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News About Town

‘Think Again’ warns latest Maine Turnpike plan is putting local homes and land at risk

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — “It is not over.”

The mantra of York’s grassroots organization, Think Again, has proven correct, based on the most recent report from the Maine Turnpike Authority and its engineering firm, HNTB.

After months of waiting, members of Think Again and local officials learned that HNTB is recommending the exploration of additional sites to move the toll plaza from its current location - news that most local residents did not want to hear, as the community has come out in force over the past 15 months in opposition to the MTA’s plan to build a new plaza at an as-yet-to-be-determined site.

The town began opposing the move when the MTA announced that the four potential sites first under consideration would have resulted in the loss of local homes and lands.

According to the most recent MTA report, which was shared with town officials and members of Think Again last month, nearly a dozen options were considered for upgrading or replacing the tollbooth, which spans the southern entrance to the Maine Turnpike along Interstate 95 just north of the York exit.

The report states, “Considering all the factors detailed in this existing site evaluation, including the plaza’s crash history, operational inefficiency, structural deficiency and its location such that these conditions compromise overall staff and patron safety, HNTB recommends replacement, and not repair of the York Toll Plaza.”

The report detailed HNTB’s position on such options as maintaining the existing plaza, upgrading it at the current site or relocating the plaza to a new site with new toll-collection options. The recommendations includes carrying forward two options to upgrade the site for additional consideration, but notes problems with those alternatives, going to state that “based on our accumulated knowledge of this project and the advanced engineering that has resulted from this study of the existing site, including the significant reduction in the size of the plaza, HNTB believes that alternative locations exist that will enable the (Maine Turnpike) Authority to comply with national safety guidelines for toll plazas; avoid displacements of any homes; minimize wetland and other environmental impacts;



The York Toll Plaza, located at the southern end of the Maine Turnpike, has been the focus of much debate over the past 15 years, as local residents have joined together to block any move by the state to relocate the plaza if it results in the loss of local homes and lands. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

minimize impacts to private property; integrate a more modern and efficient Open Road Tolling technology and reduce the cost of the project.”

Although the report no longer focuses on the four York sites, and recommends looking at locations from Kittery to Wells, members of Think Again are not convinced that any move of the plaza is in the best interest of local residents.

Joan Jarvis of York Harbor and her husband Marshall are among the original members of Think Again, working side-by-side with residents whose properties were listed as potentially being lost to the new plaza in the MTA’s first public report over a year ago. The Jarvises are among those who have spoken out against the latest developments.

“The report given by HNTB to the MTA and York Selectmen focused on building a new toll plaza rather than rebuilding what is presently in place. The data presented was a basic repeat

of everything said over a year ago,” Joan Jarvis stated, going on to question the push to replace the plaza and advocating for one of the options HNTB did include among those going forward for review: that of maintaining the plaza as it is.


Local resident and Think Again member Barbara Mathews, too, urged local residents to remain vigilant as the process moves forward.

“The threat of losing homes, land and a beautiful part of town being destroyed is still looming,” she stressed, stating that any move that results in “a toll plaza plunked in the middle of people’s homes and wetlands is not progress, it is wasteful and poor planning.”

To read the HNTB report in full, visit the Maine Turnpike Authority’s Web site at www.maineturnpike.com. For more about the ongoing efforts of York’s Think Again, visit www.thinkagain2008.com.

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Volunteers bring solar energy to wildlife center

By Jennifer L. Saunders

CAPE NEDDICK — ReVision Energy of Portland is known for bringing “green” energy systems home, and together with a generous donation from two longtime Center for Wildlife members, they’re helping York’s own Center for Wildlife protect the environment while it helps animals in need.

CFW Executive Director Karen McElmurry and Laura Dehler, who coordinates development for the center, explained that the ReVision project - a brand new solar hot water system recently installed at the center - could not have been possible without local residents Cynthia Raymond and Cynthia Hosmer.

“The Cynthia covered all the costs of the system,” McElmurry explained, adding,

“We expect to save hundreds of dollars on our electric hot water bill over the course of a year...”

“They have been members of the center for many years and are very interested in green energy. They were excited to donate money for this project and have stated interest in assisting in another green project in the future.”

Dehler, too, had words of praise for Hosmer and Raymond and their generous donation. She said that the addition of the solar hot water system is “one of our first big steps in making the center’s operation greener and more environmentally sustainable.”

Jennifer Hatch of ReVision Energy explained that solar water systems not only reduce fuel costs but also cut carbon dioxide emissions. A typical residential system, for example, has been shown to cut harm-

ful emissions by more than 5,000 pounds while saving upwards of 300 gallons of oil per year, depending on the system it replaces, according to information compiled by ReVision Energy.

At the CFW, McElmurry noted, “the solar project will help reduce our energy use with the many loads of laundry that are done daily at the center,” McElmurry noted.

“We expect to save hundreds of dollars on our electric hot water bill over the course of a year and are so excited about implementing a clean, renewable energy system,” Dehler said.

And, given the value of the work of York’s Center for Wildlife, ReVision wanted to help

make the project a reality as well.

“We were able to donate a few parts and pieces for the project as well to help bring the cost down as the funding for this project was heavily relied on member donations,” Hatch explained. “We were able to donate the solar storage tank, a bronze pump and the anti-scalding mixing valve, a value worth \$1,400.”

For others interested in assisting the Center for Wildlife, there are many opportunities available.

The CFW, which is located near the base of Mount Agamenticus, relies heavily on volunteers to care for the approximately 1,600 raptors, song birds, water birds, small mammals and reptiles it helps each year.



GOING GREEN. York residents Cynthia Raymond and Cynthia Hosmer, pictured here with Center for Wildlife Executive Director Karen McElmurry and Development Coordinator Laura Dehler, recently donated the funds to make it possible for the center to partner with ReVision Energy and install a new solar hot water heater, which will cut annual energy costs and help the center achieve its goal of becoming even more environmentally friendly. (Courtesy Photo)

“Summer is an exciting time at the center because we have so many baby birds and mammals, and volunteers can have the experience of helping to raise an animal and preparing it for release back to the wild,” explained CFW Education and Outreach Director Kristen Lamb, in a recent call for volunteers.

There are other volunteer opportunities as well, ranging from managing the public assistance hotline to assisting with cage building, facility maintenance, educational programs and other activities.

To learn more, visit www.yorkcenterfor-wildlife.org or call 361-1400.

Town officials take closer look at restaurant, growth ordinances

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — In the next month, local residents will be asked to share their views on potential changes to two ordinances that have, in the past, been among the “hot button” issues in town.

At a recent meeting, the board of selectmen discussed both the future of the Residential Growth Ordinance, which limits the residential building permits given out each year in town, and the ordinance prohibiting fast food and “formula” restaurants from locating in York.

On Monday, July 13, residents are being asked to weigh in on the growth discussion before the board moves forward with any plans for that ordinance to be included on the November ballot.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Mike Estes suggested the board ask members of the public to give feedback on how best to address the ordinance in the future before moving forward with the annual review. A version of the ordinance has been in place since 2000, and the board of selectmen is required to review it annually. The board’s options including placing the ordinance on the ballot to continue in its present form or making changes.

“The intent is just gathering some information for this board,” Estes said of the public hearing, which will be held at 7 p.m. at the York Public Library.

Community Development Director Steve Burns presented the board’s questions for local residents to consider prior to that meeting, including whether the board should let the ordinance lapse, extend its duration or make changes.

“At this time there is no proposal on the table,” he noted in his memorandum. “Before they propose anything, the board would like to hear from people. What do you think should be done with the Growth Ordinance?”

Then, on Monday, July 27, the selectmen will hold additional public hearings, including one on proposed changes to the town’s policy on formula restaurants. The recommendation to change the policy came forward after a Route 1 market and deli was forbidden to sell sandwiches under the ordinance.

The selectmen voted 4 to 1 to change the policy limiting formula restaurants, asking Burns to draft an amendment to the ordinance that would allow grocery store chains to make and sell sandwiches.

“What started out to eliminate bringing Dunkin’ Donuts into town (has) bottled up local businesses ... trying to expand.”

The preliminary draft states that the town will “allow grocery stores to sell sandwiches and other such foods which are made using products being sold in the grocery store.”

In the draft statement of fact, Burns noted, “The policy is limited to the Route One zones because this is where grocery stores are permitted.”

Selectwoman Cathy Goodwin raised the issue after the Meat House on Route 1 was prohibited from selling deli sandwiches under the ordinance.

Estes also supported the idea of changing the ordinance.

“What started out to eliminate bringing Dunkin’ Donuts into town” has “bottled up local businesses... trying to expand,” he said, urging the Community Development Department to take a closer look at the ordinance with the eye toward creating “some opportunity for people to grow their businesses in York.”

Selectwoman Kinley Gregg offered another perspective, pointing out that unlike many of the town’s border communities, “we don’t have the fast food, and I like that,” and adding

that former Selectmen Vice Chairman David Marshall, who served on the planning board when the ordinance came forward, had reminded the board of plans for an Olive Garden in York where a local business, Mainiax Café, is now located. Had the ordinance not been put in place, Gregg noted, York would have a chain restaurant taking the place of a local establishment.

Goodwin, meanwhile, said that while she has always questioned whether the ordinance is constitutional, it is in place until it is challenged in court, and the Meat House question is something entirely different because it is a grocery store, not a restaurant. She said she does not believe that this is what local residents wanted in the ordinance, that “a store like the Meat House, which they know and love and frequent, would not be able to make a sandwich, when they have both the bread and the meat.”

Burns explained that the provision was intended to keep accessory fast food and formula restaurants, such as a McDonald’s or Dunkin’ Donuts located within a supermarket, from locating in town.

To view the draft ordinance, visit the town’s Web site at www.yorkmaine.org and follow the links to the Community Development Department’s “Posted Documents.”

In other recent town business, the board approved a donation from Lori Paro of the York Heights neighborhood for a new sign for the York Community Garden on Long Sands Road and had a discussion with members of the Planning Board’s York Beach Subcommittee on the work of that all-volunteer group and how to best proceed with the ongoing efforts to revitalize York Beach and whether the committee should report to the planning board or board of selectmen.

Planning board holds first hearing on zoning ordinances

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK — There was one thing missing from the planning board's public hearings on proposed ordinance amendments dealing with a wide range of zoning questions: the public comment.

