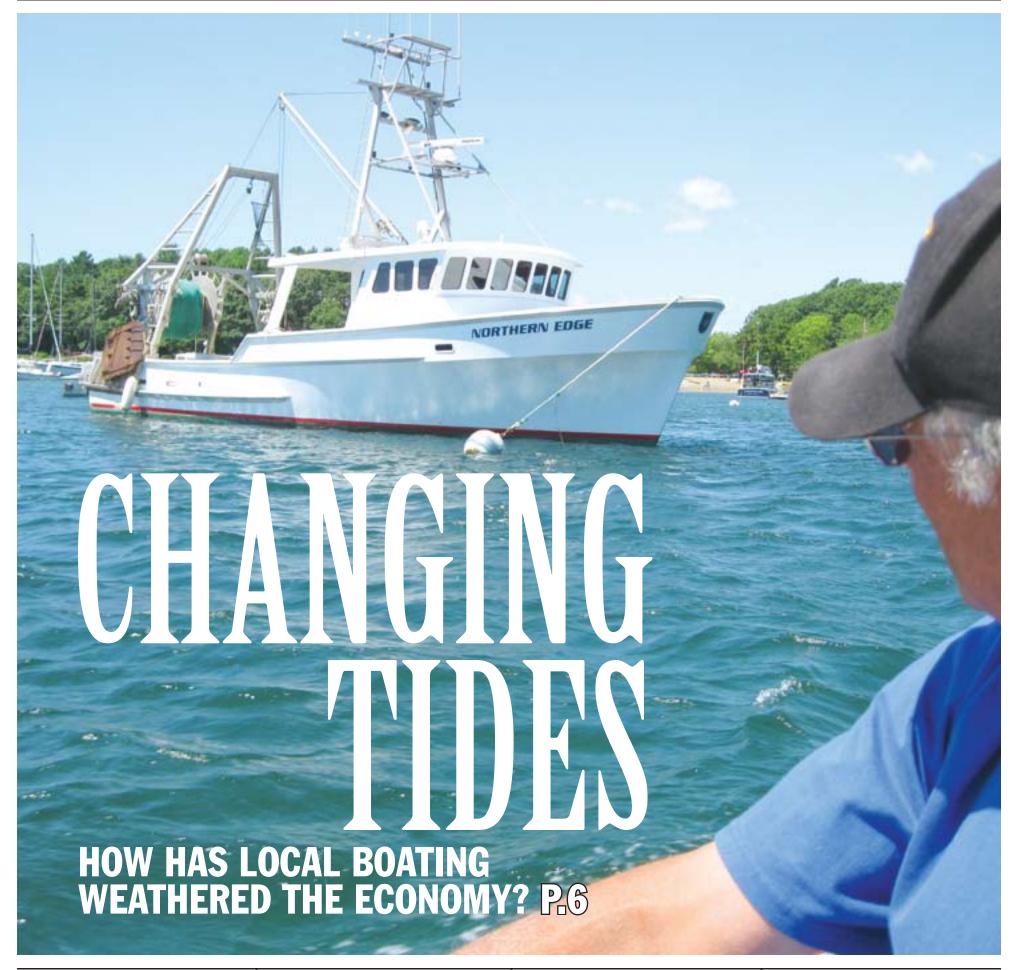
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We cover the waterfront

By DAN SZCZESNY

The York Independent

This issue of the York Independent features a look at something that's key to the area's identity: York Harbor and all the boating and fishing activity that's based there.

You don't have to own a boat or even go anywhere near the water to know how important this is to our community—just cruise Route 1 and check out all the nautical-themed restaurant names.

Being a landlubber myself, I've been wondering how the national economy might affect this part of the local economy. Common sense (of which I have some, despite what my relatives think) would say that in a recession, pleasure boating would surely take a hit. But how big? And boat-building? How is that doing?

Yes, long gone are the days when York Harbor handled serious cargo—when the likes of Continental Congress President John Hancock used the town's dockside warehouses to store gunpowder and ammunition. But it's still home to a commercial fishing fleet, so what about fishermen? How are they doing these days?

Well, that's what this week's main story looks into. Read the story, and you'll find that York's waterfront is certainly



Dan Szczesny

alive and kicking. It's no oceanside Potemkin Village with its glory days behind it, but a bustling place. Though it's not home to big industry such as the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard down the coast,

York Harbor continues to be an active participant in the local economy, weathering economic ups and downs not much different from the tides themselves.

So what does this mean to you? Well, even if your nautical experience is limited to watching reruns of Gilligan's Island or ordering fried clams, take a day to actually go down to York Harbor and poke around. It's a little hard to get to with the Route 103 bridge being rebuilt, but from York Village take Sewall's Bridge across to the other side of York River and you'll get there.

If it's a nice day, get out of the car or off the bike and walk around. Talk to people. (It's a known fact that boat people are 1.8 times friendlier than the general public.) Go out on the docks, which even have picnic tables for you to use!

If the weather is good and the sun is shining and the breeze is mild, you will understand yet another aspect of what makes York such a special place.

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LOCAL NEWS

YORK DAYS PREVIEW

Week-long festival kicks off Friday, July 30 with concert

From the softball tournament to the lighting of the Nubble Lighthouse, the York Days Festival includes a little something for everyone. The town-run event has been held for more than 25 years, and includes a variety of activities for the whole family.

"It's just a summer celebration of the town of York," said Robin Cogger of the Department of Parks and Recreation. "It's just our opportunity to provide activities for the community."

One of the biggest events of the week is the road race on Saturday, July 31. The event is open to 1,000 runners, and more than 700 have already signed up. Registration is available online for \$15 through the Parks and Recreation Web site, http://parksandrec.yorkmaine.org/. If space is still available, runners can register at York High School the morning of the event for \$20.

The Craft Fair and Festival on Saturday, Aug. 7 and Sunday, Aug. 8 is a family-friendly event that features handmade items from jewelers, photographers, textile crafters, and many other artisans. Local food vendors will be selling snacks. There will also be inflatables, a roaming railroad, sand art and face painting.

Each night, a different group will perform in Ellis Park. Cogger said the Air Force Big Band concert is a crowdpleaser, and for the first time, the fireworks that follow the concert will be shot from a barge.

Friday, July 30

• The Jerry Thebodo Big Band will perform at Ellis Park at 7 p.m.

Saturday, July 31

 The York Days Softball Tournament will pit eight teams of softball players from around New England against one another, starting at 8 a.m at York High School and Village Elementary School.

• The Chelmsford Community Jazz Ensemble will perform at Ellis Park at 7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 1

- The Amidon Family Dentistry York Days 5K Road Race will begin at 8 a.m. at York High School.
- The Warren Anderson Dectet will perform at Ellis Park at 7 p.m.
- Christmas in July—the Lighting of the Nubble with the Seacoast Wind Ensemble—will take place at 8 p.m. at Sohier Park.

Monday, Aug. 2

- The Junior Golf Tournament at Cape Neddick Country Club will be held. Call 363-1040 for registration information.
- The New Magnolia Jazz Band will perform at Ellis Park at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 3

• The Country Cloggers will show off their footwork at Ellis Park at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 4

- The Casual Saxtet plays at Ellis Park at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5
- The Breast Cancer Walk of Hope sponsored by York Hospital Cancer Survivors begins at 6 p.m. at the York Beach Ball Park. Registration begins at the Ball Park at 5 p.m., and the entry fee is \$15. Straight Lace will perform at Ellis Park at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6
- The York Lions Club Annual Auction under the big tent will be held at 6 p.m. at the York Beach Ball Field. A preview begins at 5 p.m.
- The Fred Manzi Trio plays at Ellis Park at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7 and Sunday Aug. 8
- The Craft Fair and Festival at the York Beach Ball Field will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will feature crafts, food and children's activities. Saturday. Aug. 7

• The George Kaye Orchestra performs at Ellis Park at 7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 8

• The U.S. Air Force Big Band of Liberty concert will begin at 7 p.m. at Ellis Park.

A fireworks display will follow the Air Force Big Band concert.

Featured: Lions Club Annual Auction

If it's something fun to do in the York area, there's probably a gift certificate for it on the auction block at the York Lions Club Annual Fundraising Auction. Part of the York Days Festival, the auction will take place on Friday, Aug. 6 at 6 p.m. at the York Beach Ball Field.

A large number of York area businesses will donate gift certificates and services to the auction, including the Ogunquit Lobster Pound, Funtown Splashtown USA, The Stolen Menu Cafe, and the York Harbor Inn. There will also be a few donations of heating oil, furniture pieces, and other items.

"We have over 120 items," Howard Koppel of

the Lions Club said. "Everything will be sold."

Koppel said that a lot of the time, people will bid the full price of the item because they know the money is going towards a good cause.

"100 percent go to sight, hearing, the food pantry, fuel assistance. Any request that comes across," Koppel said. "We help anybody really in need."

Free parking will be available at the Union Congregational Church on Church Street. A preview of items up for bid will begin at 5 p.m., and hot dogs and cold drinks will be served, complements of Mike's Hot Dog Cart.

The event will be held under a tent, rain or shine.



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A scene from last year's Gateway Farmers Market in York.

Eat breakfast, then shop

Farmer's market features meal to benefit food pantry

On Saturday, July 31, the Gateway Farmers Market in York features 28 vendors and two alternates, offering fresh veggies and fruit, dairy products, herbs, meat, desserts, breads, tea, oils & spices, prepared foods and more. Craft products include lotions, soaps, wood goods, jewelry, candles, birdhouses and pottery. The market runs every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lot behind the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce off Route 1 in York, Maine. Stonewall Kitchen, located right next door, sponsors the market. For information, visit www.gatewayfarmersmarket.com. Customers are encouraged to participate in Stonewall Kitchen's Annual Charity Pancake Breakfast to benefit the York Community Food Pantry and the Hilton Winn Farm on Saturday, July 31 from 8 to 11 a.m., with a rain date of Sunday, Aug. 1. Adults \$5, kids under 10, \$3. Get your breakfast at Stonewall and then go next door to shop at the market.

Learn Ogunquit's history through local walking tour

Residents and visitors interested in Ogunquit's history will have a chance to learn more from now until Sept. 17 by joining in the Ogunquit Chamber of Commerce on a walk around Ogunquit. Learn about the 350-year history of Ogunquit, the creation of Perkins Cove, and the establishment of the Marginal Way and Ogunquit Beach as public areas. Meet at Katie's on Shore Road (261 Shore Road) every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a.m. through mid-September. Tours last approximately two hours, so wear comfortable shoes and sunscreen! Parking available at the Barn Gallery, at the corner of Bourne Lane and Shore Road. Tour price is \$5 per person; Ogunquit residents are invited to join a tour for free.

Coming to the summit: Mount A. Learning Lodge

The Mount Agamenticus Learning Lodge is coming soon! Families are welcome to come in for a "Sneak Peek" from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer. Visitors will get a glimpse of what is to come when the Learning Lodge is established as a beacon of environmental education at the summit of Mount Agamenticus. The Learning Lodge is free and can

be enjoyed by all ages. All donations will go toward the development of this unique educational facility. For more information please visit www.agamenticus.org. To learn more about the Mount Agamenticus Conservation Program and additional opportunities to get involved, visit them online or contact the conservation coordinator at 361-1102.

Bank donates \$80,000 to York County nonprofits

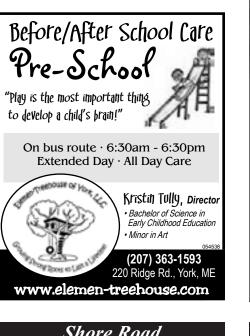
Kennebunk Savings recently announced that the company is donating \$80,000 to York County nonprofits as part of its annual Customer Ballot. For 16 years the Customer Ballot has provided customers the chance to help direct a percentage of the bank's annual charitable giving. This year, Kennebunk Savings customers across the bank's three lines of business participated in record numbers, with nearly 10,000 votes cast for more than 200 organizations. Kennebunk Savings Officers are now out personally visiting local nonprofits to deliver checks to the organizations who received votes. Contributions range from \$25 to over \$7,000 with more than 20 organizations receiving a check of \$1,000 or more. Since 1994, the bank has contributed over \$7 million to the nonprofit community for various programs in five categories: arts and culture, environmental, educational, civic and human needs. This year, the Animal Welfare Society received \$7,256 and was the top organization in the

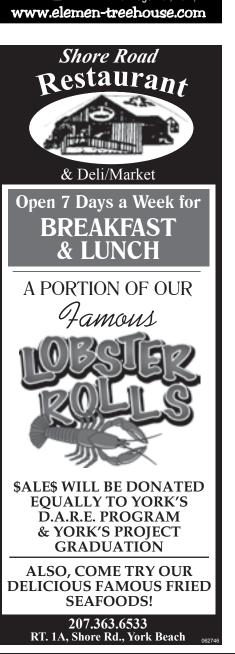
York schools get \$25K from Barbara Bush

Barbara Bush recently announced that the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy's Maine Family Literacy Initiative has awarded \$25,000 to the York School Department. Superintendent of Schools Henry Scipione accepted the award from Mrs. Bush at a ceremony held last month in Biddeford. The York School Department, York Adult and Community Education (YACE), the York Public Library and the Museums of Old York have collaborated to design a new comprehensive Family Literacy program, Together is Better, that includes innovative activities. Services will begin for families in early August 2010, with a planned program of outreach and recruitment. Since 1996, The Maine Family Literacy Initiative has awarded 226 grants totaling \$3,957,090. To learn more, visit www.mainefamilyliteracy.

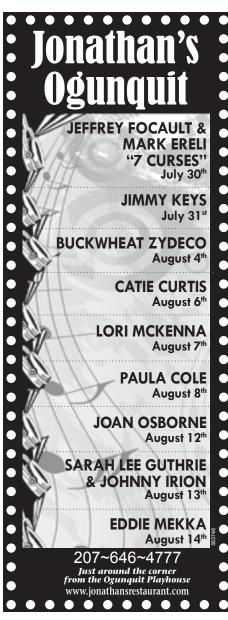












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JOYCE AMEND

THE MARITIME ARTIST

By TARYN PLUMB

The York Independent

They are perfect swirls of pattern; kaleidoscopes of petite cone, clam, tonna and sea urchin shells, star fish, scrimshaw, flowers, amulets, feathers, and glossed wooden animals.

Known as Sailors' Valentines, they were once a gift from the sea, a remembrance for loved ones.

Today, York's Joyce Amend recreates the circa-1800s works of folk art: Surgical tools in-hand, she spends hours gently – and expertly – placing each tiny piece in its place.

Call her a master of the minutiae.

Name: Joyce Amend

Lives in: York

How would you describe Sailors' Valentines?

They're made up of lots of tiny little shells that make a pattern, or a design, or that say something in words. There's always a center focal piece: Something beautiful, a shell, maybe a piece of scrimshaw. I build around that to determine what would go best with that piece. That dictates the color, the design, the pattern. It's like a kaleidoscope where everything is

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so perfect. They're very three-dimensional, too; they're at least two inches deep, and I have a craftsman who makes the boxes for me. They all have glass tops, that preserves them.

