in the last three years.

Greg Titman
Leanne Cusimano
Ogunquit

Parking permit policy needs review

To the Editor,

Can you ever really go home again?
I pondered this question as I was driving out of York to my current home. I was born and raised in York and still have family in town. My children all went to York schools. My grandparent’s house now belongs to the York Historical Society. I remember when

it was a nice quiet little town where everyone knew everyone else and watched out for each other.

When our kids were grown and finished school, my husband and I decided to buy a house. It saddened me that we could not afford to buy in my hometown and had to move out of town. I do return to York regularly to visit family and friends.

On Memorial Day I was in York to visit the cemetery. While there I decided that I felt like reminiscing. Growing up I had spent my summers at the harbor beach. So I went there. I wanted to sit, look at the ocean and be one with God and nature. I was very disappointed when I drove down there and found that since I did not have a permit and all of the spaces are permit parking only, I could not park there. It was a cool day and many spaces were empty, but I could not park at the beach where I learned to swim, searched for shells and later worked on my tan.

I understand the need for parking permits. However if someone is only in town for the day it would not be wise for them to purchase a permit. I think that maybe the town needs to rethink this issue. How about a few spots where a permit is not needed?

So, yes you can go home again but things may have changed and there maybe no one waiting with open arms.

Shirley Starkey McCann
Sanford

Climate Fair a success

To the Editor,

On May 2, nearly 200 people came to the first annual York Energy and Climate Fair to learn about renewable energy, sustainability, energy efficient construction and a host of other topics.

We’d like to thank everyone who came and participated including the vendors, volunteers and the custodian who helped make it possible. We’d also like to publicly thank a number of organizations for their support in making this event a big success. In particular, we’d like to thank Graystone Builders, York Hospital, Hannaford, Waste Management, Laconia Winn Air, Stageneck Inn and the York Harbor Inn. In addition, a huge thank-you to Steve Bishop and the staff at York Middle School for providing us with a great location to host our event.

We plan on hosting an even bigger and better version of the event next year, and anyone interested in participating can find information on our website, www.yorkgoesgreen.org.

Eric Hopkins
York Energy Efficiency Committee

Tournament a slam-dunk

To the Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following local businesses, organi-

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Politics And Other Mistakes Out of the closet

By Al Diamon, Political columnist

I don’t believe in gay stereotypes. With one exception.

For a long time, I’ve been convinced homosexuals make lousy political strategists.

Yes, I saw “Milk,” the movie about assassinated San Francisco City Supervisor Harvey Milk, the first openly gay man ever elected in California. But before redistricting allowed Milk to squeak into office, he lost three straight (oops, sorry) elections.

Yes, I’ve followed the career of former state senator and unsuccessful congressional candidate Dale McCormick, the first open lesbian member of the Maine Legislature. Today, McCormick heads a state agency in charge of weather-stripping or something. Like many of the local gay activists who’ve followed her, she never quite made it out of the minor leagues.

Yes, I’ve watched groups fighting to end discrimination based on sexual orientation finally gain approval of a state civil-rights law. But only after failing more times than Harvey Milk and for reasons - incompetence, arrogance, naiveté - that were mostly their own fault.

Is it genetic? Is it environmental? Is it because one of their parents wasn’t a good role model? Whatever the reason, the history of gay political activity in this state has been characterized by a bumbling ineptitude of a magnitude that makes the Maine Republican Party look functional.

OK, I’m exaggerating. Not even a comparison to Circuit City makes the Maine GOP look functional.

Given this background, I had low expectations for the proposal to legalize same-sex marriage in Maine. I figured our legislators, leery of the hysterical reaction elsewhere and distracted by this state’s fiscal crisis, would have little time and less stomach for such an emotional debate.

Bad timing.

Bad politics.

Bad guess on my part.

Because Equality Maine isn’t your lesbian grandmother’s gay-rights group. EM is the entity once known as the Maine Lesbian Gay Political Alliance (MLGPA, initials some believed stood for Most Likely to Get Pummeled Again). In remaking itself, the organization has proved that gayness and successful political strategizing can co-exist.

Consider me enlightened. I’m even canceling plans for a TV series in which I’d have given gay office-seekers advice about winning elections. It was going to be named “Straight Call For The Queer Pol.”

The marriage-equality bill sailed through the legislative process not because it wasn’t controversial, but because Equality Maine had carefully laid the groundwork.

At every step, the process was managed by the group not only for maximum political impact, but also to address broader concerns. EM has obviously been thinking outside the State House and preparing from the beginning for a public vote on the issue if opponents gather enough signatures to force a peoples’ veto referendum. That’s something MLGPA and its offspring Maine Won’t Discriminate lacked the foresight and the savvy to accomplish.

EM and its allies in the Maine Freedom to Marry Coalition started their campaign with a couple of smoothly coordinated moves. In November 2008, they sent volunteers to dozens of polling places to collect signatures supporting same-sex unions. In one day, they gathered 33,000 names. A week later, liberal clergy members held news conferences in several locations to endorse the marriage plan.

It took the surprised opposition almost a month to respond with its own list of religious leaders, by which time Equality Maine was lin-

ing up newspaper endorsements. A carefully staged press conference in January marked the bill’s introduction. Lots of upright-citizen types and cute kids. A month later, several clean-cut gay couples went to the State House to tell their stories and do a little lobbying. By March, 60 legislators has signed on as co-sponsors. Opponents were still trying to get their message straight (so to speak).

At the April public hearing, backers of the bill (dressed in red so they were easy to spot) outnumbered those against it by four to one. A few days later, Judiciary Committee members came out (well, sorta) in favor. Both the House and Senate gave the bill solid support, and it was promptly signed by Gov. John Baldacci, previously an opponent.

None of this happened by accident. It was all planned.

As was the wording of the ballot question opponents hope to use to repeal the law. Instead of mentioning only the same-sex marriage issue, the language approved by the secretary of state (after subtle lobbying by Equality Maine) also says the measure allows churches to refuse to perform such nuptials.

Balanced? Maybe. Slick? You bet.

Six months ago, I’d have given same-sex marriage about the same chance of winning a popular vote in Maine as I’d give Republicans of gaining control of the Legislature: zero. Now, I think the odds are close to even. And the momentum is all going one way.

Those gay people have gotten good at this political stuff.

Hey, is that a new stereotype?

Got a comment? No matter what type – stereo or mono – you can e-mail me at aldiamon@herniahill.net.

zations and volunteers who recently supported the Annual Charlie Brown Memorial Basketball Classic: Anchorage Inn, Anthony's, Attorney Jim Bartlett, Rob Arra, Bragdon Insurance, DA Trueman Trucking, Eldredge Lumber, Electric Light, Estes Oil, Graystone Builders, Mr. Mike's, National Distributors, Ogunquit Lobster Pound, Poland Spring Water, Roche Locksmith, Seltzer & Rydholm, Hannaford, Ruby's, The Barn, Union Bluff, York Harbor Inn, Roast and Crumb, York's Wild Kingdom, Rocheleau Custom Homes, Downeast Meats, HP Hood and Mud-dy River.

It's hard to believe that this was the 19th annual tournament and that next year will mark the 20th anniversary. Wow! As you might be aware, Charlie was instrumental in getting this tournament off the ground with the vision of providing assistance to beneficial youth programs in the community. Charlie was ahead of the times in his community policing philosophy. We are thrilled that his memory continues to live on through this tournament and the programs it supports.

Together the York Parks and Recreation Department and the York Police Association hosted 63 teams – that's 114-plus games in 10 days. Participating teams varied in age from third-graders through eighth-graders. We were pleased that the town of York was well represented in each of the six divisions. Nearly \$10,000 has been raised, this year, that will assist the DARE program, the York Police Association and Parks and Recreation Department's community youth-based initiatives. Hundreds of children and young adults benefit from these organizations/community initiatives. On behalf of their members, we extend our heartfelt thanks!

Scott and Robin Cogger
Tournament Co-Directors
York

100% in Your Own Backyard Campaign

To the Editor,

One of the benefits of our diverse communities is that we have the opportunity to learn more about local businesses, or maybe even find a "hidden gem" located right in our region that you have never noticed before. Have you ever driven by a local shop and wondered what it had to offer - but then never quite found the time to check it out? Are there stores in your town that you might stop in to grab something in a hurry – but then pass by when the time comes to do your regular shopping? When you think of dining out do you forget to consider your hometown choices first? If any of these questions had you thinking "yes", it is time to make a change. Just about any discussion of economic recovery reinforces the virtues of buying local. Perhaps that is why you hear about so many "buy local" campaigns that aim to support our nation, our home state, or even our county. While here at the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce we sup-

port all of these worthy initiatives, we decided it was time for our own "buy local" campaign, or you might say our own regional "stimulus package", to bring the focus to our four member towns. So we created and are promoting the "100% In Your Own Backyard" Campaign and it is "buy local" with an added twist.

Starting on May 14 and running for two entire weeks, let's think backyard first. Find out how much of your shopping you can do close to home. That might mean exploring new choices, or maybe looking at some old ones in a new light. Are there local shops and stores out there in our member towns to meet your needs? You bet. From the everyday to the out of the ordinary, our towns have a lot to offer. Will it cost you more to shop "in your backyard"? Don't count on it, because local shops want your business now more than ever and are committed to being competitive. Need another reason? How about great service that you do not find in the out of town "big" stores. Still more reasons? How about your friends and neighbors who own and work in these local businesses and need our support. They are still sponsoring our youth sports teams, donating to nonprofits and generally making our towns a better place to live.