The planning board met on Thursday, June 25, and reviewed the lengthy list of amendments with York Community Development Director Steve Burns, Town Planner Christine Grimando and Shoreland Resource Officer Ben McDougal. Although there was a noticeable lack of commentary at the first meeting, local residents will have a chance to weigh in on the proposals in the months ahead, as the planning board has voted to forward each of the proposals to the board of selectmen for additional public hearings and review. It will be up to the board of selectmen to vote whether to place the questions on the November ballot, to change the proposals or not to move forward.

Among the amendments being reviewed is a request to change the definition of a structure in York's zoning.

According to the statement of fact for this ordinance, "The purpose of this amendment is to provide a clearer definition of a structure. It is not a change in policy or procedure, and is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan."

In presenting the amendment to the planning board, McDougal explained that the revision came forward after a board of appeals hearing on a case where a property owner had put a shed up on wheels, exposing a loophole in the ordinance between what would be considered a vehicle and what would be a structure.

Burns presented the next ordinance, which provides amendments to the town's Residential Growth Ordinance to allow private entities or individuals to convert existing buildings into affordable apartments.

The ordinance allows a maximum of two apartments if the building is not on town water and sewer, Burns said, with up to four units if the building does have water and sewer.

"It's a new approach for us in that we want to allow anybody who owns a building to be able to do this," Burns said of the affordable housing option, explaining that in the past affordable housing exemptions have been specifically for York Housing or other non-profit entities.

"The purpose of this amendment is to provide an incentive to convert existing principal buildings into affordable year-round rental apartments," the statement of fact reads. "Half of the apartment units created must be affordable, and the remaining market-rate units are allowed to help subsidize the affordable units."

Other amendments include provisions to allow for residential apartments to be located above businesses in additional zones in town; improved controls for the Workforce Affordable Housing Ordinance with the goal of creating better project designs and reduc-

ing impact on neighborhoods; addressing issues with the zoning of seasonal residential units; improving outdoor display standards for Route 1; limiting the number of new pharmacies that can be built in town, as there are already three in place and another has been approved, and requiring all new, privately-constructed, non-residential buildings in the Route 1 zones to be LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified. The town already requires LEED certification for new town construction.

The next public hearings on the proposals are scheduled for the Board of Selectmen's meetings on Monday, July 27, and Monday, Aug. 24, which will be held at 7 p.m. in the York Public Library. In the meantime, the ordinance amendments are available to read in their entirety under the "Public Hearings" heading on the town's Web site at www.yorkmaine.org.

"It's a new approach for us in that we want to allow anybody who owns a building to be able to do this."

"If anyone has any questions, we're always open to talking about these," Grimando said.

To contact Burns or Grimando, call Town

Hall at 363-1007 or email sburns@yorkmaine.org or cgrimando@yorkmaine.org.

Also at the planning board's most recent meeting, the board said goodbye to long-time member and former chairman Glen MacWilliams, who has retired from service on the board after six years.

Chairman Tom Manzi thanked MacWilliams publicly, noting that Thursday, June 25, marked his final meeting as a member of the board and praising MacWilliams as "a major contributor to the board's effectiveness."

His fellow board members agreed that, as Barrie Munro put it, "He made significant contributions."

MacWilliams said he will be back in the future, as a resident, to address the board on issues of concern for the town from the other side of the table.

The planning board was scheduled to meet after deadline for this edition in a work session with the board of selectmen to discuss the ongoing issue of York Beach zoning and the work of the York Beach Subcommittee. Watch for updates on this ongoing effort in upcoming editions of The York Independent.

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Letters to the Editor

Thank you for returning stolen sign

To the Editor,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the individual that thoughtfully returned the sign that had been stolen from the Center for

Wildlife almost 10 years ago. I remember how heartbroken everyone was after learning that the sign had been stolen from the end of our driveway, and I truly never expected to see it again. When I pulled into the center's driveway a couple of weeks ago and saw our beautifully hand painted sign leaning up against a rock, it was like seeing an old friend from long ago.

During these tough economic times, the

Center for Wildlife, as most non-profit organizations, is feeling the pinch in donations and gift giving in one way or another. This unexpected gift was a pleasant surprise and one that we are truly grateful for.

We have attached our old friend on a post at the end of the driveway, and I am thrilled that we can proudly display this long lost sign once again.

Karen McElmurry
Executive Director
The Center for Wildlife
Cape Neddick

Two fights down, two fights to go

To the Editor,

This is in response to a letter in the June 19 issue of The Independent. Cynthia Raymond wrote to express excitement at the defeat of Walgreens and Plotkin's scheme for a new shopping mall near York Beach/York's Wild Kingdom. She also mentioned two fights down and one to go, the one fight left being the three-story office complex at the entrance to Spur Road.

I agree with Cynthia except that it is at least two down and two to go. Let's not forget the David and Goliath fight between citizens and the Maine Turnpike Authority over the toll plaza. 'Think Again' had a meeting at MTA headquarters on June 16 and there is still no resolution. The threat of losing homes, land and a beautiful part of town being destroyed is still looming. Office space plunked near a busy intersection and a toll plaza plunked in the middle of people's homes and wetlands is not progress. It is wasteful and poor planning.

Barbara Matthews
York

Jumped to conclusions

To the Editor,

Today, June 22, I read in the York Independent that the "Planning Board has signed final plans for a new Walgreens Pharmacy located on Route 1."

In a letter published in the June 19 York Independent, it was my understanding that the case had been closed as the applicants had not met the deadline that the planning board had required.

I sincerely apologize for having jumped to conclusions in my eagerness.

Cynthia Raymond
York

Politics & Other Mistakes

Some low expectations for the next governor

By Al Diamon, Political Columnist

There are some important qualities I'd like to see in the next governor of Maine. But they're all pretty boring. So let's get to what I wouldn't like to see.

I don't want anybody who's crazy. I'm not voting for a slimeball. I don't find dull to be an attractive trait. Likewise, an attitude that indicates an indifference to, or an ignorance of, the complex details of state policy. I'm unimpressed by a resume that includes a history of business failures. And I think a candidate who brags about having little or no experience in politics is demonstrating the sort of stupidity that would disqualify him or her for an entry-level position at the average fast food franchise.

That seems to eliminate all the actual or potential gubernatorial hopefuls for 2010. So, I'll be calling it a day and hitting the bar early. I'll check back with you before the 2014 election.

Just kidding. Even though the latest infestation of Blaine House hopefuls is composed of characters so unappealing that I've considered calling for a Constitutional amendment to allow John Baldacci to stay in office for another four years (still kidding — nobody's that unappealing), that doesn't mean it isn't my duty to denigrate these doofusses.

Les Otten was once the chairman of American Skiing Co., a job from which he was forced after failing to turn anything remotely resembling a profit. ASC was eventually sold off for parts. Otten was also a minority owner of the Boston Red Sox. During his tenure, the team signed Julio Lugo to an expensive four-year contract. If Otten is elected governor, rumor has it that Lugo will be appointed to the Maine Supreme Court, which is preferable to having him at Fenway Park playing shortstop.

Otten, who now heads a wood pellet company, was scheduled to make the official announcement of his gubernatorial ambitions after this column's deadline. It's likely he's running as a moderate Republican, since that's what he claimed to be on the several occasions over the last dozen years when he flirted with running for governor or senator, but never actually did so.

My favorite Otten quote comes from the a 1996 Lewiston Sun Journal story, before the ASC disaster. "Because I've been successful in business," he said, "does not necessarily mean I'll be successful in politics."

Dawn Hill is serving her second term as a Democratic state representative from York. Hill used to be a lawyer, but now she sits on the board of an insurance company and runs a dog boarding facility. Her Web site hasn't been updated since sometime in 2008, so if she's done anything useful during her brief tenure in politics, it hasn't come to my attention.

Hill cleverly decided to announce her run for governor of Maine in the Portsmouth Herald, in case anybody in New Hampshire wanted to move here to vote for her. She told the paper she's "a mover and a shaker, a fiscal moderate and a social progressive."

Eliot Cutler has an impressive background. The Bangor native (he now lists his legal residence as Cape Elizabeth) got his career started around a thousand years ago as an aide to the late Sen. Ed Muskie. He held important positions in the Carter administration. He became a lobbyist and then one of the top American lawyers based in China. He's worked on four presidential campaigns and been a reliable contributor to liberal Democrats at the state and national levels.

And he's running for governor as an independent. Go figure.

Rosa Scarcelli is the president of Stanford Management, which builds housing for poor people — sorry, the politically correct term is housing for affordable people — in Maine and other states. She comes from a political family in Franklin County, interned for Sen. George Mitchell, raised money last year for Barack Obama and seems to think that qualifies her to be governor.

Scarcelli doesn't appear to have granted many interviews or made many speeches, but she's hired public relations guru Dennis Bailey to advise her (based on his astute guidance of such gubernatorial success stories as Daniel Wathen and David Flanagan).

Reaction to her possible bid for the Democratic nomination "has been very positive," said Bailey. "Everybody's ready for something different."

Everybody should keep in mind that different doesn't necessarily mean better.

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Ogunquit and its police department

To the Editor,

The people were unsure and confused, but the people voted anyway, and the people lost! That's right. Considerably more than 50 percent of the voters voted for a higher police budget than \$1.2 million, but since that majority was split between two options (\$1.3 million, or 2008's \$1.5 million), the lowest dollar amount won.

So even though most of the voters understood that the police department could not function well with the lowest amount on the ballot, it appears that we're stuck with it.

Over the past 10 years, the Ogunquit summer population has grown to about 50,000 residents and visitors, with an average count of 26 police officers in the summer. Sounds like a big number, until you realize that Portland, with a population just over 64,000, has 167 full-time police officers. So Portland has one officer for every 383 residents; Ogunquit in the winter will have one officer for every 1,625 residents; and Ogunquit in the summer will have one officer for every 6,250 residents (yes, those people sleeping in the motel near you are residents for this purpose, even if for only one night).

There are other numbers to consider:

- It costs about \$50,000 to hire, equip, and train one full-time police officer, and the officer we just spent this money on will be laid off. \$50,000 down the tube, and since we laid him off we don't get reimbursed for that \$50,000.

