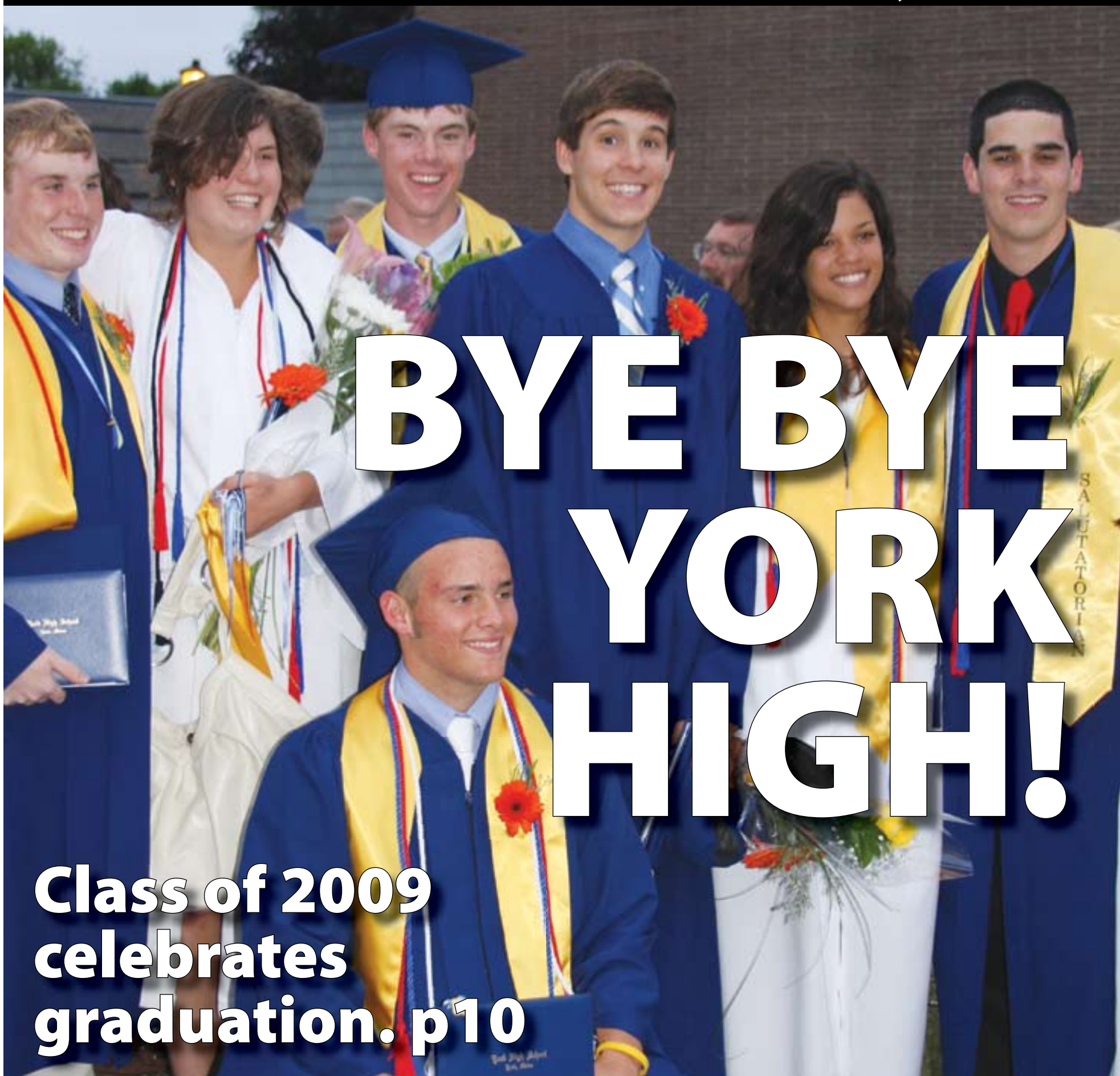


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Members of the York High School Class of 2009 were all smiles following graduation on Thursday, June 11. Pictured here, classmates gather for photos following the ceremony in York High School's Robert E. Butler Gymnasium. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

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News About Town

Residents bring cable change concerns to board

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK – “Put it back the way it was.” That was the message local residents had for representatives of Time Warner Cable who attended the Board of Selectmen meeting on Monday, June 8 to address concerns voiced locally about changes to the town’s cable television lineup.

Time Warner Cable Government Public Affairs Vice President Melinda Poore attended the meeting at the request of the town, following what Town Manager Rob Yandow and several selectmen described as multiple calls and e-mails from concerned citizens about the new channel line-up, the deletion of certain channels from that list and the movement of others to premium-level cable packages.

Yandow noted there has also been a petition circulating in opposition to the changes.

Addressing the board and the residents who attended the meeting, Poore explained that Time Warner’s goal was to streamline the channel lineup for Southern York County towns in an effort to keep the options offered consistent between area communities for the customer service department and to make the best use of the channel capacity available.

Addressing specific concerns about the discontinuation of channels including Boston-based CBS affiliate WBZ and WGBH, Boston’s PBS channel from the line-up, Poore said there is ongoing dialogue about WGBH and, where WBZ is concerned, New England Patriots games will be offered on Maine’s WGME television while Boston news can be accessed through that city’s ABC and NBC affiliates, which remain part of the local lineup.

Residents, however, made it clear they want those channels back - as well as such others as BBC America, which is now only available in the premium tier, which means additional costs for those who wish to access the channel.

“So we’re getting less for our money... in these hard times,” Selectwoman Mary Andrews said.

Poore stressed that the decisions are not arbitrary, but have to do with contractual obligations and expenses.

“Programming costs increase substantially year after year,” she explained.

Selectwoman Cathy Goodwin questioned the decision-making process itself.

“Previously, the system worked fine for consumers who had, in different towns, different channels,” she said.

Some residents and members of the board questioned why communities cannot choose their own cable line-ups.

“It’s based on business decisions; it’s based on contracts we have with various programmers... It’s very complicated, and to have over 261 communities dictate the line-up, it would be very costly,” Poore explained.

While several residents spoke of their frustration at the loss of specific channels, Ralph Davidson of the local Cable Television Regulatory Commission offered a different perspective.

“Each of the four towns has two representatives and we (in York) have one, presently, because nobody’s interested,” he said, adding the commission’s meetings are public and yet no one attends. “Most of the time people don’t want to hear about this; they just want the picture to show up. ... If you want to complain about this, do your homework. Find out where that station went... Most of them are still in there. ... Come to the meetings and get involved.”

Poore said the company has learned a lesson from the reaction of the community, and should such changes be made in the future, will have the new channel line-ups preprinted in advance and available to customers.

Two-way street: Ocean Avenue extension concerns discussed

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK BEACH – It may not always be the case, but at least for this summer Ocean Avenue Extension is back to being a two-way street.

Concerns about how to best address traffic flow, safety and parking in York Beach are nothing new to the town’s leaders. The board voted to make Ocean Avenue Extension a one-way street on a permanent basis earlier this spring following a discussion of the town’s one-way street policies with public safety officials.

The goal had been to improve traffic flow and safety in the area; however, after about a month of putting that change into practice, the Board of Selectmen has reversed that decision, based on what Town Manager Rob Yandow described the “unintended consequences” of turning the road into a one-way street.

The problems have included the post

office’s decision to stop delivering mail on the road once it become one-way. In addition, the driveway to one residence became virtually inaccessible due to the changes in traffic flow, Yandow explained.

He recommended temporarily returning the road to two-way traffic to allow time to study addressing traffic and safety along the ocean-front roadway and its neighboring streets in the broader context of how that road relates to the larger neighborhood.

In addition, Yandow noted that use of GPS in the area indicates the town owns more of the right of way than initially believed, and staff is in the process of confirming that in terms of making decisions on how best to address traffic issues in the area.

He suggested formation of a study group with adequate representation from all interested parties to analyze traffic in the area over the summer months and into the fall, as necessary,


to provide recommendations to the Board of Selectmen based on that review.

Several residents from the Ocean Avenue Extension neighborhood addressed the board in support of returning the road to two-way traffic, citing such issues as increased speed in the area since the road has been one-way and difficulties with postal delivery changes and accessing their residences. Others spoke in favor of the change, citing increased traffic and building in York Beach.

Selectmen Chairman Mike Estes said the town’s goal is to make York Beach a safer environment for motorists, pedestrians and residents alike. Following the discussion, the board voted unanimously to support Yandow’s recommendation and returned the road to two-way traffic.

Those interested in serving on a study group should visit www.yorkmaine.org or contact Town Hall at 363-1000.

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Shawn Nuttall

Shawn Nuttall is a student who took the knowledge and skills from his Entrepreneurship class to the extreme. This sophomore created his own business called Seacoast Web Designs. He runs all aspects of the business on his own and to date has created five professional websites. He is learning about customer service and other facets of the business world. Shawn has shown excellent initiative this year!

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York astronaut's space shuttle flight grounded again

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — Chris Cassidy's parents, former teachers and family traveled to the Kennedy Space Center in Florida to wait with anticipation for the planned launch of Space Shuttle Endeavour on Saturday, June 13. But that was not to be.

The launch, rescheduled for Wednesday, June 17, was scrubbed again due to a potentially dangerous hydrogen gas leak.

It wasn't the first time. NASA confirmed on Saturday, June 13 that the mission to the International Space Station had to be put on hold due to a leak associated with the gaseous hydrogen venting system outside the craft's external fuel tank.

"The system is used to carry excess hydrogen safely away from the launch pad at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida," according to a statement provided by NASA. "At 12:26 a.m. EDT Saturday, managers officially scrubbed the launch for at least 96 hours."

NASA managers announced Monday, June 15, that they had scheduled the next launch

attempt for Wednesday, June 17, and had moved the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter and Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite launches to Thursday, June 18 to accommodate Endeavour's liftoff.

"Teams on Kennedy's Launch Pad 39A are in the process of changing out internal seals in the Ground Umbilical Carrier Plate, or GUCP, which is attached to the external tank. The vent line runs from the GUCP, away from the launch pad to a 'flare stack' where excess hydrogen is safely burned off," according to an earlier NASA update on the launch. "Endeavour's leak is similar to what happened during the first launch attempt of space shuttle Discovery's STS-119 mission in March. Technicians are using the same repair method, which led to Discovery's successful launch on its next attempt."

Cassidy, who is a 1988 graduate of York High School, will be taking part in several of the planned spacewalks on the 16-day mission, which is scheduled to include completion of construction of the Japan Aerospace Explora-

tion Agency's Kibo laboratory. This will make the first spaceflight for Cassidy, whose parents still reside in York and who has maintained his connection with York High School and some of his former coaches and teachers.

York High School Principal Bob Stevens and Athletic Director Ted Welch, for example, were in Florida for the planned June 13 launch. Due to the travel time involved, Stevens was unable to attend York High School's graduation exercises on June 11, and wrote to the graduates of his excitement at being able to witness the event - although it meant an end to his record of attendance at some 30 consecutive years of graduations.

Cassidy, in fact, served as York High School's commencement speaker at one of those more recent graduations, and will be taking a varsity letter into space with him to return to the school as a souvenir of his out-of-this-world trip.

The launch itself was scheduled after deadline for this edition of The York Independent. To follow the progress of Cassidy and his space shuttle team, visit www.nasa.gov.



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

Local author's 'Confident Voices' aimed at empowering nurses

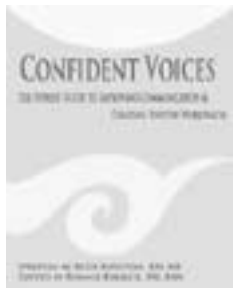
By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — As a registered nurse herself, York resident Beth Boynton, M.S., knows firsthand the problems that nurses face in the workplace, and the implications for the healthcare profession as a whole.

From that experience, Boynton was inspired to make a difference, and her new book, "Confident Voices: The Nurses' Guide to Improving Communication & Creating Positive Workplaces," aims to do just that.

Describing the inspiration for her book, Boynton explained, "I believe that many challenging problems nurses face in healthcare have common root causes involving interpersonal and workplace dynamics. Staffing shortages, medical errors, workplace violence and financing healthcare can all be helped with improved communication and positive work cultures. With about 3 million nurses in the U.S. — 12 million worldwide — we are pivotal players in every healthcare setting. I see enormous potential for impacting positive change."

For example, she said, medical errors are a major cause of death and injury across the country, while failure to communicate is consistently cited as the primary cause of such



tragedies.

"When we hear something in the news about a surgeon amputating the wrong leg or the nurse giving the wrong medication, we shake our heads in disbelief," Boynton said, pointing out that "what we really need to do is fix the system. I think nurses can be positive change agents and my book helps empower them."

To those ends, Boynton's book not only combines insights, stories, personal experience and theories but was reviewed by 35 nurses in its draft form. The goal was to create a resource to foster respectful relationships between healthcare professionals, improve work environments and, ultimately, lead to more effective and creative collaboration.

"These are complex issues and I am not suggesting that they will magically disappear, but I do believe that long-term, credible solutions lie in understanding and solving the underlying issues," Boynton said.