Where did they come from?

In the 1800s, they were called "Valentine's boxes." They were eight-sided, and they were made by artisans in the Barbados. Sailors came back with these and gave them to their loved ones. Some of them said, "I'm coming home," or "Home again," or "Remember me." They were messages of love. It's a revival of an old



People like history, for one thing; it is an old lost craft. Some antique versions, the ones made in the 1800s, have been auctioned off for \$20,000 to \$25,000.

Can you describe the process?

Following tradition, they're crafted in an artfully constructed eight-sided box, made

from curly maple, mahogany, oak or black walnut. I make them 8 inches and larger, and I make 4-inch miniatures, as well. When I make them, I use medical, dental and physicians tools, very fine tweezers and forceps, that allow me to pick up every single shell. Every shell is placed individually. It takes a lot of patience.

So about how long does it take?

The large ones could take two to three weeks, depending on how intricate they are and how much time I spend on them. You can't sit there and make them all day long, you have to get up and get away from it for a while.

What do people do with them?

They hang them on the wall or put them on stands (like decorative plates).

I wish I could say I ran around picking them up off the beach. But around here, you don't see them in the quantities I need. I get them from the Caribbean, the Philippines, Florida. I can buy so many hundreds of shells of a certain size, say one to two inches long. They are expensive, and they are all categorized. I need shells that are matched in size and color. That's another thing that takes a long time—sorting. You



'Stay The Course,' an 8-inch Sailor's Valentine on black walnut by Joyce Amend.

spread them out, pick out the similar sizes, similar colors

How many would you say you have? I have thousands of shells right now, all

What skills do you need to do this?

You have to be neat. You're dealing with a lot of glue, and it's a real skill to be able to put those shells down and not have any trace of glue visible whatsoever. You have to be careful where you place the glue on the shells. And if you do make a mistake, you have to work very quickly to remove it.

How long have you been doing it?

This is our second year here (in York), so I've been doing it pretty intensely for two years. I became interested in it about five years ago. I was really intrigued by it, I did some workshops, started doing my own. I was an art teacher—and I paint mountainscapes—so I worked very sporadically. But I still kept it alive in my mind, thinking "When I retire, I'm going to do my own art." Now I have the time to do it. When I got up here and got settled, I really dug into it.

Can you describe the process?

It takes me a long time to plan it, to design it. I usually don't attach anything permanently until I'm sure I'm happy with the design. When I see it unfold in front of me, it's exciting. I'm starting to write poetry to accompany them; I'm writing from the point-of-view of the sailor. I'm looking at eternal love and writing the poem as the sailor might be thinking about this person he's giving this valentine to.

How do you come up with the designs?

Every design is original. Before I start, I look at books, the antique valentines; I also look at Mandalas, which are very symmetrical designs. But once I get going on my own design, I don't even look back at those again. I'm creating my own idea and they're very different. I do sketches. If I don't like the way it looks, I'll change the design.

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What do you like about it?

It's very gratifying when you see them come to life. Every one is completely different. And how appropriate that I should be making these and living on the seacoast? Here I am with the sand and the sea and the seashells, and making something very nautical and maritime.

View Amend's work at the York Public Library through *Sunday*, Aug. 15, in an ongoing show at the Sea Bell Gallery in Ogunquit, or visit her *Web* site, www. sailorsvalentines.me.

Have a suggestion for someone who could be skewered—er, interviewed—here? Contact Taryn Plumb at taryn-plumb1@gmail.com.

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Local author to discuss 'Furs and Frontiers'

Summer resident John Bockstoce will discuss his latest book, "Furs and Frontiers in the Far North: The Contest among Native and Foreign Nations for the Bering Strait Fur Trade," on Tuesday, Aug. 10 at 7 p.m. Published by Yale University Press, the book offers a comprehensive history of the native and maritime fur trade in the Bering Strait region to 1899. Russians, British, Americans, and fifty native nations competed and cooperated causing massive changes in the region.

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

Events

- "Les Doights Croches"

 (Sticky Fingers) will be shown Sunday, Aug.1 as part of the Summer Film Festival at 7 p.m. In this Canadian comedy, six of the world's worst gangsters managed to heist \$2 million, but only one got away. (2009) Canada/French with subtitles. Rated PG-13 Running time: 108 min.
- Patricia Hughes, author of "Maine Waterfalls: A Comprehensive Guide," will show pictures of waterfalls in Maine on Tuesday, Aug. 3 at 6:30 p.m. She will discuss how they played a part in Maine's history and development and how they continue to be important to the state's economy today.
- "It's Complicated" will be shown Sunday, Aug. 8 as part of the Summer Film Festival at 7 p.m. A couple reignite the spark in their relationship...but they're divorced and he's

remarried. Meryl Streep, Alec Baldwin, Steve Martin. (2009). Rated R for some drug content and sexuality.120 minutes.

- Audrey Gottlieb will discuss her work on Wednesday, Aug. 11 for a noon brown bag lunch. Local photographer and York Art Association member, Audrey Gottlieb will discuss her photography which is on exhibit in the Kennebunk Room through August. Titled: "From New York to Old York: Vignettes of Multicultural America" her photographs reflect the lives and celebrations of immigrant groups in Queens, N.Y.
- "Invictus" will be shown Sunday, Aug. 8 as part of the Summer Film Festival at 7 p.m. Newly elected President Nelson Mandela (Morgan Freeman) cheers on the South African National rugby team in the 1995 World Cup. (2009) Rated PG-13 for brief strong language. 133 minutes.
- "Fantastic Mr. Fox" will be shown Sunday, Aug. 15 as part of the Summer Film Festival at 7 p.m. George Clooney is the voice of Mr. Fox, urbane but unable to resist his farm



raiding ways, in this Oscar nominated animated film. (2009) Rated PG for action, smoking and slang humor. 87 minutes.

For children

- Infant Lapsits (infants to two years old) on Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. Come for a program of stories, songs, fingerplays and rhymes.
- Preschool Story Hours on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays, crafts, and science.

Monthly programs

• Rediscover your roots:
The Monthly Genealogy Club is a regular gathering for people who want to "shake their family trees." The group generally meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. Local genealogist Don Michel leads the group. Call the library for more details at 363-2818.

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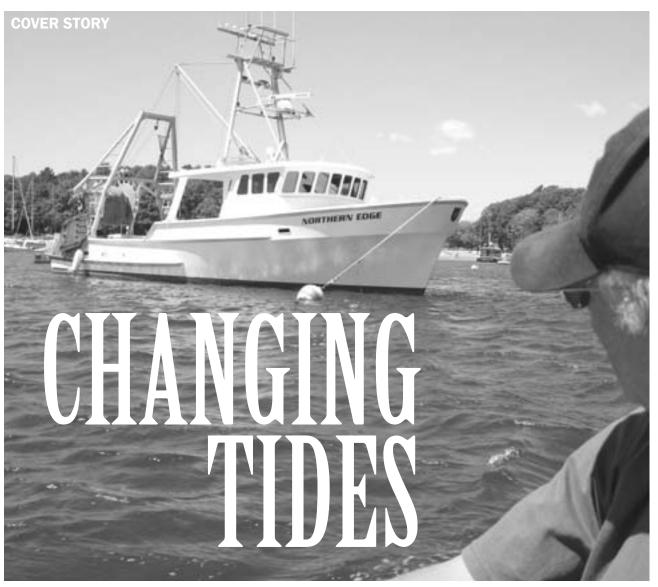
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While on a recent patrol, York Harbormaster Don Day looks over the Northern Edge, one of only two commercial fishing boats remaining in York Harbor.

How has local boating weathered the economy?

BY MADELEINE STAUB

The York Independent

On a sunny summer day, look out on York Harbor and you'll see cruising sailboats, outboards, and even large fishing boats. Though the vessels themselves may be quite new, the scene is timeless, as boating and fishing have long been a major part of York's oceanfront culture.

These days, however, there are currents of change in York's harbor. New boats aren't selling like they used to, and local fishing (except for lobster) is down. And like so much, a lot of it is related to the economy.

Until recently, booming times meant the pleasure boat industry flourished. With the economic downturn, however, buying a new boat has often sunk to the bottom of family priorities.

Fishing has also taken a hit in the last ten years. With a shrinking population of groundfish such as flounder and cod,



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Coils of rope lie on Town Dock No. 1.



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A decoy owl watches over the York Harbormaster's office.

and increasing regulations to protect these species, fewer fishermen have been able to make ends meet in this occupation. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has been grappling with this issue, and is trying out a new solution to the declining ocean fish population this year. As the new tactics play out, it's still unclear whether it will be the fish or the small fishing businesses that will disappear forever—or maybe both.

In upcoming years, will York Harbor see less boating, either for business or pleasure? Or is this industry just one that goes up and down like the tides?

A little boating background

Boating has been a major aspect of York's culture since the 1600s, when the harbor was established as base for fishing and trading. Captain John Smith, of Pocahontas fame, explored the area in 1614 and determined it would be a good area for pleasure boats, and "a convenient harbour for small barks," he wrote. When Captain Christopher Levett was sent to survey the area more thoroughly to look for good areas to settle, he said, "There I think a good plantation may be settled for there is a good harbour for ships... There is good timber, and likely to be good fishing."

It sure was. Lured by bountiful catches, fishermen flocked to the area starting in the mid-1600s. Fishing remained a major part of York's economy through the 20th century, when there was still a thriving population of fish close to the coast. Even as York became a tourist town, a variety of large fishing craft and small dories owned by area fishermen called York Harbor home.

And that's not all. One of the earliest and most important trades of early York was shipbuilding. The protected tidal river made it an excellent area for shipyards, and large sailing craft were built in slips along the York River during the 17th and 18th centuries, including some vessels of up to 100 tons.

Although shipping was important to the town, York never became a huge port, like Boston or Salem, Mass. This was, in part, due to the fact that York residents could easily travel half a day on a ship to Boston, where they could purchase a full assortment of English goods. The Revolutionary War and the

for boating and launching for people who do want water access.

devolutionary War and the War of 1812 hurt York's shipping interests due to ships being captured, blockades, and embargoes. During the 1800s, cargo business began to pick up again; a total of 1,825 tons of goods were shipped in 1854. Trade declined after that, but schooners continued to carry bricks and produce between York and Boston.

Recreational boating really took off locally around the turn of the

century, when York became a bustling vacation town. A key factor was the construction of the Marshall House in 1871, which transformed the Stage Neck area from a fisherman's slum to a first class resort. It was a milestone that helped shift the emphasis in York from commercial to pleasure boating.

Later, the development of powerboats made it so that parties could travel in and out of the harbor without worrying about the York River's strong tidal currents. Sailing continued to be popular among the York population, too, and the Agamenticus Yacht Club was formed in 1937 to provide a venue for yachters to race and for the public to learn how to sail.

Today, York Harbor is home to more than 400 moorings for pleasure craft, which local boat builder Paul Rollins said are in high demand.

"There's minimal places for boating and launching for people who do want water access," Rollins said.

Currently, more than 400 people are on the waiting list for mooring space, which includes owners of powerboats and sailboats. Space allotments are administered by the York Harbormaster on a use-it-or-lose-it basis to ensure turnover so that the moorings are actually in use.

Still a big business

Serving all this recreational boating is a big business, lo-



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A boat is retrieved at York Harbor Marine Service.



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Launches and dinghys congregate at Town Dock No. 2. Such craft are often used to reach larger boats moored out in the harbor.

cally. Perched on the south shore of the harbor, York Harbor Marine Service has operated for more than 50 years, providing a variety of docking and repair services, and boat sales. The firm employs ten full-time staff, ten part-time summer staff, and five subcontractors. The marina's owner, Eric Lusty, said the majority of boats in York Harbor are 17 to 25 foot outboards, small fiberglass motorboats that are good for fishing, water sports, and cruising.

The maximum size of any craft based in York Harbor is limited to 50 feet in length. The town has two docks, No. 1 and No. 2, both off Route 103 on the south side of the harbor. Dock No. 1, pushing 50 years old, is due for replacement and expansion next year in a \$1.1 million project that voters approved in 2009.

Boats are sold in York, but they're also still made here, too.



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In case you fall in!

Locally, boaters looking for the crème de la crème in watercraft go to Paul Rollins, a yacht builder from York, who specializes in creating and restoring gorgeous wooden sailboats. Rollins said that he's worked on vessels for a few local owners, and is currently building a boat for someone in Massachusetts. Next spring, Rollins will build a new 63-foot ship for the Gundalow

Company in Portsmouth, N.H. Rollins explained that there's a a lot of variability in how much time goes into a boat.

"A lot of it depends on the finish and cabinetry. A lot of the replicas aren't as highly finished, so they take less time than yachts. You spend a lot of time on details that the owner dreams up," Rollins said.

Another major player in York's boating culture are the lobstermen, who continue the age-old practice of harvesting the crustaceans from offshore traps. During 2009, a total of 3,275,800 pounds of lobster landed in York County's ports. To put it in perspective, that's over 16 pounds of lobster per person living in the county. These numbers are pretty solid, given that lobster landings in York County have stayed between 2.4 million and 3.4 million pounds over the last five years.

Not the best time for yachts

While the lobster industry has remained relatively steady, other boating industries have taken a serious hit with the



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An old postcard shows the Marshall Inn on Stage Neck

economic downturn. Boat builders and retailers have suffered tremendously, because buying a new boat is low on the list of priorities for many people who would have purchased a boat during better economic times.

"They tend to to flourish when the economy is up," Rollins said. "The last two years have been a downturn. My business has shrunk."

He added, "Sometimes people are simplifying the project, but a lot of it has just disappeared. A lot of builders along the coast have gone out of business."

Rollins said that many builders offer storage space, and

6 New boat sales are probably 25 percent of what they were three years ago. 🤊 🤊

have been living off of that revenue. He doesn't have this additional business, and has had to lay several people off. Rollins hypothesized that some of the business has shifted to smaller motorboats

"My part of the market is mostly cruising sailboats. It looks like that part of the market has shrunk," Rollins

said. "There's been a lot more boats out there, and most of them power boats."

Lusty, who sells Boston Whaler motorboats, said his sales business has taken a huge hit in recent years.

"New boat sales are probably 25 percent of what they were three years ago. My instinct tells me that all boats across the board have taken a pretty equal hit," Lusty said. "I think people are definitely being much more careful about the money they spend on their boats. Unfortunately, boating is an expensive hobby."

The York Harbor Marine Service has taken into consideration the lack of docking space and boaters' desire to keep expenses low, so they offer a valet rack service. With this service, they store the boat on an indoor rack, move it to the water and fuel it when the boater wants to go out, and then rinse and re-rack it at the end of the boater's excursion. While this valet option sounds more luxurious than traditional docking, it's actually cheaper because there's more indoor space available than dock space on the water.