- With only two officers on duty at any one time, it is unlikely that there will be time for officers to be patrolling and giving out parking tickets for people staying too long. Not only is this \$30,000 in parking ticket revenue lost, the shops will suffer because parking turnover will diminish and new customers will have more difficulty finding a place to park.
 - We have no choice about allowing police officers to take their earned vacations and sick leave, but how will we fill their empty spots? And what will happen when troopers are at one call and another call comes in? Are we comfortable with sending one officer to arrest an unruly customer at a bar when his partner is already traveling in the opposite direction taking someone to jail or answering a 911 call? Just last week a rollover within Ogunquit's town lines on Interstate 95 required a police and fire response from Ogunquit. What would have happened if only one officer had been on duty? Overtime is an extra expense.
 - We are in the middle of a recession. In this economic environment, crime increases, and although we'd rather not believe it, there is crime in our bucolic town. More crime requires more policing! Insufficient policing leads to more crime and tourists being scared away.
 - And the most important number, our taxes – The difference between the \$1.2 million and the \$1.3 million? We're giving up our safety and peace of mind for 5 cents on the mil rate, less than a \$50 difference on a \$600,000 dollar home! Wow, what a deal!
- And beyond the numbers, what about the "meet and greet" meetings that the police have

been holding throughout the year to talk with residents and business owners about police interaction with the community, and to enable the police to hear from the community about their issues and concerns? Gone! With only two officers on duty, there will not be sufficient manpower.

Having the opportunity for personal contacts with police officers in the center of town, where they answer questions and address traffic problems quickly, is essential to maintain the friendly environment. Plus, the presence of visible patrols in town deters crime. If there are no summer police, will there be any police presence in the Cove? Will the town have to close the public restrooms because there are no police to keep the vandalism down?

As a former EMT, I know that this is a public safety issue, not a money issue! Every 911 call to the fire department for EMS (Emergency Medical Service) for an unknown cause requires that a police officer make sure the scene is secure and safe for the EMS responding personnel, and domestic abuse calls require two officers to respond. Basically, any response to a call by a single officer puts the town at risk.

We implore the town manager to transfer funds somehow from somewhere to augment the discrepant police budget and to keep our trained officers employed, and do it now, before they go somewhere else! Truly, there is no budget item more important than this!

Robert B. Glidden
Ogunquit

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, Skillins 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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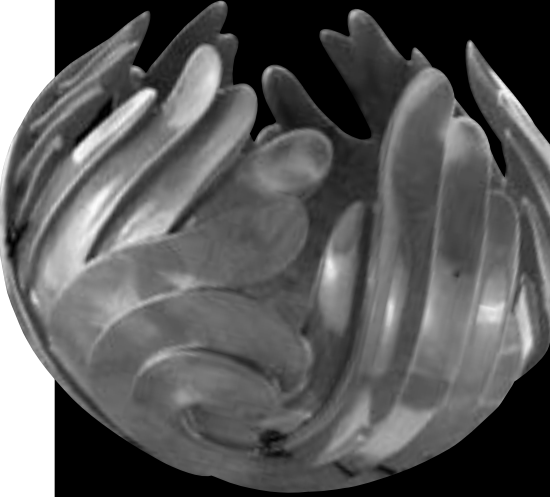
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School Notes

School's out for summer, but the school committee's work continues

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK – The last day of school for York students was Friday, June 22, but that doesn't mean the end of the year for the York School Committee or school officials.

The school committee held its last meeting of the current academic year just before school ended, but the committee will continue to meet this summer to discuss such key ongoing issues as plans for the York High School Music Instructional Space addition and to stay apprised of developments related to the H1N1 "Swine Flu" virus and whether special precautions will need to be in place for the academic year ahead depending on what happens with the pandemic over the summer.

Looking to the future, Assistant Superintendent Jim Amoroso updated the school committee on the most recent York Planning Board meeting, which included a discussion of the York High School music space.

The project is moving forward, Amoroso confirmed, although there were questions including whether the board should grant a waiver related to a site survey, given that the addition to the high school will be located far from any of the property's lot lines.

The project will be back before the planning

board for additional review at a future meeting.

School Committee Chairwoman Marilyn Zotos updated the board on another ongoing effort, York's Energy Efficiency Committee, which has as one of its goals a survey to determine which buildings in town have the largest "carbon footprints" in terms of energy use. School and town officials, and committee volunteers, are working together on the energy efficiency effort.

In planning for the committee's work during the academic year ahead, Superintendent of Schools Henry Scipione reviewed the school committee's goals, which are evaluated each year as the board plans its ongoing work.

One of the primary areas of focus for the year ahead will be negotiations with the York Teachers' Association on its next collective bargaining agreement, which governs wages and benefits. Scipione explained that the school committee has a self-imposed deadline of completing negotiations by Dec. 1 due to York's budget approval process, which requires information on such costs as salaries and health benefits to begin presenting budget requests for the next fiscal year each January.

Another school committee goal has been to monitor student assessment, especially with regard to fifth- and sixth-grade student achieve-

ment at York Middle School, Scipione noted, referring to a goal that came forward after standardized tests in past years indicated some drops in achievement at that level.

Educational initiatives were put in place within the past year with an eye toward improved student performance, and Scipione noted the York School Department is still awaiting the results of the Maine Educational Assessment, a statewide achievement test, and will present that information to the school committee and the public once it is available.

Another goal for the board and the administration will once again be to present a school department budget that addresses student needs while also remaining fiscally responsible, Scipione and several school committee members confirmed.

Zotos and fellow school committee member John D'Aquila noted, by example, the long-time goal of introducing foreign language at the elementary level – an initiative that has had to be postponed due to funding constraints – as an illustration of the need to balance edu-



Students in all grades of the York Schools celebrated the end of the 2008-2009 academic year in different ways, such as the fifth-grade picnic at New Castle Common, where students were able to play games, eat out in the sunshine and explore the tide pools before the end of school. School will be back in session on Sept. 1 for the next academic year. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

cational needs with the taxpayers' ability to afford the costs.

The next York School Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 15. For school committee agendas, general school information, community surveys and the calendar for the next academic year, visit www.yorkschoools.org.

York School Department teachers honored for achievements

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK – The end of the academic year is often a bittersweet time, despite the excitement felt by many students and teachers about the start of the summer.

The final days of school this past June were no different, as the York School Department bid farewell to retiring teachers who, together, had served the local schools for more than a century. This year, four educators – Arlene Wilson, Sharon Prosser, Wally Caldwell and Bob Cole – retired from their work in the York schools.

When the school committee held its final meeting of the 2008-2009 academic year, the board honored Wilson, Caldwell and Cole, who all taught at York High School, and Prosser, a longtime Coastal Ridge Elementary School teacher, and praised them for their service.

Superintendent of Schools Henry Scipione explained that with the end of the year comes an "opportunity to recognize the commitment, the years of service and the dedication" of

York's teachers.

School Committee Chairwoman Marilyn Zotos began by praising Cole, who was hired in 1977 as a York High School science teacher, for his 32 years of service.

"It's been a very pleasant journey," Cole said of his years at York High School, telling the school officials, "I thank you very much for the opportunity."

Honoring Prosser for her work, Zotos explained that the elementary school teacher has a total of 22 years of teaching in the York schools, was honored in 1996 with the Milliken Award and was also a Regional Mentor for the Maine Department of Education and a former Maine Teacher of the Year semifinalist.

"These awards are just really mind-boggling," Zotos said, speaking of the work involved to have achievements of this level.

For her part, Prosser also thanked the school officials for the opportunity to teach in York.

"What a wonderful community you have here," she said, adding that as a teacher, she

has enjoyed seeing "how children are really valued."

Next, Zotos spoke of Wilson's contributions as a York High School math teacher who was first hired in 1979 and then returned to serve continuously at the school from 1982 to 2009 after moving out of the area for a short time following her first year at the school.

"It is a fun place to work," Wilson said, "and I've loved working in this school system."

The board also praised Caldwell, who was unable to be in attendance at the short ceremony due to a prior commitment.

Zotos explained that Caldwell was hired in 1989 as special education teacher at York Middle School and then transferred to York High School, where he is also well-known for coaching several teams, including York's varsity girls' soccer, which has achieved state champion and Western Maine champion status in recent years.

Together, Zotos noted, the four teachers have "102 combined years of service to the York Schools."

Although he has retired, the board agreed to appoint Caldwell to a part-time special education position for the 2009-10 academic year to cover a leave of absence for another York High School teacher.

Also looking to the year ahead, one non-retiring York School Department teacher was also honored last month as part of the 2009 Maine Teachers' Hall of Fame, sponsored by Unum, the Maine Coalition for Excellence in Education and the Portland Sea Dogs.

Coastal Ridge Elementary School's Mary Zane was named part of the Hall of Fame Starting 9, which according to an announcement from Unum, "honors teachers who have shown dedication and excellence in education."

Zane, who teaches art at Coastal Ridge, was the only teacher from York County selected for the honor this year, which included a special appearance at a Sea Dogs' game for each teacher and a \$500 cash award.

Locals hope third time will be the charm for Space Shuttle liftoff

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK – After two postponements, local residents could be watching one of their own blast off to the International Space Station as early as Saturday, July 11.

Astronaut Chris Cassidy, a York High School graduate whose parents still reside here in town and who, even in his NASA biography, describes York as his hometown, is one of a team of astronauts scheduled to be on board when the Space Shuttle Endeavor embarks on its next mission.

The Endeavour's launch was originally set

for last month, but was postponed when a leak in a hydrogen gas vent line was discovered.

Repairs were initiated and the liftoff was rescheduled for Wednesday, June 17, but again had to be postponed due to problems with the system.

Back at home, friends and former classmates of Cassidy – as well as those who have come to know him only as York's first astronaut – continue to await the launch, with some even setting up dedicated pages on social networking sites such as Facebook to wish Cassidy well on his journey.

NASA officials, meanwhile, seem to have discovered the source of the problem. According to a recent report from Space Shuttle Program Manager John Shannon, "a plate that attaches the vent line to Endeavour's external fuel tank is slightly misaligned, allowing a small leak to happen during the fueling process."

At NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida, crews have been working to repair the plate, which has been realigned with seals installed, according to a recent NASA report.

At press time, NASA was scheduled to begin testing to ensure repairs are successful.

"Technicians are preparing to test the repair plan by filling Endeavour's external tank with liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen in the next week and a half, just as they would for a launch," according to a NASA report. "This 'tanking test' will confirm whether the repairs will work before another launch attempt is made. ... If the repairs are successful, Endeavour's next launch attempt is targeted for July 11 at 7:39 p.m."

Obituaries

Virginia Loumos Oldest woman in York

YORK – Virginia Loumos, 103, York’s oldest female resident, died her home, the residence of her nephew, Peter Agraftotis and his wife, Janice Plourde, on Wednesday, June 10, 2009.

The previous Saturday, Agraftotis had asked her if she wanted to live forever. She answered him, “Doesn’t everybody?” Her vital signs had all been normal as recently as earlier in that week.