Several members of Boynton's publishing team also shared their input on the importance of this book to the future of healthcare.

Local resident Bonnie Kerrick, RN, BSN, spoke of her

involvement with Boynton's project as its editor and the opportunity of bringing together her experience as a writer, editor and nurse for this project.

"I was involved with Beth in the creative process from the beginning - helping shape her ideas and content into a cogent context and then chapter by chapter, creating clear, concise and very readable copy to support and inspire nurses in the creation of more positive and safer workplaces," Kerrick said. "We developed a remarkable trust over this time and that made all the difference in the quality of the final product."

York graphic designer Joanne Muckenhaupt agreed, describing working with Boynton as "almost like an example from her book. She was able to tell me exactly what she wanted and was able to dictate any changes along the way in the same confident and respectful manner that is described in the book. ... I felt very inspired by Beth's drive to make a difference for nurses and their working environments. Safety and respect is something we all should feel confident about whether it is at work or in our personal lives."

"Confident Voices" is available at RiverRun Book Store in Portsmouth, N.H., or online at Amazon or www.beth-boynton.com.

Getting out the word on local history, art, shopping and more

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK VILLAGE — There's a lot to love about the town's center.

That's the message of a new poster and t-shirt campaign, the brainchild of the owners of Beyond the Sea on York Street in York Village, welcoming residents and visitors alike to discover the shopping, eateries, history and art available right in the center of York.

"I Love Shopping, Dining and History in York Village, Maine" posters are already showing up in windows all across the village, displaying the message that Toni DeSoto and Doug Taylor of Beyond the Sea have coined in an effort to band together with their York Village neighbors and showcase the community.

"We at the Village can't wait for the economy to turn around," DeSoto said, explaining why she and Taylor decided to create and pur-

chase the posters and, in the weeks ahead, the t-shirts to be distributed in local shops. "We need to get the word out to the locals about all there is right here in York Village."

From specialty gift shops to clothiers, from restaurants to cafes, from art galleries to the Museums of Old York and from floral arrangements to bicycles, there's something for everyone right here in town, DeSoto said.

"We've got to promote it," Taylor said.

Migrating from Cuba to the United States in the 1950s, DeSoto explained that she experienced what the loss of business meant to her family under Castro's government. Now, owning a shop in York for nearly two years, she said her goal is for neighbors and merchants to help one another through difficult economic times.

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Village and adjacent to the York Public Library, Taylor urged local residents to experience the arts, culture and shops that are all within easy walking distance of each other in the village.

The goal is simple, DeSoto said—to get the word out about all there is in York beyond its beaches in order to keep York Village as a vibrant community center.

To date, she said, the response has been very positive, with nearly every village business joining in the effort to get the word out, and many residents and visitors alike asking about what else there is to see and do in the area when they see the signs in the windows at Beyond the Sea.

To learn more about this new campaign to promote York Village, or to find out how to get your own poster or t-shirt once they are available, call 363-2755.



Toni DeSoto and Doug Taylor show off their new "I Love Shopping, Dining and History in York Village" poster at Beyond the Sea. The pair started the campaign to get the word out to local residents and visitor alike about all the history, art, eating and shopping options right here in town. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

Building Habitat for Humanity, right here in town

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — York's own Habitat for Humanity project will provide one lucky family with a place to call him.

"Our completion date is fluid as this is a volunteer-based initiative and we are looking to begin the actual groundwork in preparation for the home to happen in the coming week," explained Greg Gosselin, director of Habitat's York Build, on behalf of the all-volunteer committee working on the project.

The architect's final renderings are also expected within the weeks ahead, according to the all-volunteer committee overseeing York's Habitat for Humanity Build.

"We have conducted the family interview process and have a good number of potential family candidates for this home," Gosselin said. "The board is now reviewing the final candidates and within the coming week we

hope to announce the family that will be selected to partner with us in the build of their new home. The family will be contributing a minimum of 400 hours to Habitat for Humanity in making their contribution to this build."

The family eventually selected to occupy the house at 8 Hemlock Lane will receive a 30-year, interest-free mortgage from Habitat for Humanity.

The Hemlock Avenue lot was one many properties approved by voters to be disposed of by the selectmen. While some of the properties are being sold to acquire funds for future building projects, the selectmen voted last year to donate the buildable lot to Habitat for Humanity for the construction of one house, pointing to the town's need to provide more affordable housing options.

"I would like to thank the town of York, all the residents of York for making this all possible through the generous donation of the land for this build," Gosselin said. "You will be a much richer community in spirit!"

And, since the town agreed to donate the parcel to Habitat for Humanity, local organizations and businesses have begun signing on to help, including Rock Bottom Excavation and York Woods Tree Service, LLC, which are assisting with clearing the lot for construction.

"We are very fortunate to have them," Gosselin said.

Walter Woods, owner of Rock Bottom and York's Graystone Builders, has also offered to help in another way - by choosing the York Habitat for Humanity project as the beneficiary of the annual community bonfire celebration and fundraiser to be held in September.

"He has adopted the Habitat cause,"

explained Lori Barrett, one of the volunteer members of Habitat's York Build Committee.

Members of the committee cited many reasons why they've become involved, ranging from the chance to, as Gosselin put it, "work directly hand in hand with a family partner to build their future home" to helping provide one more affordable home in an area where, even in this economy, affordable housing continues to be a challenge.

"The rising cost of real estate along the Seacoast in the last 10 years has made affordable housing nearly nonexistent," Gosselin pointed out. "Even with today's drop in housing values, the Seacoast communities are still out of reach for, say, a family of four with an income less than \$60,000 a year. These are the folks that we see every day in our community working in small business, town offices and services."



Several of the members of the all-volunteer team working to see York's Habitat for Humanity house built in the year ahead stand at the 8 Hemlock Avenue site donated by the town for the project. Pictured are Lori Barrett, Greg Gosselin, Mary Beckwith, Walter Woods and Gretchen Heilman. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

And residents can help in this effort, whether through making donations or signing on to offer volunteer hours to make the project a success.

Those interested in making donations can find miniature white houses with blue roofs and red chimneys - the collection boxes for York's Habitat for Humanity of house - in businesses throughout town. Donations deposited will help fund the construction materials, estimated at about \$100,000.

"From the point of breaking ground and moving forward, we can expect the average home build to take an average six months," Gosselin explained. "This will depend on the very important volunteer support that we need and receive to complete the home."

Volunteer days are usually Friday and Saturday of each week and a site supervisor is being selected to ensure proper materials are on hand for each day's work and to assign the volunteers to their tasks for each day.

To volunteer to help with York Habitat for Humanity build itself, or for other ways to donate to the cause, visit the Habitat of York County Web site at www.habitatyorkcounty.org.

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Letters to the Editor

Thanks for support of school budget

To the Editor,
On behalf of the members of the School Committee, we would like to thank the voters of York for your support of the Fiscal Year 2010 budget which was passed first at the recent town meeting and later at the validation vote that was a part of the May 29 town warrant.

Though this two-step process mandated by the state’s consolidation statute was new to all of us, it was heartening to see the level of involvement voters displayed at both votes. We very much appreciate the efforts of all who participated in order to have their voices heard and their votes counted.

Particular thanks go out to Town Clerk Mary-Anne Szeniawski and her staff for coordinating the town meeting itself and seeing

to all the details an event of this magnitude entails.

In closing, the passage of this budget will allow our schools to continue to deliver strong educational programs for the children of York. Thank you for your support!

We wish everyone a wonderful summer, and we look forward to a dynamic 2009-10 school year.
Marilyn S. Zotos
Chair, York School Committee

Two down and one to go

To the Editor,
Three cheers and hip hip hurray!
What great news to hear that the gargantuan Walgreens has been slain by the falling economy and was too lazy to file the proper papers on time. We are indeed the winners.

And more good news is that Mr. Plotkin’s scheme for a new shopping mall, road to York Beach and housing facility has also been abandoned. Again, we are the winners- along with the Wild Kingdom, York Beach Village and the wetlands that surround the area.

Our third disruptive area by the Spur Road, where a huge three-storied office complex would disrupt the traffic entering and exiting, and ruin our entrance to the Yorks, which is currently a placid and attractive entrance, has yet to be defeated by the severe traffic hazards, wetlands surrounding the proposed building, or the visual distraction of a large scale unattractive building. How can we put pressure on to minimize this program? Maybe requiring the building to be self sustaining, i.e. green plants on the roof, solar wind panels, or a turbine.

Two down and one to go. York, don’t let Goliath win!
Cynthia H. Raymond
York

Thanks for supporting AIDS quilt display

To the Editor,
On behalf of the NAMES Project Northern New England Chapter, I would like to thank everyone for their support during the annual AIDS Quilt Display at the Dunaway Center in Ogunquit over past Memorial Day weekend.

Hundreds of people from all over New England viewed 14 Quilt panels, a total of over 112 individual quilts, that were from the NAMES Project Foundation of Atlanta, Ga. Until recently, the quilts were only available once a year. However, since the NAMES Project Northern New England Chapter was formed (encompassing Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont), the displays can be seen throughout the three New England states at any time of the year.

We are very pleased to be able to display this National treasure throughout the year. Again, thank you all for your generous support and we look forward to working with those who would like to have their own display in Northern New England.
Richard Leigh
NAMES Project
Northern New England Chapter

Garden Club raised more than \$1,000

To the Editor,
On behalf of the Silent Auction Committee of the Old York Garden Club, I would like to thank all the donors who gave so generously to our auction: Rolling Green Nursery, Blackrock Farm, Churchill’s Gardens, Estabrook’s Farm & Greenhouses, Fox Hill Nursery, Skil-lins Greenhouses, Snug Harbor Farm, York’s Hardy Rhododendrons, Wentworth Greenhouses, New Hampshire Hostas and Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens.

Thanks also to all the Old York Garden Club members and friends who contributed choice plants to be featured in the Silent Auction portion of the annual Old York Garden Club plant sale. The Silent Auction was a great success, raising over \$1,000 for our scholarship and civic development projects. Thank you also to the many people who came and supported the garden club through their purchases.
Bobbie McGann
Old York Garden Club Silent Auction, Chair

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Politics & Other Mistakes

Some kind of salvation

By Al Diamon, political columnist
In 2008, Sean Faircloth, then a state representative from Bangor, lost his bid to become Maine’s attorney general, mostly because lots of legislators questioned his credibility.
When your credibility is so shaky that even politicians notice, you have a serious problem. It’s sort of like if atheists complained about your ungodliness.
Faircloth was the Democratic whip in the Maine House, a position that should have given him an edge in the AG race, which is effectively decided by the majority party in the Legislature. But he never adequately dealt with news stories revealing that he’d let his license to practice law slip into inactive status, or explained why he seemingly overstated his roles in passing important legislation and in serving on an influential commission.
By the time his candidacy for AG collapsed, Faircloth’s political career – he’d already lost bids for the U.S. Senate in 1996 and for Congress in 2002 – appeared to be over.

Not quite. On June 4, the Secular Coalition for America, a Washington-based group that – according to its Web site – represents the interests of “nontheistic Americans,” announced it had hired Faircloth as its new executive director. In a news release, the coalition said, “Faircloth has been a vocal champion for the separation of church and state throughout his decade of service as an elected official in the Maine Legislature.”

He has?
I could have sworn Faircloth wrote a 1992 op-ed for the Bangor Daily News in which he said, “Many Democrats assert that politics is no place for religion – that politicians should not be guided, analyzed or condemned based on religious views. The religious right believes politics is exactly the place for theology – and I agree.”

In 2005, somebody with the same name as the Secular Coalition’s new executive director penned a piece for the Portland Press Herald, quoting the Bible, discussing God’s view of Maine politics and proclaiming, “I prefer the Christianity of our Founding Fathers.”

That same year, this Bizarro-World Faircloth also performed a task usually handled by members of the clergy. He gave the opening prayer for a legislative session.

To whom do nontheists pray? Non-God?
This month, Faircloth, or possibly some atheistic extremist who’s stolen his identity, wrote a letter to members of the coalition in which he urged them to join him in opposing “the persistent intrusion of religion into government policy” and to “stop the forces trying to entangle our government with religion.”

Well, I’ll be damned.

Survival strategies for a modern world

GrowSmart Maine isn’t growing smart. It’s also not growing stupid. In fact, it’s not growing at all.

What the Yarmouth-based non-profit organization, which focuses on combating suburban sprawl and reforming state government, has been doing is shrinking.

Half the 12-member staff has been laid off. Those who survived the cutback are only being paid to work three days a week. And president Alan Caron has given up his salary for the summer. Even those savings may not be enough. According to Caron, if GrowSmart doesn’t collect at least \$60,000 in donations in the next month, it will likely be shut down. And if it does achieve its fund-raising goal, it probably won’t be advocating for as broad an agenda as it once did.

“We got spread too thin,” Caron said. “We’re trying to figure out what the organization is going to be in a way that can sustain itself.”