"A rack on land is a fraction of the price," Lusty said. For **CONTINUED ON PAGE 8**



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Lindsey Donnell of York weighs a lobster on Town Dock No. 1, used by the harbor's commercial fishermen and where her father, Jeff Donnell, bases his fishing and wholesaling business.



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James Olcutt retrieves a boat from the upper storage tier at York Harbor Marine Service. The forklift, dubbed "the Wiggins" after its manufacturer, can handle up to 15,000 pounds.

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this reason, Lusty said the rack service option is becoming increasingly popular.

York's Harbor Master Don Day said he's noticed fewer boaters out on the water.

"A lot of people are putting their boats in and not using them. I think that's a result of the economy," Day said. He added that rising gas costs, along with the cost to do necessary maintenance on boats, may be the reason why people are more apprehensive about using their boats. Most boats get between five and 15 miles per gallon, according to Lusty. This means joy riding in a Ford Explorer is more cost effective than boating, although perhaps not as fun.

"A couple of years ago, when gas prices got to three or four dollars, there was a little bit of sticker shock," Lusty said. "Our season is so short. People invest a lot of money to have

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their boat. I don't think fuel is a big deal now. That is not the big line item in a boating budget."

Surprisingly, the demand for moorings in the harbor has remained relatively steady. Although the waiting list increases each year, many of the people on it are people who turn down moorings year after year, but remain on the list. Many

years, only two of the 25 people who are offered moorings in the first round accept the spot. To decrease this problem, the York Harbor Board has sent out a return address request, and if people turn down a spot two years in a row, they will be moved to the end of the waiting list. Reenie Johnson, who handles the input of names to the list, said that the number of people adding themselves to the list increased until 2003, and then dipped to between 15 and 20 people in 2004 and has stayed steady since.

Lusty said many people don't realize how badly the boating industry has been hurt.

"I don't think people know how many jobs are generated by the boating industry," Lusty said.

He recalled the implementation of the federal luxury tax in



JEFF RAPSIS PHOTO

The Harbormaster's boat is tied up at Town Dock No. 2.

1991, which resulted in a 77 percent decrease in yacht sales and approximately 25,000 layoffs nationwide. People just chose not to purchase high-end items if they had to pay an extra 10 percent on them. Lusty said the tax hurt the boating industry immediately, and it was repealed in 1993.

"When boating slows down, it really hurts the economy," Lusty said. "I think people lose sight of the fact that it's a big part of the state's economy."

Things may be looking up for the boating industry as the economy struggles to recover. Many people are buying used and repossessed boats, because they are significantly less expensive than brand new vessels. While Lusty reported that sales were about the same from last year to this year, many boat dealers are reporting that sales of small aluminum boats are increasing. While these are some of the cheapest boats available, it's a good sign that people are buying boats again.

Floundering fishing fleet

While lobstermen are doing all right, despite a slight drop in lobster prices during 2009, groundfish are as difficult to find as new yachts in the area.

"There's less and less commercial fishermen," Day said. "We used to have a bunch of commercial fishermen (based in York Harbor) and now there are only two. The federal laws and things have controlled these things and put people out of business."

Day said there has also been a decrease in boats taking parties out to deep sea fish.

Deputy Commissioner for the Maine Department of Marine Service David Etnier said that groundfish, such as cod, flounder, and haddock have really suffered due to overfishing and loss of habitat.

"In years past, there were boats up and down the coast of Maine," Etnier said. "The fishery that is there is now off-shore."

In an attempt to redevelop the population, a variety of regulations have been passed that have closed off areas, limited catches, put caps on the number of days per year fishermen can go out, and increased the mesh size required to allow young fish to go free.

"Management measures that have come in on the national level have made it harder to make a livelihood," Etnier said.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is trying out a new method this year, called sector management. Three or more fishermen get together in cooperatives and figure out the best way to allocate their share of the fish. This system has gotten rid of daily catch limits, except for some extremely endangered species, and has made it so that fishermen in sectors don't have to follow the unpopular "days at sea" regulations that restricted some fishermen to just 20 days of fishing.

"It's a brand new and different way for management," Terry Stockwell of the Department of Marine Service said. "There is significantly more flexibility."

Meanwhile, the iconic Maine lobster fishing operation continues to do well in York and other harbors up and down the coast.

"The lobster fishery is the one fishery that's remained steady and even increased over the years," Etnier said.

Etnier attributes the thriving population to an early start to conservation measures for the species, and the elimination of some predators, such as cod.

While the conditions are currently quite dismal for boat dealers and fishermen, it appears that there is some hope for these industries. Due to the increase in used boat sales and the steady demand for moorings, it appears that people still want to boat—they just cannot afford new vessels at this time. Once the economy starts to improve, it's likely that Lusty and the York Harbor Marine Service will be as busy as ever.

The future for fishermen in the area is a little more dicey. Thus far, the variety of management methods employed have not saved the fish and have instead put many fishermen out of business.

But today is a sunny day, with calm water and a light breeze as high tide approaches just after noon. On a summer day like this, it's hard not to be attracted to the water—and that alone is assurance enough that boating will continue to be a big part of York's identity.



JEFF RAPSIS PHOTO

Harbormaster Don Day uses a small skiff to patrol the waters on a recent day.

WHAT MAKES YORK YORK

By JENNIFER L. SAUNDERS

The York Independent

As I was compiling the various activities and thoughts I wanted to share in this column, I was asked about the things that make York unique from other New England communities that sprung up along harbors, ocean beaches and waterways. While I do have familial roots stretching back into York's past, I am one of those "from aways" who grew up elsewhere but felt called to come here to make York my home, as so many of my friends and neighbors have. And so I unfortunately lack the lifetime-to-date knowledge of how York has changed and remained the same in its most recent decades.

I have had the good fortune of getting to know my town very well during the dozen or so years I spent covering the ins and outs of day-to-day life and politics here for daily and weekly newspapers. But as much as I learned from that experience, I don't think those are necessarily the things that have made York the unique blend of village, seaside, forest and farmland that it is. Yes, development pressures and modernization have certainly transformed York Village, York Harbor, York Beach, Cape Neddick and the Scotland Bridge neighborhoods from the small villages they once were. Yet for so many of us, there is a desire to protect that elusive "small town character" that has given way to "Anywhere, USA" in so many places.

In pondering these things, I believe it is a true love for a sense of place that so many of us have that keeps us fighting against changing the basic core of what York is. It is a love for the past, seen reflected in the commitment to preservation by organizations like the Museums of Old York and by individual homeowners and business owners who work to maintain the character of their historic homes and properties. It is seen in the ongoing efforts by so many in town to keep our village centers alive and unique, whether by organization events at the York Public Library or Remick Barn in York Village or lining up outside the picture windows at The Goldenrod in York Beach to watch the taffy being stretched as their parents and grandparents did before them.

Oh yes, our town has changed from century to century, and even from year to year, but my sense is that many of us—whether born here or drawn here—have dug our heels in from year to year to see that the York will love, with its unique villages and blend of characters, will carry on.

From our summer festivals to concerts under the gazebo to protected spaces like the Hartley-Mason Park or the beautiful expanses protected by the York Land Trust that now stretch from Mount Agamenticus to the Sea, there are places in town that we know will remain unchanged except by nature and the passage of time. And there are those efforts made by volunteers, businesses and organizations alike to bring us together in large or small groups. Perhaps everyone feels this way about their

community, but I am always proud to tell people I meet that York is

my home.
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I suppose, however, that I've spent enough time and words letting my thoughts meander on the subject of our town then-and-now, and I should share some of

the upcoming special treats I've gathered for those who are looking to get out from behind the computer or Smartphone and spend time enjoying this community of ours

First off, if you're feeling the urge to take in a movie, there's no need to go beyond York's borders as the York Public Library is continuing its Sunday Night at the Movies Series all summer. Speaking of people committed to their community, these events are all organized by the volunteer Library Film Group. All shows start at 7 p.m. and admission and popcorn are both free with beverages will be offered for \$1.

If you're more in the mood for music, one of York's most talented musicians has a treat in store for you. Head up to nearby Wells and visit Féile Restaurant and Pub this Wednesday, Aug. 4, from 7 to 10 p.m. to hear York's own "Irish Music Guy" Kevin Farley performing "Celt Extreme." Farley's one-man who is described as "technology meets tradition" with vocals, acoustic instruments and an array of sound loopers, foot pedals and synthesizers.

To find out more about Kevin's music and upcoming shows, visit www.irishmusicguy.com.

For summer reading aficionados, get ready for visits from area authors right here in York Village. This Tuesday, Aug. 3, Patricia Hughes will discuss her book "Maine Waterfalls: A Comprehensive Guide" at 6:30 p.m. at the York Public Library.

Following on Hughes's visit, summer resident John Bockstoce will be at the library on Tuesday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m. to discuss his latest book, "Furs and Frontiers in the Far North: The Contest among Native and Foreign Nations for the Bering Strait Fur Trade."

And if the waterfall views in Hughes's talk have you more in the mood for photographs, stop by the library for a Brown Bag Lunch program on Wednesday, Aug. 11, when local photographer and York Art Association member Audrey Gottlieb discusses her exhibit "From New York to Old York: Vignettes of Multicultural America."

And if you'd rather get back to nature, the Mount Agamenticus Learning Lodge is offering residents a chance for a "Sneak Peek" to glimpse what is to come in environmental education at the summit of Mount A from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sundays this summer. To find out more about this educational facility, visit www.agamenticus.org.

Jennifer Saunders is a contributing editor for the York Independent.

ICE CREAMINATION OF THE SHEET

We asked for your favorite summer ice cream tips, and here's a selection of responses...

66 6-year-old Emma likes to belly up to the Goldenrod counter to ask for a 'golf ball' of ice cream in the heat of the summer so she doesn't end up with sticky fingers!

—Emma Murphy, Portsmouth, N.H.

For those into soft serve, the Dairy Bar at Long Sands still provides the best value around.

-Rudder Carr, York

My favorite ice cream spot is Brown's and my favorite flavor is ginger. My Morrison, York

Here's my summer ice cream tip: Share it with a friend so it won't melt before you have a chance to eat it. We love the Goldenrod!

—Amy Krukonis, Pride's Crossing, Mass.

66 My ice cream tip: Eat lots of ice cream!

—Darrell Miller, Prides Crossing, Mass.

6 Nothing marks the real start of summer like that first Goldenrod ice cream cone procured after unpacking the first afternoon of arrival at our beach cottage.

Cyan Magenta Yellow

Black

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-Marcia Z. Blecker, York

lce cream is ice cream, I've never had a bad ice cream. But you want to get your money's worth. That's why I love Noel's in the Kittery outlet mall the most! They have reasonable prices and you will always get your money's worth! They serve Gifford's, which is delicious!

delicious! 99 —Bianca Williamson, York

66 I look forward to the Kaluha fudge brownie ice cream at Brown's.
The kid size is plenty for me! 99

—Kelly Harrington

GET A FREE CONE

E-mail us your summer ice cream tips and we'll send you a certificate for a free small cone at the Sundaes on the Beach on Route 1 in Wells. E-mail your tip and your mailing address to:

yorkindependent@gmail.com

Offer good until we run out of certificates!



A complete round-up of York area happenings

Send us your listings!

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Music

• St. Peter's By The Sea

Church on Shore Road in Cape
Neddick will hold a Jazz Concert
followed by a wine and cheese
reception on Wednesday, Aug.
18, from 5 to 7 p.m. The recommended donation is \$10 and all
proceeds support the preservation
and restoration of this historic
chapel. Fore more information, call
361-1370.

- The summer Sunday concert series at the Colony Hotel, 140 Ocean Ave. in Kennebunkport, continues on Sunday, Aug. 1, at 5 p.m. with a mostly classical concert pairing pianist Warren King with Colony newcomer trumpeter Thomas Kremser in the Hotel Ballroom.
- Classical pianist and music professor Dr. Frances Covalesky will present a recital of classical piano works on Sunday, Aug. 8 at 5 p.m. in the hotel Ballroom at the Colony Hotel, 140 Ocean Ave., Kennebunkport.
- On Sunday, Aug. 15, a Celtic and classical program will be presented in the Grand Dining Room at the Colony Hotel by flutists
 Nancy Gerber, Denise Butler, and Chris Elbrader, and violist Sarah Lent, accompanied by Warren King on piano. The concert begins at 5 p.m. at the hotel, located at 140 Ocean Ave., Kennebunkport.

Theatre, Shows • The Ogunquit Art Asso-

- ciation will host an Art Video at the Gallery series at the Barn Gallery, located at the corner of Shore Road and Bourne Lane in Ogunquit. Videos will be shown at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Events will include a discussion about the film and the artist led by members of the Ogunquit Art Association. Admission is free. For more information, call 646-8400 or visit www.barngallery.org.
- "The 25th Annual Putman County Spelling Bee" will run at the Booth Theater in Ogunquit every Tuesday through Saturday night at 8 p.m. until Saturday, July 31. The theater is located adjacent to the Betty Doon Motor Hotel at 13 Beach Street. For more information, call 646-8142.
- HAIR: The American Love-Rock Musical will be on stage at City Theater: Biddeford's Historic Opera House from Friday, July 16 to Sunday, Aug. 1. Tickets \$15. Call 282-0849 or visit www.citytheater. org.
- The Ogunquit Playhouse presents Sunset Boulevard on stage through Saturday, Aug.14. For a complete list of show times, pricing and more information about the season, visit www. ogunquitplayhouse.org. Tickets

online or through the box office at 646-5511.

- The Sanford Salvation Army will host 'Kids Flix Club' every Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m. A movie will be shown and accompanied by games. If kids need a ride, the organization will pick them up and drop them off for a minimal charge of \$1 per family. The Salvation Army is located at 871 Main St., Sanford. Call 324-3134 for more information.
- Carousel will run at the Hackmatack Playhouse, 538 Schoolhouse St., Berwick, from Wednesday, July 28 through Saturday, Aug. 14. Tickets are available by calling 698-1807 or visiting www.hackmatack.org.
- Hackmatack Playhouse will present Hello, Dolly from Wednesday, Aug. 18 through Saturday, Aug. 28. The playhouse is located at 538 Schoolhouse St., Berwick. Tickets are available by calling 698-1807 or visiting www. hackmatack.org.

Books

• The Buddhist Book Club meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Seacoast Wellness Center, 135 McDonough Street in Portsmouth, N.H. Please look for more information about The Seacoast Wellness Center at www.seacoastwellness-center.com, or call the Center at (603) 531-3130.

RiverRun Bookstore is located at 20 Congress St., Portsmouth, N.H. For more information on these events, visit www.river-runbookstore.com or call (603) 431-2100. The events are free and open to the public.