Virginia, though suffering from intermittent memory lapses in her last year or two, was always alert, lucid and a good conversationalist for visiting friends, hospice workers and other care-givers.

She had a belief, something she credited for the continuing strength of her body and mind. That was a belief in exercise. At 103, she still got down on the floor to do the leg-lifts and “the bicycle” – part of a regime she learned as a dance student of Martha Graham (the founder of modern dance) in Graham’s Saturday classes in Boston in the 1920s.

But perhaps the very exercises that had kept her strong were finally too much for her. Sunday morning, June 7, she had a stroke. Her speech, which had been fluid minutes before, was limited to a few words afterward. Even in her most physically uncomfortable moments previously, she had always shown appreciation to all her care-givers, including her niece, Alexandra Agraftotis, of South Berwick, who visited at her brother’s almost daily, and the nurses and aides who came in several times a week. The stroke didn’t change this. The last words she uttered, the day before she died, were, “Thank you.”

Virginia was born in 1905, the fifth child of a family of nine of Greek immigrant parents. Charlie, seventh, died in infancy. The other eight all lived long productive lives: the boys went to Harvard and MIT, and the girls worked to make that possible. One of Virginia’s early jobs was sewing lace for a business run by the later famous aviatrix (and other feminist icon of in Virginia’s background), Amelia Erhardt.

Virginia, therefore, didn’t get a college education. But she tested well and was hired by the U.S. Treasury Department in Washington, D.C. When her fiancée, a State Department



employee, died suddenly, Virginia vowed not to marry, and applied for work abroad. She became secretary to the American Treasury Attaché in Germany, and later followed him to his posting in Rio de Janeiro. Virginia loved her work.

When she retired in 1967 and returned to Washington, D.C., life in that city became her joy. She walked miles each day to do docent work at museums on the Mall, and she regularly attended concerts at the Kennedy Center across from her apartment on Virginia Avenue. Also across Virginia Avenue was the Watergate Hotel complex, where Virginia, until after she became 100, bought her groceries, carried them home and cooked for herself.

Being independent was what Virginia always prized most. Needing help – something she eventually did – was hard for Virginia to accept. At 103, she would say, “I guess I’m getting old.” In her last days she prayed to God (out loud and often) to make her well again and “able to do things just like everyone else” – or else to take her now.

Her ashes will be interred in the Boston grave of her mother, Georgia, her brother, Peter, and her father, Anastasios, born in Greece in 1843, who also lived for a century. Virginia was a remarkable and determined presence. She will be greatly missed by her many nieces, nephews, caregivers and friends.

Edward N. Movsesian Aircraft engine designer

YORK – Edward N. Movsesian, 85, died Monday, June 15, 2009, at Maine Medical Center, in the company of his loving family.

Ed was born Oct. 4, 1923, in Revere, MA, the son of Setrak and Zaroohi (Saferian) Movsesian.

Ed proudly served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. After the war, he finished his college education, graduating from Tufts College in 1948 with a degree in mechanical engineering.

He began his career at Boeing in Seattle, where he met Shirley Ann Briggs of Snoqualmie Falls, Wa. They married on May 12, 1950, and eventually settled in Lynnfield, Mass., where they lived until retirement in 1986, when they moved to Meredith, N.H. In 2001, Ed and Shirley moved to York.

Ed spent most of his professional life with the Small Aircraft Engine Division of General

Electric in Lynn, Mass., for 33 years. Among his many accomplishments, Ed designed a part for an airplane engine that was later patented by G.E. He was included in the book, “The History of North American Gas Turbine Engines” as a member of G.E.’s research and development team for a U.S. Navy-sponsored fighter aircraft program.

Perhaps his most remarkable achievement was being the father of five children. Ed’s love, humor and wit, along with his relentless work ethic and meticulous attention to detail, provided lifelong lessons to his family.

He was a Little League coach and Boy Scout leader in Lynnfield for many years.

Ed will always be known for his love of animals, particularly dogs. If dog is man’s best friend, then Ed Movsesian was the canine’s equivalent. He will be dearly missed by his cherished companion, Nikki, a 15-year-old poodle.

Among his other joys were big band music, his gardens, and a lifelong love of the Red Sox.

Ed will be remembered as a warm, loving, generous, and witty gentleman by all who knew him. His survivors include his beloved wife of 59 years, Shirley, of York; his daughters, Janis Urbanek, Sherry Granger, and Sue Publicover; and his sons, Ed M. Movsesian and David Movsesian; and his grandchildren, Ryan Publicover, Lauren Urbanek, Allison Urbanek, Michael Granger, Cory Granger, and Jason Movsesian; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, two brothers, and two sisters.

Memorial calling hours were held Friday, June 19 at Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, 91 Long Sands Road, York.

In lieu of flowers, Ed’s family asks that donations be made in his memory to York Hospital Fundraising, 15 Hospital Drive, York, ME 03909.

Ruth Elaine Franz A melodious teacher

YORK – Ruth Elaine Franz, 75, passed away on Sunday, June 7, 2009 at her home.

She was born Nov. 24, 1933, in Hillsboro, Kansas, to the late Jacob Ediger Franz and Ruth Suderman Franz.

She completed her early education in central Kansas and earned a Bachelor’s Degree at Goshen College, in Goshen, Indiana, in

1958. Further graduate study was completed at the universities of Colorado, New Hampshire and Maine.

Her parents taught school, and they encouraged her preparation for teaching. She taught elementary school for 23 years in Kansas, California and New Hampshire. Four more years were spent teaching U.S. Air Force dependents in Morocco, West Germany and The Netherlands.

After her 1964 marriage to Bob Verheul of Rotterdam, The Netherlands, and the birth of their sons, Jim and John, the family lived in Utica, N.Y., and Kingston, N.H. Divorced in 1979, she remained in the northeast.

Since 1984, she resided in York at Yorke Woods Townhouses where she served as the Association’s President, Secretary and Property Manager for fifteen years.

Beginning at age three, her most beloved hours were spent singing church music and listening to sacred and classical musical works. Until recently, she sang in the First Parish Church Sanctuary Choir, spent many summers singing with the Trinity Episcopal Choir in York Harbor and the Seacoast Community Chorus, where she served on the board of directors.

In May of 2004, she completed studies to become a UNH Marine Docent and later joined their SeaTrek group, the Sea Chantey Singers.

After being diagnosed with ovarian cancer in June of 2007, her upbeat and cheerful spirit remained.

She leaves two sons and a daughter-in-law, James E. Verheul of Westlake Village, Calif., and John B. Verheul and his wife, Karen Herman, of Santa Fe, N.M.

Her five siblings and their partners remain: Raymond Franz and his wife Aldina of Hillsboro, Kan.; Richard Franz and his wife Edith of Brentwood, Tenn.; Eloise Faul and her husband John of Denver, Colo.; Carrol Ediger and her husband Ervin of Hillsboro, Kan.; and Judith Classen and her husband Paul of Newton, Kan. She was predeceased by her younger brother, James Franz, who died in November, 1963.

Memorial contributions may be made to Beacon Hospice, 32 Brickyard Ct., York, ME 03909. Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home is directing arrangements.



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York Days: 30 years and still going strong

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK BEACH – In 1979, when the historic Cape Neddick Light Station, affectionately known as “The Nubble,” was turning 100 years old, longtime local resident Verna Rundlett came up with the idea to create a festival to celebrate the community and the lighthouse she loved.

Starting with nothing more than a shoestring budget and her desire to make it happen, Verna founded York Days back in 1979. And now, although Verna and her husband, Henry, the silent partner who supported her efforts every step of the way, have passed on, their legacy continues in this annual event, which attracts innumerable residents and visitors alike to family-friendly activities all along York’s beaches and at the lighthouse.

York Days has been overseen by the York Parks and Recreation Department for many years now. But the celebration would not be what it is today without the Rundletts’ vision, said Robin Cogger of York Parks and Recreation.

Verna and Henry Rundlett’s son, John Rundlett, who lives in town with his wife and two young children, Stephanie and Matthew, confirmed that it was his parents who started the festival, and managed it for several years before turning the reins over to York Parks and Recreation.

With the centennial of the lighthouse, York Days began. “That’s really what kicked it off and started everything,” John Rundlett said. “She basically drove it from the beginning, and drove it when there was nothing to drive.”

Rundlett remembered being a teenager in 1979 and helping out during those early years of York Days, and his mother’s tireless efforts to make the event a success.

“That’s what I remember her for, the fortitude to see it all through. And of course, anyone who knew her had no doubt that would happen,” he said. “She was a driving force in everything she did.”

And anyone who was fortunate enough to see Verna Rundlett out and about in town on working on one of her many

all-volunteer activities would see Henry right at her side.

“My father was in a tremendous supporting role,” John Rundlett said.

Even on rainy weekends, when just a handful of people showed up for an event, the Rundletts carried on, he recalled.

Verna Rundlett would say, “We’re going to do it, because we need people to know that we’re going to stick to it and it’s going to happen.”

Verna’s love for her community can be seen in York Days, in the summer calendar of events that she founded, and later handed over to the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce and in the Nubble Lighthouse itself, as the Rundletts were longtime advocates for the effort that eventually saw York’s lighthouse turned over to the town to be protected and preserved in perpetuity.

“It was quite a feat what she did,” John Rundlett said, thinking back on all the ways his mother worked to make her community a better place. “She was always out there, and always knocking on the doors.”

And, Cogger said, the York Days legacy continues with York Days now a staple in the town’s annual calendar of events, featuring such favorite events as the annual “Christmas in July” celebration at the Nubble, which features the keeper’s house and the tower being outlined in white lights as it is each November for the holiday season, concerts at Ellis Park and brand new offerings.

The celebration this year will begin on Friday, July 24, with the Eastern Sound Orchestra performing at 7 p.m. at Ellis Park in York Beach.

The fun continues on Saturday, July 25, when the York Beach Fire Department will host fireworks at Short Sands Beach-Ellis Park. Before the fireworks, hear the Bedford Big Band at 7 p.m. at Ellis Park as part of the ongoing series of free summer concerts.

Early in the morning on Sunday, July 26, the 26th Annual Amidon Family Dentistry York Days 5K Road Race will depart from York High School.

Cogger stressed that this event is more popular than ever, now that it has been included in the Seacoast Road Race Series, with about 1,000 runners expected to participate.

The entry field is limited, “so anyone interested in running needs to register soon,” she said.

To register or for more details, visit www.yorkruns.com.