GrowSmart got too sprawling? There’s irony for you.
GrowSmart began as an effort to convince officials in the rapidly growing suburbs around Portland to create walkable downtowns and discourage strip malls and big-box stores. But Caron had larger ambitions. In 2006, GrowSmart commissioned the Brookings Institution’s comprehensive report “Charting Maine’s Future,” which called for a wide range of governmental reforms and created lots of political buzz. The book became a sort of progressive’s bible (hey, does Sean Faircloth know about that?), and GrowSmart was supposed to issue an update this year.

Then, the economic downturn hit, and \$105,000 in pledges made by businesses to GrowSmart got cancelled. While the organization is still in line to receive a half-million dollars in foundation grants this fall, it currently doesn’t have enough cash to make it that far. And if a plea for donations – which has so far produced about \$30,000 – doesn’t bridge the financial gap, GrowSmart will have to shut down or limit its agenda, a prospect that doesn’t please Caron.

“There’s a tug of war among our members: sprawl or sustainable prosperity,” he said. “If this organization is just going to deal with sprawl, well, I have other things to do.”

More irony: Recessions tend to solve the sprawl problem by eliminating development. And, perhaps, a lot of development’s critics.

Comments, both sprawling and succinct, can be e-mailed to aldiamon@herniahill.net.

The Sports Report

York Lady Wildcats softball defies odds for a super season

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK - Glance at the roster for the 2009 York High School varsity girls' softball team and the list is not a long one, with only a dozen players coming out for the team at the start of the spring season.

However, with only 12 players, nine of whom had to be in the field at any given time, this little team defied the odds that come with such small numbers and went on to a winning season, and even a spot in the quarterfinals.

Team manager Rob Butler credited the attitude of each of those 12 players with this year's success.

"It's a great bunch of kids. I haven't had any problems with any of them," he said. "They work together well, they like each other and I think they like me and the other coaches. They respond to what we ask them to do, and what they ask each other to do."

The goal for the season, Butler said, was for the team to do its best to win games while having a good time, and winning games promised to be a challenge with only 12 girls coming out for the team this year, and no JV program due to those numbers.

However, he said, the team rose to the challenge.

The team included five seniors, three juniors, one sophomore and three freshmen and, in addition to Butler, was coached by Bill True, Stephanie Cleary and Tracy Avery-Pardoe.

For the regular season, Butler noted, "We have a record of 10 and 6 and we could just as easily have been 13 and 3 or 14 and 2. Of the six games that we lost, four of them we lost by one run. Those could have gone either way."

Season highlights included the May 11 win against Traip Academy, with a score of 13-1, where Nell Henderson-Brown hit a solo home run, a triple and a single and pitcher Alex Rennie shut out nine batters. On May 13, York won over Falmouth 5-0, with strong performances by Emily Marshall, Rennie, Sagina Siccone, Christine Buford, Chelsea Hutchings, Henderson-Brown, Alex Haight and Lissy Enright - to name a few.

York went on to defeat Poland 3-1 at home just days later, with additional strong plays by Devon Bettinson and Marie DePeter, followed by a 4-0 win against Old Orchard Beach on May 20 and an 11-2 win against Wells on May 26 - just to name a few of the team's strong showings this season.

The season came to its end with the June 10 playoff game against Gray-New Gloucester.



Team Manager Rob Butler & Marie DePeter confer on the field. (Courtesy Photo)

"We lost in a squeaker, 2-1," Butler said after that close game was over. "It was a great season, though."

And were there any players who stood out this season among the five seniors and seven underclassmen that made up the softball team?

"On any given day, we had a different hero," Butler said, adding that when it comes to the five seniors, who graduated from York High School on Saturday, June 11, "They're going to be missed."

Looking to the future, Butler said he hopes the success of this year's team will encourage more students to become a part of the softball program.

"My hopes are we come back with the same seven plus hopefully add another 15 to 20 players from kids who didn't come out this year or incoming freshmen. I hope the success the team's had this year will draw a few kids out next year," he said, adding that, as coaches, "we like to instill that it's fun to play the game. Go out and have a fun time playing the game of softball, and if you're doing that you make yourself better at it, and the wins come along."

LOCAL SPORTS BRIEFS



Participants in the York Hospital 5K on their way. (Courtesy Photo)

York Hospital road race winners announced

A record 353 racers competed in the annual York Hospital 5K Road & Cross Country Race on Saturday, June 6. The race was to benefit the hospital's "For Every Patient" Campaign.

Post race refreshments were provided by York Hospital Dining and Nutrition and age-group winners took home gift certificates donated by area businesses including Bagel Basket, Body Mechanix Massage, Dairy Queen in Kittery, Kettle Boys Popcorn, The Lobster Barn, Mainiax Restaurant, Marathon Sports, The Meat House, Mud-dy River, Nature's Way Market, Nike Outlet Store, Pepperland Café, Ri-Ra's Pub, The Rosa Restaurant, Shipyard Brew Pub.

The York Police Department, York Volunteer Ambulance and many volunteers ensured a safe race. Proceeds from the race, including sponsorships from Amidon Family Dentistry, Coastal Fitness, Kennebunk Savings Bank, Kleen Linen

Services & Drycleaning, Sports Medicine Atlantic Orthopaedics, and The Stolen Menu Café will benefit York Hospital's For Every Patient Campaign to expand the Surgery Center, privatize patient rooms, create a new helipad and improve parking.

Overall Winners: Male, Casey Carroll, Dover, N.H., 16:42; female, Sarah Hill, York Harbor, 20:17. Age 10 and under: Ryan Simpson, York, 22:15; Malia Cryan, York, 26:54; age 11-13, Nick Arau, York, 21:28; Molly Leno, Rochester, N.H., 24:45; age 14-17, Alexander Arau, York, 18:43; Aubrey Ouellet, Bedford, 26:04; age 18-29, Nicholas Lumerello, Ogunquit, 19:05; Amanda Vanasse, Kennebunk, 26:00; age 30-39, Steven Hansen, South Berwick, 19:42; Laurie Creagan, Auburn, N.H., 23:22; age 40-49, Matt Merrifield, Moody, 18:59; Beth Lindquist, Kittery, 20:48; age 50-54, Jon Brown, York, 23:05; Sally Brown, York, 24:48; age 55-59, Phil Ponier, Dover, N.H., 23:26; Marylou Ford, Plymouth, Mass., 36:17; age 60-64, Rick Reynolds, Berwick, 21:22; Mary Uliniski, Dover, N.H., 27:01; ages 65-69, no male winner; Penny Cush-



Fastest finishers of the York Hospital 5K were Sarah Hill, York Harbor (20:17) and Casey Carroll, Dover, N.H. (16:42) (Courtesy Photo)

man, Albany, N.Y., 33:15; age 70 & over, Gary Reuter, Kittery, 25:18; Shirley Veno, York, 41:31; hospital employees, J. Thomas Albright, York, Orthopaedics, 25:32; Karen Bragdon, Wells, Wells Physical Therapy, 25:30.

York Golf and Tennis Club Women's League Results

With 16 points, Team 2, led by Captain Peggy Todd, came in first place the week of Monday, June 15 in the women's golf league at York Golf and Tennis Club while Team 1, led by Captain Sandy Petrovich, came in second place with 13 1/2 points. Separated by only 1/2 of a point is Team 5, led by Captain Linda Davis, at 11 1/2 points and Team 6, led by Captain Nancy Flolid, at 11 points in third and fourth places respectively. In fifth place with a score of 10 1/2 is Team 4, led by Captain Paula Dargan followed by Team 3, led by Captain Spruill Kilgore with 9 1/2 points for sixth place.

Babe Ruth

Results Week 3

• **York1 9, S. Berwick8:** On Wednesday, June 10, York1 came from behind to defeat South Berwick 9-8 with Morgan Briggs driving in Jesse Ware with the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning at VES. Morgan Briggs and Taylor Newton both pitched well for York1. In addition to Briggs' big hit, Ben Lawlor and Taylor Newton both had two hits and one run scored. Sean McKenna also had a hit for York1.

• York2 12, York1 8:

On Friday, June 12 at York High School, York2 defeated York1 12-8. This game saw York1 take an early lead but York2 bounced back and led the rest of the way. Stanley Szeniaowski led York2 with 3 hits and 1 run scored. Michael Gallagher, Sean Horgan, Aaron Todd, Spencer Fox and Jackson Cogger had 2 hits each for York2. Tommy Arsenault, James Winkler, Cameron Farrell, Trenton Spencer and Nick York all had one hit for York2. James Winkler, Sean Tourigny and Aaron Todd all pitched well for York2. For York1, Taylor Newton, Ben Lawlor, Jess Ware, Morgan Briggs, Sean McKenna, Cameron Frecker and Anton Burimov all had one hit each. Sean McKenna, Adam Legg and Nick Moulton pitched well for York1.

York High School 2009 Spring Sports Awards

York High School's 2009 Spring Sports Awards were presented on Monday, June 8.

• **Team awards.** Girls Lacrosse: Pit Bull Award, Kellee Cribby; Spark Plug Award, Ali Graziano; Coach's Award, Kami Kristjansdotter; Most Improved, Emma Clark. Boys Lacrosse: 100% Award, Kyle Robinson; Defensive Player of the Year, Michael Cline; Offensive Player of the Year, David Figlioli; Most Improved, Sam Rasche; Coach's Award, Ben Hecht; Coach's Award, Cameron Rodrigues. Track and Field: Most Valuable Athlete, Chelsey Tewell; Most Valuable Athlete, Molly Carl; Most Valuable Athlete, Danielle Clements; Most Valuable Athlete, Alex Moser; Most Valuable Athlete, Brian Farrell; Most Improved, Jared Prugar; Coach's Award, Stephanie Lomasney. Baseball: Team Batting Champ, Patrick Seaward; Coach's Award, Paddy Murphy; Leadership Award, Jimmy Kennedy; Fireman's Award, Chris Cole; Most Improved, Sam Leal; Most Improved, Alex Blasik; Coach's Award - JV, Dan Gearin; Rookie of the Year - JV, Michael Khan. Girls Tennis: MVP, Rachel Barrows; Boys Tennis: MVP, Zachary Kofman; MVP, Aaron Waldman; Most Improved, Sean Walley.

• **All Stars.** Track: Chelsey Tewell, Molly Carl, Stephanie Lomasney, Emily Mitchell, Danielle Clements, Niki Taylor, Michaela Swiatek, Layla Ferland, Alex Moser. Baseball: Chris Cole, Paddy Murphy, Patrick Seaward. Tennis: Zach Kofman, Aaron Waldman. Softball: Alexandra Rennie, Alexandra Haight, Chelsea Hutchings.

• **All Academic.** Track, Colleen Buckless, Molly Carl, Danielle Clements, Brian Farrell, Stuart Mason, Jillian Means, Leah Miller, Elizabeth Roy, Chelsey Tewell; Lacrosse, Michael Cline; Baseball, Jerry Ashley

• **Achievements.** Girls Track Team WMC Champions, Team State Runners-Up. State Individual Champions: Chelsey Tewell - 100M, 100 Hurdles; Molly Carl - 300 Hurdles; 400M Relay - Stephanie Lomasney, Emily Mitchell, Chelsey Tewell, Danielle Clements; 1600M Relay - Niki Taylor, Michaela Swiatek, Danielle Clements, Molly Carl; Boys Track 3200M Relay - Alex Moser, Dan Herbein, Tristan Palhof, Brian Farrell; 1600M Relay - Dan Herbein, Josh Herbein, Brian Farrell, Jared Prugar.

Obituaries

Helen Eitel Rollins Garden historian

Helen Eitel Rollins, of York Harbor died on Saturday, June 6, 2009, after struggling with a little known disease called Progressive Supranuclear Palsy.

Born in Louisville, Ky., on June 30, 1924, she was the daughter of Paul T. and Louise F. Eitel.

Helen attended Kentucky Home School for Girls, the University of Louisville, where she was a Pi Beta Phi sister, and Purdue University, where she studied aeronautic engineering.

In 1942, as World War II began, Helen enlisted in the Navy as a WAVE and served in the War Department in Washington, D.C., where she tracked weather for ships at sea.

After the war, she worked for the Episcopal Rector at Harvard College; there she met her husband of 52 years, Douglas Rollins, who pre-deceased her in 2000. They married and moved to Rollinsford, N.H., where they lived for 30 years before moving to York Harbor.

A true community leader, she served on many boards including the Dover Children's Home, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, the Guild of Strawberry Banke, Piscataqua Garden Club, Old York Historical Society, York Hospital, St. George's Church, and Trinity Church. She was a founding member of the Guild of Strawberry Banke, the York Public Library, and of the Archive of American Gardens at the Smithsonian Institution.

Helen was active in the Republican Party,

in conservation and historic preservation. For 40 years, she served as the Vice President of Tomhegan Woodlands, Inc. She is a former member of the Chilton Club, the Filson Club, and the York Harbor Reading Room.

She championed computer database use in cataloguing a collection of glass plate negatives owned by the Garden Club of America. Her work there grew into a national project to preserve the history of notable gardens in America, now comprising more than 80,000 images and plans at the Smithsonian. Although the archive was formally established in 1987 with the support of the Garden Club of America, she continued to serve throughout her life as the contact for landscape historians wishing to research or contribute to the archive.