Health and wellness

- SMMC Visiting Nurses will be offering Camp & Sport physicials during regular clinic hours by appointment: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 72 Main St., Kennebunk. There will be extended hours each Friday until 5 p.m. as well, starting July 16th. Cost is \$30 (under 10 vrs), \$40 (10-18 yrs), and \$50 (over 18 yrs). Dress comfortably-shorts/sport pants and a loose t-shirt. Please be certain to bring any required paperwork or permission slips with you. Call for an appointment: 985-1000 ext. 1018.
- 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 to learn more.
- York Hospital's Yoga Center, located at the Heart Health Institute, offer yoga classes for persons of all abilities. Seated yoga for those with limited mobility

is offered as well. Introductory
Yoga is Tuesdays from 4:30 to
5:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 9:30
to10:30 a.m. and 4:30 to 5:30
p.m. Yoga Level 1 is Tuesdays from
6 to 7:15 p.m. and intermediate is
Tuesdays 9 to 10:30 a.m. Seated
Yoga is on Tuesday from 3 to 3:30
p.m. The Yoga Center at the Heart
Health Institute is located at 127
Long Sands Road, York. Please
call 207-351-3700 for registration
information. For new participants,
your first yoga class is free.

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

for healthy lifestyle resolutions and to help you stop smoking. The program also offers drop-in anytime support for one year. Call 351-3700 for more information. Another way to stop smoking, if you are a Maine resident, is to call the free Maine Tobacco Helpline at 1-800-207-1230. The program offers confidential phone support; you won't need to leave the house! In addition to coaching, the Helpline offers free nicotine replacement therapy (the patch or gum) to make quitting less difficult. Call now to find out if you qualify. Additional resources can be found at www.tobaccofreemaine.org.

• Why Weight? includes two visits with a registered dietitian to establish realistic nutritional and caloric goals. Participants also meet weekly with their personal fitness coach for support, education and evaluation. A 12-week gym membership to the Heart Health Institute's fitness center

register.

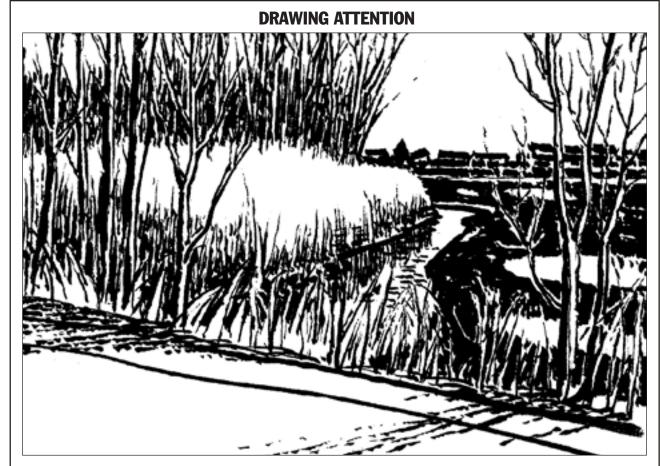
One-of-a-kind

- 'The Kid' (1921), a silent film starring Charlie Chaplin, is the featured attraction of a silent film program at Ogunquit's Leavitt Theatre on Sunday, Aug. 22 at 2 p.m. The program will also include comedy short subjects. See silent film as it was intended-in a vintage 1923 theater, on the big screen, with an audience, and with live music by accompanist Jeff Rapsis. Admission \$5 per person; holders of ticket stubs from Ogunquit Playhouse's "Sunset Boulevard" get two-for-one tickets. The Leavitt Theatre is located at 259 Main Street, Route 1, in Ogunquit Village. For more info, call 646-3123 or visit www.leavitttheatre.com.
- Wells Police Department and York County Community College have teamed up to offer CSI camp to local youth at the college's Wells campus. This

Architecture tours are offered the first and third Thursday of each month. The museum is located at 1270 Westbrook St., Portland. For more information e-mail, info@tate-house.org, call 774-6177, or visit www.tatehouse.org.

• Historic Tours of The Music Hall will be held every other Wednesday in the evening from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. from June 23, to Sept. 15. Tour tickets are \$6 (\$5 member) and can be purchased day of tour at 28 Chestnut St., in advance at www.themusichall.org, or through the box office at (603) 436-2400. Box office hours are noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

• The Youth Enrichment Center at The Hilton-Winn Farm located in Cape Neddick is offering Summer Fun Programs for children on the Autism Spectrum from Aug. 2 to 5. Please call Nancy Breen at 361-1398 for questions or e-mail nbreen@hilton-winnfarm.org. Feel



George Burk's "Aspects of Change," an exhibit of ink and brush drawings, opens with a free wine and cheese reception at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm on Monday, Aug. 2, from 4 to 6 p.m. For more information, visit wellsreserve.org or call 646-4521.

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 8 p.m. and at SMMC Visiting Nurses in Kennebunk on the fourth Monday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, call 985-1000, 283-7680 or (800) 794-3546.

• The Choose to Be Healthy
Partnership, a program of York
Hospital, offers the "Freedom
Clinic" which combines education
and support through one-on-one
consultation, weekly lecture series
by a trained team of professionals
such as a registered nurse, registered dietitian, physical therapist,
and a certified hypnotherapist

is included in the \$239 fee. Call 351-3700 for more information or to register.

• Weigh to Go! at the Heart
Health Institute includes a
nutritional evaluation and dietary
goals established by a registered
dietitian, with frequent follow-ups,
and weekly visits with a personal
fitness coach for youths between
the ages of 10 and 18 and a
parent or guardian. An eight-week
gym membership for one parent
and one youth is also included. For
more information or to register, call
351-3700.

Wells-Ogunquit Adult Community Education Yoga Classes begin soon. Call 646-4565 or visit www.wells-ogunquit.maineadulted. org for more information and to

5-day event explores crime scene evidence including; fingerprints, shoe prints, tire tracks, blood stain analysis and forensic anthropology. The camp is open to 11 to 14 year olds, and begins Monday, Aug. 16. For more information, call 646-9282.

Union Congregational

Church's Annual Yard Sale will be held Saturday, Aug. 7, conveniently located on Church Street, in York Beach. The event will begin at 8 a m.

• The Tate House Museum is offering garden tours every Wednesday from now through Sept. 15. Learn the importance of gardening in the 18th century for food, medicine and pleasure on a Tate House garden tour.

free to check out at www.hiltonwinnfarm.org for further details.

• The York Hospital Women's Committee will hold their annual dinner and theatre benefit on Thursday, Aug. 5 at 5 p.m. The dinner will be held at a private home, followed by s performance of Sunset Boulevard at the Ogunquit Playhouse. Tickets are \$295 per couple and can be purchased by contacting Nora Clements at 363-2203, York Hospital's Friendraising Office at 51-2385 or e-mailing fr@ yorkhospital.com.

• The Ogunquit Fire Company Museum, Firemen's Park at the corner of Shore Road and Cottage Street, Ogunquit, is open 24 hours a day, and features a steam pumper and other fire memorabilia.



COURTESY PHOTO

Ogunquit Museum of American Art 2010 Almost Labor Day Auction Committee pictured (seated, left to right): Tannye Wold, committee chair; Susan Meffert, Stephanie Seacord, Karen Miller. (Standing, left to right): Nancy Grace Horton, Carole Aaron, Betsy Bennett, Bernadine Spears, Libby Rust, Nancy Garrick.

Ogunquit auction set for Sept. 4

The committee planning the Ogunquit Museum of American Art "Almost Labor Day Auction" is in top gear working on the features of the 6th annual event, one of the highlights of the summer season each year.

Planned for Saturday, Sept. 4th from 5 to 8:30 p.m. at the the museum, located at 543 Shore Road in Ogunquit, the auction is a significant fund-raiser to support the OMAA's continued operation. Last year's Auction brought in over \$51,000 to support operations and several specific conservation and exhibition costs.

Museum Director Ron Crusan announced that Katherine Doyle has donated a significant work in oil to be the signature image for the 2010 auction. The live auction will include this work along with

several dozen pieces of original art in various media by well-known local and national artists.

The committee's main task is preparing the auction Program, soliciting advertisers and donations. Ad rates are \$75 to 300. The committee is also collecting donations for the popular Silent Auction from local residents, visitors, organizations and businesses. For information about Program advertising, tickets and other event details, call 646-4909.

The Ogunquit Museum of American Art is located at 543 Shore Road in Ogunquit. Open daily, Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. www. ogunquitmuseum.org; 646-4909.

OUTDOORS LISTINGS

Send us your outdoors listings!

Got a road race, hike, or other outdoor activity coming up? Send the info to yorkindependent@gmail.com. Listings run on a space available basis

- Sunday, Aug. 1: The 27th Annual York Days Road Race, York. The race begins at York High School on Long Sands Road. Check-in and registration occur at 7 a.m. on race day, and free tshirts will be given to the first 200 registrants. Entry fees are \$15 if you pre-register at parksandrec. yorkmaine.org, and \$20 on race
- Saturday, Aug. 7: The 13th TD Bank Beach to Beacon 10K on will begin at 8 a.m. Registration is \$35, and can be done at www. Beach2beacon.org. The event will also include a Children's Fun Run on Friday, Aug. 6.
- Sunday, Aug. 8: Mount Agamenticus Time Trial, South Berwick. A 7.4- mile paved and dirt road course for cyclists that begins at 9 a.m. in South Berwick. Registration is \$30. Register at www.bikereg.com, or contact Brian Croteau at bcroteau@yahoo.com.
- Saturday, Aug. 21: 15th Annual Breakaway 5K Road Race, Old Orchard Beach. The race begins at the Crest Motel, 35 East Grand Ave., at 7:45 a.m. This relatively flat course offers a good opportunity for runners to beat their personal bests. For more information, call 590-1690 or e-mail mainemagic@maine.rr.com.
- · Monday, Sept. 6: Saint Charles Children's Home 5K.

- Portsmouth, N.H. The race is a flat, fast course, departing Martins Point Healthcare, 161 Corporate Drive at 9 a.m. The event includes a cash awards, food, and a kids fun run. For more information, call 619-758-5538 or e-mail sma@ stcharleshome.net.
- Saturday, Sept. 11: The 4th Annual Pumpkinman Sprint Triathlon, South Berwick. The triathlon will begin at Spring Hill Lodge, 117 Pond Road at 8 a.m. The event will be a fast course, and include a food tent at the end. For more information, call Kathleen at 451-7437 or e-mail pumpkinmantri@ yahoo.com.
- Sunday, Sept. 12: The 3rd Annual Pumpkinman Half Iron Triathlon and Half Iron Aqua Bike South Berwick. The only half triathlon in main begins at the Spring Hill Lodge, 117 Pond Road at 7 a.m. For more information, call. Kathleen at 451-7437 or e-mail pumpkinmantri@yahoo.com.
- Sunday, Sept. 19: Kittery PTA Seaside 4 Miler, Kittery Point. The race starts at Fort Foster at 8 a.m. There will be a Kids Fun Run at 9:15 a.m. For more information, call 439-9904 or e-mail s_h_johnson@comcast.net.

Ongoing

Beach Yoga Bliss, York Harbor Beach. Yoga on York hosts

- Sunday, near the Stage Neck Inn. Class runs from 7 to 8:15 a.m., and costs \$15 for drop-ins, which includes mat rental. Yoga on York puts down a large tarp to keep yogis from getting sandy, and recommends sunglasses and dressing in layers. Visit www.yogaonyork.com for more details
- South Berwick. 3 miles of trails around the Hamilton House off Route 236. The park includes many old hemlocks and rippling streams. \$2 for residents and \$3 for non-residents. Discounts for children. Call 384-5160 or visit
- Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve, Wells. A 2,250-acre education and recreation facility. Seven miles of oceanfront, field and forest trails. Trail hours are 7 a.m. to sunset. Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call 646-1555 or visit www.wellsre-
- White Pine Programs of York will offer a new evening series of programs for adults. Co-founder and director Dan Gardoqui will be leading "Nature Connection for Adults" every Tuesday evening in Programs at 330 Mountain Road in Cape Neddick. This is a donation-only activity. Space is limited to 12 adults. Call 361-1911 to register. Go to www.WhitePinePrograms.org to learn more.

a yoga class on the beach each

• Vaughan Woods State Park,

Visitor center and exhibit hours are serve.com.

July from 7 to 9 p.m. at White Pine

READER OPINION

LETTERS

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Why not a rotary?

To the Editor

Hip-Hip-Hurrah! The traffic problem in the center of York is being worked on. Summer is here and traffic is building up daily as tourists comes to enjoy our village.

After hearing the discussion last evening on TV. I wonder why a small rotary can't be made around the statue. Certainly no one wants to move it—it is the center of our town. Everything comes together there. So, moving a few parking spaces out of the way—it could be done. Of course, proper signage is necessary. Pedestrians would have to go around, too, in lieu of crossing, eliminating pedestrians in front of the church, where there is no room. The number of streets, driveways and entrance exits at that center is a real snarl when no one knows who has the right of way.

The hospital has done a great service in having everyone park in their lot on Woodbridge Road and have a mini-bus to transport people. That was great forethought.

On the aerial map that I have, there is a large parking area behind the Bank of America, which has a border of trees between that and the parking area of Ellis Insurance and an apartment building with an even larger parking area. Could these empty areas be pulled together to allow parking for downtown? You could enter by the bank and exit behind the Town Hall. This would take parking off the main Route 1A and Long

Proper signage at the rotary would eliminate confusion in the center of

Sands Road.

Can any of these suggestions be of help to the committee?

Cynthia H. Raymond

Thanks to garden owners! To the Editor,

On Saturday, July 17th, the Child Abuse Prevention Council of York County held the 16th annual "Private Gardens of the Kennebunks" garden tour. This year, over 1,000 participants purchased tickets to support the programs at the Council.

The Council extends a special thank you to each garden owner that volunteered to have their garden on display. These individuals are to be commended for their dedication to children with the many hours they spent preparing their masterpieces. Each garden with its own design attracted participants from all over New England.

Paul Parent is applauded for his weekly show advertising the tour. This year the Council presold a record of 400 tickets. Paul and his family also spent hours preparing their garden for the tour and we greatly appreciated support.

To the neighbors of the garden owners: Thank you for your patience. As a community, you may never know what your contribution to the Council provides to the children in York County. As staff, we see the evaluations that are returned from the children after each program. On the evaluation for "Break the Silence" a 5th grade program, a question reads: "What did you learn from this lesson that you didn't know before the presentation," a young girl replied—"that other kids have been abused the same way as me."

We cannot forget the children in York County. Thank you to all of you that participated in the garden tour this year—you are helping children to be free from abuse and free to grow.

Laurie DuPaul Executive Director

Stop blowing things up

To the Editor,

UNITED STATES POSTAGE

Fireworks. They were everywhere recently, but really, they pale in comparison to the stars and what goes on with them.

Fireworks on the Fourth ARE a thing of beauty and meaning. We DO love the USA and traditions ARE important.

But I think also they trigger post-traumatic stress disorder reactions in many war veterans and accident victims. Fireworks are, after all, basically gunpowder or a chemical recipe

of similar ingredients. Lots of smoke from those materials, in so many towns and cities, drifted away in the dark. Those molecules fell nearby or blew elsewhere to fall

Birds, babies, and almost all other critters are terrified

by the explosions. Then there's the enormous expense to towns, the potential for fires, burns and loss of hands or lives

If we love America, I think the time has come to try to evolve beyond fireworks. Let's continue to gather to be glad our Constitution was created. Let's join together next Fourth and be grateful and neighborly, but not to explode stuff. Watch the fireworks on the DVD from the celebration in D.C.