If all this shopping gets you hungry, you are in luck, because part of the 100% In Your Own Backyard Campaign includes dining in your own backyard during "Restaurant Week," starting May 31 and running until June 6. Participating local restaurants will be offering special deals to reward returning customers and encourage new ones. Please take the opportunity to stretch your dining dollar and check out some local flavors.

So what is the added twist? We want to hear from you about how successful you were when you tried to spend 100% In Your Own Backyard. We will publish a survey in your local papers for you to complete. Surveys will also be available at local banks and online at www.gatewaytomaine.org. We want to find out what you did find locally, what you did not find, and most importantly what you would like to find. We will provide this valuable information to local business and governmental leaders to prioritize economic development in the member towns. So by making an extra effort to buy local and then letting us know how you did, you can help get your town closer to the goal of keeping "100% In Your Own Backyard" and you could win \$250 in cold hard cash to spend in your own backyard!

Chris Kehl
Board Chair
The Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce

Calling the Class of 1969

To the Editor,

The York High School Class of 1969 will be celebrating our 40th class reunion on Sept. 19 at the new American Legion Hall in York, and we want to reach every class-

mate. We would like to ask the public for help. If anyone reading this letter knows someone from our class who has not been contacted, we would love to have them call one of us to get the information. We would also like to invite folks from other classes to join us later in the evening (after 9:00) if they would like to drop in and say hello, renew old friendships or just have fun.

Thank you!

Kathy (Bridges) Knox, 363-1885; Joan (Roll) Chisolm, 363-7952; Wayne McIntire, 363-2547; Carl Works, 676-9030; Chris (Lucas) Currier, 361-1455; Rosie (Moulton) Grant, 361-4252; Paul Gross, 439-3074; Wayne Boardman, 363-5281, and Meg (Fogg) Worthing, (603) 580-5791; York

Reasons to support Tramuto in Ogunquit

To the Editor,

I am writing because I am confident Donato Tramuto is what Ogunquit needs for another three years. Donato not only brings three years of experience to the board but also a passion to do what is right.

As a "write-in" candidate three years ago, it was clear our community was looking for change, leadership, unity and professionalism. With his election to the board and his guidance, positive changes have happened. As a very successful businessman in the healthcare industry, as well as our community, Donato has brought that same fiscal responsibility in his service to Ogunquit.

As part of the first select board to negotiate with officials in Wells and the Governor himself, Donato has not shied away from representing Ogunquit's interests. While the school tax issue is yet unresolved, I am convinced Donato is prepared and will continue to represent us well.

Over the past three years, as residents, our tax mil rate has not gone up and yet our infrastructure, services and safety have not been compromised.

With Donato there is no hidden agenda. He is respectful of others, whether he agrees or disagrees with the opinions that are expressed. Donato is committed to our community as if it were his own business as evident in his preparation for select board meetings.

While some may not view his generosity to help others through the Donato J. Tramuto Foundation as pertinent to his candidacy, I believe his character shows his worth to our community.

Without hesitation, I endorse Donato Tramuto for select board and ask you to strongly consider doing the same.

Rick Filbert
Ogunquit

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Cover Story: Saving the Farm

Protecting the town's newest natural resource: the land at Highland Farm

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — It was years in the making, but it's now official: more than 150 acres of fields, forest, watershed and historic places that were once part of Highland Farm are now forever protected from development.

"Today, we have fulfilled our promise that the land at Highland Farm would be spared from development and available for all to enjoy," Highland Farm Campaign Chairpersons Karen Arsenault and Carol Donnelly stated in their recent announcement of the purchase.

"We are so grateful to those who acknowledged the outstanding features of this property and generously gave their time and money to ensure its protection."

In just over one year, with the support of individuals, foundations and the voters of York, the York Land Trust, Trust for Public Land and the Mount Agamenticus to the Sea Coalition have completed the purchase of 151 acres of land that are considered critically important for habitat protection, water quality, scenic vistas and hiking trails.

The Highland Farm parcel bridges conserved lands around the mountain with the York River. With the entire parcel protected from future development by a conservation easement held by the town of York, 90 acres will be owned and managed by the York Land Trust while the remaining 60 acres abutting the reservoir Boulter Pond will be owned and managed by the Kittery Water District.

Emphasizing the importance of this project, Kittery Water District Superintendent Mike Rogers said, "The protection of this land greatly enhances the district's ability to safeguard the water quality of Boulter Pond and deliver a reliable source of clean drinking water throughout Kittery, Eliot and portions of York."

Views and habitat

The Highland Farm parcel includes panoramic views of the York River's upper reaches; upland forests and wetlands that provide habitat for Blanding's, painted and spotted turtles; a Colonial-era cemetery and other centuries-old remnants of York's past, and, of course, access to Boulter Pond, which is not only a major drinking water supply but also provides habitat for such rare and endangered species as the ringed boghaunter dragonfly and the swamp darter, which is Maine's smallest freshwater fish. Portions of the parcel that were once home to a long-abandoned golf course provide habitat for the

endangered New England cottontail, Maine's only native rabbit.

"Now we begin our role as stewards of this spectacular property," said York Land Trust Executive Director Doreen MacGillis. "With that begins the balancing act of managing the property to meet the diverse needs of the plants and wildlife on it while also providing for public recreation and educational opportunities."

The York Land Trust is developing a management plan for the property, receiving technical assistance from the National Parks Service Rivers and Trails Program and engaging local representatives from nonprofits and public agencies to lend expertise and give input to this year-long planning process.

"What we're really doing is shaping a vision for the property and thinking about how to ensure that the beauty of Highland Farm can be enjoyed," she said, which includes compiling an inventory of the historical sites, plant



Doreen MacGillis and her child check out the recently preserved Highland Farm property. (Photo by Jerry Monkman)

life, endangered species, birdlife and other features of the property.

MacGillis noted this has been the York Land Trust's most complicated acquisition project ever - with many "delicate moments" throughout the process, and praised the Trust for Public Land, The Nature Conservancy, Maine Coast Heritage Trust and MARPAT Foundation for assistance through the process. In addition, she explained, the Land for Maine's Future Program's \$477,000 grant toward the project was followed by a sizeable gift from the town of York, as approved by the voters, along with many other donations from individuals and foundations.

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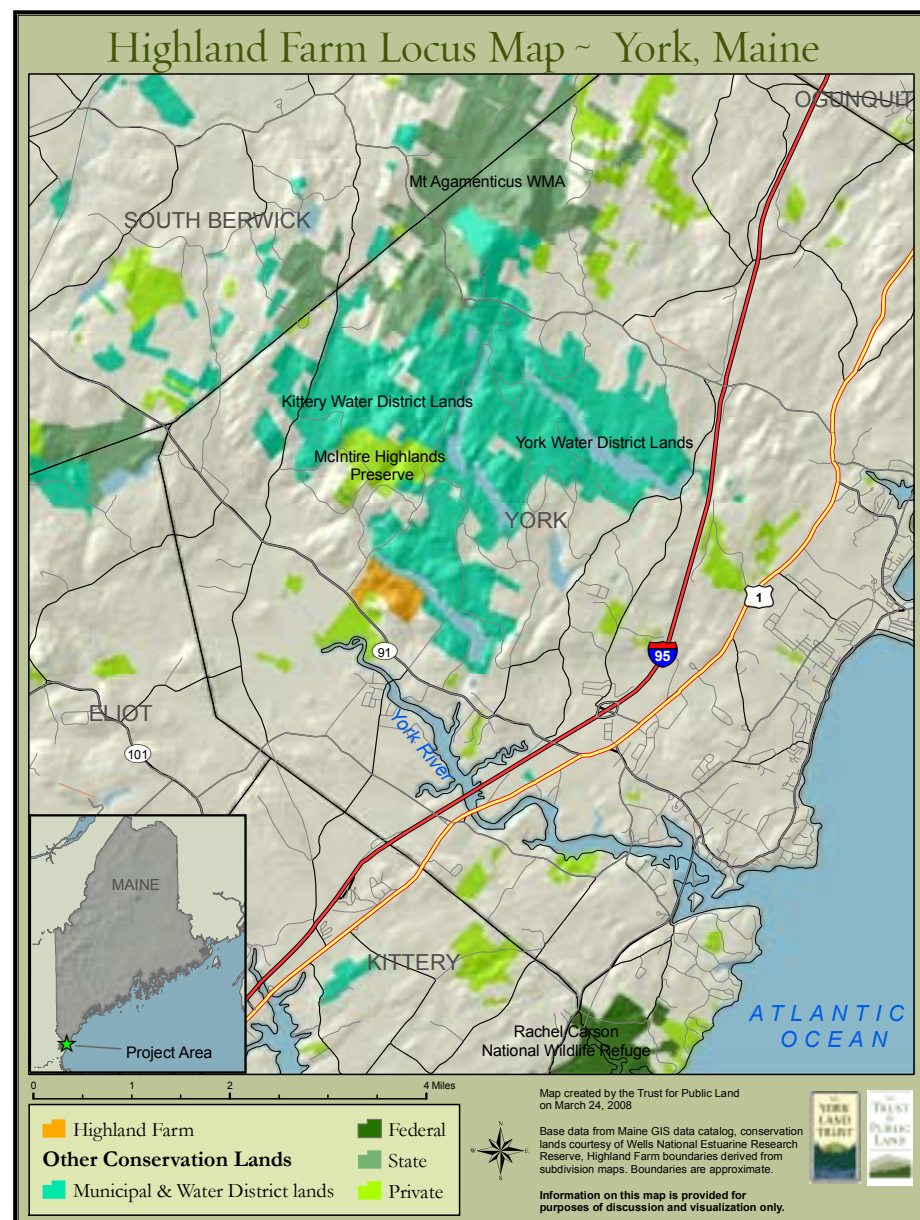
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the resources on the Highland Farm property that sparked an effort by conservation organiza-
photo by Jerry Monkman) Below, a map showing the property in orange. (Courtesy image)

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Almost a subdivision

There was a time in recent memory when the possibility of protecting Highland Farm from development seemed far-fetched at best.