Survivors include her brother and his wife, Paul T. and Marilyn Eitel, of Hilton Head, S.C.; her children and their spouses, Douglas and Eureka (Buzzi) Rollins, of Milbank, S.D., Helen Rollins Lord of York Harbor, Paul and Carla Rollins of York, Alexandra and Gordon Upton, of Boston, Mass., Elizabeth Frank Mauran of Providence, R.I., and John and Susan Rollins of Seattle, Wash.; nine grandchildren, Jesse, Catherine, Douglas IV, Ruth, Philip, Paul, Marion, Cecily and John; and a great-grandson, Colby.

Interment occurred in the First Parish Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Carll-Heald & Black Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, Helen's family suggests

gifts to her beloved Trinity Church or the York Public Library.

Kevin Bettencourt Dedicated chiropractor

Dr. Kevin "Kev" Sean Bettencourt, 56, of 145 Woodside Meadows died Saturday, May 30, 2009.



He was born with his twin brother Mark Bettencourt in Salem, Mass. on June 25, 1952 to Edward and Arlene (Canniff) Bettencourt. Kevin was a 1970 graduate of Danvers High School and attended North Shore Community College for Liberal Arts. He then transferred to North Adams College and graduated with a Bachelors degree in English. After graduating from North Adams in 1974, Kevin enlisted into the Peace Corps and went to El Salvador where he taught English and helped the people there for nearly three years.

It was there in El Salvador that Kevin took a bad fall while rock climbing, causing severe back injuries. After having no luck with traditional medicine, he went to a Chiropractor and was amazed at the relief he experienced from a Chiropractic adjustment. This spurred his passion for Chiropractic medicine.

After the death of his father, Edward, in 1980, he decided to attend the Palmer School for Chiropractic Medicine in Iowa and graduated as a Doctor of Chiropractics in 1984. From then on he dedicated his life to providing

the same healing and relief he had experienced to everyone who came to him for help.

On June 24, 1995 he married Annette Marie Leroux. This joyous occasion united him with Annette's three children, Adrienne Bode, Robbie Lapointe, and Nicole Lapointe. In September 1998, his son, Jesse Paul Bettencourt was born.

He was a life-long humanitarian, constantly contributing to charitable organizations of all kinds. He participated in the Shattuck Hospital fund raiser with his older brother Paul Bettencourt. Paul passed away in 1996 and Kevin went on to do the AIDS ride from Boston to New York in his brother's honor and memory.

He was a nature lover and a friend to all animals. He loved dogs and even learned how to give doggy chiropractic adjustments, which he did at the York Animal Hospital.

He was always active and participated regularly in outdoor sports such as kayaking, biking, roller blading, skiing, hiking, fishing, camping, and many others with his friends and family.

He was an avid music lover and learned to play the guitar. He shared this passion with many people, but most of all with his son Jesse.

He is survived by his wife Annette Bettencourt; his step-children Adrienne Bode, Robbie Lapointe, and Nicole Lapointe and son Jesse; his mother Arlene Bettencourt; his twin brother Mark Bettencourt; his sister Michelle

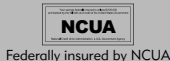
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Vesey and many of in-laws, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father Edward Bettencourt and his older brother Paul Bettencourt.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Kevin Bettencourt's memory to the Jesse Bettencourt Educational Fund, 145 Woodside Meadow Road, York, ME 03909.

Laura M. Childs

Family woman and volunteer

Laura M. Childs, 98, of York, died Monday, June 1, 2009 in York Hospital.

Laura was born in Monticello on June 12, 1910, the daughter of Joseph and Daisy (Ross) McElhiney Heath and stepfather, Fred Heath of Gardiner.

In 1942, she moved to York with her husband and seven children. She worked at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital as a Diet Girl for 14 years. She also volunteered at York Hospital for 21 years with well over 5,300 hours of volunteer service.

She received an honorary award for being the oldest member of the York Senior Center from the Maine State Senate.

Laura raised eight daughters and five sons with the help of her late husband Charles P. Childs, who passed away in March 1997, after 69 years of marriage. The children and their families are Patricia Pugh Zenger and Jerry Zenger of Portsmouth, N.H.; Charles and Seanne Childs, Jr., of Richardson, Texas; James J. Childs, who died in January 2003; Kenneth Childs, who died in 1935; Laura Kincaid of Visalia, Calif.; Robert and Millie Childs of Trenton, Fla.; JoAnn & Bill Ross of Hermitage, Tenn.; Gerald Childs and Beverly Lee of Barrington, N.H.; Barbara and Tony Nasuti of Dover, N.H.; Delores Belanger of York; Sandra and Joe Vano of York; Gail Childs of York; Brenda and Walt Barstow of Rochester, N.H.; and Timothy and Robin Childs of Kittery Point. She had 48 grandchildren; 73 great-grandchildren; 14 great-great-grandchildren; and a brother, James Heath of Gardiner.

She was predeceased by two grandsons, Scott J. Avery and Donald Childs; a great-grandson, Richard Allen, and a great-granddaughter, Jasmine Ann; three brothers, Carl McElhiney, Fred Heath, Leroy Heath, and three sisters, Grace Beaudry, Dorothy

McElhiney and Barbara Heath.

Burial occurred at the First Parish Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the York Street Baptist Church, 61 York St., York, ME 03909 or to the York Ambulance Assoc., P.O. Box 238, York, ME 03909.

Robert C. Berry

Sports enthusiast

Robert "Bob" C. Berry, 69, died Friday, June 5, 2009 at the Maine Medical Center.

He was born March 11, 1940 in Lewiston, a son of the late P. Clyde and Beatrice (Hobbs) Berry and graduated from Edward Little High School in Auburn. He had worked for Leighton Chevrolet, for Wynn's Automotive, and for 23 years at Starkey Ford, retiring as service manager.

He was very active in the York Community, having coached in the boys and girls Little League, Pop Warner Football and Seacoast Basketball. He was instrumental in starting the Pop Warner Football League. He enjoyed his years of coaching the youth in York and later watching his grandchildren participate in sports. In addition to sports he enjoyed NASCAR, antique cars and spending time with family and friends. He spent much time with the Maine Handicap Skiing Program, teaching handicapped children to ski at Sunday River.

He leaves his wife of 50 years, Martha (Turner) Berry; two sons, Richard C. Berry and his wife Kathy of Belfast, and Robert C. Berry and his wife Shelli of Moody; two daughters, Paula B. Wheeler and her husband, Danny of Bethel, and Belinda L. Macri and her husband, Garrison of Hamilton, Mass.; a brother, Paul Berry of Gray; a sister, Nancy Jewett of Sabattus; eight grandchildren, Zachary, Travis, Justin, Hallie, Hillary, Owen, Ryan and Cameron; and four step-grandchildren, Ryan, Casey, Alison and Sarah.

Memorial contributions may be made to Maine Handicapped Skiing, 8 Sundance Lane, Newry, ME 04261 or to York Athletic Boosters Program, c/o York High School, 1 Robert Stevens Drive, York, ME 03909. A celebration of Bob's life will be held for family and friends at the Lobster in the Rough on Route 1 in York on Saturday, July 25 from 3 to 6 p.m.



Birth Announcements

The following births were recorded in May at York Hospital:

• **Born May 1, 2009:** Aaron Jeness Gurtman, baby son of Kristen & Nathan Gurtman of York. Happy sibling: Isaac.

• **Born May 18, 2009:** Benjamin Jeffrey Flynn, baby son of Charity & Todd Flynn of Kittery. Proud grandparents are Zolanna & Jeffrey Tice of Eliot, Glenda & Ronald Jette of Eliot, and James Flynn of Salem, Ore. Happy siblings: Samantha, Shauna, Arianna, Melody & Ava.

• **Born: May 22, 2009:** Scarlett Jacqueline Colwell, baby daughter of Sylvia & Lance Colwell of York. Proud grandparents are Peggy DeWilde of Falls Church,

Va. and Joe & Becky Colwell of Fitchburg, Mass. Happy siblings: Atticus & Sawyer

• **Born: May 26, 2009:** Sophia Marie Drakopoulos, baby daughter of Jodie Arkwell of Berwick and James Drakopoulos of Somersworth, N.H. Proud grandparents are Lona & David Arkwell of Rollinsford, N.H., and Arhonto & Paniotis Drakopoulos of Somersworth, N.H.

• **Born: May 30, 2009:** Corby Rose Adams, baby daughter of Sheila Walker & Thomas Adams of York. Proud grandparents are Terry & Dorothy Adams of York and Mary Walker of Kittery.

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Cover Story

Saying goodbye to York High!

The town welcomes its newest citizens: The York High School Class of 2009

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK - They gathered together for what would be their last moments as York High School students, honored by friends, family, teachers and community members alike as they prepared to embark on the new chapter in their lives, as adult citizens of York and of the world community.

It was Thursday evening, June 11, and as the scores of graduates - surrounded by generations of their families and well-wishers from across their school and home community - crowded into the York High School gymnasium, emotions were running high. Some blinked back tears and others beamed as camera flashes illuminated their expressions in these final moments before they would cross the stage, accept their diplomas and exit from the gym to begin a new phase as college students, job-seekers and employees, joining a community that has supported them with part-time jobs, filled seats at sporting events and music performances and countless volunteer hours in the local schools.

Valedictorian Emily Marshall spoke of the importance of a supportive community to the graduates.



York High School Salutatorian Stuart Mason celebrates after receiving his diploma during the graduation ceremony. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

"I know many of us wouldn't have had the success we did here at YHS without the help of the entire faculty, our family members and the friends sitting with us today," she told the crowd, describing the myriad ways the members of the Class of 2009 - and the York community as a whole - stood together in good times and bad. "Hopefully, we can carry this identity through all our future endeavors. We will all go on and meet people who have not witnessed what living in such an encouraging community is like, yet we still must uphold the values we learned at York High School. It won't be easy, but remaining this selfless and supportive will reflect well on this class and inspire those around us to better themselves."

Salutatorian Stuart Mason spoke of the changes he and his fellow York High School graduates have seen throughout their school days, and the changes that are yet to come.

"Change is growth; change is life," he told the crowd, reflecting on the years he and his classmates have spent at York High School.

Later in his speech, he spoke of the connection he and his

"There are wars to end and there is love to be shared. In short, there are lives to be lived."

classmates will always have to this local community.

"We have been together 175 days a year for the past four years. After tomorrow, this group of people may never again be assembled together in the same place at the same time. There's real power in that," he said at the end of his speech. "Still, I know, that a part of each and every one of us - a very important part - will always remain here, with York High School."

Before the members of the Class of 2009 received their diplomas and enjoyed those final moments together at York High School, however, the connection between the town of York and its students was exemplified by the awarding of dozens upon dozens of scholarships, nearly all of them funded by local businesses, organizations and individuals to help deserving seniors pursue their goals in higher education.

School Committee Chairwoman Marilyn Zotos spoke to the graduates, pointing out that whether or not they were part of the 90 percent of the class that had been accepted to colleges, universities or other post-secondary educational programs, "this class has raised the bar for other students at York High School to follow."

But, she continued, the Class of 2009 was about more than academic achievement, and will be remembered for "the simple legacy of true kindness you have for others."

The exceptional abilities of this class was a theme echoed by many in attendance at the ceremony.

As Superintendent of Schools Henry Scipione put it, as the graduates prepared to enter the world at "an unprecedented time," their dreams, optimism and positive choices can lead to "a future of success and happiness."

And when it comes to that connection between York High School's newest graduates and improving the community at large, perhaps Mason put it best.

"We stand poised over a world in constant need of innovation and intervention," he said. "There are problems waiting to be solved, and solutions to be improved upon. There are wars to end and there is love to be shared. In short, there are lives to be lived."



Valedictorian Emily Marshall beamed as she makes her way off the stage after receiving her diploma at the school's commencement exercises on Thursday, June 11. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)



Members of York High School's Class of 2009 celebrated their graduation ceremony inside on Thursday, June 11, due to threatening weather. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

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VALEDICTORIAN EMILY MARSHALL is the daughter of David and Mary Marshall of York. She has been involved in many extracurricular activities at York High School. She was a member of the indoor track, softball and field hockey teams all

four years. She played on the State Championship field hockey team, was a member of the State Champion 4x200 Relay in indoor track and was a captain of the softball team this year. Emily was also a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish World Language Honor Society and Key Club. She implemented an Adopt-A-Highway program for Key Club and was the vice president this year. She was also a Senior Facilitator and a tutor for the Writing Center. In addition to activities at YHS, she has played the piano since she was six years old and plans to continue in the future. Last August, she traveled to Brazil to participate in environmental research with a group of York students. During her high school career, Emily won awards in English, Spanish, chemistry, physics, art and mathematics. Last year, she received the Yale Book Award and the Rensselaer Medal. Emily will attend Dartmouth College in the fall, where she will pursue interests in chemistry, mathematics, music, Spanish and art.