Or am I blowing things out of proportion? The planet is bleeding. This past Fourth, it felt as if fireworks were a continuing assault.

Re: The Portsmouth Herald's July 5 article 'A Dangerous Love Affair with Fireworks': The Herald's brilliant contributing historian, Dennis Robinson, aptly provides local historical facts and the stories behind them. He continues to entertain and edify. He is regional treasure. Thank you for inspiring me, Dennis.

Sally K. Sulloway

• The Remick Barn Gallery features "A York Sampler: Selections from the Past," at the Old York Historical Society, Lindsay Road in York Village. The exhibit is open Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 363-4974 for more information.

• The Saco Museum & Dyer Library will feature several exhibits during the summer, including "In a Place by Himself: The Graphic World of Winslow Homer;" "Making History: Art and Industry In The Saco River Valley;" and The Oil and Acrylic Painters of Maine group show. The Dyer Library & Saco Museum is located at 371 Main St. (Route 1) in downtown

• Hour Exchange Portland is pleased to open its doors to the public at its new location sharing space with the Community Television Network, Channel 5. Also, this night, HEP will feature a photography exhibit and sale by Dawn Herrick at the TIME Gallery, 516 Congress St., Portland. The Open House and Exhibit will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. Visit www. HourExchangePortland.org for more information.

• The Ogunquit Art Association Art Auction will be held on Saturday, Aug. 7. Doors open at 7 p.m. Bidding starts at 8 p.m. Come to the Barn Gallery to

preview the work, pick an artist-designed bid card or leave a Silent Bid from Tuesday, August 3 through Friday, Aug. 6 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 7 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Artist-designed bid cards are on sale at the Gallery for \$25. A bid card purchase includes auction admission, catalog and refreshments.Plain bid cards for admission are available for \$5. Barn Gallery is located at the corner of Shore Road and Bourne Lane in Ogunquit. For more information, call 646-8400 or go to www. barngallery.org.

· 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 for more information.

• The Whitney Art Works presents "Kingdom," a collection of works featuring wildlife through Saturday, July 31. Whitney Art Works is located at 492 Congress St., Portland. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. For more information, call 780-0700 or e-mail info@whitneyartworks

• The Ogunquit Museum of American Art will feature three major exhibits this summer:

Selma Koss Holtz: A Legacy of Giving, John Bisbee, and Perkins Cove, Ogunquit and Maine. The museum will host gallery talks that connect with the exhibits on Tuesday nights The museum, located at 543 Shore Road in Ogunquit is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$8 adults, \$7 seniors/students. Children 12 and under, free. Programs included with admission. For more information, visit www.ogunguitmuseum.org or call 646-4909.

• The Barn Gallery, Shore Road and Bourne Lane, Ogunquit, will show an exhibit featuring regional artists. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The gallery will also hold a figure drawing class on Tuesdays during the summer. Visit www.barngallery.org or call 646-8400

• The StoneCrop Gallery will present Flowers, its first group showing, from Tuesday, July 6 until Tuesday, Aug. 10. The gallery is located at 805 Shore Road, York, 361-4215.

 George Marshall Store Gallery, 140 Lindsay Road, York is showing Pleased to Meet You, introducing 20 new artists to the gallery and Tom Glover - Selected New Work. Hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. For more information, visit www.georgemarshallstoregallerv.com.



Willene Whisenhant's photo, "A Christmas Morning Sunrise," was taken on Route

Willene Whisenhant

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Photographer Willene Whisenhant makes her grandmother's

By SUZIE GOODWIN

The York Independent

"Sometimes I get to a place just when God's ready to have somebody click the shutter.

—Ansel Adams

Have you ever seen something so beautiful that the sheer beauty brought you to your knees? It's a mix of emotions—if you're a photographer, you not only want to capture that image but also the emotion you feel as you experience it.

That passion defines Willene Whisenhant.

Willene, who lives in Wells, has been a professional photographer for over 67 years. She grew up in Livingston, Texas, where as a little girl, she became interested

in taking pictures of her family. She got her first camera, a Brownie, when she was about nine and always had that camera with her... "that and one of my guns, I was a tomboy," she says. (I'm thinking the gun may be a Texan thing.)

Visiting New England was her grandmother's dream and she would often tell Willene "if we ever strike oil, we're going to buy a brand new car and drive to New England." Her family never struck oil, but Willene did finally get a chance to visit some friends who lived in Boston. She loved New England and returned every year after that

for the next 13 years, vacationing in Wells, until she was able to move to Maine permanently.

In the early '60s during the height of the space program, she landed a job at NASA, with the distinction of being the first

woman photographer there. Wo She never knew who she would many prominent people, includ

Did she get nervous?

"I was too bewildered, and so nervous." she recalls. The most time she was escorted by the se Kennedy. Not only did she mee specifically wanting to help her his wife, Jackie, once worked for a photographer?)

She enjoys capturing momen literally brought her to her knee

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e 1A in York and has become one of her most popular images.

a really patch of ice that brought her to her knees, literally. (I may have misled you just a little.)

She recovered from the fall, looked up, and took three shots. That's about all the time she had for shooting, for her attention was then drawn to the car, which was rolling away on its own. In all the excitement, Willie had jumped out of the car, so excited to get the shot that she had forgotten to put the brake on...she hadn't even put the car in park!

"It had been so beautiful, it was like a religious experience," she said. Despite that morning's excitement, she couldn't shake the feeling that she'd forgotten something. At about 4 p.m. it struck her, she had never made it to her client's home—the woman whose home she had been driving to, risking life and limb.

If you're wondering, it turned out that the customer's family had thought that they had both lost their minds...a sunrise family portrait was not on their agenda.

For Whisenhant, the secret to her success has been to never give up. Despite her successful career, when she first moved to Maine, it was like starting over. She approached several local galleries and began showing. Her work has been exhibited in the Wells Public Library, at local craft shows and available at Copyz & Graphix in Wells. This summer she will have exhibits at The Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport on Aug. 1, and at the Kennebunk River Club on Aug. 15.

By the way, the Christmas photos turned out to be among

Suzie Goodwin, a local artist who works in photography and mixed media, writes about the visual arts for the York Independent. Send comments and story suggestions to editor@ vorkindependent.net.

Artistic clarification

In a profile published in the July 16 issue of the York Independent, the name of artist Anne Catell was spelled incorrectly. If you'd like more information about the artist, her Web site address is www.annecatell.com.







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PICKING PERFECT PEACHES

All you need to know about this wonderful summertime fruit

By SARAH GRANT

The York Independent

We've done it! We have survived another long winter, treaded spring and summer rains, and sweltered in waves of humid heat, to arrive at mid-summer when northern New England offers a fruit basket of seasonal delights.

Nothing says mid-summer to me more than fresh, juicy, sweet and flavorful peaches. I long to bite a fleshy plum and feel the sticky nectar run down my chin. You have to eat the best stone fruit over the sink.

I've noticed folks in the store picking out peaches. For the most part they poke or squeeze them to determine whether they are worthy of purchase. The truth is it takes a few more senses beyond touch to find the very best fruit.

When they're unripe, peaches, nectarines, plums and pluots (a delectable cross between a plum and an apricot) are hard green, sour, and actually inedible orbs, discouraging our attention. When they are ready, they beckon us of their ripeness with their brilliant colors, supple skin and seductive aromas. Pretty sexy, huh? This is nature's way of attracting us animals

to the ripest fruits, so that we ultimately cast away only a ready seed from the devoured piece, to further its propagation.

Stone fruits evolve in color, size, weight, texture, flavor and aroma, so you need to use your

vision, touch and olfactory senses to find the very best. Of course, initially, we spy a ripe-looking fruit.

Ready peaches and nectarines are brightly colored without any green. If they have any green, they were picked too early and will never ripen to your satisfaction. Broken or loose skin most likely indicates bruising or over ripeness. Follow similar visual guidelines to identify ripe plums and pluots, except that their colors range from yellow-green to almost black. Big is not necessarily better with stone fruits. It probably just means that the fruit has had more than its share of chemical fertiliz-

When you have found a pretty fruit, pick it up (by the way, never buy fruits like this that are packaged in plastic bags or cello packs). Mature stone fruits are firm, but yield slightly to gentle pressure. They should feel heavier than their size might indicate. Heaviness indicates juiciness.

ers. A good peach is usually not much larger than the average

Finally, take a whiff of the fruit. The blossom end, opposite from the stem, is the most fragrant. If a peach-like object you pick up from a grocery produce bin does not smell like a

peach, it won't taste like one, either. Remember that plums, pluots, nectarines, peaches and apricots all started out as fragrant blossoms, and they all use that aromatic lure again when they are fully ripe.

It used to be easier to find the best fruit, when we always went to the orchard or the farm stand to buy, and we could often smell them before we saw them. But in these times, we think we can trust the grocery store to find the best fruit for us. I'm sure that our local supers may have the very best of intentions, but because they rely on volume business, the fruits they buy are often shipped green from distant lands such as California or the Carolinas and are refrigerated from the moment they board the truck until we take them home. That's no way to treat a peach or a plum. Because they don't store well, there is not much advantage in picking them before the ripe stage. If they are picked too early, they will turn rubbery and remain sour. It's also more difficult to smell a cold nectarine, even if it is fragrant.

But I have very good news. Local peaches, like all of our local produce, are early this year. They have been ripe on local farms for the past two weeks, almost a month ahead of the

usual summer schedule, thanks to our early and consistently hot weather. All the sun we have had just about guarantees sweetness, but watch out for dry fruit (light weight) due to lack of rain on farms that do not irrigate.

Find peaches, nectarines and plums at the Portsmouth Farmers' Market every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the City Hall parking lot, 1 Junkins Ave.; at the Hampton Farmers' Market on Tuesdays from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Sacred Heart School parking lot, 289 Layfayette Road; or at the Sanford Farmers Market on Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Goodall Hospital, at the intersection of June Street and Route 202. For more farmers' market info, go to seacoastharvest.org.

There is also a nearby orchard where you can pick your own. McDougal Orchards, owned by Ellen and Jack McAdam, have ripe nectarines and soon will have ripe peaches and green (colored) plums. They're located at 201 Hanson Ridge Road in Springvale, Maine (324-5054). Or, look up www. mcdougalorchards.org for more information.

How about a recipe?

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Here's a recipe for Peach and Blueberry Galette by Tony Rosenfeld and yours truly. It's relatively easy and will show off some of the best fruit Maine has to offer mid-summer. You can also find a bushel basket of information about peaches at pickyourown.org/peachpickingtips.htm, including plenty more recipes.

This rustic fruit tart is the perfect vehicle for ripe summer blueberries and peaches (you can easily substitute nectarines). The crust is freeform—just fold the edges over the filling and bake. Serve it warm with a scoop of vanilla ice cream or a dollop of crème fraîche. Serves 8 to 10

For the crust

- \bullet 1½ cups unbleached all-purpose flour, more for rolling
- 1 T granulated sugar
- ½ t salt
- 1 T unsalted butter, chilled and cut into 1/2-inch dice
- 1 large egg yolk
- 3 T whole milk

For the filling

- 1 lb peaches, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch slices (about 2 cups)
- 3/4 lb blueberries, rinsed and picked through (about 2 cups)
- 1 t lemon zest
- 1/4 cup light brown sugar
- 2 T unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1/4 t ground cinnamon
- 2 T lemon juice
- Pinch of table salt
- 1 large egg, beaten
- 2 T raw or sparkling sugar

Make the dough

Combine the flour, sugar, and salt in a food processor. Add the butter to the flour using the pulsing mechanism. Mix until the flour is no longer white and holds together when you clump it with your fingers, 8 to 10 pulses. The butter should be no larger than the size of a pea.

Beat the egg yolk and milk in a separate bowl, and add to the flour mixture processing just until the dough comes together, about 15 seconds; the dough will be somewhat soft. Turn the dough out onto a sheet of plastic wrap, press it into a flat disk, wrap it in the plastic, and let it rest in the refrigerator for 15 to 20 minutes before rolling out.

Meanwhile, position a rack in the center of the oven and heat the oven to 350°F. Line a large rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper.

Make the filling and roll out the dough.

In a medium bowl, toss the peaches and blueberries with the brown sugar, flour, lemon zest, cinnamon, and salt.

Lightly flour a large work surface and roll out the dough to a 12- to 13-inch round. Transfer dough to the prepared baking sheet. Arrange the fruit in the center of the dough, leaving about 1½ inches of space around the perimeter of the dough. Fold the outside edge of the dough over the fruit, making occasional pleats. Brush the crust with the egg. Sprinkle the lemon juice over the fruit, and then sprinkle the raw sugar evenly over the dough and fruit.

Bake the galette until the crust turns a light brown and the filling bubbles, about 50 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes then cut into wedges and serve warm.

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The cucumber conundrum

Creativity the main ingredient in handling seasonal excess

By SARAH GRANT

The York Independent

Do you have a neighbor who is stealthily putting grocery bags full of cucumbers into your unlocked car at night? Perhaps they are stuffing your mailbox with cukes while you are at work? Or, are you one of the many newbie backyard farmers who planted a dozen cucumber plants in your back yard and are now storing their fruit in both produce drawers of the fridge, on the kitchen table, under the kitchen table and in a box next to the TV?

In short, are you over encumbered by cucumbers and just don't know what to do with them all? Before opening your own produce stand at the end of the driveway, you might try a couple of the following cucumber recipes. Your neighbors might like them, too.

Boozy Cucumber-Lime Pops

Adapted from Food and Wine, July 2010. Total time 30 minutes, plus 1 hour, 30 minutes freezing time

- ½ C sugar
- 1/4 C plus 1 T water, separated
- 1/4 C coarsely chopped mint leaves
- 1/4 C fresh lime juice
- 1/4 C gin or vodka
- One 12 ounce cucumber—peeled, seeded and pureed (11/4 cups)
- ½ t unflavored powdered gelatin (such as
- 1. In a small saucepan, combine the sugar with 1/4 cup water and the mint and bring to a boil. Cover, remove from heat and let stand for 15 minutes. Strain the mint syrup into a large bowl and let cool to room temp. Whisk in the juice, liquor and cucumber purée.
- 2. In a microwave safe bowl, sprinkle gelatin over 1 T cold water and let stand until gelatin softens, about 5 minutes. Microwave at high power for 8 seconds until gelatin dissolves. Whisk into cucumber mixture.
- 3. Arrange ten 2-ounce paper cups* on a baking sheet. Pour mixture into cups and freeze

for one hour. Insert a stick into the center of each pop and freeze 30 minutes longer, until fully frozen. Tear off paper and serve

Spicy Cold Cucumber Soup

This is a very refreshing cold soup. The fresher your ingredients, the more restorative its affect after your long hot day in the sun.