A 12-lot subdivision had already been approved for one portion of the land, and a 25-lot second subdivision was before the Planning Board for the remaining acres when residents came out in force in opposition to the continued development of the land. In 2007, the prior owner began entering into conversations with the York Land Trust and other conservation groups, and agreed to sell both parcels of the land for the appraised value of \$2.7 million.

"The land at Highland Farm is very special to the citizens of York," York Board of Selectmen Chairman Mike Estes said when the finalization of the purchase was announced. "They did not want to see it developed, which is why they overwhelmingly supported a town appropriation of \$500,000 to help purchase it. Future generations will thank them for the investment they made."

Without the action of the partner agencies and donors, the parcel was proposed to be developed into a subdivision in two phases for a total of about 40 houses.

"This project stands as a model in Maine for how conservation organizations and water districts can come together to achieve a common goal," said Trust for Public Land Project Manager Wolfe Tone.

MacGillis said the goal is to have the management plan for the property completed by the end of this year.

"The implementation of our management plan – including public access improvements, trails and signs – will not begin until 2010," she said.

Balancing preservation, access

MacGillis reiterated that careful planning must be done first to ensure the property and its important features are protected while also providing for public access.

Possibilities for access include a proposed parking and picnic area leading to a new trail system connecting to 40 miles of trails to the north with the potential of connecting to river-side trails proposed on protected lands to the south, according to the preliminary project description compiled by the York Land Trust during the Campaign for Highland Farm.

"There's just so much conservation value there," MacGillis added. "It certainly was deserving of all our efforts to bring it to fruition."

Tone agreed.

"It is a comforting thought that this land is now in the able hands of the York Land Trust, the Kittery Water District and the town of York, who will all steward it for multiple public benefits and uses for years to come," he said. "Everyone who participated in this project - from the voters who supported the town's participation, to our partners in state government and our many, many conservation friends - deserve an incredible amount of thanks for helping make this project a success, and I hope every one of them knows the true value of the contribution they have made to the landscape of York and southern Maine."



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South Maine Currents

Bone Marrow Drive June 9 to help York teen

When Jason Durkin was diagnosed with myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS), which is defined by the National Cancer Institute as “a group of diseases in which the bone marrow does not make enough healthy blood cells” residents from across the community came together to be tested to see if their marrow could be a match for Jason, as a bone marrow transplant is the only cure. At the time, Jason’s brother Chris was tested, and it was discovered that he, too, had MDS. While both boys were able to find donors and have received their transplants, the Durkin family is once again facing this disease as their sister Lauren, 14, an eighth-grader at York Middle School, was recently diagnosed with MDS, a disease that is not common in children and usually strikes adults ages 60 and older.

To help Lauren, York Kiwanis is organizing a Bone Marrow Donor Registration Drive with American Legion Post 56 and in partnership with the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and York Hospital.

The drive will be held at the legion’s Ramsdell-Rogers Function Facility at 9 Hannaford Drive in York on Tuesday, June 9, from 4 to 8 p.m. for the national donor program, which is now known as the Be the Match Registry. Around the world, thousands of patients with life-threatening diseases depend on the registry in their searches for the match that will save their lives. Local residents between the ages of 18 and 60 years of age interested in helping may register by submitting to a simple process that requires donating a DNA sample through a simple mouth swab.

While it costs \$52 to complete the Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) tissue-type test, many health insurance plans will cover the cost of this testing. The York Kiwanis is seeking resources to cover as many tests as possible for those who wish to help but cannot otherwise afford it. If you would like to contribute, please send a check to York Kiwanis at P.O. Box 227, York Harbor, ME 03911. Anyone willing to help Lauren and others with life-

threatening diseases by becoming a donor are urged to attend the drive on June 9.

Selectmen support Food Rescue



York Selectman Ted Little recently presented a check for \$1,000 to Tom Whalen of the York Community Food Pantry to be used for York County Food Rescue on behalf of the town.

Overseen by Jodi Bissonette, York County Food Rescue procures surplus food from wholesale and retail outlets and allots USDA products for distribution to 43 soup kitchens and food pantries throughout York County from its facility at Jagger Mills in Sanford.

Whalen noted that last year alone the York Food Pantry received approximately 16,000 pounds of free food from York County Food Rescue.

York Green Homes Campaign now underway

If you’ve ever wished you could help protect the environment, the York Energy Efficiency Committee is offering you that chance.

The committee is reaching out to the York community through its York Green Homes Campaign, a simple, straightforward way to make your home more environmentally-friendly. All you need to do to start is to pick up a brochure that lists 16 easy steps to take to make your home “Green” – such as recy-

cling and using CFL bulbs and cloth grocery bags - and then make a commitment to at least eight of them. With that commitment you will earn the designation of “York Green Home” and receive a green ribbon to prominently display on your mailbox or light post.

The brochure lists other simple environment saving habits to cultivate and includes valuable source information as well. York Green Homes brochures are available at Berger’s Bike Shop and Beyond the Sea in York Village and Fiona’s Porch on Route 1.

Donate now for the York Public Library Book Sale

The very popular Annual Book Sale of the York Public Library will be held July 23 to 25 and donations of books in good, saleable condition are being accepted at the now through July 15.

Paperbacks and hardbacks, audio books on tape or CD, videos on DVD and complete puzzles are all welcome and appreciated. Due to demand, children’s books are especially welcome. Unfortunately, the library cannot accept textbooks, computer manuals, magazines, publishers’ galley proofs, condensed books, VHS movies or reference books.

Donations should be brought to the lower lobby where librarians will check all donations. Some donations may fit into the library’s lending collection and all others will become part of the sale.

For more information, call 363-2818.

In search of York’s Citizen of Year

Do you know someone who has given of their time and talent to the town, their local church, the York Public Library, the schools or has helped to make York a better place to live by other acts of community service?

Help honor that exemplary volunteer by submitting a letter of nomination by Aug. 7 to Citizen of the Year, c/o Greater York Region Chamber, 1 Stonewall Lane, York, ME 03909. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the town website at www.yorkmaine.org, the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce website at www.gatewaytomaine.org or the Museums of Old York website at www.old-york.org and are also be available to pick up at the York Town Hall, York Parks and Recreation Office, Old York and the chamber’s Visitor Center.

The selection process begins when the Festival of Lights Committee reviews all of the nominations and chooses five finalists to submit to the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for the final selection in advance of the announcement on Aug. 26. For more information call Chamber President/CEO Cathy Goodwin at 363-4422 or email cathy@yorkme.org.

Locals graduate from UMF

A number of local students received their degrees at the 156th Commencement at the University of Maine-Farmington last month.

York graduates included Matthew Feldman,

B.A., Interdisciplinary-Geology/Geography; Emily Foster, B.S., Community Health Education; Katherine Foster, B.A., Interdisciplinary-Philosophy/Religion; Abigail Green, B.A., Geography; Bret Gundlah, B.A., Interdisciplinary Individualized-Philosophy and Environmental Planning; Kevin Hickey Jr., B.A., Interdisciplinary Individualized-Business, Spanish, Anthropology; Bruce Larson, B.A., Business Economics, and Bethany Marshall, B.S., Community Health Education.

York Beach resident Jesse Nehring received a B.A. in Business Economics.

The commencement was held on the UMF campus.

Students praised for going ‘Green’



York Middle School fifth-grade teacher Kelly Renfrew is seen here with Maine First Lady Karen Baldacci and York Middle School students Spencer Cribby, Kelsey Cole, Shannon Todd, Cori Galante, Kevin Wade and Michael Monz after the school was recognized for its service learning achievements.

Service learning combines citizenship, community and curriculum to give students the opportunity to work as a team, solve problems, gain first-hand experience and make a positive impact on the community.

Students in Renfrew and Pete Webster’s fifth-grade classes, for example, decided they wanted to do something to reduce waste, and researched methods of composting, ultimately designing an expo to bring together resources for residents and businesses to start a composting system.

The students recently presented their project at the Ninth Annual Hall of Flags Ceremony in Augusta.

Counselor of the Year

Jessica Shaffer, assistant admissions director at York County Community College in Wells has been named Counselor of the Year by the New England Association for College Admission Counseling (NEACAC).



Counselor of the Year Awards are made to professionals from both the college and high school sides of the college counseling profession and candidates are recognized for the honesty, patience, thoroughness and sensitivity that characterize their work with students, parents and professionals.

Obituaries

Richard S. Dwyer

Longtime basketball coach

Richard S. Dwyer, 70 of 24 Eldridge Road and formerly of Framingham, Mass. and York Beach, died Wednesday, May 27, 2009 in York Hospital.