COLLEEN BUCKLESS is the daughter of John and Madolyn Buckless of York. Colleen enjoyed a wide variety of honors and activities during her four years at York High School. She was a member of the National Honor Society, World Language

National Honor Society (German), Student Government and the student representative to the York School Committee. Colleen was also a Student Listener and Senior Facilitator. She maintained honor roll status as well as earning academic achievement awards for Health, Honors English, Honors Chemistry and Modern European History. For four years Colleen was a proud member of the YHS field hockey team, winning the 2008 State Championship; additionally, she participated in both indoor and outdoor track and field, managed the boys' varsity basketball and was recognized as an Academic All-Star in field hockey, indoor track and outdoor track. Colleen participated in RYLA and Dirigo Girls' State, was an Honorary Page at the State House, worked with the York Police Department to implement an E-911 Autism Flagging system and enjoyed Scouting. Colleen will attend the Honors College of the University of Maine Orono with a major in biology and a minor in neuroscience in order to pursue a career in neuroscience research.



SALUTATORIAN STUART MASON is the son of George and Karen Mason and the brother of George "Sam" Mason. At York High School Stuart was president of the Student Government and the National Honor Society, as well as chief lighting technician for the auditorium, a writer for the newspaper, a member of the World Language National Honor Society and a member of the jazz band. Stuart was a captain of the cross country and track teams. Blue is his color, and he firmly believes that when you look good, you feel good. Stuart was the recipient of the MPA Principal's Choice Academic Achievement Award, the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, the St. Michael's College Book Award and the Phi Beta Kappa Academic and Personal Excellence Award. This fall, Stuart Mason will join the Harvard College Class of 2013 and pursue studies in the fields of physics, mathematics and engineering sciences.



KAITLIN CARSON is the daughter of Scott and Leslie Carson of York. Kaitlin's high school career was characterized in large part by the organizations at York High School. A member of National Honor Society, the World Language National Honor Society, and the Civil Rights Team, she also served as president of Interact and most recently co-managed of the boys' lacrosse team, helping her to achieve her goals of staying involved in the school's community. Also, working as a tutor and helping in a nursery has made her aspire to integrate education into her future career. However, her true love was found through having the opportunity to work in Guatemala and to see the Pantanal in Brazil. These trips inspired her to major in international relations with a minor in French. Kaitlin will attend George Washington University in the fall after working abroad over the summer.

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COMMENCEMENT SCHOLARS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER



THEO BROSSMAN was born to David and Lucinda Brossman in the year 1990. He has a brother named Noah and three stepsiblings named Ben, Abby and Hannah. Music has always been an integral part of Theo's life; he was chosen to be

in the All-State Jazz Band his freshman year as first tenor saxophone and was a part of the York High School Jazz Band and Chamber Singers. Theo was also a member of the National Honor Society, Senior Facilitators, the Gang Green Environmental Activism Club and the Writing Center. For the past several years, Theo has spent time at Coastal Ridge Elementary School volunteering in a second-grade art class. He played soccer and lacrosse when he was younger, but now he prefers kayaking and bicycling. Theo was accepted to several schools to study music, but has decided to pursue different interests. He will spend a semester at the New York Institute for Architecture and Urban Studies and tentatively enroll at Hampshire College in the spring to study architecture, sustainability and hopefully still have the opportunity to keep playing music.



DANIELLE CLEMENTS is the daughter of Roger and Gai Clements. Before returning to York in 2004, Danielle lived and attended school in Landstuhl, Germany. At York High School, she has been a dedicated member of the National Honor Society,

the World Language Honor Society and the Civil Rights Team. While maintaining honors throughout high school, Danielle has won several academic awards including math, French and the Smith College Book Award. In sports, she has captained the State Championship field hockey team, been a member of the girls' ice hockey team and a captain of the successful outdoor track and field team. In the fall,



Danielle will attend Clarkson University to major in biology or bioengineering.

MELISSA ENRIGHT

No further information available.



JILLIAN MEANS, daughter of John and Jeanine Means, participated in three seasons of sports all four years including two years of varsity field hockey and three years of varsity indoor

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and outdoor track. An active member of the community, Jillian was an active member and secretary of Key Club, volunteered her time at the York Public Library and participated in the National Honor Society and World Language National Honor Society for German. She maintained honors all four years and was a National Merit Scholarship Commended Student, an AP Scholar and earned the Art Award. Next year, Jillian will attend St. Michael's College, where she will pursue a liberal arts education.



KIMBERLY RIGANO, daughter of Lori Proos and Robert Rigano, grew up in Acton, Mass., and moved to York at the start of her sophomore year. She continued her lifelong involvement in sports as a three-year member of the YHS varsity soccer and basketball teams and was privileged to be a part of the 2007 State Championship soccer team and the 2008 Western Maine Championship basketball team. Kimberly was also an active member of the YHS Interact Club, Civil Rights Team, National Honor Society and World Language National Honor Society. She also volunteers year-round at the Center for Wildlife. Kimberly has received several awards including Academic Achievement awards in math, chemistry and Spanish, the Williams College Book Award, Western Maine All-Academic recognition in soccer and basketball and was selected as a member of the Maine McDonald's All-State Academic Team. She maintained high honors for three years and is the recipient of a Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship as well as a merit scholarship from Florida Institute of Technology, where she plans to study psychology with a concentration in animal behavior.



CURRAN RUSSELL is the son of Beth Boynton and Pam Russell. The list of clubs and activities he has been involved with at York High is long and varied, including the Civil Rights Team, National Honor Society, Spanish World Language National Honor Society, Senior Facilitators, the District Music Festival for Chorus and Student Listeners, a mentoring program working with younger students. His true passion however, is theater, and he has performed in numerous venues around the Seacoast, including the Ogunquit Playhouse, Seacoast Repertory Theater and Prescott Park Arts Festival, in shows ranging from High School Musical to Urinetown. Curran was a finalist for both the National Merit and Questbridge scholarships, and this fall he will attend Emerson College with the intent of earning a Bachelor of Arts in theater education.



CHARLISAYWARD, daughter of Dennis Sayward of York, is a member of the National Honor Society and World Language National Honor Society, as well as team captain for York High School's Action Team. Through Action Team, she collected and donated stuffed animals, sports equipment and soap and shampoo to Camp POSTCARD, a summer program for underprivileged youths. A very successful student at YHS, Charli remained on the honor roll all four years. Along with academics and volunteering in the community, she was also a member of Great Bay Rowing Club for five years. This fall, Charli will attend the Honors College of the University of Maine at Farmington, where she plans to pursue secondary education in mathematics.



EMILY WALL, daughter of Nancy and David Wall, is a member of various clubs and activities

including National Honor Society, World Language National Honor Society (Spanish) and Student Government. In addition to her membership in clubs, she played varsity ice hockey all four years and was a two-year member of the track team. She also participated in the community by volunteering at the local Special Olympics each year. Throughout her four years, Emily maintained honors and was the recipient of the St. Michael's College Book Award, as well as academic awards in math and English. This fall Emily will attend St. Lawrence University, where she plans to study pre-med and environmental studies.



ANDREW YOUNG is the son of Donald and Karen Young. Andrew was a representative in Student Government for three years, as well as a member of the World Language National Honor Society. He achieved honors all four years, even while being employed most of the year. Andrew also served as a Senior Facilitator and helped students in the Writing Center. Additionally, he volunteered at the local library. In sports, he coached a youth basketball team and participated in golf and indoor track throughout high school, earning varsity letters in both. During the summer after his junior year, Andrew went to Brazil to help researchers find out more about the wildlife of the area, along with the effects of climate change on the Pantanal wetlands. He also was active in the local music scene; he played guitar and bass for multiple bands over two years. Andrew received the Dean's Scholarship to Arizona State University, where he will major in film and media studies.

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GRADUATES: Tanya Amalfitano, Christine Barnes, Anthony Bernazzani, Linnie Blais, Alexander Blasik, Colin Bond, Meghan Brown, Shaun Cantara, Lauren Caramihalis, Skyler Clark-Hamel, Kacey Coffenberry, Ethan Cohen, Thomas Conlon, Brendan Conneaney, Kirsten Dean, Marie DePeter, Timothy Dillon, Emily Downs, Sarah Eldredge, Mason Farrer, Jacob Finnemore, Alexandra Ford-Besson, Kelcey Frassica, Andrew Frost, Benjamin Gaudette, Daniel Gearin, Zachary Going, Bryce Hamilton, Melissa Hanley, Peter Hanlon, Lauren Hapgood, Taylor Harrison, Erin Henry, Alexander Hill, Jayce Insko, Ryan Kelly, William Kennedy, Lauren Kinton, Michael LaPointe, Charles Maxwell Loeffler, Nicholas Lumenello, Connor Lusty, Nathaniel Maddix, Alexandra Mahabir, Charles Marshall, Molly McCarthy, Scott McKenna, Natalie Mendoza, Stefanie Morse, Amelia Ott, Corey Pavuk, Cole Phillips, Elise Pratt, Kiera Pressey, Katherine Prouty, Calvin Ramus, Cameron Rodrigues, Lauren Stein, Thomas Venenga, Evan Wallace, Andrew Waring, Kacie Wheeler, Elaina Yeomelakis, Amanda Young and Christopher Ziobrowski.

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School Notes

York Education Foundation awards nearly \$12,500 in grants

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — It's that time of year again, when the end of the current academic year brings with it inspiration for the year ahead, in the form of special grant funds for educational projects.

The York Education Foundation Grant Committee has announced its 2009 Grant Awards, which will benefit programs for the 2009-2010 academic year and, in some cases, well beyond.

YEF Grant Committee Co-Chairs Amy Dutton and Ann D'Aquila announced that this year's awards include four grants, "MP3 Language" to Sarah Bolanos, a Spanish teacher at York High School; "Wild Birds Around Us" to Catherine Sherman, a 1st grade teacher at Village Elementary School; "Maine Native American Study" to Pam Whelan-Roy, Betsy Pattison and Carolyn Dupre, kindergarten teacher at Village Elementary School, and "GPS In the Classroom" to Margot Simonds, 5th-grade teacher, and Martha Borden, technology integrator, at York Middle School.

"It is the goal of YEF to provide seed funding for original and innovative projects that are not funded by the York school budget," Dutton explained. "Therefore, we have found the classroom instruction to be motivated and inspired by the awarded grant, with the children directly benefiting."

The grant for "MP3 Language" in the amount of \$8,016 will allow for the purchase of 12 digital voice recorders, as well as accessories, for each foreign language teacher at York High School in order to better serve the approximately 480 students enrolled in foreign language classes each year.

According to the grant description, the recorders will provide such educational improvements as allowing the students to record themselves practicing in the target language as well as to take part in speaking and listening activities both inside and out of the classroom. In addition, it will provide teachers with a more objective, accurate and detailed assessment of students' progress than is possible with current technology.

The \$489 grant for "Wild Birds Around Us" will provide funds for Sherman to purchase materials and for a feeding station at Village Elementary School where all 1st-graders will be able to feed and observe wild birds, according to the grant documentation, as well as literary materials in conjunction with the project. The students will, in turn, learn to identify the birds and find out how they adapt to their environment as part of the 1st-grade woodland and coastal birds curriculum.

The "Maine Native Americans Study" project grant, in the amount of \$2,000, will fund the addition of a Native American storyteller in the creation of a Wabanaki setting for the 250 kindergarten and 3rd-grade students who study Maine Native Americans in the social studies curriculum.

"The students will participate in hands-on learning experiences representing the daily lives of the Wabanaki people of long ago," the project detail states, "and the storyteller will complete the authentic experience for the children. Projects by the students will

be developed based on what they learn from this study."

The final grant project, "GPS in the Classroom," funded at \$2,000, will cover the purchase of 20 GPS units for use by science teachers in grades 5 through 8.

The goal, according to the project's description, is to educate students in "using GPS as a scientific tool and to incorporate its use in subject areas involving spatial activities throughout their middle school education. This will include learning basic mapping skills to document data collection during habitat studies, mapping plant species and creating a geocache trail to identify tree types in forested areas around York, documenting locations of water samples and invasive species."

The York Education Foundation was founded for the purpose of funding creative and original projects in York's public schools and supports annual grants to enrich student experiences in the classroom. To learn more about the organization, visit yorkeducation-foundation.org.

Planning Board reviews York High music wing, signs Walgreens plan

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — The Planning Board is delving into the details on plans for an addition at York High School to house music instructional space.

The board met on Thursday, June 11 to hold a public hearing and application review on the site plan application for the music wing addition, which will house classrooms, offices and rehearsal space

to support York High School's choral and instrumental music programs.

Only one local resident, Howard Koepel, spoke out at the public hearing, urging the Planning Board to take into consideration continued issues with drainage and flooding on and around the high school parcel when moving forward with the project.

During the application review, Alan

Kuniholm of PET Architects provided an overview of the project, explaining the plans are currently being reviewed by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection with approval expected within the next couple of weeks.

Eric Dube of Casco Bay Engineering discussed plans with regard to utilities and drainage on the site, including plans to hold and treat runoff water from the site.