- · 5 large cucumbers, peeled, seeded and quartered
- 1 medium mild onion (such as Vidalia)
- 1-2 cloves minced garlic
- 2 jalapeños, seeds removed and finely chopped
- · 2 c nonfat plain yogurt
- 1/3 c fresh, finely chopped parsley or cilantro leaves
- 2 Tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 Tablespoon olive oil
- salt and pepper to taste
- up to 2 c low- or nonfat buttermilk to thin soup to correct consistency
 - · Chopped chives or mint for garnish
- 1. Chop cukes by hand or in a food processor using pulse mechanism. They should be finely chopped but not puréed.
 - 2. Combine chopped cukes, jalapeños, onion

and garlic in a mixing bowl. Sprinkle parsley (or cilantro) leaves with olive oil and chop them finely. Add the chopped leaves to the soup along with yogurt, salt and lemon juice. Thin soup with buttermilk.

- 3. Taste for seasoning and adjust salt, pepper, or more lemon juice.
- 4. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours before serving. Keeps for several days.

Serving suggestions: Garnish with chopped chives, chopped mint and/or a dollop of sour cream, freshly toasted French bread croutons (rub cut garlic clove over crust, thinly slice bread, brush with olive oil and toast till lightly brown).

Cucumber Tea Sandwiches with Tarragon Butter

Adapted from recipe by Chef Richard Hughes, Pelican Club, New Orleans

- 1 large cucumber, peeled, sliced paper thin
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons white vinegar
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened
- · 2 Tablespoons minced fresh tarragon
- · 2 Tablespoons minced fresh chervil (optional)
- 15 thin slices whole-wheat bread, enough to make 30 (half sandwich) triangles
- · Mayonnaise and chopped fresh parsley
- 1. Put cucumber slices into a large, non-metal bowl. Toss with salt. Sprinkle with vinegar. Toss to mix well. Let stand 1 hour. Drain well in colander. Pat with paper towels.
 - 2. Blend butter, tarragon and chervil.
- 3. To assemble, spread butter over 1 side of each bread slice. Cover 15 slices with cucumbers, dividing evenly. Close sandwiches. Trim crusts. Cut into 30 triangles.

Optional: For looks and additional flavor, dip one end or corner of a sandwich into mayonnaise, then into minced fresh parsley.

Cucumber salads

There are at least 1,547 recipes for cucumber salad. Here are two of them.

Cuke Salad #1: Try layering sliced



SARAH GRANT PHOTO

Spicy Cold Cucumber Soup

cucumbers in a bowl salting and peppering each layer and occasionally adding a layer of sliced Vidalias. Let it rest for one hour, and then add sour cream to taste. Very good with dill too.

Cuke Salad #2: Make a dressing of 3 Tablespoons of red wine vinegar, 2 Tablespoons sugar, 2 teaspoons salt, several grinds of the black pepper mill and whisk in 1/4-cup canola, safflower or sunflower oil (not olive oil). Pour half of dressing over sliced ripe tomatoes, sliced cucumbers and sweet onions and toss gently.

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Fairs, special events

- Seacoast NAACP will host its annual summergathering picnic Sunday, Aug. 1, from noon to 5 p.m. at the Eliot Boat Basin public park, located at the end of Hammond Lane off Route 103 in Eliot, next to the Green Acre Baha'i School. All are welcome to attend this potluck event. Grilling meats and drinks will be provided. More information about NAACP Seacoast and its activities can be obtained via email at naacpnhseacoast@aol.com or visiting www. seacoastnaacp.com.
- Chicken BBQ and Family Fun Day at Wells Harbor Park on Saturday, July 31. Event starts at noon and admission is free.
- The Celebrate Maine Festival at the Raitt Homestead Farm Museum will feature food from Bean Hole Beans, homemade strawberry shortcake, and a Shipyard Brew Garden. The event, held Saturday, Aug. 7 and Sunday, Aug. 8 will be held in conjunction with the Mainely Grillin' & Chillin' State BBQ Competition. The homestead is located at 2077 State Road, Eliot. The event will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on both days, and admission is \$5. For more information, visit www.celebratemainefestival. com.
- Annual Chili Fest will be held Saturday, Aug. 28 at Wells Junior High School, 1470 Post Road, Wells. the event will feature an International Chili Society sanctioned contest, food, music, and crafters.
- The York County Shelter Programs will be hosting an Apple Festival on the grounds of the Shaker Hill Road property in Alfred, on Saturday, Sept. 25 and Sunday, Sept. 26 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be a juried art and craft show, silent auction in the barn, pancake breakfasts each day, a yard sale, lunch wagon refreshments, apple crisp and ice cream, and children's activities. For more information, contact Mary Doyle at 324-1137 or e-mail mgdovle@gmail.com.

A weekly column about local food

By SARAH GRANT

The York Independent

• Special Shaker Dinner in East Waterboro: Just when the local food scene seems to be running in a routine, I hear from Chef Sebastian Carosi, founder of the New England Farm to Fork Project, about one of his unique dinners. On Saturday, July 31 and Sunday, Aug. 1, in keeping with the Shaker spirit of dining well on local and seasonal foods, The New England Farm 2 Fork Project and Shaker Chef Sebastian Carosi will offer a multiple course Shaker supper composed of sustainable local ingredients harvested at their peak. The evening's gastronomic affair will consist of six courses: a New England artisan farmstead cheese social; crispy chicken livers; country fried heritage breed turkey; the "freshest mess' of garden greens; Shaker herb rubbed Berkshire pork; and spiced antique recipe applesauce cake. Accompaniments include Shaker spiced Concord grape drink and Shaker squash rolls with creamery butter. This event will be held at the project's 2010 host farm- Raven Hill Orchard, 255 Ossipee Hill Road, East Waterboro, 247-4455. Seatings are at 6 p.m. sharp; \$45 per person (plus tax and gratuity) is due upon receipt of edible commodities Call 459-4271 for reservations or visit www.thenewenglandfarm2forkproject.com to read about the fascinating Chef Carosi, his Farm to Fork Project and see complete menus of this and



upcoming dinners.

• Wood grilled pizza in Kittery: The owners of Annekejans (60 Wallingford Square, Kittery), Donna Ryan and Andy Livingston, have opened a

more casual eatery, AJ's Wood Grill Pizza, next door at 68 Wallingford Square. Open since mid-May, AJ's offers a few twists on the usual pizza shop fare. For example, the all-organic pizza crust is grilled on a wood fire, then topped and finished in a hot oven. Believe it or not, the wood grill comes in handy for the Greek salad, too. Executive Chef Eidef Ares throws the Romaine lettuce onto the grill for a quick turn before finishing the salad with the usual Kalamatas, tomatoes and so forth and serving it with her own lemon and herb Greek dressing. Think I want to try that one. Owner Donna Ryan hails from Buffalo, N.Y. so she is a stickler for chicken wings done right. AJ's makes their own wings sauce (available in mild, medium and hot) spiced up with habanero peppers so that your taste buds fondly remember the experience. Chef Ares says that they put on "just the right amount of sauce." I think it safe to say that no other restaurant in this area pays as much attention to the details of Buffalo wings preparation—but then again, attention to detail is what sets great eateries apart from the rest. AJ's Wood Grill Pizza is open 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Call 430-9700 or check out their menu at ajswoodgrillpizza.com.

• Shore Road unexpected delight: On one of those hot and humid July afternoons, I was zooming from place to place in York, when I spontaneously took a quick right into the parking lot of Shore Road Restaurant, Deli and Market, which rests in the triangle at the hairpin junction of Route 1A and Shore Road. My original thought was to get a nice, cold refreshing drink, but upon entering the place, it occurred to me that I hadn't eaten in several hours. It was close to 5 p.m. and I was the only hungry customer at the time, so I had a seat at the counter and started to chat with the cook, Paul Orben. Both Paul and owner Sherie Bastian had suggested the lobster roll, reminding me that not only was it an excellent lobster roll, in their unbiased opinions, but also that a portion of the profits from lobster roll sales go to Project Graduation (York High School) and D.A.R.E. I asked Paul if he picked his own lobster meat and he wryly replied, "Yes, I pick our lobsters right out of the ocean." Later Paul donned a lobster hat to amuse some other customers.

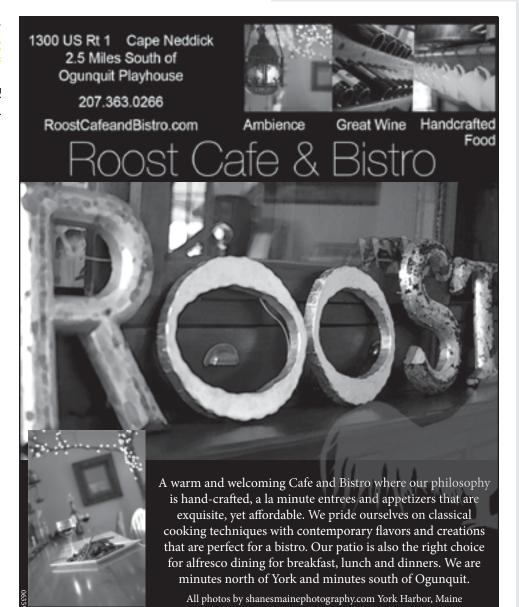
It turns out that Paul is not only very entertaining, but he is a heck of a sandwich meister too. I wasn't in the mood for lobster, so I chose roast beef on dark rye. Talk about attention to detail! Paul reached deep into the brand new loaf of bread to find the largest slices, piled one of them high with roast beef, sliced a sweet onion and fresh tomato. Mind you, he did not use the veggies in the sandwich board bins. He sliced all fresh vegetables for this sandwich of sandwiches. Last, he loaded it up with just the right amount of pickles and slathered it

with mayonnaise exactly per my request. It was the best roast beef sandwich I have had in a long time.

It was a "to go" order, so Paul put the mammoth sandwich (I had ordered a "small" and was charged for a "small") in one of their nice paper to-go boxes. He then decided that the sandwich needed some company, so he filled the remaining space in the container with his potato salad—all of the potato salad that the deli still had at that point in the day. I am not sure how he got the box closed, but I barely got back to my car before I began to devour its contents. Silly me. I had planned to get all the way home with that sandwich. The potato salad was just as good as the rest: red bliss potatoes tossed with a dilly dressing that did not overpower the flavor of the spuds. My understanding is that Shore Road Restaurant gets slammed at lunch time, so my suggestion is to eat a late lunch or early supper there or get a "to go" meal. And, give my regards to Paul. Shore Road Restaurant, Deli and Market is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Call Sherie or Bill Bastian at 363-6533. If you are not in the mood for roast beef, try the lobster roll.

- Barbecue Fest in Eliot: If you are looking a food-oriented event the weekend of Aug. 7-8, consider the Celebrate Maine Festival, where more than 40 teams will compete in the Mainely Grillin' and Chillin' State Barbeque Competition. Hosted by the Raitt Homestead Farm Museum on the 33 acre farm at 2077 State Road, the 'Cue Fest runs on Saturday, Aug. 7 and Sunday, Aug. 8 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Along with plenty of activities for kids and adults, indulge in bean hole beans, strawberry shortcake. Visit artisans, marketplace and the green expo as well as the Shipyard Brew Garden, Wyman's and Cabot Creamery Booths. Live Entertainment will be on stage and plenty of homemade food will be available. Entrance fee \$5, kids under 12 are free. Go to mainelybbq.com or www.celebratemainefestival.com for more information.
- Barbecue Class: Want to learn a lot more about the art of barbecuing? Sign up for Paul Kirk's cooking class taking place on Friday, Aug. 6 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Raitt Homestead Farm Museum, 2077 State Road on Route 103 in Eliot. The Class includes a signed copy of Paul's latest book plus two free tickets for entry into the festival on Aug. 7-8. E-mail eatea@comcast.net for an application.
- York Days Concessions: The American Legion will make sure you don't starve during the craft fare on Saturday, Aug. 7 and Sunday, Aug. 8 at Short Sands Beach. The American Legion guy and girls will be cooking up breakfast sandwiches, home fries and coffee from 8 a.m. both days. Later they will be grilling up dogs, burgers, pepper and sausage subs. Sodas, strawberry shortcake, brownie sundaes and root beer floats will assure that your sweet tooth is not neglected. The Legion expects to serve their menu Saturday until 6 p.m. and Sunday until 3 p.m.

Sarah Grant, a local chef and organic farmer who has taught culinary arts at Le Cordon Bleu, writes about food for the York Independent. Send your local food thoughts to editor@yorkindependent.net.



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- Brandi Carlile, 8 p.m., Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom, 169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton Beach, N.H. (603) 929-4100.
- The Cassavettes, 7 p.m., Rotary Arts Pavillion at Henry Law Park, Dover, N.H. (603) 742-2218
- Local 109, 8 p.m., Bentley's Saloon, Route 1, Arundel, Maine (207) 985-8966.

SATURDAY, JULY 31

- Bruce Marshall Group, Inn on the Blues, 7 Ocean Ave., York Beach, Maine (207) 351-3221.
- Chelmsford Community Jazz Ensemble, 7 p.m., Ellis Park. York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- Jimmy Keys, 8 p.m., Jonathan's Restaurant, 92 Bourne Lane, Ogunquit, Maine (207) 646-4777
- John Gorka, 1 p.m. Prescott Park, Portsmouth, N.H. (603) 436-2848.
- The Makem & Spain Brothers, 1 p.m. Prescott Park, Portsmouth, N.H. (603) 436-2848.
- Roy Davis & the Dregs, 1 p.m. Prescott Park, Portsmouth, N.H. (603) 436-2848
- Lower Village People, 8 p.m., Bentley's Saloon, Route 1, Arundel, Maine (207) 985-8966.
- Diane Charmaine, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.

SUNDAY, AUG. 1

- Family Affair, Inn on the Blues, 7 Ocean Ave., York Beach Maine (207) 351-3221
- Warren Anderson Dectet, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- Bill Cameron, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- Umphrey's McGee, 8 p.m., Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom, 169 Ocean Blvd... Hampton Beach, N.H. (603) 929-4100.
- Open Mic, 7 p.m., The Stone Church, 5 Granite St., Newmarket, N.H. (603) 292-3546.

MONDAY, AUG. 2

- New Magnolia Jazz Band, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- Michelle Currie, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.

TUESDAY, AUG. 3

- Green Lion Reggae, Inn on the Blues, 7 Ocean Ave., York Beach, Maine (207) 351-3221. • Flash Allen, One Dock, 1

- Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- George Thorogood and The Destroyers, 8 p.m., Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom, 169 Ocean Blvd.. Hampton Beach. N.H. (603) 929-4100.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 4

- Buckwheat Zydeco, 8 p.m., Jonathan's Restaurant, 92 Bourne Lane, Ogunquit, Maine (207) 646-4777
- Lex and Joe, 8 p.m., MC Perkins Cove, 111 Perkins Cove Road, Ogunquit, Maine (207) 646-6263.
- Diane Charmaine, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- Judy Collins, 7 p.m., Prescott Park, Portsmouth, N.H. (603) 436-2848
- The Casual Saxtet, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
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- Straight Lace, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
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- Michelle Currie, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.