The 17th Annual Christmas in July will also be held on Sunday, July 26, at Sohier Park, overlooking the lighthouse with the Seacoast Wind Ensemble providing musical entertainment beginning at 8 p.m., followed by the countdown to “lights on” at the lighthouse.

“The Lighting of the Nubble is always a hit,” Cogger said.

For those who prefer to spend the evening in York Beach on Sunday, the Silvertone Big Band will perform at 7 p.m. at Ellis Park.

New this year to York Days will be Kids Day at Nubble Light on Monday, July 27, featuring a variety of family-friendly events and visits from authors and artists, including a book-signing with renowned local musician Tim Janis from 1 to 3 p.m.

That evening, the Miraj Band will perform at Ellis Park at 7 p.m.

On Tuesday, July 28, pet-lovers will enjoy the Piscataqua Dog Obedience Show from 6 to 8 p.m. at Ellis Park in York Beach.

Ellis Park Fireworks

While York Days will celebrate the local community, don’t miss York’s celebration of the nation’s birthday.

York’s Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration will be held at Ellis Park at Short Sands Beach on Sunday July 5, at 9:30 p.m., with a rain date of Monday, July 6, at the same time and location.

The fireworks are sponsored by the Ellis Short Sands Park.

Also that evening, residents and visitors can be a part of the Breast Cancer Walk for Hope, sponsored by York Hospital Breast Cancer Survivors, which will begin with registration at the York Beach Ball Park at 5 p.m. The entry fee is \$15 and the walk benefits cancer-related causes in the state of Maine.

On Wednesday, July 29, the Fred Manzi Trio will perform at 7 p.m. at Ellis Park, followed on Thursday, July 30, by The George K Orchestra at the same time and place.

During the evening of Friday, July 31, the York Lion’s Club Annual Fundraising Auction will be held under the big tent with a preview at 5 p.m. and the auction to start at 6 p.m. at the York Beach Ball Field.

That same evening, Richard DeSoto & The Express will perform at 7 p.m. just a short walk away at Ellis Park.

The always-popular York Beach Craft Fair is back this year for the second weekend of York Days, but with some new twists.

“We’re trying to make it more family-friendly,” Cogger said.

In addition to arts, crafts, food and musical entertainment, this year’s fair will feature sand art, face-painting, a jumping house and large inflatable slide for York’s younger residents and visitors, all at the York Beach Ball Field on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 1 and 2, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Chelmsford Community Jazz Ensemble will perform at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 1, at Ellis Park, followed on Sunday evening, Aug. 2, by the Air Force Band’s free concert, also at the park at 7 p.m., marking the end of this year’s festivities.

And what would Verna Rundlett think of York Days today?

“That’s what she had always dreamed of, so it’s really nice that it came to fruition for her,” John Rundlett said. “That’s something she could take pride in, that she really worked hard and believed it could be and it never got dropped. That’s a compliment to her.”

Other events during York Days

YORK – With York Days events centered on York Beach, there will be other fun events going on in and around town during the weeklong celebration, including several special offerings from the Museums of Old York.

- Don’t miss your chance to tour the 20th Annual Decorator Show House, which will be open to the public at McIntyre Farm, located at 270 Cider Hill Road in York, beginning one week before York Days. Show House tours are given Monday and Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday until 7 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Onsite parking is available and admission is \$20.

- On Tuesday, July 28, children can learn about “Soap Suds and Dirty Duds” by signing up in advance for this educational program at Old York. Try washing laundry by hand with only a washboard and metal basin filled with water heated over the fire, hang the clean laundry out to dry and make your own scented soaps to use at home from 9 a.m. to noon at the Remick Barn on the corner of York Street and Lindsay Road. This program is for ages 5 to 8 and admission is \$20 for members, \$23 for nonmembers. Reservations and advanced payment are required by calling 363-4974.

- On Thursday, July 30, enjoy “Painting History” with Old York as children between the ages of 8 and 12 are invited outside with palettes, paint and paper to create their own rendition of local history from 9 a.m. to noon at the Remick Barn on the corner of York Street and Lindsay Road. This program is also \$20 for members and \$23 for nonmembers, with reservations and advanced payment required by calling 363-4974.

For more on these and other programs, visit www.oldyork.org.

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The Sports Report

Babe Ruth Prep Results Week 4 & 5

Week 4

• Monday, June 15: Wells 15, York1 1

York1 had a tough loss at Wells on Monday, losing 15 to 1. Wells continues to play well with solid pitching and defense, and timely hitting. For York1, Anton Burimov, Adam Legg, Jess Ware and Cameron Frecker each had a hit. Jesse Ware scored York1's lone run. Ben Lawlor and Cameron Frecker pitched for York1.

• Wednesday, June 17: York1 13, South Berwick 7

York1 bounced back Wednesday at the Lumberyard, beating South Berwick 13 to 7. Ben Lawlor had 3 hits and 3 runs scored. Adam Legg had 3 hits and 1 run scored. Jesse Ware had 2 hits and 3 runs scored. Anton Burimov had 1 hit and 1 run scored. Also scoring for York1, Nick Moulton, Taylor Newton and Andrew Young. Taylor Newton and Cameron Frecker pitched solid for York1.

• Thursday, June 18: York1 13, York2 6

The 2 York Prep teams battled again on Thursday with York1 coming out on top, 13 to 6.

Leading York1's offense was Ben Lawlor with 3 hits and 2 runs scored. Sean McKenna chipped in with 2 hits. Taylor Newton and Adam Legg each had 1 hit and 3 runs scored. Alec Jordan, Michael Stein, Jesse Ware, Morgan Briggs and Cameron Frecker all had 1 hit each. York1 had solid pitching from Andrew Young, Morgan Briggs and Adam Legg. Jackson Cogger lead the York2 offense with 1 hit and 1 run scored. Sean Tourigny and Trenton Spencer also had hits for York2. Michael Gallagher and James Winkler pitched for York2.

Week 5

• Wednesday, June 24: South Berwick 22, York1 5

In the first game of a double header, York1 lost to South Berwick 22 to 5. South Berwick had 10 hits to support their 22 runs. For York1, Ian McFarlane and Ben Lawlor had lone hits. Morgan Briggs, Cameron Frecker and Taylor Newton pitched for York1.

• Wednesday, June 24: York1 12, South

Berwick 4

York1 split the double header with South Berwick, winning 12 to 4. Ben Lawlor led the attack with 2 hits and 2 runs scored, and also pitched the three-inning game, which was called due to darkness. Other York1 players with hits were Nick Moulton, Taylor Newton, Jess Ware, Andrew Young and Cameron Frecker.

• Friday, June 26: York2 12, York1 7

In the first game of a double header, York2 beat York1 12 to 7. Leading the York2 offense was Kyle Petersen, Jackson Cogger, James Winkler, Stanley Szeniawski, Sean Tourigny, Sean Horgan and Michael Gallagher with hits. Aaron Todd and James Winkler pitched for York2, shutting down the York2 offense. For York1, Nick Moulton, Adam Legg, Ben Lawlor, Sean McKenna, Cameron Frecker and Anton Burimov all had hits. Adam Legg and Nick Moulton pitched for York1.

• Friday, June 26: York2 16, York1 9

The second game saw York2 come out ahead 16 to 9, scoring 9 runs in the 5th inning for the comeback win. Kyle Petersen and Trenton

Spencer led the York2 offense with 2 hits and 3 runs scored each. Also with hits for York2 were Tom Arsenaault, Cameron Farrell, James Winkler and Sean Tourigny. Jackson Cogger and Cameron Farrell pitched well for York2. York1 had a 14 hit attack, led by Ben Lawlor with 3 hits and 3 runs scored. Also with hits for York1 were Taylor Newton, Sean McKenna (2), Ian McFarlane, Cameron Frecker, Andrew Young (2), Nick Moulton, Adam Legg and Jesse Ware (2). Taylor Newton and Nick Moulton pitched well for York1.

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News About Town

Paint your own pottery right here in York at Naked Plates

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK – For years, local residents have been traveling to Dover or Portsmouth, N.H., or even farther, to paint keepsake cups, plates and other pottery for family and friends, or just for fun.

But now that York residents Jillian and Matt Wood have opened a second location for their Dover-based Naked Plates, York residents and visitors alike can find a creative outlet right here in town.

"What we were noticing was that a lot of people were coming from this area over to our Dover studio," said Jillian, who will manage the York studio while he husband continues to run the Dover location. "Living in York ourselves, we noticed York could use something like this."

In their York walk-in studio, just like in their original Dover location, pottery painters of all ages can find everything from decorative items to cups, plates and teapots to use every day.



Local residents Jillian and Matt Wood have opened a second location of their very popular, Dover, N.H.- based Naked Plates right in York. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

Matt and Jillian stressed that both Naked Plates locations are designed for all ages, with something for everyone.

Matt said one of the questions he often receives is about the safety of the paints and glazes.

"All we've ever used are lead-free products," he explained.

And, Jillian added, the paints wash off hands

and out of clothing, taking the worry out of painting for adults and children alike.

The York Naked Plates walk-in studio has been open for about two months at 470 Route 1, just across from the new Wildcat Pizza location.

And so far, the Woods said, things have been going very well.

In addition to offering walk-in time during regular business hours, Naked Plates also features birthday party options, space for creative gatherings for work groups and even Ladies Night on Thursdays, which is held from 5 to 8 p.m.

And with so many projects to choose from, the Woods have samples and supplies to help any would-be painter find what they're looking for.

"You don't have to be an artist to do it," Jillian stressed.

And, Matt added, just as has been the case in the Dover studio, the York location provides a

safe, kid-friendly way for families and friends to enjoy some creative time together.

Studio fees of \$4 per painter for the first hour and \$2 for each additional hour cover the cost of paints, glazing and firing of the pottery. The prices for the unfinished pieces range from \$5 to \$50, with a wide variety of items to choose from under \$10.

Once a piece is completed, Naked Plates takes care of having the pottery fired so that it is food-safe, dishwasher safe and ready for everyday use. Generally, pieces may be picked up one week from completion.

Naked Plates is open year-round in York with hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m.

For more about Naked Plates, or to check out examples of the types of pottery and programs offered, visit www.nakedplatespottery.com. To reach the York studio, call 351-1002.

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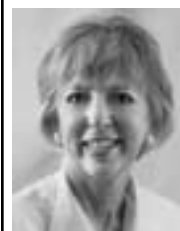
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Garden party fundraiser on July 19

On Sunday, July 19, 2009, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., area residents will have the opportunity to visit Jim Boldebook's incredible gardens at 13 Federal Street in Alfred as a fundraiser for York County Shelter Programs.