"We're able to treat that storm-water in this basin and then release it at a slower rate out into the wetlands and ditch area," he explained.

The board also discussed the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) components of the project, as the town adopted an ordinance after the approval of the project that requires new town building to meet LEED standards.

Although the ordinance does not apply to the project, the design team highlighted LEED materials being used in the design in an effort to make the project as environmen-

tally-sound as possible while remaining within the approved budget.

Planning Board members David Woods suggested the York School Department consider postponing the project and returning to the voters with a request for additional funds to meet full LEED certification during the budget vote next May, but the majority of the board agreed they did not have the authority to ask for a delay on the project.

Board members agreed to look at whether to present another ordinance related not only to new municipal construction but renovations or expansions of buildings in the future.

For the music wing, the board accepted the plans as complete, with conditions, as the review will continue at a future meeting as the project timeline's goal is to begin construction this year.

Also at the most recent meeting, the board held a sketch review with Richard Tara and Richard Bournival for the Bournival Dodge site on Route 1.

Town Planner Christine Grimando explained that the sketch review request came forward in an effort to address compliance issues on the site.

The discussion included provisions for landscaping, lighting, drainage and fencing, with plans for a site walk on the property prior to the next review.

In other business, the board signed final plans for a new Walgreens Pharmacy to be located on Route 1, across from the Sanford Institution for Savings and Rite-Aid sites.

To view upcoming Planning Board agendas, visit www.yorkmaine.org.

REACHING NEW HORIZONS



Academically talented or motivated students at York's elementary and middle schools have the opportunity to go above and beyond their classroom learning through the Horizon's program, which features enrichment activities on a variety levels at Village Elementary School, Coastal Ridge and York Middle School. With the end of the school year have come some special projects by these students, including recent presentations by fifth- and sixth-graders at York Middle School, who worked on independent study projects ranging from generating their own energy to tracing their family tree to recreating a Van Gogh painting, while others made international foods, wrote music, studied global warming or learned just how the kidney functions. Pictured here, Charlotte Reilly shows how she taught her dog to respond to hand signal commands, now that he is no longer able to hear, while fellow fifth-graders Mac Walter and Ethan Maddix demonstrate their lemonade machine for third-grader Mae Hickey during the Horizons Learning Fair at York Middle School on Tuesday, June 9. (Photos by Jennifer L. Saunders)

Southern Maine Currents



Welcome York Seasonal Workers on June 22

The York Seasonal Worker Program Committee is inviting the public to attend its Seasonal Worker Mixer at Inn on the Blues.

The committee, a community volunteer organization, is inviting the many seasonal workers who have come to town from Bulgaria, Romania, Thailand, Central Asia, Jamaica, China, Central America and elsewhere to come together at this Monday, June 22, event from 5 to 7 p.m. to meet one another and representatives of the local community.

The Seasonal Worker Mixer will be held at the Inn on the Blues, on the second floor, and is free to all attendees; however, potluck contributions are welcome. Anyone who plans to attend or who has any questions may email igive@maine.rr.com.

The Seasonal Worker Program is a committee of the York Diversity Forum which sponsors many community events, including the social gathering of seasonal workers from the summer of 2008 pictured here, which provided York's summer residents with an opportunity to meet one another as well as interact with Americans who extended a welcoming hand.

Sing into summer at St. George's

On Thursday, June 25, at 7 p.m., St George's Episcopal Church in York Harbor will present an evening of Broadway tunes featuring soloist Julia Cossman and other friends of the church.

The concert will be followed by a dessert reception and donations will be accepted at the door to support the music program at St. George's.

Cossman, of Anchorage, Alaska, has become familiar to audiences for her many portrayals on stage since 1986. She has performed with the Anchorage Opera and in such musical theater productions as "A Little Night

Music," "Rocky Horror Picture Show," "Evita" and "The King and I." She holds a Master's degree in vocal performance and taught voice at the University of Alaska at Anchorage for many years.

She noted that she is thrilled to be performing at St. George's Church, where her family has been active members for many years.

To find out more about this and other events, visit www.stgeorgesyorkharbor.org.

Maine lowers state income tax

Legislative Document 1495, An Act to Implement Tax Relief and Tax Reform, will mean lower taxes for many Maine residents.

Gov. John Baldacci signed the bill into law last week, hailing it as "an important step in lowering the tax burden on Maine's families and businesses."

Baldacci said the tax code will now be more progressive and the reforms can help Maine's economy to grow.

Under the new law, the top income tax rate is reduced from 8.5 percent to 6.5 percent for income up to \$250,000 and, for incomes above \$250,000, from 8.5 percent to 6.85 percent. The act also broadens the sale tax and makes a portion of the Earned Income Tax Credit refundable for lower and middle income families while increasing funding for tourism marketing.

"Families and businesses will see a direct benefit from this tax package," Baldacci said. "Small businesses make up much of Maine's economy and pay taxes through the individual income tax. Lowering the top rate leaves them with more money to invest."

Three York students among Berwick Academy's Cum Laude Seniors

Three local students were recently honored among members of their class at Berwick Academy for their achievement over their high school careers.

Francesca LaFrance Cone, daughter of Signe LaFrance and Brian Cone of Cape Neddick, had been inducted into the Cum Laude Society as a junior and has maintained headmaster's honors or high honors every



semester at Berwick, where she is a member of the Spanish National Honor Society, has received Departmental Recognition awards in Spanish and math and the Dartmouth Book Award. She was also a Commended Scholar in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. She will be attending Colby College in the fall and is planning on majoring in Spanish and environmental science as well as continuing her study of dance.

Margaret "Maggie"

Edkins, daughter of Lauren and William Edkins of York, was inducted into the Cum Laude Society as a junior and is a member of the National Art and French Honor Societies, as well as the recipient of the Smith Book Award and Departmental Recognition Awards in art and English. She has maintained high honors throughout her Berwick career and has also recently been awarded two Gold Key awards and one American Vision award in the National Scholastic Art Competition. She will attend the University of Pennsylvania, where she plans to study fine arts and communications.

Kathryn "Katy" Squicciarini, the daughter of Clare Moore of York and John Squicciarini of Antioch, Calif., entered Berwick Academy and has achieved high honors, received a Departmental Recognition Award in English, and was the recipient of the Brown University Book Award. She was inducted into the National French Honor Society and earned first place in the state of Maine on the National French Exam. Since arriving in Maine, Katy has studied violin performance at the Longy School of Music in Cambridge, Mass. An avid writer, Katy was published in the literary magazines of both her high schools and last year, she wrote, directed, and acted in an original play about peer relations entitled Lord Browhigh Academy, which premiered in the spring of 2008.



June is Adopt-a-Cat Month

York County's Animal Welfare Society is celebrating the American Humane Association's national Adopt-a-Cat Month, encouraging families and seniors to consid-

er enriching their lives by adopting a cat.

"When cats are not neutered or spayed, they reproduce easily, and spring and summer are the seasons when cats are most active, resulting in more kittens showing up at our doors," said AWS Shelter Co-Manager Kirstin Mininni, shelter. "We encourage people in the community to meet all of the great cats and kittens we have available. They're all unique and are all looking for loving, permanent homes."

Things to consider before adopting including the personality and age of the cat that best suits your household, the number of cats, the type of fur and the importance of nutrition and health.

The Animal Welfare Society in West Kennebunk is now open until 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays to make it easier to add a companion to your home. Cats and kittens adopted from the Animal Welfare Society are spayed or neutered and up-to-date on vaccinations, and will leave AWS with a certificate for a free health evaluation with a local, participating veterinarian, a cat carrier and a collar with ID tag.

For more information, please visit www.animalwelfaresociety.org.

York Adult Education graduated honored

A ceremony for York Adult and Community Education's 11 General Education Development (GED) graduates, 13 Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) and one high school diploma graduate was held on Friday, June 5, at Moody Hall.

The 2009 YACE Commencement Class includes GED graduates **Brianna Klein, John Seedner, Adam Fowler, Katelyn Zerbinopoulos, John Makuck, Natasha Merrill, Chelsey Pidgeon, Kyle Zerbinopoulos, Shannan Sharp, Amanda Gagne** and **Andy Seedner**; Diploma graduate **Keith Sleeper**, and CNA graduates **Jennifer Bubier, Melissa Cuniff, Jennifer Fargo, Paula Goodwin, Shirley Mandeville, Amy Moore, Rosalee Morin, William Searles, Robin Seward, Marianne Town, Norman Tremblay** and **Joseph Wyman**.

Also at the ceremony, York Adult Education awarded scholarships to **Alexa Cicero, Catherine Hansen** and **Pedro Gil**.

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EVENTS

Animal Welfare Society special events are scheduled for Saturday, June 20. PetSmart at Biddeford Crossing will host the Animal Welfare Society Mobile Adoption Team with adoptable canines from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. while the Animal Welfare Society Humane Educator and an adoptable pet will be at the Maine Children's Museum on Free Street in Portland for a program on animal care and handling from 1 to 2 p.m. Visit www.animalwelfaresociety.org.

Bird Walk with York County Audubon at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm will be held Saturday, June 20, at 7:30 a.m. Free with admission to the reserve. Call 646-1555.

Chili and Dessert Cook-Off will be Friday, June 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Christopher Church Hall, 4 Barrell Lane, York. Admission is \$3 per person to taste and judge the entries. This fundraiser will benefit St. Christopher's Youth Ministry Mission Trip to Owego, N.Y., in July.

The 29th Annual Eliot Festival Days are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Sept. 25 and 26 with the theme, "Coming Home to Eliot Again." Friday night's festivities include the Annual Chili Cook-Off where local residents and area businesses compete for best-tasting chili honors, an antique car show and a spectacular fireworks display. On Saturday, get up early to enjoy the pancake breakfast and the 17th Annual Eliot Festival Day 5k Road Race followed by the Kid's Fun Run. After the races, enjoy the parade and street fair. Crafters, vendors, food and entertainment will keep the excitement going all day long. The Eliot Festival Day Committee is currently accepting applications for vendors, crafters, food sales and entertainment. Visit www.eliotfestival-days.org.

Just For Kids: Insect Safari will be held Monday, June 29, from noon to 3:30 p.m. Take a mini expedition to track down all kinds of six-legged critters in the sky, under rocks and among the leaves at the Wells Reserve. Admission prices are \$18 and \$24 with reservations required at 646-1555.

St. Christopher's and St. George's Vacation Bible School, "Crocodile Dock," will be held Monday through Friday, 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.

School Around Us 34th Annual Summer Craft Fair is Saturday, July 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on the Green on Ocean Avenue in Kennebunkport, featuring 80 juried artists and artisans, live music and food. Call 967-3143 or visit saucraftfairs@yahoo.com. The rain date is Sunday, July 5.

Signs of Wildlife Walk will be held Tuesday, June 30, at 9:30 a.m. Look for evidence of animals and learn what secrets these creatures keep. Free with admission to the Wells Reserve. Call 646-1555.

Summer Street Stroll will be held Saturday, June 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. Tour three historic homes on Summer Street in Kennebunk and attend at dessert reception hosted in the garden

of a fourth mansion to benefit the Child Abuse Prevention Council of York County. Call 985-5975 to reserve your tickets.

Video Gamers at the York Public Library are scheduled for Saturday, June 20 and Fridays, June 26, July 3, 10 and 31, from 5 to 8 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 and dates are subject to change. Call Janalee at 361-2116 or 423-4281.

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

Endangered Species, solo dance works by Larry McCullough, will feature expressive modern dance to classical music by Rachmaninoff, Mahler, Chopin, Debussy and Poulenc on Friday and Saturday, June 19 and 20, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, June 21, at 2 p.m. at the West End Studio Theatre (WEST), 959 Islington St., Portsmouth, N.H. Tickets are \$18, or \$15 for students and seniors Contact (603) 433-5408 or info@pinetreeinstitute.org for more information or purchase online at www.pinetreeinstitute.org.

Irish Music Guy Kevin Farley will present a benefit performance of his new show, "The Invisible Thread," at Hackmatack Playhouse in Berwick on Friday, June 19, at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$10 to \$22 and are available by calling the Hackmatack Playhouse Box Office at 698-1807 or online at www.hackmatack.org. Proceeds benefit the Hackmatack Playhouse, one of New England's most charming and quaint summer theatres.

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

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

FAIRYTALE FUN



There's a special connection between York Middle School and Village Elementary School in the spring months as several classes of older students adopt the personas of fairytale characters and answer letters written by the first-graders, who have read some of these favorite stories from the past - as well as their new adaptations - in their classes. Pictured here, Sharon Talbot's first-graders and Suzi Young's fifth-graders gather in the Village Elementary School Library after the older students performed their own variations of such favorite tales as "Goldilocks and the Three Bears," "The Three Little Pigs" and "Peter Pan" with puppets they made by hand in their classroom. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

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.

Ogunquit Museum of Art, 543 Shore Road, opening Wednesday, July 1 with three exhibits. *The Works of Bernard Langlais* through Aug. 30; *Out of the White Mountains*, selections from a private collection, through Oct. 31; and *Marsden Hartley: The OMAA Legacy*, selections from a permanent collection, through Aug. 30. For more info, call 646-4909 or visit www.ogunquitmuseum.org.