He was born June 16, 1938 in Boston, a son of the late John and Wilmoth (Johnson) Dwyer. He was a graduate of St. Mary’s High School in Milford, Mass. and Boston State College and was the captain of the basketball teams for both schools. He enjoyed tennis and basketball and was an avid reader. He was the commissioner of the Bocce League at York Beach since 1978.

He taught psychology at the Algonquin Regional High School in Northborough, Mass. for 25 years before retiring and was also the basketball coach at St. Mary’s School in Milford, Mass. He leaves his wife of 47

years, Jana (Levine) Dwyer; a daughter, attorney Suzanne T. Dwyer-Jones and her husband William E. Jones of York; a granddaughter, Abigail M. Jones; a brother, John Dwyer and his wife Jane of Rhode Island and York Beach; nieces and nephews. His twin sisters, Mary Hedges and Wilmoth Mead, predeceased him.

A funeral Mass for Richard was celebrated on Friday, May 29 at 11 a.m. in St. Christopher’s Church, 4 Barrell Lane, York. A period of visitation was held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 29 in the Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, 91 Long Sands Road, York. Burial was in the First Parish Cemetery, York.

Memorial contributions may be made to the York Hospital, 15 Hospital Drive, York, ME 03909. For more information, visit www.lucasatonfuneralhome.com.

The Sports Report

Girls tennis results

York girls tennis defeated Maranacook 5 - 0 on Monday, June 1 in a Western Maine Prelim.

- 1 singles **Jen Consaga** defeated Adrienne Nel 6-2, 6-0
- 2 singles **Becka Cole** defeated Meghan Surrette 6-2, 6-3
- 3 singles **Stephanie Baker** defeated Sarah Pokorny 6-2, 6-2
- 1 doubles **Kayla Weston/Stephanie Morse** defeated **Hannah Watson/Morgan Wick** 6-7, 7-5, 7-5
- 2 doubles **Rachel Barrows/Caitlin Kelly** defeated **Meg Heath/Sarah Maffei** 6-3, 6-2

9 York will play at #1 Falmouth in the Quarterfinals TBA

Wildcats Clinch Playoffs

York baseball improved its record to 8-6 over the last two weeks with wins over Old Orchard Beach and Yarmouth clinching a berth in the Western Class B playoffs for the third year in a row.

Wednesday May 20 the Wildcats defeated OOB 16-6. **Alex Blasik** got the win pitching a great game with **Jimmy Kennedy** pitching one inning in relief. Paddy Murphy, **Jerry Ashley** and **Jack Radke** homered in the fifth inning as the Wildcats, helped by five errors, scored 13 runs and beat Old Orchard Beach in six innings at York.

Murphy hit a three-run homer in the fifth, Radke a two-run homer and Ashley a solo shot. Other offensive standouts were **Pat Seaward**, 2 singles; Murphy, a single in addition to his HR; Ashley, a single in addition to his HR; **Jimmy Kennedy** 2 singles; Radke, 2 singles to go with his HR, and freshman **Aaran Maran** with 3 singles. Blasik allowed only 6 hits and had 6 strikeouts throwing 69 percent strikes.

On Friday, May 22, York lost a tough one to Wells by one run 3-2. This was York's third one-run loss. Wells' **Tim Mayo** hit a sacrifice fly to drive home **Paul McDonough** in the bottom of the seventh inning and lift the Warriors over the Wildcats at Wells. **Jimmy Kennedy** took the loss in spite of a fine pitching performance with only 4 hits, 8 strikeouts

and 1 walk. Unfortunately, York had 3 errors in the field producing 2 of Well's 3 runs unearned including the game winner. The Wildcat runs were scored by **Paddy Murphy** and **Jerry Ashley**. Ashley had a day, going yard for his run and hitting a single in the 4th to score Murphy and giving York both its RBIs.

York finished this period on a high note beating Yarmouth at York 7-6 in a strange game that had 6 intentional walks and went 9 innings. **Pat Seaward** led off the bottom of the ninth inning with a double and scored the winning run on an error as the Wildcats (8-6) edged the Clippers (7-7) at York. With Seaward on third, thanks the lead-off double and a sacrifice bunt by **Sam Leal**, his second, the Clippers intentionally walked **Tanner Chase** and **Paddy Murphy** back-to-back to load the bases. **Jerry Ashley** flew out to center and then Seaward scored on an error to second for the walk off win. Trailing 6-5, York tied it in the seventh on a home run by **Tanner Chase**. **Alex Blasik** added two hits, two RBI and two runs for the Wildcats. Murphy was intentionally walked 3 times.

Jimmy Kennedy pitched 5 innings with 4 hits and 5 Ks. As his pitch count hit 93 he was replaced in the 6th by **Chris Cole**. **Tanner Chase** tied the game in the seventh which allowed **Coach Sirois** to bring Kennedy back in the 9th to finish the game. If Cole had gone one pitch more than 3 innings he would not have been available for his next start. Kennedy only needed 6 pitches in the 9th for the win. Offensive stars were Seaward with a single and a double, **Sam Leal** with a single, Chase with the game tying HR, Paddy Murphy with a single, **Chris Cole**, a single and a double plus the game winner; Kennedy with 2 singles, **Arran Maran** a single, and Blasik a single and double.

At press time York was preparing fits last two regular season games against Cape Elizabeth and Falmouth.

York Babe Ruth results

- **Monday, May 25:** Wells 10, York 1 8

In the opening game, York fell to Wells 10 to 8 at York. York staged a late rally but fell short with the bases loaded in the bottom of the seventh. Leading the York

offense, **Ben Lawlor** and **Taylor Newton** each had 3 hits and 2 runs scored. **Nick Moulton**, **Adam Legg**, **Sean McKenna**, **Jesse Ware** and **Alec Jordan** had hits for York. **Ben Lawlor**, **Nick Moulton**, **Adam Legg** and **Taylor Newton** all pitched well for York.

- **Sunday, May 31:** Wells 14, York 1 4

Wells defeated York 14 to 4 at Wells with solid pitching and timely hitting. York had hits from **Nick Moulton**, **Adam Legg**, **Taylor Newton** (2), **Sean McKenna** and **Morgan Briggs**. **Cam Frecker** started and pitched well for York.

York Little League results: Baseball Majors, Week 6

- **Twins 4, Athletics 0**

The Twins rode a strong pitching performance from **Adam Jannetti** to top the A's 4-0. Jannetti allowed just one hit and struck out five over four innings. The Twins managed to scratch out three runs off of A's starter **Brendan Carney**, who struck out eight along the way. **Reid Hogan** pitched well in relief, allowing only a run while striking out two. **Zach Gauthier** capped off the scoring with a solo home run in the fifth, and then pitched a perfect sixth to close out the win. **Matt Wacker** and **Matt Ford** added hits for the Twins, while **Patrick Hannigan** and **Forrest Kelley** starred defensively for the A's.

- **Blue Jays 8, Twins 1**

The Blue Jay offense gave pitcher **Dan Bock** (10 strikeouts) an early cushion to work with as the Jays topped the Twins 8-1. **Zane Insko**, **Tyler Barrows**, **Connor Smith** and **Bock** accounted for most of the damage, stringing together multiple hits and scoring the bulk of the runs. **Nathan Mancuso** added a hit and pitched a scoreless inning of relief. The Twins defense settled in behind starter **Jack Lawlor** who went the distance on the mound. Twins catcher **Jake DellaPasqua** threw out a couple of runners, as well as singling and coming around later for the Twins only run of the game.

- **Padres 5, Athletics 4**

The Padres were able overcome an early A's lead and solid pitching by **Connal Anderson** and **Matt Abruzzese** to defeat the A's 5-4. A 3rd inning solo home run

blast (6th of the year) by **Cole Merrit** over the center field fence tied the game at 3-3. **Joe Yauch** had a clutch single for an RBI and then scored to gain the lead for the Padres in the 5th inning. **Kevin McKenna** provided solid pitching for the Padres and also had 2 RBI's. **Matt Abruzzese** led the A's with 2 singles and a double with 2 RBI's. **Conall Anderson** also had an RBI for the A's. **Cole Merrit** came in to close out the game for the Padres, who received excellent defense at first base by **Justin Frecker**.

- **Marlins 10, Phillies 5**

Four pitchers for the Marlins combined to contain the vaunted Phillies offense on a beautiful Saturday morning at **Smith Field**. **Derek Neal** added one more to his home run total for the year, and **Hunter Henriksen** reached base 3 times including a triple and a home run, scoring twice to lead the Phillies' offense. The Marlins offense came out swinging, also, scoring 2 runs in the 1st and 2nd innings and 3 runs each in the 3rd and 4th. **Jack MacDonald** and **Ben Schriefer** were both 1 for 1 and **Matt MacLean** was 2 for 2 with an RBI and run scored. **Connor Tully**, **Ben MacLean** and **MacDonald** also had RBI for the Marlins, who put forth another solid defensive effort. **Brayton Chayer** pitched in relief for the Phillies, settling in with shutout innings in the 5th and 6th, helped by solid defense in right field from **Ben Moulton**.