Visitors will have the opportunity to roam about the large expanse of lovely grounds and gardens surrounding two homes, a guest house and a pavilion. There is also walking path that offers an alternative view of the house and gardens. For those challenged with walking, a golf cart will be available to assist with transportation around the grounds.

The Boldebook property is situated on the scenic Shaker Pond in Alfred and is home to a variety of spectacular gardens and the cemetery of some of the early settlers of Alfred, including the family of Deacon Moses Stevens.

Joanna Sylvester and her crew from Memory Gardens will be in attendance to share information and answer garden questions. Draft horse and tractor wagon rides are also being planned, as are games, music and face-painting. There will be refreshments served in the pavilion, and visitors are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and relax on the grounds.

Admission is \$10 per adult, free for children accompanied by a paying adult. Tickets may be purchased in advance by mailing a check payable to York

County Shelter Programs Garden Party to Joan Sylvester, P.O. Box 820, Alfred, ME 04002. Call 324-1137 or email joans@ycspi.org.

If the weather is inclement on Sunday, July 19, call 324-1137 that morning for information. The rain date is Sunday, July 26.

2009 York Art Association annual members show opens July 3

The York Art Association in York Harbor's Annual Members Show opens Friday, July 3,

and continues through Sunday, July 26.

The opening reception on Friday, July 3, will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. and hosts Carol Powley and Paulette Chernack have created a Fourth of July theme, complete with refreshments. Meet the artists during this special evening event.

This juried show is chaired by Powley and Donald Robinson and will be judged by George Marshall Store Gallery Curator Mary Harding.

This show will feature a variety of media including sculpture, fabric art, jewelry, photography, drawing, watercolor, acrylic and pottery, with all items for sale.

Regular exhibit hours are Thursday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the York Art Association. For more information, call 363-4049.

Farmers' market now open

The second year of the Tuesday Farmers' Market, sponsored by the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce and Stonewall Kitchen, is now underway.

Find the market behind the chamber's York Visitors Center on Route 1 every Tuesday through Sept. 1 with hours from 2 to 5:30 p.m.

This year's Tuesday market is featuring both returning and new vendors, including Borealis Breads, Chef's Cove Café, Connolly's Organic Gardens, Hubba Hubba Foods, Lakonia Greek Products, Rising Ridge Farm, Zach's Farm, Catch a Piece of Maine, Designs By ACM, Spiller Farm and Touching Earth Farm.

The Saturday Farmers' Market is also in full swing, and will continue through Oct. 10 with hours from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Call 363-4422 or visit www.gatewayto-maine.org to learn more.

Coastal Garden Tour set for July 25

On Saturday, July 25, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Piscataqua Garden Club is sponsoring "Gardens by the Sea," a tour of eight spectacular coastal gardens in Kittery Point, with all proceeds to benefit the Kittery Land Trust and Strawberry Banke's horticultural programs.

Advance tickets are \$15 and are available by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope and a check payable to PGC/Garden Tour

to Gardens By The Sea, Box 2005, New Castle, NH 03854-2005.

Day of tour tickets, which will be available at the First Congregational Church on Route 103 in Kittery Point, are \$20.

Lunch will be available at the First Congregational Church for \$12, and reservations may be made by emailing ucckp@comcast.net.

For more information on Gardens by the Sea, email thegardenlady@comcast.net or call (603) 433-9092.

Cars and pet dangers in summer

The Animal Welfare Society is reminding pet owners to use extra caution in the summer months with leaving an animal in a parked car – even for a short period of time.

The internal temperature of a parked vehicle can reach 120 degrees in a matter of minutes, leaving your pet susceptible to heat exhaustion, heat stroke and brain damage. Dogs and cats are not able to perspire to release heat from their bodies and can easily become overheated.

"Mainers love their four-legged friends and need to understand that the best option for Fido is to leave him home. Car rides are fun, but can turn deadly on hot days, even with the windows cracked and the vehicle parked in the shade," explained Humane Society of the United States Maine State Director Katie Lisnik. "If you see a dog in a hot car, call the local police and animal control. It is a crime to leave a dog in a hot car."

Bobbi Allen, Animal Welfare Society shelter co-manager also pointed out that animals should never ride in the bed of a truck, explaining, "It's extremely dangerous for dogs to ride untethered in the bed of a truck. A dog can be struck by flying debris or rocks, accidentally be thrown if the driver must stop quickly, swerves to avoid a collision or goes over rough terrain. A scared, nervous or excited dog may also unpredictably jump from the vehicle and suffer serious injuries."

For more information about protecting your pets, or to learn about pets available for adoption in York County, visit www.animal-welfaresociety.org.

Celebrating May Sarton

A committee has formed in York to celebrate the life of author May Sarton on the

100th anniversary of her birth in May, 2012.

Sarton lived in York from 1973 until her death in 1995 and is still well remembered by many in town.

York residents Lou Hargan and Victoria Simon, who was a friend of Sarton's, are organizing the committee, which has already started work on planning the celebratory event.

"May was a dear friend, and I am honored to be working on a celebration of her life," Simon explained in an announcement of the creation of this new committee. "Even though it seems as though 2012 is a long way off, we wanted to start now so that we can provide a first-rate commemoration of her life and work."

Ideas being considered for the event include literary workshops, field trips to particular points of interest in and around York and perhaps New England, showing of documentary films and reminiscences of Sarton by people who knew her.

Anyone who would like to become involved in the committee is welcome to email vsimon@maine.rr.com or lhargan@maine.rr.com for information on upcoming meetings.

Fairy houses at Clay Hill Farm

Back by popular demand, and for the third year in a row, Clay Hill Farm Restaurant's Sanctuary Garden area will be the location for weekly Fairy House building for children of all ages through Tuesday, Aug. 25.

Fairy House-building will be offered from 10 to 11 a.m., weather permitting, on the site of the restaurant, which is designated as a bird sanctuary and wildlife refuge by the National Wildlife Federation. Jenn Fargo from Clay Hill Farm Restaurant will host this weekly event.

All-natural materials will be supplied for the Fairy Houses, although all are welcome to bring their own natural items to help "attract the fairies" to their new homes.

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Animal Welfare Society special events are scheduled for Saturday, July 11, when you can meet the AWS Mobile Adoption Team at the Kennel Shop at Mill Creek Plaza in South Portland with adoptable canines from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. On Saturday, July 18, visit the Animal Welfare Society booth and meet some of the adoptable dogs during The Alfred Festival from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; join the AWS Humane Educator and an adoptable pet at the Children's Museum and Theatre of Maine on Free Street in Portland for a program on animal care and handling from 10 to 11 a.m., or visit the Mobile Adoption Team at Pet Quarters on Payne Road in Scarborough from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with adoptable shelter canines. Visit www.animalwelfaresociety.org or call 985-3244.

Church Ladies' Bakery Café will be open Saturday, July 4, at Union Congregational Church in York Beach from 8 to 11 a.m. with a selection of home-baked goodies and coffee.

Gardens by the Sea, a coastal garden tour offered by the Piscataqua Garden Club, will be held Saturday, July 25, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., featuring eight coastal gardens in Kittery Point. A mini "Art in Bloom," featuring floral arrangements interpreting paintings at the nearby Kittery Art Association, is included in the tour price. All proceeds from the tour benefit the Kittery Land Trust and Strawberry Banke's horticultural programs. Advance tickets are \$15, day of tour tickets are \$20 and will be available at the First Congregational Church of Kittery Point on Route 103. To order tickets send a stamped, self-addressed envelope and a check made out to PGC/Garden Tour to Gardens By The Sea, Box 2005, New Castle, NH 03854-2005. Email thegardenlady@comcast.net or call (603) 433-9092. Lunch will be available at the First Congregational Church for \$12; email ucckp@comcast.net for reservations.

Gateway Farmer's Market, located on Route 1 behind the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce Visitors Center, is open every Saturday through Oct. 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and every Tuesday until Sept. 1, from 2 to 5:30 p.m. Call 363-4422 or visit www.gatewaytomaine.org.

Historic New England's George Washington Tour is set Tuesday, July 7. Portsmouth, N.H., was one of the nation's first president's stops during his 1789 progress up the East Coast. This walking tour following his steps will begin and end at the Langdon House at 143 Pleasant Street and is scheduled from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the tour are \$15 for Historic New England Members and \$25 for nonmembers. Register by calling (603) 436-3205 or visiting www.HistoricNewEngland.org.

July Programs at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm include Signs of Wildlife Walk on Monday, July 6, at 9:30 a.m. and again on Thursday, July 16, at 9:30 a.m.; Nature Safari in 3-D on Monday, July 6, at 7 p.m.; Trees on the Trail on Tuesday, July 7 at 9:30 a.m.; Bird Banding Demonstration on Wednesday, July 8, from 7 a.m. to noon and again on Wednesday, July 15; Secrets of a Salt Marsh on Thursday, July 9, at 9:30 a.m. and again on Monday, July

13, at 9:30 a.m.; Wildflower Walk on Friday, July 10, at 9:30 a.m.; Bird Walks on Saturdays, July 11 and 18, at 7:30 a.m.; Geocaching 101, for older children and adults, on Tuesday, July 14, at 10 a.m., and History of a Saltwater Farm on Friday, July 17, at 9:30 a.m. Call 646-1555 or visit www.wellsreserve.org.

Just for Kids Programs at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm are scheduled for Friday, July 10, from 8:30 a.m. to noon for "The Forest Underfoot" and Monday, July 13, from noon to 3:30 p.m. for "Something Fishy." Programs are for children ages 6 to 9 and admission is \$18 for members, \$24 for nonmembers with registration required by calling 646-1555.

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.

Video Gamers at the York Public Library are scheduled for Fridays on 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 pre-registered 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 Lions Annual Fundraising Auction is set for Friday, July 31, under the big tent in the York Beach Ball Park with the preview at 5 p.m. and the auction beginning at 6 p.m.

York Public Library's Bedtime Story Times begin on Tuesday, July 7, at 6:15 p.m. and will continue every Tuesday evening from 6:15-6:45 p.m. through the end of August. Kimberly Whelan, preschool educator, invites parents to bring their children in pajamas and snuggle in for a half hour of stories designed to send them to dreamland. Call 363-2818 or visit www.york.lib.me.us.