Sing into Summer, an evening of music and fellowship, will be held Thursday, June 25, at 7 p.m. at St George's Episcopal Church in York Harbor. Join us for an evening of Broadway tunes featuring soloist Julia Cossman and other friends of St George's Church. The concert will be followed by a dessert reception. Donations will be accepted at the door to support the music program at St. George's. Call 363-7376 or visit www.stgeorges-yorkharbor.org.

StoneCrop Gallery is open for the season at 805 Shore Road in York. Call 361-4215 or visit www.stonecropgallery.com.

York Silk Artist Sue Wierzba is one of the featured participants in Maine Women in the Arts "Personal Best" art show through Friday, July 3, at River Tree Arts, 35 Western Ave., Route 9, in Kennebunk Lower Village. Wierzba, a York resident, has won several awards for her unique and vibrant silk paintings and will continue to offer her silk painting workshops and classes this fall.

HEALTH, SUPPORT AND WELLNESS

Just for Fun Soccer is being offered by York's CLUB-A LA CARTE for home-

schooling 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.

The Heart Health Institute of York Hospital offers its smoking cessation program, "The Freedom Clinic," every Tuesday night from 5 to 6 p.m. This program focuses on education and support to help individuals achieve their goal of being tobacco-free and is facilitated by a registered nurse, registered dietitian and a certified hypnotherapist. Other programs, including "Elemental Balance Works," a Tai-Chi based approach, are also offered. For information, costs or to enroll in the above programs, call 351-3700.

The Yoga Center 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. and 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.; Yoga Level 1 on Tuesdays from 6 to 7:15 p.m.; Intermediate on Tuesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m., and Seated Yoga on Tuesdays from 3 to 3:30 p.m. Call 351-3700.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS NEEDED

York Community Thrift Shop, located at 1320 Route 1 in Cape Neddick requests donations of small furniture, small kitchen appliances, costume jewelry, summer hats and shoes. Proceeds from the shop benefit townspeople through the Food Pantry and Family Services. Call 363-2510.

The York County Shelter Programs is looking for various items and has volunteer opportunities. Call 324-1137.

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York Harbor Inn is collecting donations and supplies for AWS and Safe Haven Cat Rescue throughout the summer. Visit the inn's Ship's Cellar Pub on York Street in York Harbor for good eats, good fun and good company while supporting a great cause.

WORKSHOPS AND ENRICHMENT

Bird Banding Demonstration on Wednesday, June 24, from 7 a.m. to noon, will give you a close-up look at our feathered friends at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm Farm. This event is free with regular admission. Call 646-1555.

Marine Mammals and Sea Turtles of Maine will be the theme at the Wells Reserve on Thursday, June 25, from 7 to 8 p.m. Discover how the Maine Department of Marine Resources responds to calls about stranded sea turtles, seals and other ocean inhabitants at this event at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm for a \$5 suggested donation that includes admission. Call 646-1555.

Medicinal Plants and Their Uses will let you see weeds in a new way with Dr. Eddy van Hunnick on Friday, June 26, from 9 a.m. to noon. In a discussion and trail walk, van Hunnick will identify medicinal plants, show where to find them and describe how to use them. Explore how to make a wound dressing out of sphagnum moss and a headache remedy of nettle tea at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm Farm. Advanced registration is required by calling 646-1555.

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.

Trees on the Trail Walk will give you a chance to explore forests and learn to read the history of the land on Monday, June 29, from 9 to 11 a.m., at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm Farm. This event is free with regular admission. Call 646-1555.

USM Summer Session II begins on Monday, July 6. Whether you are a college student looking to pick up additional credits during the summer, are interested in beginning the path to a college degree, or simply interested in learning more about a subject, USM has more than 100 courses that begin during the month of July. Visit www.usm.maine.edu/summer/courses or call 780-5617.

York Adult Education offers classes in arts and crafts, business and career, computers and technology, culinary arts and more. 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 beginning in July. 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 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.catapultseacoast.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.connectingfamilies.together.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 care-giving 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.yoga-onyork.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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Library Happenings

York Public Library events

Visit us at 15 Long Sands Road; contact us at 363-2818 or visit www.york.lib.me.us for the most up-to-date information.

Events

• **Video Gaming at the Library for Teens:** 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. Gaming runs from 5 to 8 p.m. on the following dates: Saturday, June 20; Friday, June 26; Friday, July 3; Friday, July 10; Friday, July 31.

• **Artist Talk and Reception:** Tuesday, July 7 at 5 p.m. Eve Corey will discuss her art which will be on exhibit in the Library July 1 through the end of August. She will be exhibiting three different series; assemblages of wood (a kind of wall sculpture), work with cardboard inspired by visits to the French Quarter in New Orleans; and small paintings of the Tuscan landscape entitled "Italian Postcards."

• **The paintings of Jayne Adams of Alton, N.H.,** will be on exhibit at the Library 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.

• **Annual Library Booksale:** Thousands of gently used books on sale to benefit the library. Thursday, July 23: Preview Night. \$5 admission 5 p.m. 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. Book Donations are now being accepted.

Summer film series

• **"Slumdog Millionaire,"** Sunday, June 28 at 7 p.m. 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 mins.

• **"Happy-Go-Lucky,"** Sunday, July 5 at 7 p.m. British director Mike Leigh delivers a comic glimpse into the life of Poppy Cross, an exuberant North London schoolteacher whose optimism tends to exasperate those around her. It's a joyous, feel-good film. 2008. Rated R for language. 118 mins.

• **"Ce Qu'il Faut Pour Vivre,"** Sunday, July 12 at 7 p.m. (2008, in French & Inuktitut with subtitles) This film won the Genie Award (Canadian Film Award) for Best Director, Actor and Screenplay and was nominated for Best Picture. In 1952,

Tivii, an Inuit hunter with tuberculosis, leaves his northern home to recuperate at a sanatorium in Quebec City. Uprooted and far from his loved ones he becomes despondent until his nurse arranges to have a young orphan, Kaki, transferred to the institution. Ultimately Tivii rediscovers hope through a plan to adopt Kaki. Rated PG, 102 minutes.

• **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.

Authors at the library

• **Tuesday, July 7 at 7 p.m.** Suze Allen, formerly from Wells, author of "The Time-Starved Woman's Guide to Emotional Wellbeing," will speak and sign copies of her book. The book helps women learn to manage their time in a way that promotes well being, helps overcome obstacles, and strengthens relationships. Your browser may not support display of this image.

• **Tuesday, July 14 at 7 p.m.** Maine mystery authors Libby Mussman and Kate Flora will talk about their book "Deadfall: Crime Stories by New England Writers," a collection of stories by some of New England's finest crime writers. Books will be available for signing.

Summer Family Fun series

• **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.

• **Tuesday, July 28 at 6 p.m.:** Family Art Night – "Collaborative Kandinsky." Julie Eneman and graphic artist Jill Burke will guide families in a multimedia exploration of color as part of the summer reading program "Get Creative at Your Library." The finished art work will be suitable for hanging. Pre-registration by July 21 is required.

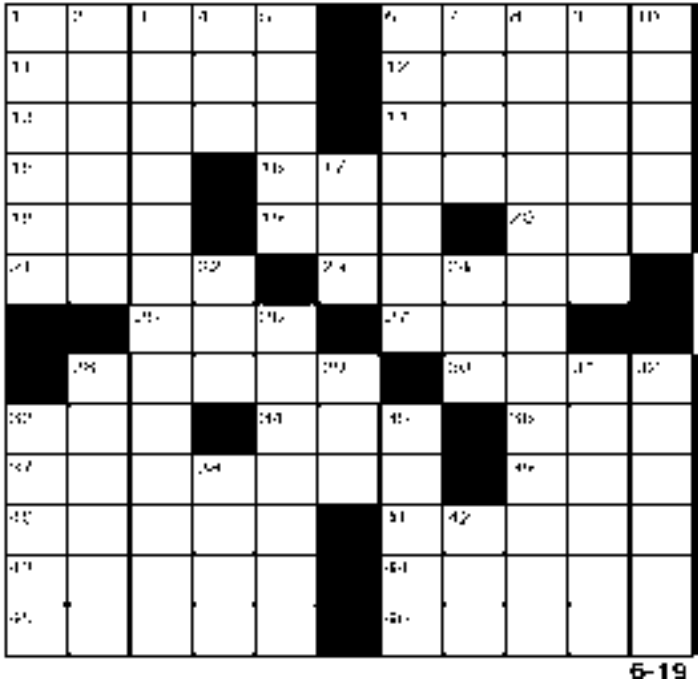
• **Wednesday, Aug. 5 at 10:30 a.m.:** Legend of the Banana Kid – Puppet Show. Join the nationally celebrated puppetry troupe, Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers and their cast of hand-made puppets as Little Chucky takes on desperate outlaws to save a small town.

• **Saturday, Aug. 15 at 1 p.m.:** Special Family Concert with Farmer Jason. Nashville's own Emmy-award winner 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!

The Summer Family Fun Series is funded in part by a grant from the Kennebunk Savings Bank.

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- 19. Fare carrier
- 20. Calendar box
- 21. Dull
- 23. Make pigtails
- 25. Ring up
- 27. Slalom section
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- 30. Prepare for a bout
- 33. Phone bill item
- 34. Wee bite
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- 37. Was behind schedule
- 39. "Platoon" setting
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- 41. Refinement
- 43. Play part
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- 46. Bird of basketball

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 - 3. Desk accessory
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 - 6. Skilled
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Arts & Leisure

Ogunquit Playhouse Premieres 'Shout! The Mod Musical!'

OGUNQUIT – Musical theatre meets Laugh-In now through Saturday, July 11, in this frothy, infectious, all-new production of Shout! The Mod Musical. This bright vinyl time capsule tracks five groovy girls as they come of age in the '60s, and flips through the years taking you back to the music, fashion and freedom of that liberating decade. Packed full of songs, dance and nostalgia, Shout! features a cavalcade of hits such as "Downtown," "Son of a Preacher Man," "You Don't Have to Say You Love Me" and many more.

Shout! features five veteran Broadway actresses: Tiana Checchia, who starred in the National Tours of Grease, Chance at Love and Nuncrackers; Amanda Lea LaVergne, who was recently seen in the Broadway production of Grease and the Radio City Christmas Spectacular; Kelly Kunkel, whose credits include The Full Monty, A Chorus Line and Chicago; Julie Cardia, whose credits include: It's a Wonderful Life; Damn Yankees, and Titanic; and Aléna Watters, who recently performed on Broadway in West Side Story.

As the summer heats up, so does the Playhouse stage. With its irresistible blend of hip-swiveling hits, eye-popping fashions and psychedelic dances, this fun-filled musical will make you want to throw your head back and 'Shout!'

At the Ogunquit Playhouse, you'll find the best of Broadway right in your own backyard! Five exciting productions are slated for the 2009 season, running now through Columbus



Kelly Kunkel, Amanda Lea LaVergne, Aléna Watters, Tiana Checchia, and Julie Cardia star in 'Shout! The Musical' now playing at the Ogunquit Playhouse. (Courtesy Photo)

Day Weekend. The Ogunquit Playhouse is America's Foremost Summer Theatre, producing the finest Broadway musicals each season, with performances Tuesday through Sunday from Memorial Day to Columbus Day Weekends. Main Stage ticket prices range from \$41 to \$60 per show. For a complete list of show times, pricing and more information about the season, visit our Web site www.ogunquitplayhouse.org. Tickets online or through the box office at 646-5511.

A trio of exhibitions fill York Gallery

YORK – On a recent idyllic summer evening more than 175 people attended the opening receptions for a trio of exhibitions at the George Marshall Store Gallery in York. The current offerings are pastels and oils by Brooklin, Maine artist Tom Curry, drawings by New York City artist, Charles Ramsburg, and ceramics, collaboratively made by local ceramic artist Maureen Mills and printmaker Victoria Elbroch.

The exhibitions continue through July 12. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 to 5, Sunday 1 to 5 and by appointment. The gallery is at 140 Lindsay Road, York. Call 351-1083 or visit www.georgemarshallstoregallery.com.

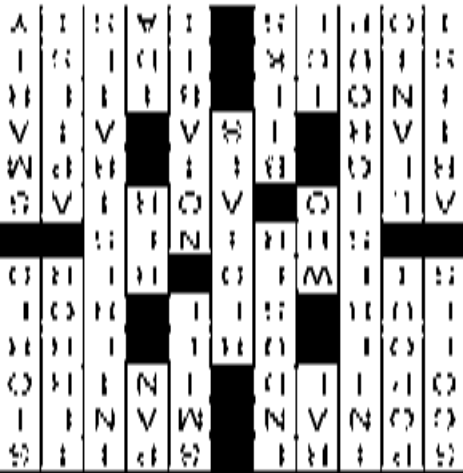
Tom Curry's paintings fill the main gallery with color and light on even the grayest of days. This exhibition includes pastels and

oils, both large and small, which are charged with brilliant color and reflection.