- **Phillies 7, Astros 5**

The Phillies built an early lead and held on for the win behind **Jimmy Orso**'s two doubles and **Derek Neal**'s two-run home run. Orso pitched well for the Phillies, holding the Astros scoreless in the early innings. **Sam Johnson** hit a double and pitched well in relief for the Phillies. **Jonah Mitchell**, **Hunter Henriksen**, and **Trevor Mallet**, who hit a lead-off triple in the third, also scored for the Phillies. **Colby Todd** started on the mound for the Astros, striking out five. **Dante Nieves** came on in relief - holding the Phillies scoreless in the late innings. **Colin Torres** scored for the Astros on a double steal. **Griffin Mercer**, **Zach Handley**, and **Spencer Cribby** had three straight hits in a 6th inning rally, but the Phillies held on for the 7-5 win.



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Summer Listings

EVENTS

Bone Marrow Donor Registration Drive by York Kiwanis with American Legion Post 56, partnered with Dana-Farber and York Hospital, will be held at the Ramsdell-Rogers Function Facility at 9 Hannaford Drive in York on Tuesday, June 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. to help a local teen and others around the country, in need of a match. Anyone 18 to 60 years of age interested in helping can register by submitting to a simple process that requires donating a DNA sample by a simple mouth swab.

India: Pilgrimage and Place will be presented Tuesday, June 9, at 7 p.m. at the York Public Library by York resident Ben Fowler, who recently spent six weeks in Tamil Nadu, New Delhi and Bangladesh. He studied at Shantivanan Ashram, a Benedictine community with strong ties to Hindu tradition, and participated directly in the rituals of chant, meditation and the confluence of Christianity, Hinduism and Yogic spirituality. Call 363-2818 or visit www.york.lib.me.us.

The Kittery Stroll from Government Street and Wallingford Square to Walker Street will be held Thursday, June 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. Contact Elaine X. Fuller at The Red Door Pottery Studio 439-5671 or exfpottery@yahoo.com.

The Maine Fiber Frolic will be held at the Windsor Fairgrounds in Windsor on Saturday & Sunday, June 6 and 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. as a family-oriented celebration of fiber animals and the fiber arts. Attractions include hundreds of animals, workshops, demonstrations, free lectures and products for all ages to enjoy. FMI: www.fiberfrolic.com 688-4208.

NAACP Seacoast "March into History" will be held Saturday, June 20 at 8:30 a.m., beginning at Paddy's at the Pease International Tradeport in Newington, N.H., in honor of the 100th anniversary of NAACP's work on behalf of the nations' disadvantaged and underrepresented citizens. Registration fees for this event

are \$8 for students, \$10 for seniors and \$12 for all other adults, or a \$20 fee for families. Register with JerriAnne Boggis, 10 Buxton Road, Milford, NH 03055, call (603) 494-4475 or e-mail jerriane.boggis@unh.edu. Learn more at www.seacoastnaacp.com.

New Castle Village Walk and Garden Tour, a self-guided walking tour of private gardens in historic New Castle, N.H., is set for Sunday, June 14. FMI: www.pontine.org (603) 436-6660.

Red Sox Raffle from the Maine Parkinson Society and SIS features two Boston Red Sox tickets with 100 percent of all the proceeds to benefit the Maine Parkinson Society. The date of the game is Friday, July 10 in the Field Box, Section 24, Seats 1 & 2, Row M (next to dug-out). Raffle tickets are \$10 each or six for \$50. All checks must be made payable to the Maine Parkinson Society. For more, call Stephanie at 608-4379 or visit www.banksis.com.

St. Christopher's and St. George's Vacation Bible School, "Crocodile Dock," will be held Monday, July 20 to 24 from 9 a.m. to noon in St. Christopher's Parish Hall in York. Bible School is open to children entering grades K through 4 in the fall of 2009 at a cost of \$35 per child. For more information or to register, contact VBS Director Laura Davis at 363-2383 or lidavis@maine.rr.com.

Sanford Institution for Savings Second Annual Motorcycle Run for Parkinson's will be held Sunday, June 14 at 11 a.m. at Bentley's Saloon in Arundel, ending at the American Legion in York with a complimentary cookout. Registration forms can be found at www.banksis.com or by stopping in at any SIS branch. For information or to make a donation, contact Stephanie Vallee at 608-4379.

Video Gamers at the York Public Library will be held Friday, June 12 and Friday, June 26 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, June 20 from 2 to 5 p.m. Come spend an evening rocking, racing, battling and even working out with

other gamers. You must be at least 12 years old, have a signed permission slip and be preregistered to attend. Space is limited. For more information or to register, call Janalee at 361-2116 or 423-4281.

The Whisker Walk, a special event to benefit New England animal rescue organizations, will be held at the Lancaster Fairground in Lancaster, Mass., on Sunday, June 7 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit www.whiskerwalk.org.

York Flea Market at St. Aspinquid Masonic Lodge on Long Sands Road is now open every

Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. To reserve a space call Bertha Rocray at 363-4803 or 363-4817.

York High School Class of 1979's 30th Reunion will be held on Aug. 14. This memorable evening of dinner, dancing and reminiscing is scheduled from 6 p.m. to midnight at the Three Chimneys Inn in Durham, N.H. FMI contact Cindy Donnell at 363-6473 e-mail cindydonnell@masiello.com.

EXHIBITS, MUSIC, THEATRE, BOOKS AND MORE

The Beth Ellis Cove Gallery in Ogunquit has reopened for its eighth season. FMI: 646-7700 or www.bellisart.com.

Leavitt Theatre on Route 1 in Ogunquit features movies throughout the summer season. Call 646-3123 or visit www.leavitttheatre.com.

Rain: A Tribute to the Beatles comes to the Music Hall in Portsmouth, N.H., on Thursday, June 11 at 7:30 p.m. For more information or to order tickets, call (603) 436-2400 or visit www.themusichall.org.

Red Door Pottery Studio and Gallery Shop features "Exposing the Moment," award-winning photography by Kittery resident Steve Delaney, former chief photographer for the Environmental Protection Agency, through September at 44 Government St. in Kittery. Call 439-5671 or visit exfpottery@yahoo.com.

Seacoast Songwriters Association, a non-profit songwriters group in southern Maine, presents Carolyn Currie at the association's regular monthly meeting on Saturday, June 27 from 4 to 6 p.m. at TuneTown on Route 109 in Wells. Currie, who has achieved much success as a singer/songwriter with several CDs under her belt, as well as being a winner in major songwriting competitions across the country, will perform some of her songs and share her thoughts about songwriting. Anyone interested in learning more about the organization is invited to attend a meeting or contact Pat Aureli at 251-8313 for more information.

HEALTH, SUPPORT AND WELLNESS

Just for Fun Soccer is being offered by York's CLUB-A LA CARTE for homeschooling and unschooling families at the Bog Road Field. Ages 8 and up are invited to join in the fun on Mondays in June from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. There's no need to have any formal training and everyone is invited to bring other outdoor games to share with the group. Call Janalee at 361-2116 or 423-4281.

SMMC Visiting Nurses Diabetes Education Program one-day session is held from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with a group lunch. Participants must also attend a two-hour nutrition class in conjunction with a grocery store tour one week prior to the session. Nutrition Class will be Wednesday, June 17 at 10 a.m. or 5 p.m. at Hannaford in Biddeford with Diabetes Class on Wednesday, June 24 at Southern Maine Medical Center in Biddeford. Preregistration is required. Call 985-1000, Ext. 8617.

York Hospital's Yoga Center, located at the Heart Health Institute, offers yoga classes

for persons of all abilities. For new participants, the first yoga class is free. Introductory Yoga on Tuesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and Thursdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.; Yoga Level 1 on Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m.; Intermediate on Tuesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; Seated Yoga on Tuesdays from 3 to 3:30 p.m., and Slow Flow Yoga on Saturdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The Yoga Center at the Heart Health Institute is located at 127 Long Sands Road in York. Call 351-3700.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS NEEDED

The Family Centers of York County Shelter Programs has issued an updated Wish List of the donations that they are searching for to assist in their operation of providing homes for previously homeless families. The items listed include 18 bureaus, 16 twin size beds, two sets of kitchen tables and chairs, one couch and matching chair, 10 table lamps, four floor lamps, five high chairs, a nice desk, a two- or four-drawer filing cabinet, many shower curtains, 10x10 and 5x7 area rugs, brooms, mops, pails, window cleaner and soft scrub, toilet brushes, plungers and phones. Please call Tom at the Shelter at 324-1137 to arrange for the delivery of any of these donations.

Volunteers Needed for American Cancer Society Relay for Life of York County, a team event on Friday & Saturday, June 12 and 13 where participants walk around a track relay-style overnight, and teams of cancer-fighting enthusiasts gather to show their support and dedication. Call Dawn Emery at the American Cancer Society at 373-3727.

The York County Shelter Programs is looking for

for fencing and fencing posts to keep deer out of the vegetable garden, a picnic table and wooden or heavy metal patio furniture and a cupboard to store games and puzzles. The shelter's bakery is in need of food processors. The energy program needs 55-gallon containers and large plastic containers and garbage cans for the recycling program that is being introduced; CFL lightbulbs, and a large golf cart. The shelter's farm needs a tiller, a dump cart for a lawn mower and a trailer for a lawn mower. Volunteers are also needed to help in the bakery during some mornings and afternoons. Call 324-1137.