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. The Eighth Annual "Small Works Show" will open with a reception on Friday, July 3, from 5 to 8 p.m., and continue through Friday, July 17, featuring small, framed, original oils painted on location in and around the Ogunquit area and on Monhegan Island by plein air artist Beth Ellis. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. FMI: 646-7700 or www.bellisart.com.

Dancing at Clay Hill Farm is offered every Thursday evening through the summer from 8 to 10 p.m. with a weekly dance lesson

from 8 to 8:30 p.m. from local dance instructor Phyllis Norton. With the popularity of ballroom dancing on the rise, beginners need not be intimidated. The weekly dance lesson can be an introduction for new dancers as well as a refresher for more seasoned partners. Call Clay Hill Farm at 361-2272 for reservations and information.

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

Salon Night Series at the Red Door Pottery Studio on Government Street in Kittery is offered during the last Saturday of each month beginning at 7 p.m., featuring local poets, musicians and artists. Admission and refreshments are free. Call 439-5671 or visit www.reddoorpottery.com.

Shout! The Mod Musical is on stage at the Ogunquit Playhouse through July 11. This regional premiere of this frothy, infectious, all-new production of this bright vinyl time capsule tracks five groovy girls as they come of age in the '60s with such hits as "Downtown," "Son of a Preacher Man" and "You Don't Have to Say You Love Me." Visit www.ogunquitplayhouse.org or call 646-5511.

StoneCrop Gallery is open for the season at 805 Shore Road in York. See the work of Jim Dow through Aug. 1, with a reception set for Saturday, July 25, from 3 to 6 p.m. Call 361-4215 or visit www.stonecropgallery.com.

HEALTH, SUPPORT AND WELLNESS

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.

WORKSHOPS AND ENRICHMENT

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.

Lunch & Learn on Memory, Aging and Alzheimer's Disease is a free event presented by SMMC Visiting Nurses on Thursday, July 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St Martha's Church on Route 1 in Kennebunk. Lunch will be provided. Register by calling SMMC Visiting Nurses at 985-1000 by Thursday, July 9. Space is limited, and available on a first come, first serve basis.

Major Gifts: Hors d'oeuvres, Wine and Money, a SkillBuilder presented by Michael Bamdollar, will be offered Thursday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to noon at Saco City Hall by the Maine Association of Nonprofits. Registration is required for all MANP SkillBuilders and full course descriptions, dates, location, fee and registration information are all available at www.nonprofitmaine.org/skillbuilders.asp.

Son Rock Kids Camp at Cape Neddick Baptist Church is set for Monday, July 20, through Friday, July 24, for children in grades K through 5. Come and explore nature while you enjoy Bible stories, yummy snacks, fun games and friendship while exploring their relationship with Jesus Christ. Camp times are 9 to 11:30 a.m. To register or for information, call 748-3009 or visit www.cape-neddick-baptist.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 DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS 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.

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.

EXHIBITS, MUSIC, THEATRE AND THE ARTS

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.

OPEN FARM!

York's own Triple G Farm will welcome visitors to its Open Farm Days on Saturday, July 25, which falls during the annual York Days celebration of things to do all around town, and then again on Aug. 15. Both days, the farm will be open for visitors to see the sheep, chickens and other animals, check out the wool shop created by farm owner Carrie McKie, and enjoy views of the pond and open spaces of this family farm on Bog Road. Triple G is one of several local farms of varying types and sizes that stand as testaments to the fact that York has more to offer than just its beaches. Pictured here, Jordan McKie, 7, and Madeline McKie, 9, give Dave the sheep some extra attention while other members of the flock enjoy treats near the pond. To learn more about Triple G field trips, birthday parties, wool, knit night and more, visit www.triplegfarm.com or call 363-0418. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

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.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

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

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

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

SMMC Visiting Nurses Monthly Diabetes Support Groups are offered at the Richard

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

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

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

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

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

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

The International Women's Club of New England (IWCNE) meets for lunch on the fourth Saturday of every month with an international speaker. IWCNE is non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian, and its mission is to foster goodwill, friendship and understanding amongst members from different countries and to support charities which assist women and children. Call 985-7433.

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization chartered by Congress in 1939 to assist the United States Coast Guard with all of its missions, excluding law enforcement. Members teach boating safety classes, provide free vessel safety checks, provide safety literature at boat

shows, perform on the water safety patrols, and harbor watch patrols. The Saco Bay Flotilla meets the second Thursday of every month at the Saco Yacht Club at 7:30 p.m.

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

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.

SUPPORT

A Safe Place, a nonprofit agency, has been providing support services and emergency shelter to victims of domestic abuse for over 28 years. A Safe Place has offices in Portsmouth, Rochester and Salem, N.H. Call (800) 854-3552.

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

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

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

The Special Needs Parent Network meets the last Friday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Family Resource Center at Landmark Hill at the York-Kittery town line. Contact Marcia Flinkstrom at 384-5041 or mflinkstrom@comcast.net or Lisa Richard at 324-5501 or bugsnlola@msn.com.

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

WORSHIP SERVICES

Baha'i Faith holds Sunday morning devotional meetings and fellowship. Call 363-4591 or 361-1722.

Cape Neddick Baptist Church's Sunday School is at 9 a.m. for all ages; 10:15 a.m. for

worship service and junior church, nursery for toddlers. Tuesday is Women's Home Bible Study from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service is at 7 p.m. Call 363-3566 or visit www.cape-neddick-baptist.org.

The First Baptist Church of Kittery Point, located on Haley Road at Route 103, invites you to Bible Study for the family on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and worship at 10:30 a.m. You can expect great music at all services. Call 439-4077.

First Parish Congregational Church in York: Summer Worship at 9:00 a.m. only! One Worship Service Only begins Sunday, July 5 at 9:00 a.m. Stay close to God and your church by attending worship regularly this summer. They'll be inspiring messages, great music, and fellowship & refreshments outside (weather permitting). It's a great time to gather as one. Please join us! And if you're new to town and/or looking for a church home we especially invite you to join us! Call 363-3758 or visit www.firstparishyork.org.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church offers new service hours, including the informal 5:30 p.m. Saturday evening service. Two Sunday services with full Lutheran liturgy are held at 8 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. Call 985-4803 or visit www.kennebunklutheran.org.

Ogunquit Baptist Church's Sunday Worship is at 9:30 a.m. with nursery care. Children's Sunday School is during worship time. Adult Sunday School is 10 a.m. Call 646-2160.

St. Christopher's Catholic Church holds Masses on Saturday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30 and 11 a.m. Call 363-4177 or visit www.stchristopheryork.com.

St. Francis Of Assisi American Catholic Church of New England Sunday Mass is at 9 a.m. with the Most Rev. Rosemary Ananis at 952 Post Road (Route 1) Wells Plaza West. This diverse and growing small faith community has an active community outreach program, a growing children's ministry and a monthly Bible study. Come and experience the Spirit alive and well! Call 332-7761 or visit rananis@maine.rr.com.

St. George's and Trinity Episcopal Churches Summer 2009 Worship Schedule continues through Sunday, Sept. 6, with Holy Eucharist at 7:45 a.m. and Family Eucharist at 9 a.m. on Sundays at St. George's on York Street in York Harbor and Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church on the corner of York Street and Woodbridge Road in York Harbor. On Thursdays at 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist with healing is offered at St. George's. Call 363-7376 for St. George's or visit www.stgeorgesyorkharbor.org. Call 363-5095 for Trinity Episcopal Church.

Union Congregational Church Summer Worship Schedule in York Beach continues through Sunday, Sept. 6, with weekly worship services at 10:15 a.m. Summer visitors, as well as area residents, are welcome. Services are followed by a time of fellowship and refreshments for those who can stay to meet and greet friends, both old and new. Parking is provided. This small, friendly church welcomes any who choose to be involved with a God-loving community of faith. Call 363-4821

York-Ogunquit United Methodist Church at 1026 US Route 1 in York offers summer worship at 9:30 a.m. Call 363-2749 or visit www.youmc.org.

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Library Happenings

‘Nothing’ now on exhibit



A piece by Kittery resident Eve Corey. (Courtesy Photo)

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• **Something from Nothing:** Artists who work with found materials are frequently described as making something out of nothing. Eve Corey, a Kittery resident and teacher in the York Public Schools, is exhibiting work at the York Public Library through Aug. 31. She will discuss her work at a public reception on Tuesday, July 7, at 5 p.m.

In one series in the exhibit, Corey fashions found scraps of wood into abstract wall assemblages. Assemblage is a form of sculpture composed of found objects arranged in such a way that they create a piece. Whatever catches the artist's eye and fits properly in the composition to make a unified whole is fair game.

In another series, she works exclusively with cardboard, a material she finds delightful because of its softness and malleability. These works were inspired by visits to the French Quarter in New Orleans.

Finally, Corey will be showing small paintings of the Tuscan landscape entitled “Italian Postcards.” Painted on 5”x5” squares of wood, they are snapshots of moments of color experienced in Italy.

• **Crime on the Back Roads and Dark Streets of New England:** Maine mystery authors Libby Mussman of York and Kate Flora of Bailey Island are featured in the recently released Deadfall: Crime Stories by New England Writers, a collection of stories by some of New England's finest crime writers. They will be at the York Public Library on Tuesday, July 14 at 7 p.m. to discuss the pleasures and challenges of writing and publishing short fiction. The

event is free and open to the public, and books will be available for signing.

• **Starved for time?** “The Time-Starved Woman's Guide to Emotional Well-Being” is the topic of a program by Suze Allen, freelance writer, playwright, and performer, at the York Public Library on Tuesday, July 7, at 7 p.m. Allen will discuss her book by the same name, which she co-authored with public health advocate and clinical psychologist, Dr. S. D. Shanti.

The book can equip a busy woman with a lifetime of tools, strategies for balance, and information for self-care in the face of everyday ups and downs. Allen, who teaches writing and has performed on many stages in the United States and abroad, will bring her special sparkle to the presentation. The book will be available for sale and signing that evening.

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: Friday, July 3; Friday, July 10; Friday, July 31.

• **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

• **“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. Ultimately Tivii rediscovers hope through a plan to adopt Kaki. Rated PG, 102 minutes.