FRIDAY, AUG. 6

- Matthew Stubbs with Sax Gordon, Inn on the Blues, 7 Ocean Ave., York Beach, Maine (207) 351-3221.
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- Fred Manzi Trio, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- Lisa Lampanelli, 8 p.m., Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom, 169 Ocean Blvd. Hampton Beach, N.H. (603) 929-4100
- · Sneeky Pete, 7 p.m., Rotary Arts Pavillion at Henry Law Park, Dover, N.H. (603) 742-2218.
- · Catie Curtis, 8 p.m., Jonathan's, 92 Bourne Lane, Ogunquit, Maine (207) 646-4777.
- Travis James Humphrey, 10:30 p.m., Federal Jack's Brew Pub, 8 Western Ave., Kennebunk, Maine (207) 967-4322.

SATURDAY, AUG. 7

- Evan Goodrow, Inn on the Blues, 7 Ocean Ave., York Beach, Maine (207) 351-3221.
- Lori McKenna, 8 p.m., Jonathan's Restaurant, 92 Bourne Lane, Ogunquit, Maine (207) 646-4777.
- Diane Charmaine. One Dock. 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- The George Kaye Orchestra, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- Tim Therriault, 10:30 p.m., Federal Jack's Brew Pub, 8 Western Ave., Kennebunk, Maine (207) 967-4322.

- Rob Benton, Inn on the Blues, 7 Ocean Ave., York Beach, Maine (207) 351-3221.
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- Paula Cole, 8 p.m., Jonathan's Restaurant, 92 Bourne Lane, Ogunquit, Maine (207)
- Bill Cameron, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- Open Mic, 7 p.m., The Stone Church, 5 Granite St., Newmarket, N.H. (603) 292-3546.
- Truffle, noon, Rotary Arts Pavillion at Henry Law Park, Dover, N.H. (603) 742-2218.

MONDAY, AUG. 9

- New Legacy Big Band, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- Michelle Currie, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.

TUESDAY, AUG. 10

- Green Lion Reggae, Inn on the Blues, 7 Ocean Ave., York Beach, Maine (207) 351-3221.
- Flash Allen. One Dock. 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- · Clay Aiken and Ruben Studdard, 8 p.m., Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom, 169 Ocean Blvd. Hampton Beach, N.H. (603) 929-4100.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11

- Pat Cottrell, 8 p.m., MC Perkins Cove, 111 Perkins Cove Road, Ogunquit, Maine (207) 646-6263.
- Diane Charmaine, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- · Good Memories Big Band, 7 p.m., Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- Counting Crows feat. Augustana, 8 p.m., Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom, 169 Ocean Blvd. Hampton Beach, N.H. (603) 929-4100.
- Livingston Taylor, 7 p.m., Prescott Park, Portsmouth, N.H. (603) 436-2848.
- Brian Johnson, 8:30 p.m., Alisson's, 11 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, (207) 967-4841.

THURSDAY, AUG. 12

- Gabriel Iglesias, 8 p.m., Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom. 169 Ocean Blvd. Hampton Beach, N.H. (603) 929-4100.
- Michelle Currie, One Dock, 1 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine (207) 967-2621.
- Jonny Lang, 8 p.m., The Music Hall, 28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth. N.H. (603) 436-2400.
- Visitors Band. 7 p.m.. Ellis Park, York Beach, Maine (207) 363-1040.
- The Jen Thayer Band, noon, Rotary Arts Pavillion at Henry Law Park, Dover, N.H. (603) 742-2218.
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Dinner for Schmucks

Bv AMY DIAZ

The York Independent

Dinner for Schmucks (PG-13) A schlub working his way up the corporate ladder is asked to bring the goofiest schlemiel he can find to a night of ridicule with a bunch of shmendriks in Dinner for Schmucks, a potential-having but execution-flawed comedy starring Steve Carell and Paul Rudd.

Tim (Rudd) is a financial analyst attempting to move up a floor at the investment company where he works. After coming up with a promising idea for snagging a rich new client, Tim's boss Lance (Bruce Greenwood) dangles a juicy promotion in front of him. But to be one of the swinging putzes on the seventh floor, Tim has to find and bring someone to a regular dinner his boss hosts. At the dinner, each member of the company's upper echelon brings an idiot with the hopes of having his or her guest declared champion idiot of the night. Tim agrees when his girlfriend Julie (Stephanie Szostak) says the event sounds pretty messed up. But Tim also likes the idea of a promotion. And then he runs into Barry (Carell).

Barry, whom Tim literally runs into with his car, works at the IRS, but his real passion, in his spare time, is creating dioramas —recreations of moments in history and famous paintings as well as original scenes of a sweet couple in love — wherein all the people are represented by costumed, preserved, deceased mice. Mice replacing Jesus and the Apostles in da Vinci's "The Last Supper." A mouse Benjamin Franklin flying a kite during a lightning storm. The Micea Lisa. A spaz in addition to being the possessor of the world's weirdest hobby, Barry seems heaven-sent, like a sign that Tim should give in to the corporate culture of douchiness and take his new "friend" to the boss's big dinner.

This causes Julie, who seems unaware of the fact that the self-obsessed artist Kieran (Jermaine Clement) she represents would be the perfect and most karma-deserving fool, to storm out on Tim. In this weakened state, Barry shows up and unleashes a tornado of destruction on Tim's life. He accidentally invites Tim's stalker Darla (Lucy Punch) over to Tim's house and then, in trying to scare her away, chases a previously ready-toforgive Julie away. Then he Inspector-Clouseaus a brunch Tim is having with important clients. Then, in the process of trying to help Tim find Julie, Barry gets Tim put on an audit list by Therman (Zack Galifianakas), a coworker who has convinced Barry that he has the power of mind control.

There are pieces of this movie that I like, that I think want to be funny. Clement's character — an artist who puts himself in every painting, often with Pan-like horns and hooves or some other bit of self-seriousness — is excellently absurd. And frequently Rudd's delivery increases by 70 percent the funniness of whatever he's just said. Carell shows once again how he can take the most ridiculous character and give him sweetness and likeability that transcends even mouse taxidermy. But these elements are not organic to the story; we don't feel like the crazy situation is breeding increased craziness. It always seems like a writer thought up a wacky one character and put him, Mad-Libs-style, into a nutty situation, without thinking about how the whole story would flow together.

Even when the movie does manage to match character, situation and some sort of actual organic-feeling humor, it finds a way to step on the laugh, like a punch line spit out before you build the joke. You don't feel tickled, you feel told to laugh. C

Rated PG-13 for sequences of crude and sexual content, some partial nudity and language. Directed by Jay Roach and written by David Guion and Michael Handelman (from a screenplay for Le Diner de Cons by Francis Veber), Dinner for Schmucks is an hour and 49 minutes long and opens in wide release on Friday, July 30. It is distributed by Paramount Pictures.

Joan Rivers:

A Piece of Work (R)

Ground-breaking comedian Joan Rivers (who would totally hate being called that) gives us a slice of her life in Joan Rivers: A Piece of Work, a movie that gives us the woman, warts (or, rather, freakishly smooth skin) and all.

Joan Rivers hated her Comedy Central roast, hated being told she opened the doors for future female comedians. For one, it reminded her how old she was, and also it made her sound like she's done - screw you, she'd say, I'm still walking through those doors

Rivers is about 75 as this movie is being shot. Fear, she explains, is a blank page in her schedule book. She'll go anywhere, do anything to keep working. Part of it is the way she likes to live - like Marie Antoinette would have if she'd had money, she says. But part of it is the work itself. She loves the energy of the audience, making people laugh. We see her in Wisconsin, where she is heckled and then has to pull the crowd back. On stage, she's fearless; after the show, she worries about the guy who heckled her (she told a Helen Keller joke and the man shouted out that he had a deaf son) and hopes the crowd still had a good time.

We see her open a autobiographical play and have it succeed in Edinburgh, Scotland, only to have it bomb in London. We see her go on Celebrity Apprentice, a victory before it even starts because she had been previously banned from NBC after leaving the job as Johnny Carson's guest host to start her own show at Fox (which quickly ended and was followed by the death, by suicide, of her husband). She personifies the never-give-up, on-with-the-show attitude one associates with a career this long in show business.

After years of seeing her mainly in E! doing red carpet shows and Fashion Police, I'd forgotten what a really smart and sharp comedian Joan Rivers can be. The clips of her stage show — even the part with the heckler that I'd heard several times during radio interviews promoting the movie — aren't riffs on old shtick; they're lively of-the-moment stand-up. Her refrain whenever she doesn't get a big show: Kathy Griffin got all those.

I wasn't necessarily a Joan Rivers fan going in, but the movie is fascinating. Every facet of her life gets at least a brief glance: husband, daughter, her friendship with Carson, her jokes (she was telling abortion jokes on TV when you could barely talk about sex), even her appearance (the face that I'm familiar with is completely different from the one on TV in those early years; I wouldn't have guessed they were the same people). The look back offers a nice glimpse of television history, but it's the hustle of the current years that had me transfixed. She said she plans to follow George Burns' lead and work well into her 90s and I can see her doing that and better, even if she's playing to small crowds in cities whose names she's never heard before.

The documentary is a solid bit of entertainment for casual Rivers fans and hardcore comedy geeks alike. A piece of work, a swell dame, a heck of a broad - Rivers is a character worth watching. A-

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Dear Tom and Ray:

I am interested in purchasing a vintage/ classic ice-cream truck such as the Divco for a new, gourmet-ice-cream truck venture. I have found rusted, inoperable trucks for \$2,000 and restored trucks for as much as \$25,000. My first question is, Is this a reasonable truck to actually put back into service, and at what price? My second question is if you have a better recommendation for a "cool" commercial vehicle. Or just tell me I'm crazy, like my mother, brother and husband do, and maybe — maybe — I'll let this business idea go back into the file.

— Kara

TOM: We don't think you're crazy, Kara. We think it's a great business idea. And, more importantly, a really fun adventure.

RAY: Yeah. Maybe you can buy a truck

idea and recently gave up? If you're lucky, it even might still have the ice cream in it!

TOM: The cool commercial vehicle right now is the Ford Transit Connect, which is a city-size delivery van. You even can get one that's all electric. But if the truck is also your "store," rather than just your delivery vehicle, I like the idea of reviving a Divco.

RAY: The old-fashioned Divco truck, with the sales window on the side, is the one vehicle that really screams "ice cream."

TOM: I would make two suggestions for your Divco search. One is to look at ones that haven't been restored yet. You don't want the \$2,000 rusted heaps that have trees sprouting out of them. But if you pay \$25,000 for a restored truck, you have no idea how well it's been restored. You also may be paying for restored details that you have no need for. Do you really care if the gas pedal has been restored to its original factory condition?

RAY: So look for something that's structurally sound but cosmetically challenged. Find one that runs, so you can evaluate it. But not one that's had every dent knocked out

TOM: And the second suggestion is to find a mechanic who's willing to go with you to look at your top candidates. A mechanic will be able to tell you whether a truck has a solid undercarriage and is worth putting more money into.

RAY: And then, when you restore it, the most important thing is to make sure it's safe.

from some other nutjob who tried this same Obviously, a good suspension system and working brakes top the list. You won't sell much ice cream in a neighborhood where you regularly run over the kids.

> TOM: And then you want to make sure you have refrigeration that you can count on. You can do as much or as little aesthetic work as you like. You'll obviously paint the outside to advertise your business.

> **RAY:** And then you have to make a decision about the engine. If it's in decent shape, even if it's old and burning a little oil, you may just decide to leave it as is. After all, I'm guessing most of your driving will be local.

> TOM: And who knows? Maybe the wornout engine will become your calling card. Instead of listening for the sounds of "Turkey in the Straw," the kids will keep their noses peeled for the smell of burning oil, which can only mean the ice-cream lady's coming!

Dear Tom and Ray:

My aunt called me the other day and said she had trouble trying to find the place where you put more windshield-washer fluid. She told me the only cover she found was one that said "Coolant." You guessed it — she put the windshield-washer fluid in the coolant reservoir. She then told me that she used a bottle of Windex instead of the diluted blue stuff you buy for car windshields. What should I do to help her, and what possible damage did she do?

— Adam

TOM: Well, the first thing you can do to help her is open her hood and show her where the windshield-washer reservoir is. Then take a big magic marker and label it for her.

RAY: The next thing I'd do is take the car to a mechanic and have the coolant flushed out and replaced. But I don't think she did

TOM: Me neither. If I had to guess, I'd say the dominant ingredients in Windex are water and ammonia. There might even be a little ethylene glycol (aka coolant) in there!

RAY: There's a small amount of soap in Windex. But my guess is that any suds would be suppressed by the high pressure inside the cooling system. I mean, she might find her engine compartment overflowing with soap suds tomorrow morning, but I doubt it. It's not like she put Dawn Dishwashing Liquid in there

TOM: Flushing the cooling system certainly will remove all doubt about any future damage that might result. And she can feel good knowing she has the cleanest cooling system in the neighborhood.

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play time with some toys and

her new owners will help her

adjust. Sasha is currently going

through an obedience class with

the shelter dogs as well as some

agility training and she loves it.

She should do fine sharing a

new home with other dogs and

children over the age of 8 who

won't overwhelm her. If you'd like

to adopt Sasha, please fill out an

adoption questionnaire and then

bring your entire family, including

that has a short orange tiger and

white coat. He is very laid back

and is always up for a scratch

behind the ears or a rub under

the chin. Pongo is a good na-

tured boy and should do just fine

sharing his new home with other

cats and children of all ages. If

this purr-fect catch sounds like

the one for you please fill out an

adoption application and stop in

doas, in to meet her.

Pongo is his

name and finding

a forever family is

his game. Pongo

three year old cat

is a gorgeous

Pongo

If you're interested in adopting any of these animals or if you'd like to know who's available for adoption, please visit the Animal Welfare Society Web site at www.animalwelfaresociety.org or call 985-3244.

Eddie is a ten year old Jack Russell Terrier who came to the Animal Welfare



Society because his family was moving and could not take him along. He won't want to share his new home with cats but should be fine with some dogs and respectful children over the age of 8. He's a smart boy who knows "sit", "fetch", down" and "give paw." If you are ready to open your home and heart to Eddie, please fill out an adoption application and stop in with your family, including dogs, to meet

Peyton

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Meet Peyton! She is a very sweet two-yearold Terrier Mix that is searching for that special someone



Peyton is a gentle girl that would love to find a family that is willing to help her build up her confidence. If this sensitive sweet heart sounds like the one for you please fill out an adoption application and stop in with your family including dogs to meet Peyton.