WORKSHOPS AND ENRICHMENT

The Maine Association of Nonprofits (MANP) will be offering the following Skill-Builders in York County this June. "Help Your Organization Go GREEN!" will be presented by Ian Houseal on Monday, June 8 from 10 to 11 a.m. via webinar; "Legally Raising Your Voice in Maine" will be presented by Brenda Peluso on Friday, June 12 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. via webinar; "Keeping Pace With Cyber Space" will be presented by Karan Cushman on Wednesday, June 24 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. via webinar, and "Tips & Techniques for Assessing the Executive Director's Performance" will be presented by Tony Scucci on Tuesday, June 30 from 9 a.m. to noon at Laundholm Trust in Wells. Registration is required and full course descriptions, dates, location

SUPPORT ON A ROLL



This season, the Shore Road Restaurant and Deli is stepping up its support of the York Police DARE program and the York High School Project Graduation. Starting in August last year, the restaurant set aside a portion of the profit on every sale of its famous lobster roll to the York Police DARE program and the York High School Project Graduation. This year, the restaurant is running the same deal for the entire season, and also doubling the amount donated from each sale. The folks at the Shore Road invite you to enjoy their lobster rolls while helping York's community causes. (Courtesy Photo)

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Summer Listings *continued from last page* and registration information are all available at www.nonprofitmaine.org/skillbuilders.asp.

The Maine School of Science and Mathematics Summer Explorations Camp for boys and girls in grades 5 through 9 interested in math, science and technology is now taking applications for 2009. Call Danielle at 325-3322, ext. 1001, or visit www.mssm.org.

M-Power Hockey will offer full-day camps in Dover, N.H., for the weeks of Aug. 17 to 21 and 24 to 28. New for this summer, Mandy Cronin and M-Power we will also be offering two nights per week of Ladies' Night Hockey School. Visit www.M-PowerHockey.com.

York Adult Education Classes in arts and crafts, business and career, computers and technology, culinary arts and more are beginning soon. Call 363-7922 or visit www.yorkadulthoodeducation.org.

The Youth Enrichment Center at Hilton-Winn Farm in Cape Neddick offers Summer Fun 2009 programs for children. Programs include special sessions for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and a general country farm experience suitable for all children with the goal to enrich hearts, minds and spirits through nature-based activities. Call 361-1385 or visit www.hilton-winnfarm.org.

York Parks and Recreation Department is offering an array of summer classes, activities and special events for residents and non-residents alike. Call 363-1040 or visit <http://parksandrec.yorkmaine.org>.

ONGOING

ART, DANCE, EXHIBITS, MUSIC, THEATRE

Children's Museum of Maine has a full calendar of special events available at www.kitetails.com.

Just Us Chickens Artist Co-op is located at 29 Government St. in downtown Kittery and is open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Call 439-4209.

Kripalu DansKinetics at Spinnaker Point Recreation Center, Spinnaker Way, Portsmouth, N.H. DansKinetics is a unique blend of yoga and dance. Call (603) 436-2313.

Pontine Theatre in Portsmouth, N.H., offers an array of public events. Call (603) 436-6660 or e-mail info@pontine.org.

The Portland Museum of Art offers an extensive collection of fine and decorative arts dating from the 18th century to the present housed in three architecturally significant

JUNE JAZZ!



The Kittery Art Association invites you to its very first Jazz Brunch on Sunday, June 7, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., featuring The Al Derben Trio and the Photography 6 Exhibit featuring local artists. The Al Derben trio is comprised of well-known Seacoast musicians Woody Allen, Bruce Derr and Doug Bennett performing arrangements of jazz standards and popular music. Suggested donation is \$12. Reservations recommended by contacting Sarah Drummond at 439-8357 or at sgdrummond@hotmail.com. This event will be held at the Kittery Art Association's gallery at 8 Coleman Ave., off of Route 103. To learn more, call the gallery at 451-8384 or visit www.kitteryartassociation.org. (Courtesy photo)

buildings. Call 775-6148 or visit www.portlandmuseum.org.

The Red Door Gallery Shop is open at 44 Government St. in Kittery, featuring pottery, handmade jewelry, weaving, used books, sports memorabilia and more on display Wednesdays through Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. until the end of December. Call 439-5671.

RiverCurrent Studio/Art Gallery on the corner of Lindsay Road and Mill Dam in York Village features assemblage, collage and mixed-media sculpture and is open daily and by appointment. Contact Rosalind Fedeli at 351-3262 or visit www.rosalindfedeli.com.

Seacoast Undercurrent, a gallery devoted to contemporary art in downtown Portsmouth, N.H., showcases emerging artists working with all kinds of contemporary media and practices. Visit www.ellogallery.com.

CLUBS and ORGANIZATIONS

Catapult is the Seacoast's first networking group specifically dedicated to young professionals. Catapult is a nonprofit organization, and membership is free. Visit www.catapult-seacoast.org.

Club A La Carte is the place where home-schooling and un-schooling families can meet, socialize, have fun and take field trips together! Contact Janalee at janaleemoquin8@yahoo.com.

The Diverse Business Advantage Chapter of BNI meets Thursdays at Sentry Hill at 2 Victoria Court, York Harbor. Meetings are held from 8 until 9:30 a.m. and all visitors are welcome. Call Catherine Bosbach at 363-2418.

The International Women's Club of New England (IWCNE) meets for lunch on the fourth Saturday of every month with an international speaker. IWCNE is

non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian, and its mission is to foster goodwill, friendship and understanding amongst members from different countries and to support charities which assist women and children. Call 985-7433.

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization chartered by Congress in 1939 to assist the United States Coast Guard with all of its missions, excluding law enforcement. Members teach boating safety classes, provide free vessel safety checks, provide safety literature at boat shows, perform on the water safety patrols, and harbor watch patrols. The Saco Bay Flotilla meets the second Thursday of every month at the Saco Yacht Club at 7:30 p.m.

York Lions Club meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Grant House on Route 1 in York, at 7 p.m. "We Serve." If you would like to meet new people, form lasting friendships and experience the joy of helping others call 363-7382.

ENRICHMENT

The Family Resource Center on Route 1 offers many special programs, weekly and monthly events, classes and activities. Contact

451-9291 or www.connectingfamiliesaltogether.org.

The Southern Maine Agency on Aging facilitates a monthly support group for people assisting older adult loved ones. Unpaid family and friends who are helping spouses, parents, siblings and friends are invited to come and talk about the challenges and rewards of caregiving with other people in similar situations. The group meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Rice Public Library in Kittery. Call 439-6989 or (800) 427-7411.

HEALTH

Aerobics, Yogalates and Weight Training classes are available at York Fitness Center, Route 1, in York. Call 363-4090.

Know Your Numbers is a cholesterol screening offered by SMMC Visiting Nurses on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. An appointment is necessary and there is a \$15 fee for this service. Call 985-1000.

The Heart Health Institute offers classes including weight management. Call 351-3700.

SMMC Visiting Nurses Monthly Diabetes Support Groups are offered at the Richard Martin Community Center in Biddeford on the second Monday of each month from 6:30 to 7:30 or 8 p.m. and at SMMC Visiting Nurses in Kennebunk on the fourth Monday of each month from 7 to 8 or 8:30 p.m. Call 985-1000, 283-7680 or (800) 794-3546.

Yoga on York offers a variety of styles and levels of mind-body fitness classes including yoga classes ranging from Gentle Yoga up to Power Yoga, Prenatal Yoga, NIA and Pilates-Yoga Fusion. Visit www.yogaonyork.com or call 363-YOGA.

PUBLIC MEALS

Coffee Shop at the Wells-Ogunquit Senior Center is open Monday through Friday, 9 to 11 a.m., serving regular or decaf coffee, pastries, Congdon's and Dunkin' Donuts, and their own blueberry muffins for \$1.50. Thursday's Coffee Club occasionally has a guest speaker.

Mama Mia's All You Can Eat Pasta-Pizza Public Supper will be held every Friday night through Oct. 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the York County Shelter Programs Dining Commons on Shaker Hill Road in Alfred. Proceeds from the dinners help support shelter programs. Call Joan Sylvester, 324-1137, ext. 105.

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The Cancer Community Center is a nonprofit community center located in South Portland that provides support, information and activities at no charge for adults living with cancer, their families and friends. Visit www.cancercommunitycenter.org.

Hospice of York's Living with Loss is a bereavement support group offered free of charge. Call 363-7000.

The Kevin Brown Fuel Assistance Fund for emergency help with home heating costs is overseen by the York Ecumenical Council. For information on receiving assistance contact one of York's local churches or Kate Henderson at 363-8017. This fund is open to anyone in need. Church affiliation is not a requirement.

The Special Needs Parent Network meets the last Friday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Family Resource Center at Landmark Hill at the York-Kittery town line. Contact

Marcia Flinkstrom at 384-5041 or mflinkstrom@comcast.net or Lisa Richard at 324-5501 or bugsnlola@msn.com.

The York Hospital Breast Cancer Survivor Group, which meets the third Monday of the month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Ellis Conference Room at York Hospital, welcomes new members. Friends are welcome, too. During these meetings the members share information, coping tips and strategies, explore complimentary therapies, hear guest speakers, support each other, experience sisterhood, plan the Annual Walk for Hope and celebrate living.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The American Cancer Society's Road to Recovery Program is seeking volunteer drivers to offer cancer patients safe and friendly transportation to treatment appointments. Contact (800) ACS-2345 or www.cancer.org.