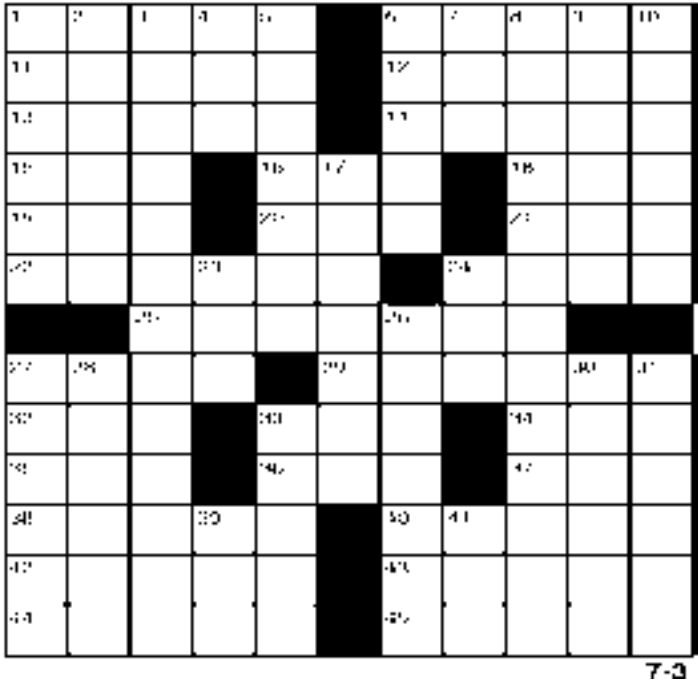
• **Family Movie Night** — “Pinocchio,” Sunday, Aug. 9 at 6 p.m. Bring the family to celebrate the 70th anniversary of Walt Disney's Pinocchio, considered one of the ten best animated films of all time - the tale of a wooden puppet brought to life by a fairy. Please feel free to bring a picnic and blanket/pillow if you wish.



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Arts & Leisure

'Shout!' Five Young Ladies Sing Out

Musical at Ogunquit Playhouse
Review by Joseph Mauro

The format of Ogunquit Playhouse's current production, Shout!, is an original new story with '60s songs, cleverly and meaningfully integrated into the speeches, action and characterizations. Old enough to have a tinge of nostalgia, the songs still are fresh enough to convey the emotions and enrich the dialogues and monologues of the cast.

The script covers the whole range of emotion, and much of it is humorous.

In several scenes, the girls talk to the audience through tiny windows in the magnificent set (designed by David Gallo), about their hopes, fears, failures, triumphs. Commenting about their mini-dresses, the off-stage Narrator (Holter Graham) lets us know that "We don't have to go to Australia to see 'Down Under'." Introducing the girls, he describes one girl as a "slut, possibly American." Worried about being plain-looking, Amanda Lea LaVergne is reassured by advice columnist Gwendolyn: "There are worse things than being ugly; you could be French."

The show, conceived and written by Phillip George, David Lowenstein, and Peter Charles Morris, is full of naughty lines like these.

Colorful flowers and stems surrounding a large image of Shout, the British magazine (fictitious), which provides the context and setting of the show.

We enjoy an Overture-like medley of songs such as Downtown, England Swings, Round Every Corner, sung by Julie Cardia, Tiana Checchia, Kelly Kunkel, Amanda Lea LaVergne, and Alena Watters.

On stage, as they sing, the ladies dance fascinating choreographies, with natural, dramatic gestures, stances and movements.

Musical highlights of the show: To Sir, With Love; Son of a Preacher Man; Georgy Girl; Don't Give Up: These Boots Were Made For Walking; Don't Sleep in the Subway; Those Were The Days; Downtown.

Musical Director Danny Glass leads an ensemble of keyboard, drums, trumpet, guitar, and bass.

Director/Choreographer Russell Garrett has created highly original stage activity for the show, and the girls perform all the numbers with grace, precision, and liveliness.

The large, cut-out cardboard figure which pops out of the set occasionally to counsel and scold the girls is Gwendolyn, the British advice columnist (Voice of Carole Shelley), whose wisdom is laughable, quaint, and happily ignored by the girls.



Kelly Kunkel onstage as one of the cast members of 'Shout!', now playing at the Ogunquit Playhouse. (Courtesy Photo)

In one scene, Kelly gets married, sings I Couldn't Live Without Your Love, throws her corsage, caught by Tiana, who delivers a monologue about her own subsequent marriage to a man who beats her, gets her pregnant, and threatens to kill her. Tiana is advised by Gwendolyn to stay with her husband. Shocked by Gwendolyn's coldness, Tiana walks off stage in rejection of the advice. The narrator then informs us that shortly after this episode, the advice column was discontinued.

Amanda Lea LaVergne spoke to The York Independent after Opening Night.

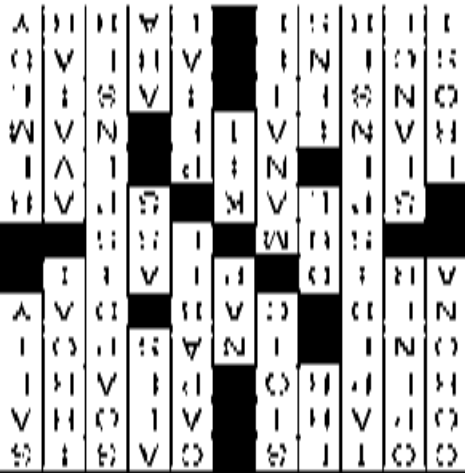
"My character is not confident, is uncomfortable in her skin. She's naïve, and the youngest of the five, is good with the girls. They hold my hands, tell me what I need — Love — not all the '60s stuff. I learn to accept my own awkwardness. I tell about my own marriage and five children, in the '70s. Director Russell Garrett guides us just enough to give us jumping boards to take off from. He helps us with our pitch of voice, how to find our own journey within our character."

Shout! Is a happy show, with a cheerful, positive ending. The lyrics of the finale, Downtown, express the optimism and confidence of the girls: "You're going to be all right, now. Things will be great when you're downtown. Everything is waiting for you downtown."

Shout!

Performances now through Saturday, July 11; Tuesday-Friday evenings at 8 p.m.; Saturday at 8:30 p.m.; matinees Wednesday & Thursday at 2:30 p.m.; Saturday at 3:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.; \$43-\$60; Ogunquit Playhouse, Route 1 at York town line, 646-5511, www.OgunquitPlayhouse.org

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THE DOGS

Daisy
This beautiful girl is Daisy, a three-year-old Walker hound that weighs 55 pounds. Daisy is searching for that special someone to call her own. She is a friendly dog who will do just fine sharing her new home with other dogs, dog-savvy cats and respectful older children.



Eddy
Gorgeous as can be and a social butterfly, Eddy is a 10-month-old pitbull that would love to find a forever family to call his own. He is a great dog that should do just fine sharing his new home with other dogs, dog-savvy cats and children over the age of six.



Sasha
Who could resist such a face? Sasha is a three-year-old pitbull mix that weighs about 67 pounds. She is an active dog that can't wait to find a loving forever home. Sasha is a friendly girl that should do just fine sharing her new home with children over the age of 10; however, other dogs are not Sasha's cup of tea so we won't be asking her to share her home with any. Sasha is a smart girl that knows the commands "sit" and "down." She also knows the tricks "shake" and "rollover."



THE CATS

Chaz
This sweet boy is Chaz, a friendly little three-year-old cat that has a gorgeous short buff and white coat. He is a super affectionate boy that should do



just fine sharing his new home with other cats and respectful children. Chaz can't wait for that special someone to come and scoop him up.

Tiger
This gorgeous man is Tiger, a four-year-old cat that has a short grey coat. Tiger is a friendly fellow that would love to find a forever home to call his own. He is an affectionate boy that loves to talk. Tiger should do just fine sharing his new home with other cats.



Trenia
This beauty is Trenia, a three-year-old cat that has a beautiful, medium-length, gray tiger coat. Trenia is an affectionate girl that would love nothing more than to have a forever family to cuddle with. She is friendly and would do just fine sharing her new home with other kitties.



OTHER PETS

Bandit and Taz
This lovely little pair is Bandit and Taz. Bandit is the larger one and is a boy and Taz is the smaller one and is a girl. They are both two years old and sable in color. They are the best of friends and can't wait to find a loving forever family that is willing to take them both in. They are both friendly and would love to be able to have a room to run around and play in.



Carlito
This little cutie is Carlito, a 16-week-old bunny that came to us as a transfer. Carlito is a friendly little guy that can't wait to find a forever home to call his own with a family that is willing to handle him daily so that he can stay as happy and friendly as possible.



New at Old York

Visiting the Coché Homestead

By Margaret Dube, Educator and Museum Interpreter

The homestead appeared in the northwest corner of town on an 1872 property map of York, Maine. I drove up to the area, hoping the old farmhouse survived and that I'd be able to identify it. Instead, I discovered the Ledges golf course spread out over the space. Surely it had enveloped the home and barns.

Then, a chance conversation with Dexter Spiller at the Museums of Old York Research Library revealed that the house still stands just north of the Ledges, on the left side of the small road leading to the dump. Sure enough, this is the spot. Acres of open land surround the dwelling where the Coché family once lived. I can easily picture the bustle of farm life — the smell of earth and animals, the fields high with hay, barley and corn.

As a young man in the 1820s, Thomas Coché emigrated from Milan. He enlisted in the

U.S. Navy; married York native Ednar Grover; and farmed his land in the Scotland District of town. Although I can't explain why he left Italy or what brought him to the southern coast of Maine, I can harvest slivers of his life through old documents.

Coché's Navy pension file tells us he was promptly discharged in 1840 after an injury sustained while cooking for the Ordinary at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Apparently he hobbled through several difficult years, until the officers at the Shipyard "pitying him, although unable to do but very little" reenlisted him in 1847. Coché served almost three more years, awaiting a \$5 a month disability pension.

The year following his reenlistment, he purchased a 1/8 acre lot with a house "directly opposite the Brixam [sic] School" for \$50. Then, in 1852, with his pension secured and sons reaching adulthood, he bought a home



Still a private residence, the farmhouse on the Coché Homestead has survived more than 150 years. (Courtesy Photo)

with farmland on "the road leading from York to South Berwick through witch trot." He also acquired pasture, orchard, wood lot and salt marsh land. Coché continued to purchase property in the area and in 1870 owned almost 100 acres. He outlived his wife and several of

their children. As he aged, he sold off property to his sons and others, while "reserving to myself a home and maintenance out of said estate during my natural life."

It's a sunny day in June 2009, but I can easily picture what this place was like when Thomas, Ednar, their four daughters and six sons lived in the farmhouse and worked the land. I imagine them huddled, perhaps several to a bed and crowded together in the kitchen, the cook stove always hot. Before his sons left to serve in the Civil War, and then traded farm life for factory work in Lynn, Mass. Before his daughters married sea captains and ministers

— back in the days when their farmhouse teemed with activity.

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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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