Sasha

Meet Sasha, a 4-vear old Akita Mix. She's a little reserved at first, but with some time she should warm



to new surroundings. Regular

This Exotic beauty is Sheeba! She is a nine year old Bengal cat that would love to find a forever home to call her



own. She does ok with other cats as long as they give her some space. Sheeba loves her people once you give her a chance to warm up. She should do just fine sharing her new home with calm respectful children who will give her space when needed. If Miss Sheeba sounds like the kitty for you please fill out our questionnaire and stop in to meet her.

This beautiful young lady is Cinderella! She is an adult Angora rabbit that can't wait to find a forever



family to call her own. Cinderella came in with her five babies and now they are all looking for forever homes. She is a very friendly girl and would love to be handled on a daily basis in order to keep her this way. If you are interested in adopting Cinderella please fill out an adoption questionnaire and stop in to meet her.

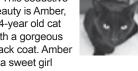
This cutie is Joio! He is an adult male New Zealand bunny that can't wait



a friendly guy that would love to find a family that is willing to handle him on a daily basis in order to keep him this way. If this sweetie sounds like the one for you please fill out an adoption questionnaire and stop in to meet Jojo.

This seductive beauty is Amber, a 4-year old cat with a gorgeous black coat. Amber is a sweet girl

to meet Pongo.



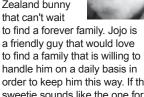
who would love to find a home where she could get lots of love and attention. She loves getting a good scratch on the head and will purr happily as thanks. She doesn't mind the company of other cats, so she should be fine sharing a new home with such. If you'd like to adopt Amber, please fill out our questionnaire and then stop in to meet her.



Cinderella



Jojo



York Harbor

TIDE

Friday, July 30 High tide, 2:18 a.m. Low tide, 8:40 a.m. High tide, 2:43 p.m. Low tide, 8:56 p.m.

Saturday, July 31 High tide, 2:56 a.m. Low tide, 9:14 a.m. High tide, 3:19 p.m. Low tide, 9:37 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 1 High tide, 3:36 a.m. Low tide, 9:51 a.m. High tide, 3:58 p.m. Low tide, 10:21 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 2 High tide, 4:20 a.m. Low tide, 10:33 a.m. High tide, 4:41 p.m. Low tide, 11:09 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 3 High tide, 5:09 a.m.



Low tide, 11:19 a.m. High tide, 5:29 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 4 Low tide, 12:03 a.m. High tide, 6:04 a.m. Low tide, 12:11 p.m. High tide, 6:22 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 5 Low tide, 1:02 a.m. High tide, 7:04 a.m. Low tide, 1:09 p.m. High tide, 7:20 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 6 Low tide, 2:04 a.m. High tide, 8:06 a.m. Low tide, 2:10 p.m. High tide, 8:20 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 7 Low tide, 3:04 a.m. High tide, 9:07 a.m. Low tide, 3:10 p.m. High tide, 9:20 p.m. Low tide, 4:01 a.m. High tide, 10:04 a.m. Low tide, 4:08 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 8

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Low tide, 5:04 p.m. High tide, 11:10 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 10 Low tide, 5:44 a.m. High tide, 11:48 a.m. Low tide, 5:58 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 11 High tide, 12:03 a.m. Low tide, 6:33 a.m. High tide, 12:37 p.m. Low tide, 6:51 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 12 High tide, 12:56 a.m. Low tide, 7:22 a.m. High tide, 1:27 p.m. Low tide, 7:45 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 13 High tide, 1:49 a.m. Low tide, 8:12 a.m. High tide, 2:18 p.m. Low tide, 8:40 p.m.

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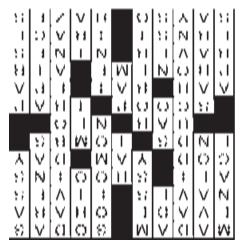
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BRIDGE STILL OUT



JEFF RAPSIS PHOTO

The final spans of the former Route 103 bridge over York River are in the process of being removed, along with the old wooden pilings. Construction crews will soon begin laying a new deck on new concrete piers, with the rebuilt bridge expected to reopen next summer.

NEWS OF RECORD

OBITUARIES

Michael J. Mulqueen

Michael J. (Skip) Mulqueen, 61, of York, died Saturday, July 17, 2010, after a brief illness. He died at home with his family by his side.

Michael was born March 3, 1949, in New Haven, Conn. He

grew up in East Haven, Conn., and graduated from East Haven High School in 1967. He attended Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Conn., graduating with a BA in Accounting in 1971.

He spent years renovating multi-family housing in New Haven. In 1986, he moved to Maine, where he continued in the real estate development business. Most recently, he was employed in the building supply industry and was a life insurance advisor. Michael was a parishioner of St. Christopher's

Church, as well as a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #11940.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Catherine M. (Kathleen Hanlon) of York; his son Rory of Boston; and his daughter Kaitlin of York. He is also survived by his brother Brian and sister-in-law Leslie of Clearwater, Fla. He was predeceased by his parents Michael and Marion (Considine) Mulqueen.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, July 24 in St. Christopher's Church, 4 Barrell Lane, York.

Memorial contributions may be made to Habitat for Humanity Coastal Fairfield County, 1542 Barnum Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06610. Checks can be made to "Habitat CFC." Please mark "Sacred Heart University" on the memo line.

Lucas and Eaton Funeral Home, 91 Long Sands Road, York, was in charge of arrangements. Visit www.lucaseatonfuneralhome. com

Local Births

Recorded York Hospital during January

- Matthew George Rioux, baby son of Katherine and Justin Rioux of York, was born May 27, 2010. Proud grandparents are Chet and Suzanne Woodbury of York, and Gary and Cathy Rioux of Eliot. His older brother Daniel also welcomes him to the family.
- Stella Jackie Pucciarelli, baby daughter of Alison and Gary Pucciarelli of Wells, was born June 1, 2010. Proud grandparents are Sharon and Daniel Brassard of Wells and Robert and Jackie Puccarelli of Wells.
- Dahlia Phoenix Elizabeth Bragg, baby daughter of Ashley Rogers and Jeremy Bragg of Sanford, was born June 2, 2010. Proud grandparents are Ann and Jeremy Gatcomb of North Berwick and Vicki and Wayne Bragg of Acton. Her brother Noah also welcomes her to the family.
- Jasper Massaro Roy, baby son of Summer and Bruce Roy Jr. "Buzzy" of Ogunquit, was born June 5, 2010. Proud grandparents are John and Kimberlin Massaro of Wells, and Anne Marie Roy of Ogunquit and Bruce Roy of Florida. Happy

- siblings Grady and Eli welcome him to the family.
- Anna Rebekah Fletcher, baby daughter of Rebekah and Matthew Fletcher of York, was born June 7, 2010. Proud Grandparents are Annette and Edward Lord of Newington, N.H. and Barbara and Jonathan Fletcher of Greenland, N.H. Happy Siblings Christopher and Jakob welcome her to the family.
- Raegan Elizabeth Sweeney, baby daughter of Mallory and John Sweeney of Kittery, was born June 11, 2010. Proud grandparents are Rose Sullivan of York, Daniel and Donna Young of Eliot, and Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney of North Reading, Mass. Happy sibling Jake welcomes her to the family.
- Emerson Grace Clark, baby daughter of Jennifer and Curtis Clark, Jr. of York, was born June 25, 2010. Proud grandparents are Marilyn LaPointe of Weare, N.H., Stephen LaPointe of York, and Norma and Curtis Clark, Sr. of York. Happy sibling Ella welcomes her to the family.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Send us your listings!

Let the community know about your group, service, or good cause. E-mail it to us at yorkindependent@gmail.com. Listing run on a space available basis.

Donations, 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 committed to recycling. They are in desperate need of two large Garden Way type of carts with the big wheels that will enable residents at the shelter and residents at the farm to collect and transport items to the recycling barn and to the compost pile. One cart is needed for use at the shelter while the other would be used at the farm. Anyone who could help find one of these carts is encouraged to contact Tom at the farm at 793-4592. The farm is also looking for the donation of tools and other equipment.
- York Harbor Inn is collecting donations and supplies for the Animal Welfare Society and Safe Haven Cat Rescue. 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.
- The Animal Welfare
 Society's annually sponsored
 Antiques Show and Sale will
 take place at Kennebunk High
 School Aug. 7 and 8. The
 show, organized by Goosefare
 Antiques, raises money for the
 shelter's operating budget. For
 those looking to donate antiques
 to the show, contact Gail Crowell, AWS Program Coordinator at
 985-3244 x117.

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.

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.catapultseacoast.org.
- 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. For more information, 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.
- American Legion Post 56 holds bingo at 7 p.m. every Wednesday, call 363-0376.
- Knit awhile and crochet meets at York Village Market-place, 10:30 a.m. to noon or 1 to 2:30 p.m. Fridays. Come alone or bring a friend, beginners to advanced. Free. Call 363-4830.
- Mothers of Pre-schoolers (MOPS) meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at York Street Baptist Church, 61 York St., York. Call 363-2177 for more information.
- The Nubble Lighthouse Keepers Square Dance Club dances are held at the Wells Activity Center, Sanford Road, Route 109, off Route 1, Wells.
- The Ten No Trump Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Masonic Temple on Long Sands Road (located next to the Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home). Call 363-7415.
- Yarn in the Barn meets on the third Friday of each month. Please bring your own materials. Beginners are welcome. Sessions are held at the Remick Barn. Free. Snacks available for purchase.
- York County Democratic Committee meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month at the Alfred Parish Church on the Alfred Village Square. Call 284-2953 or visit www.yorkcountymainedems.org.
- York Diversity Forum, a grassroots organization formed to honor, protect and defend the growing diversity of the York community, the group meets at 8:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of each month at York Public Library. New members welcome; e-mail mainemullens@gmail-
- The York Kiwanis Club meets at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the York Harbor Inn. Guests welcome. Call 363-5110.
- The York Rotary Club meets at 7:30 a.m. Fridays at the York Harbor Inn. Call 363-5110.

• The Disabled American Veterans will hold a general monthly meeting at VFW Post 9935 on School St in Sanford on Tuesday, July 27. Active and inactive members are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Bill Huffman at 676-2552.

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.
- 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 bug-snlola@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

- Bahai'i Faith meets Sunday morning for devotional meetings and fellowship. Call 363-4591.
- Cape Neddick Baptist Church schedule: Sunday School for all ages at 9 a.m.; Sunday worship service and Junior Church at 10:15 a.m.; choir rehearsal, 6 p.m. Wednesday; prayer meetings, 7 p.m. Wednesday. Call 363-3566 or visit www.cape-neddick-baptist. org.
- First Parish Church, 180 York St., offers thought-provoking sermons, special music and child care and church school for all ages. Sunday worship services are held at 10 a.m. Call 363-3758.
- Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 2 Lord St., Kennebunk, will offer the traditional Lutheran liturgical worship service at 9:45 a.m. The modern Lutheran liturgical service will be at 8:15 a.m. The 45-minute informal Saturday worship service will occur at 5 p.m.

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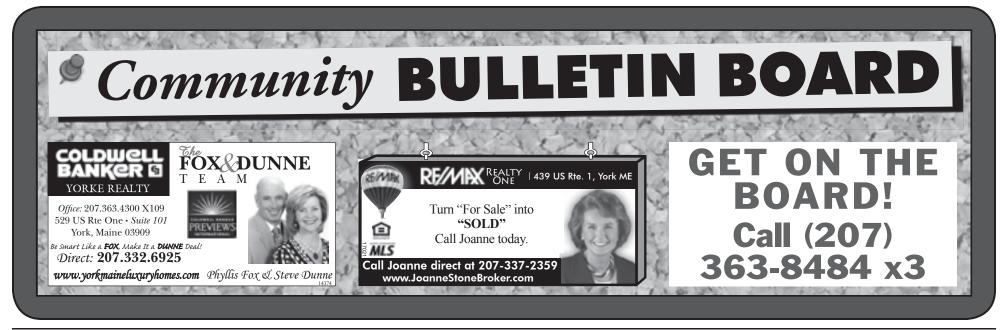
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- graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Stonehill College in Easton, Mass.
- Emily K. Wall of York has been selected for inclusion on the Dean's List for academic achievement during the spring semester at St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y.

IN THE GAME



COURTESY PHOTO

Former York High School shortstop David Nieves recently signed a National Letter of Intent to play at Bloomfield College on a baseball scholarship. The former York High School baseball captain (Class of 2010) was also captain of the Southern Maine Community College Baseball team for two years.

- · Katherine Rasche, Class of 2012 at Skidmore College, earned highest honors for the spring semester. She is the daughter of Stephen and Tori Rasche of York.
- Andrew Ohlson and Thomas Ohlson of York have been named to the President's List at Southern New Hampshire University
- •Kimberly Rigano of York was named to the Dean's List at the Florida Institute of Technology.
- · Kallen Decato, a Sophomore at Gettysburg College, from York was named to the Dean's List.
- The following local students were named to the Dean's List at Bryant University: Kortnee Cribby of York, Liana Grieg of York, and Nicholas McMahon of Cape Ned-
- George Mason of York Beach was named to the Dean's List at Tufts University.
- •The following local students were named to the Dean's List at Springfield College: Lacey Cartier and Brooke Simpson of York.
- · The following area students have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2010 semester at the University of Vermont: Morgan A. Tromblee of Cape Neddick, Sara E. Hanlon of York, and Emily A. Silin of York Beach.
- Francesca L. Cone of Cape Neddick was named to the Dean's List at Colby College
- Nell Henderson-Brown, a member of the class of 2013 from York, has been named to the spring 2010 Dean's List at Lovola Univer sity Maryland.
- · The following area students have been named to the dean's list for spring 2010 at the University of

Horoscopes

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Aries (March 21-April 19): You will soon have friends in high places. Unfortunately, they're all up in the third-tier cell block

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Put one foot in front of the other, which would make a nice change from putting either foot in your mouth.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): The path to success takes unexpected twists and turns, but in your case it resembles an Escher diagram.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): You will meet an old acquaintance, but for some reason he will not

New Hampshire: Elise Chanlatte

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be quite as old as you. Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):

Travel is in your future. Specifically, your life is about to go south. Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept.

22): You have a long and steady future in vour chosen field. Too bad you've chosen to be a baby photographer.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): I'll be seeing you in all the old familiar places. But only if you see me first.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov 21): The plan you've chosen to achieve financial success shows great promise. And a great promise is about all you're going to get

out of it.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A friend in need is a friend indeed. And your friend is in need of 20 bucks until payday.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Some fun new words are in your future. Here's one of them: unemployment!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may have a big circle of friends, but you're still a complete square.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Your colleagues will soon throw you a going-away party. Unfortunately, it will come as a surprise.

Highest Honors, Casey Hoatson of York earned Honors, Jenna **Hosmer** of York earned Highest Honors, Kathryn McKenna of York earned Honors. Jake Posternak of York earned Honors, Megan Ramsey of York earned Honors. Kenneth Weigel of York earned High Honors, Sibley Blum of York Beach earned High Honors, and

Chelsey Tewell of York Harbor

earned Highest Honors.

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