Caring Unlimited, York County's domestic violence program, is looking for the help of supportive volunteers, specifically in the Biddeford and Kittery areas. Call 490-3227, ext. 126, or e-mail jarena@caring-unlimited.org.

Center for Cultural Interchange offers area residents an opportunity to participate in cultural exchange. Both American students and potential host families are provided this chance through the Center for Cultural Interchange (CCI), a nonprofit organization. Contact (866) 495-0342 or sluce@cci-exchange.com.

Domestic Abuse Helpline for Men and Women, a nationally known nonprofit organization, is looking for volunteers to assist victims of intimate partner violence. Visit www.dahmw.org, call (866) 786-0758 or e-mail communityresource-coord@dahmw.org.

The Melanoma Education Foundation is seeking volunteers to help raise melanoma awareness. Call (800) 259-1633, e-mail

TIKKA PEEK



York resident Ben Fowler will present a program on Indian spirituality in "India: Pilgrimage and Place" on Tuesday, June 9, at 7 p.m. at the York Public Library. The program will focus on his travel in Bangladesh and Northern India. Learn about where spirituality transcends religion, see slides of Fowler's travels, and experience some of the spiritual practices at the heart of Indian culture. The York Public Library is located at 15 Long Sands Road; call (207) 363-2818 or visit www.york.lib.me.us. (Courtesy Photo)

MEF@skincheck.org or visit www.skincheck.org.

Operation Homefront of Maine needs the support of donors in order to help service families keep their homes, as a wounded soldier may go up to 18 months until their benefits kick in. Call Donna Chapman at 321-1321 or maine@operationhomefront.net.

Sexual Assault Response Services of Southern Maine's Crisis/Support Hotline is in need of volunteers to train as advocates for the 24-hour crisis and support hotline. Call (800) 313-9900, e-mail infosars@sarsonline.org or visit www.sarsonline.org.

Support Victims of Domestic Violence by collecting old cell phones and ink jet cartridges and mailing them to the Domestic Abuse Helpline for Men and Women free of charge. Contact (866) 786-0758 or dahmw-director@gmail.com.

York Hospital's Bridges Program is currently seeking volunteers to help assist patients with the transition from the hospital to home. Volunteers have various duties and a flexible schedule, and help make a difference in a person's life. Call York Hospital's Volunteer Office at 351-2221.

Library Happenings

York Public Library and more...

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Events

• **India: Pilgrimage and Place**; Tuesday, June 9 at 7 p.m. York resident Rev. Ben Fowler presents a slide show about his travels to India and his experiences at the Shantivanam Ashram, where he studied chant, meditation and the confluence of Christian, Hindu and Yogic spirituality.

• **Video Gaming at the Library for Teens**: Friday, June 12 from 5 to 8 p.m. Teen Video Gaming is sponsored by the local group "Gamers Rock." "Teens" must be at least 12 years old and have a permission slip signed by a parent. Advance registration is required. Please contact janaleemoquin8@yahoo.com or the library.

• **Maine Audubon Presents "Division Street"**: Tuesday, June 16 at 6:30 p.m. The movie "Division Street" explores the impact highways have on wildlife and underlines the need for proper transportation and development planning to give wildlife access to natural habitats. It is appropriate for any age and is as visually appealing as it is substantive. This program is cosponsored by White Pine School, York Land Trust, and the Center for Wildlife.

Coming summer events

• **Summer Film Festival**: The York Public Library Film Group presents its Summer Film Series on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. beginning June 28 through September 13 (except July 19 and 26). The series kick-off is "Slumdog Millionaire," Sunday, June 28 at 7 p.m. The 2008 Best Picture Oscar winner. An orphan teen from the slums of Mumbai is one question away from winning a staggering 20 million rupees on India's "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?" when he is arrested on suspicion of cheating. How could an uneducated teen stump the scholars? Rated R for some violence, disturbing images and language. 120 minutes.

• **Annual Library Booksale**: Thousands of gently used books on sale to benefit the library. Thursday, July 23, preview night, \$5 admission, 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 24, free admission, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, July 25, free admission, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Summer events for families

• **Summer Family Fun Series**, funded in part by a grant from the Kennebunk Savings Bank.

Thursday, July 9 at 10:30 a.m.: "Double Vision – Mime, Acrobatics, and Juggling." The Scalises always knew they wanted more than anything else to be entertainers. Prepare to be amazed as Jody and Linda Scalise showcase their mime, acrobatics, and juggling talents. Wednesday, Aug. 5 at 10:30 a.m.: "Legend of the Banana Kid" Puppet Show. Join the nationally celebrated puppetry troupe Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers and their cast of hand-made puppets as Little Chucky takes on desperate outlaws to save a small town. Saturday, Aug. 15 at 1 p.m.: Special Family Concert with Farmer Jason. Nashville's own Emmy-award winning Farmer Jason shares his musical talents. Jason Ringenberg brings his guitar, his voice and his infectious sense of fun – gather up all your family and come on down!

• **Family Movie Night** – "Pinocchio" Sunday, Aug. 9 at 6 p.m. Bring the family to celebrate the

70th anniversary of Walt Disney's Pinocchio, considered one of the ten best animated films of all time – the tale of a wooden puppet brought to life by a fairy. Please feel free to bring a picnic and blanket/pillow if you wish.

FOR CHILDREN:

• **Infant Lapsits** (infants to two years old), Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.; come for a program of stories, songs, fingerplays and rhymes.

• **Preschool Story Hours**, Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays, and crafts. Friday story hours with Miss Kathleen are designed for preschoolers.

Art exhibits at the library

• **The paintings of Jayne Adams** of Alton, N.H., will be on exhibit at the Library from until Tuesday, June 30. Her exhibit, titled "Figures," features works from several series, primarily oil paintings on wood panel. Her figures are sometimes invented and sometimes taken from life. Adams is an active elected member of both the Ogunquit Art Association and the New Hampshire Art Association.

Rice Public Library

The Rice Public library is located at 8 Wentworth and 2 Walker streets, Kittery. Call 439-1553 for more information.

• **French For Preschoolers**: Every Wednesday beginning June 3 at 1 p.m. with Janine Kolb. In the Rice Library's Taylor Building, 2 Walker St.

• **Last School-Year Indoor Storytime for Toddlers and Preschoolers** will be on Tuesday, June 9 at 10 a.m.


• **Open House**: Please join us on Thursday, June 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. We'll be showing you some of the "hidden treasures" of the library. Join us for tours of our historic resources in our Maine genealogy and history collection, and demonstrations of some of our 50 online MARVEL databases. And stay to enjoy the Seasmoke trio playing a wide variety of blues, swing, jazz, and traditional American songbook tunes.

• **Weekly Outdoor Summer Reading Storytimes** begins Tuesday, June 23 at 10:30 a.m. Join us every Tuesday this summer on the Rice Library Building lawn for some entrancing stories. All ages welcome!

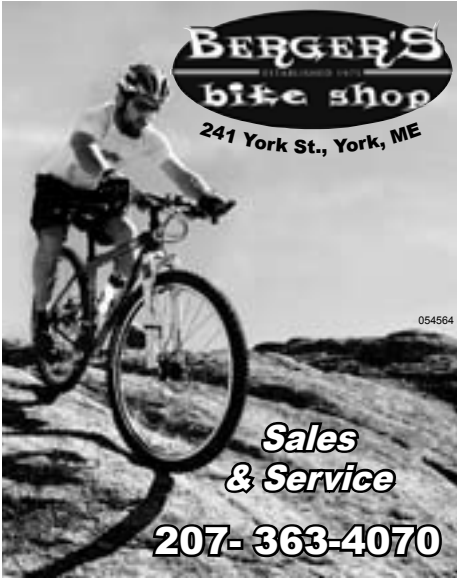
• **Peter Boie**: Magician for Non-Believers! Peter Boie, the self-proclaimed "Magician for Non-Believers" will be performing at Rice Public Library on Wednesday, June 24 at 6 p.m. Peter, now residing in Boston, travels the country performing for colleges, libraries, and private and corporate events. He has a special place in his heart for libraries because he borrowed his first magic book from his local library when he was 11 years old. So come out to Rice Public Library, Kittery, and experience the show for yourself! Registration required; call 439-1553.

• **Annual Book And Bakesale**. Drop by the Taylor Building on Saturday, June 27 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a great selection of gently used books, cassettes, videos – and more! The sale will be held rain or shine. Shop early and often – and pick up a cake or two while you are visiting. All proceeds go to benefit the Friends of the Rice Library, which supports the programs and collections of your local public library.

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THE DOGS

Luke
Meet Luke, a happy-go-lucky eight-and-a-half-year-old yellow Lab. Luke is a tolerant dog that would love to find a forever family to call his own. He is a smart boy who knows the commands "sit" and "down." Luke should do just fine sharing his new home with other dogs, cats that won't run and children of all ages. If you are interested in adopting Luke please fill out an adoption application and stop in with your family including dogs to meet him.



Hope
This beautiful young lady is Hope, a two-year-old greyhound looking for the forever home of her dreams. Hope is a sensitive but playful dog. As a retired racer, she is not used to living in a normal home environment, so Hope will need some help adjusting, but will do just fine sharing her new home with other dogs, certain cats and older children.



Baby
This cutie is Baby, is a six-year-old Chihuahua who came to the AWS as a transfer. Baby is a sweet dog that can't wait to find a forever home and will do just fine sharing her new home with other dogs and cats.