Curry calls "the natural world" his studio. No matter what the season, he can be found at his easel in the blueberry barrens, coves and salt water farms near his Brooklin, Maine home.

While gallery visitors enjoy the cool colors of his large winter landscape, "Curtis Cove," Curry still shivers, remembering the long hours in freezing weather working on the five foot long painting. He is committed to creating the sense of place, time and atmosphere of the Maine landscape. Such commitment includes being joined in his outdoor studio by black flies and mosquitoes and enduring all of the elements that the Maine environment has to offer.

Crossword Solution



Sudoku Solution

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The Pet Connection

Editor's Note: *If you are interested in adopting any of these animals or if you'd like to know who else is available for adoption, please visit the Animal Welfare Society Web site at www.animalwelfare-society.org or call 985-3244.*

THE DOGS

Rosa


Who could resist a face like this? Rosa is a five-year-old leopard cur dog who weighs about 66 pounds. She is a friendly girl that can't wait to find a loving forever family to call her own. Rosa is a smart girl that knows the commands "sit" and "come," and should do just fine sharing her new home with other dogs, cats and children over the age of six.



purr for hours. Cami is really a special girl who will make you believe you're as young as you feel.


Sammy

As sweet as sugar and gorgeous as can be, Sammy is a two-year-old cat with a nice, long, orange tabby and white coat. He is an extremely affectionate boy who can't wait to have a forever family to cuddle, love and talk to. Sammy is a super guy that will do just fine sharing his new home with other cats, dogs and children of all ages.



Spooky

This beautiful girl is Spooky, a three-year-old cat with a nice, short tortoiseshell coat. Spooky is a sweet girl and is quite the little purr box! If you are interested in adopting Spooky please fill out an adoption application and stop in to meet her.



OTHER PETS


Kellie

Meet Kellie, a cute little six-month-old bunny that came to us as a transfer. Kellie is a sweet girl with a beautiful orange coat. She enjoys being gently scratched behind the ears and would love nothing more than to find a forever family that is willing to handle her every day so that she can stay as happy and friendly as possible.




Elliot

Elliot is a three-year-old spaniel/beagle mix who weighs about 21 pounds. He is a friendly, active boy that would do just fine sharing his new home with certain other dogs and cats. Young children make Elliot nervous, so we will not be asking him to share his new home with any. An interesting fact about Elliot is that when he gets really excited and happy he actually smiles.




Brindles

Meet Brindles, a seven-year-old mixed breed dog who weighs about 38 pounds. Brindles is a sweet girl and can't wait to find a loving forever home. She is a smart girl, knows the command "sit" and should do just fine sharing her new home with other dogs and children over the age of eight.



Party


This beautiful boy is Party, an adult rabbit with a black and silver martin coat. Party is a bit shy and would love to find a forever family that will give him lots of TLC. If you are interested in adopting this cutie or any of the AWS pets, please fill out an adoption application and stop in for a visit.



THE CATS


Cami

Ten is the new two — at least that is what this ten-year-old kitty will tell you. Cami has a pretty, short, brown tabby coat. She came to us because her owners fell on some hard times, and is now patiently waiting for that special someone to scoop her up. She is an active kitty, playing with toy mice and catnip, and will roll around and



Rosie

Meet Rosie, an 11-year-old cockatiel searching for the perfect forever home. Rosie is a friendly girl who likes to make birdie noise. If you are interested in adopting Rosie please fill out an adoption application and stop in to meet her.



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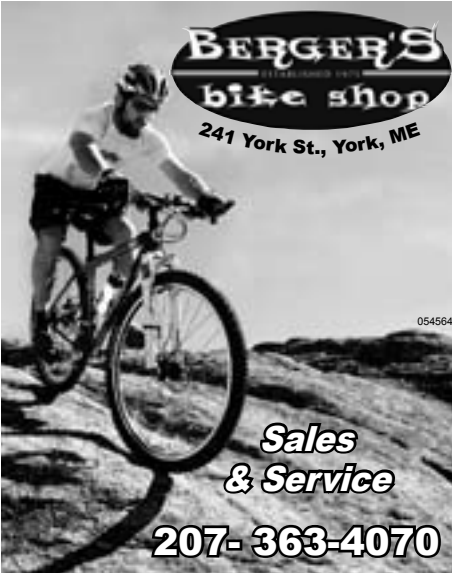




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Arts & Leisure

Mid-Season Exhibitions open June 24 at the Barn Gallery

OGUNQUIT – The Barn Gallery in Ogunquit announces the Mid-Season Exhibitions of its golden anniversary season featuring: regional artists in an open, juried show; “Exhibitions” by Ogunquit Art Association artists; three-dimensional work of “Invited New England Sculptors”; and “Showcases,” an exhibition featuring Ogunquit Art Association artists Rosalind Fedeli’s sculptures and Jim Kelly’s mixed media

The Mid-Season Exhibitions run from June 24 through July 26 with a gala reception open to all on Saturday, June 27 from 5 to 8 p.m.

Maine Arts Commission executive director Donna MacNeil, who has had a distinguished career as a curator and gallery director, will be the juror for this 13th Annual Regional Artists Open Juried Show, which has become a much-anticipated staple for the local artists of Southern Maine.

Rosalind Fedeli and Jim Kelly, the featured artists in the showcase exhibitions, have out-

standing reputations and unique contemporary styles.

Roz Fedeli claims that she “has never found a curbside rubbish barrel that she didn’t love” and she is “not opposed to dumpster diving.” The result of her converting these findings into works of art is akin to the alchemist’s quest to convert base metal to gold.

Similarly Jim Kelly is also a conversion specialist who creates mixed media pieces of great elegance and modernity by capturing urban imagery on black and white film that is printed on textured paper to which color is applied.

Other Barn Gallery events during this period:

- Gallery talk. Ms. Fedeli and Mr. Kelly on Thursday, July 9 at 7:30 p.m. will participate in a discussion of their techniques . . . describing their delight in using found objects and found images to make art. Free.

- Open Critique and Workshop, Saturday July 11 from noon to 2 p.m. Join Norman West

and other OAA artist for a free critique and friendly advice about your work. Artists of all ages and levels are welcome. Free.

- Photography Workshop, Monday, July 13 and Wednesday, July 15 from 1 to 4 p.m. Stuart Nudelman will explore the function of your digital camera and sharpen your aesthetic vision on the first day and review and analyze your images on the second. (OAA members & friends \$60, others \$75.)

- Panel Discussion on Thursday July 16 at 7:30 p.m. Regional artists whose work is exhibited in the open juried show will discuss their art and their lives.

The Barn Gallery invites all to enjoy the multiple art forms on exhibit and to participate in its events. The Gallery is located at the intersection of Bourne Lane and Shore Road. Hours are daily, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. Call for information: 646-8400 or visit www.barngallery.org or www.ogunquitar-tassociation.org.



The work of Rosalind Fedeli is currently featured at the Barn Gallery in Ogunquit. (Courtesy Image)

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Thursday, June 25, 2009, 7:00 PM
York Public Library



Public Input
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Field Changes

Minutes
Review and approval of minutes.

Public Hearings on Proposed Ordinance Amendments

- Zoning Structure Definition
- Zoning Conversion of Buildings to Affordable Apartments
- Zoning Apartments Over Businesses
- Growth Remove Apartment Prohibitions
- Zoning Amendments to Workforce Affordable Housing
- Zoning Affordability Requirements for Elderly Housing
- Zoning Seasonal Units
- Zoning Application Procedures
- Zoning Outside Display Standards for Route-1
- Zoning Amend Architectural Standards for Route-1
- Zoning LEED Standards for Commercial Development
- Zoning Pharmacies
- Zoning Density Requirements for Seasonal Conversions
- Zoning Administrative of Supplemental Use Requirements

New Business

• **Ordinance Amendments.** Discuss amendments and direct staff with respect to the 1st Selectmen’s Public Hearing.

Old Business

Other Business/Adjourn

PUBLIC NOTICES

York Planning Board AGENDA

Thursday, July 23, 2009, 7:00 PM York Public Library
Public Hearings on Proposed, Comprehensive Plan Amendments

CP-1 Inv. & Analysis	Housing Chapter
CP-2 Policy	Section 2: Housing Policies
CP-3 Policy	Section 2: Economic Policies for Small Businesses
CP-4 Inv. & Analysis	Municipal Capacity
CP-5 Policy	Bicycle and Pedestrian Policies in Section 2: Transportation Policies, Capital Investment Plan; Section 3: Future Land Use Areas
CP-6 Policy	Section 2: Quality of the Town’s Water Resources

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Meet the inmates as 'Gaol Break!' returns to Old York

By Richard Bowen, Program Specialist

Gaol Break! gives the public an opportunity to do more than just tour a historic building. This theatrical program allows visitors to get up close and personal with costumed prisoners. Hear their tales of woe, listen to their plans for escape, and in some cases experience their wrath and anger at the injustices they feel have been put upon them. Some of the prisoners you might encounter include:

• **Patience Boston.** A young American Indian woman, Patience Boston has confessed to the murder of her master's grandson. It is alleged that she drowned him in a well. Hear her confess her sins to Rev. Samuel Moody or listen as Rev. Joseph Moody – who may have believed that her confession was not true – con-

soles her and offers her hope for heavenly redemption.

• **Anna Card.** A widow trying to keep her late husband's business going, Anna Card is jailed for debt owed to Dr. Job Lyman. Listen to her sad story as she shares how much she misses her children. Then learn how she manages to "escape" after months in prison.

• **Nathaniel Cole.** A fascinating storyteller, Nathaniel Cole will tell you the improbable tale of his escape from the Old Gaol, complete with a demonstration of how he deceived the jailer. You decide how much of his story about hiding and escaping is true.

• **William Deering.** Found guilty of murdering his wife with an ax, Deering was sentenced to hang. But why is he so smug

and fearless?

• **Thomas Mount.** A very low character, Thomas Mount made a career of theft and escaping from various jails. Visit with Thomas and Katherine, a woman rumored to be his wife, in their shared cell. You will quickly learn why this couple is of the very lowest sort.

• **Irene Lewis.** A thoroughly disreputable sort, Irene Lewis is in gaol awaiting trial for theft. Details are still unclear, but please keep your valuables out of her reach.

• **Edmund Brown.** A drunkard with a very bad temper, it is best to keep your distance from the volatile Edmund Brown.

Gaol Break! will be held Friday, June 26 and Saturdays July 18 and Aug. 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Old Gaol in York



'Gaol Break!' returns to the Museums of Old York with performances the evenings of June 26, July 18 and Aug. 15. For more information, visit www.oldyork.org. (Courtesy Photo)

Village. Admission is \$5 per adult and \$4 for children ages 5 to 14. To make reservations, please call Richard Bowen at 363-4974. For more information, visit www.oldyork.org.

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Two sites in Berwick will increase coverage and network capacity to the southern area of the Town of South Berwick and provide new coverage along Route 4 between South Berwick and

North Berwick and to the town of Berwick and along Route 9 between Berwick and North Berwick. Lastly, a new site in South Berwick will provide new coverage to the western section of the Town of South Berwick. All sites complement U.S. Cellular's statewide network of more than 270 towers.

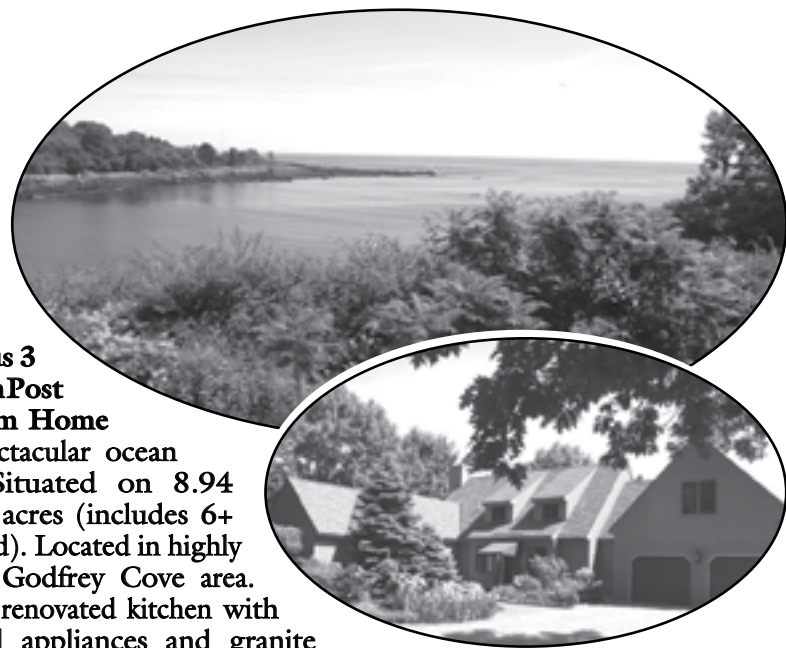
U.S. Cellular has a team of network engineers who drive all over the coverage area to test signal strength and call quality. The company also listens to customer feedback to determine the best locations for new cell sites.

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