THE CATS

Sasha
Pretty and petite, Sasha is a beautiful two-year-old cat that has a short tortoiseshell coat. She is a friendly girl that will do just fine sharing her new home with other cats, dogs and children of all ages. If you are interested in adopting this beautiful girl, please fill out an adoption application and stop in to meet Sasha.



Pearl
Pearl is a two-year-old cat with a beautiful medium-length gray and white coat.

Pearl is a bit shy but extremely loving. It would be her dream come true to find a loving forever home to call her own. Due to Pearl's timid nature, dogs are not her cup of tea, so we will not be asking her to share her home with any, but she is a sweetie that should do just fine sharing her new home with other cats and older children.



Coal
This sweet man is Coal, a beautiful one-and-a-half-year-old cat who is laid-back and lovable and would love to have a forever family to call his own. He is a great guy that wouldn't mind sharing his new home with other cats and children of all ages.



OTHER PETS

Sunya
This gorgeous young man is Sunya, a friendly three-year-old Sun Conure bird that would love to find a forever home to call his own. He would love for his new owners to handle him daily so that he can stay as friendly and happy as possible. Sun Conures can live to be about 30 years old and can be very vocal at times. If you are interested in adopting Sunya, please stop in the Animal Welfare Society to meet him.



Patches and Pepper
Patches and Pepper are three-year-old calico Guinea pigs that can't wait to find a loving forever home. These boys are best friends and couldn't bear being without each other, so we are asking that they go home together. They are friendly little guys that love to hide in their little hideaways.



Olivia
This big beauty is Olivia, a two-year-old rabbit that has a gorgeous brown coat. Olivia came to us as a transfer and would love nothing more than to find a forever family to call her own. She is a friendly girl that should do fine with older children and would love for her new owners to handle her every day so she will stay as happy and friendly as possible.



Arts & Leisure



The Ambrosia Trio from New York City (Frank Daykin, piano; Martin Fett, cello; and Beulah Cox, violin) will open Ogunquit Performing Arts' 15th annual Chamber Music Festival on Thursday, June 11 at 8 p.m. at the Dunaway Center. (Courtesy Photo)

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Opening this highly esteemed festival at the Dunaway Center on Thursday, June 11 at 8 p.m. will be the well-known Ambrosia Trio from New York City featuring Beulah Cox on violin, Martin Fett on cello, and Frank Daykin, pianist. Their program consists of Haydn's Piano Trio in D Minor, Joaquin Turina's Piano Trio No. 1 (Op. 35), and Felix Mendelssohn's Piano Trio in C Minor (Op. 66).

On Friday, June 12 at 8 p.m. at the Dunaway Center, 23 School St., is The Boston Chamber Music Society: Thomas Hill, clarinet; Randall Hodgkinson, piano, and guest

artist Sharan Leventhal, violin, will perform an exciting program that includes Igor Stravinsky's L'Histoire du Soldat (Soldier's Tale) in a special trio reduction by the composer that was written for violin, clarinet, and piano. The ensemble will also perform Duo Concertant for Clarinet and Piano by Darius Milhaud, Sonatina for Clarinet and Piano by Malcolm Arnold, Duo Sonata in A Major, D 574 by Franz Schubert, and Suite for Violin, Clarinet, and Piano by Darius Milhaud.

Maine's own DaPonte String Quartet will perform on Saturday, June 13 at 8 p.m. at the Barn Gallery, intersection of Bourne Lane and Shore Road. In its latest iteration, the DaPonte welcomes Brunswick native Kirsten Monke, violist joining Ferdinand (Dino) Liva, violin, Lydia Forbes, violin, and Myles Jordan, cello. The group will perform Mozart's String Quartet No. 19 in A Major, Thomas Adès' Arcadiana Op. 12 (1944), and String Quar-

tet in G Minor Op. 10 by Claude Debussy.

For the final concert of the Festival on Sunday, June 14 at 5 p.m. at the Barn Gallery, Ogunquit Performing Arts enthusiastically welcomes the Amaryllis Chamber Ensemble for their first concert in Ogunquit. Musicians are Bonnie Cochran, flute; Melissa Bull, violin; Kate Marsch, cello; and Piper Runnion-Bareford, harp. Their program will include Salzedo: Selections from Suite of Eight Dances for Harp, Mozart: Andante in C for Flute and Harp, Mendelssohn: On Wings of Song for Flute and Harp, Foote: At Dusk for Flute, Cello and Harp, and Devienne: Trio in G Minor for Flute, Violin and Cello, op. 66, No. 2.

Tickets are \$12 for each performance or \$35 for the series of four concerts and are available at the Dunaway Center, the Ogunquit Camera Shop, the Ogunquit Welcome Center, and at the door. Students 18 and under: free admission.

'Irish Music Guy' Kevin Farley to benefit Hackmatack Playhouse

Favorite Irish tunes, remarkable observations, incredible connections, a dozen musical instruments combined with wit, humor and charm is what Irish Music Guy Kevin Farley will present in his new show, "The Invisible Thread," in a special benefit concert at Hackmatack Playhouse in Berwick, Maine, June 19 at 8 p.m. Don't miss this rare opportunity to see Kevin Farley live in this unique setting!

This wide-ranging show highlights Farley's exceptional skill on harp, fiddle, accordion, banjo, mandolin, guitar, penny-whistle, bones, Irish drum, keyboard, an array of sophisticated sound-looping and foot pedals, his uncanny ability to come

up with a surprising fact about any piece of music, and an off-beat and quick-witted narrative that manages to connect the Irish songs you know and love to everything from harp-playing Irish kings to Broadway in 1912 to where St. Patrick really came from to Pittsburgh in 1830 to the 6th president of Israel to Vienna in 1786 to a Ferris wheel in Scranton, Pa. to a musical instrument played in Ancient Mesopotamia and who St. Peter selected to cut ahead of the line to get into Heaven!

"Every piece of music I do represents



Kevin Farley

invisible threads of connection," Farley says. "I love to find links between things that would ordinarily seem to have nothing in common. As luck would have it, there's a universe of funny, odd connections to be found in the history and lore of Irish music. Then I try to figure out how to spring this information on my audiences in the most fun way possible."

Kevin has been refining this unique formula over a thirty-year career that has taken him throughout the US and Ireland. He has just released a new CD that will be available for sale the night of the concert.

This concert marks Farley's return to the Hackmatack stage after his appearance as Buffalo Bill Cody in last season's hit production of "Annie Get Your Gun." He says, "The Hackmatack Playhouse represents all that is wonderful about live theatre. I'm honored to be asked to help support this great old barn theatre and the extremely talented, dedicated and resourceful people who make it run."

Tickets range from \$10 to \$22 and are available by calling the Hackmatack Playhouse Box Office at (207) 698-1807 or online at www.hackmatack.org. Proceeds benefit the Hackmatack Playhouse, one of New England's most charming and quaint summer theatres.

New at Old York

Museums of Old York ready to open for a brand new season

By Zoe Keefer-Norris, Education Coordinator

Saturday, June 6 is the big day for all waiting to get through the doors at the Museums of Old York. This season our buildings will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Start your day at our Remick Barn visitor's center, where tickets can be purchased for one or all of our buildings. One building tickets are \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors or AAA members, and \$3 for children. Multiple building tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, \$20 for families and \$9 for seniors or AAA members.

For those interested in 18th century history, join us at 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. for a tour of the Emerson-Wilcox House. This historic home follows the lives of the two prominent York families that lived there from the 1740s through the beginning of the 20th century. Learn how

economic turmoil, war and advances in technology drastically altered life for wealthy families in York between the mid-18th and early 20th century.

Juxtapose the domestic lives of the wealthy Emersons and Wilcoxes by taking a noon tour of the Ramsdell House. This small workman's house tells the story of life in York for those struggling to make a living. The stripped down interior of this structure wall coverings reveals mismatched scraps of wallpaper plastered over cracks in the exterior walls and newspaper stuffed in holes to keep out the winter's chill. Constructed almost entirely of materials salvaged from other structures, the house is a great example of a working class family's 19th century home.

With summer people such a prominent part of York's current and historic identity, the

museum would be remiss without the home of a notorious summer resident. Miss Elizabeth Perkins left her beautiful summer home to the museum when she passed away in 1952. During her life, she helped spearhead the preservation of the Old Gaol on York Street, commissioned the transportation and reconstruction of Jefferds' Tavern, and served as an ambulance driver in France during World War I. Guided tours of her house, available upon request, tell the story of her life as well showcasing her extensive collection of eclectic material culture.

The John Hancock Warehouse on the York River was once a hub of economic activity. Partly owned by John Hancock in the late 18th century, this structure saw both imports from afar as well products produced in and shipped out of York. Open to the public for self guid-

ed tours, the warehouse today looks much as it may have during its heyday.

Jefferds' Tavern, now attached to our visitors' center, is used for school programs during the fall and is open for self guided tours in the summer. The old taproom houses the gift shop which contains, among other things, historic toys, games, and books. Next door to Jefferds' Tavern sits a one-room school house used to educate youth in York from the mid 18th century well into the 19th. Still used today for colonial school lessons, visitors can find interpretive panels on the walls that tell the story of education's transformation in Maine.

If you're interested in a more dramatic visit to the Old Gaol join us at 7 p.m. on June 26, July 18, or Aug. 15 for Gaol Break, a theatrical performance of the prisoners who were held in and escaped from the Old Gaol.

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