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**YORK SCHOOLS, FAMILIES PREPARE
FOR THE START OF ANOTHER ACADEMIC YEAR. P7**

Note to readers: The York Independent is moving to a new office

By Dan Szczesny

Changes are afoot for your York Independent, all for the better.

On Tuesday, Sept. 1, we'll move into our gleaming new offices off Route 1 in the York Village Business Center near the Microtel.

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Dan Szczesny

shops and restaurants are popping up like tourists at an antique sale.

It's been a fun summer getting to know the Yorks and meeting the residents and business leaders who keep this great place ticking. Of course, we could have used a little less rain and a little more sun, but the past few weeks seem to be making up if the long lines at ice cream windows and backed-up traffic along the beach is any

indication.

In the months we've been running the York Independent, we've stepped up our distribution efforts (you may have noticed our boxes popping up around town), increased our circulation and have really been able to drill down into the everyday workings of York, from development and thrift stores to politics and entertainment. This fall, look for the York Independent to continue to improve with a food section and a regular interview

feature highlighting some of the characters that make the Yorks unique.

And we can't do it without you. Let us hear from you, either with your letters or by just stopping by our new office. We'd love to show you around, and you can show us a thing or two as well!

Dan Szczesny (pronounced "sez-knee") is Associate Publisher of the York Independent.

The Inside Guide

ON THE COVER

Local students Jackson McCarty, Bodie Patten and Maddie Patten (back row) are joined by Cullen McCarty and Liam Bonner in showing off those ever-popular school supplies as the five students and their many classmates prepare to return to the York Schools on Tuesday, Sept. 1.
(Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

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Volunteers monitor health of York beaches, river

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK BEACH—The good news is that, as beaches go, York's still remain much healthier than most, with one national organization even naming Long Sands Beach as one of the top vacation beaches in the country.

The Natural Resources Defense Council, which does nationwide water quality monitoring, has named Long Sands Beach as one of the top 200 vacation beaches in the country based on the tests conducted in past years and the fact that York does test its waters each summer, York Parks and Recreation Director Mike Sullivan confirmed.

"We have a good testing and monitoring program in place. We are out in front of the issue, being a community that is not only actively testing and monitoring the water but making that known to the public," Sullivan said.

While York's longstanding participation in the Maine Healthy Beaches program continues, the bad news is that the number of tests of waters along York's beaches coming back with higher-than-average counts of bacteria are up significantly over the past two years.

"In general, it's been a tough summer for water testing," York Shoreland Resource Officer Ben McDougal confirmed.

Abnormal amounts of precipitation have been flushing larger amounts of bacteria than usual from the land into the waterways.

Just as there have been higher-than-usual counts all along the Maine Coast, Sullivan said, "It hasn't been disastrous for York, but we've had more high counts than typically."

Throughout the summer, there have been periodic spikes in bacteria counts at each of the town's four beaches; however, the good news



York's public beaches draw countless visitors to town each year, and were the primary lure of many of the town's year-round residents—or their ancestors. To protect these resources, the York Parks and Recreation Department continues to work with Maine Health Beaches to monitor water quality at sites at each of York's beaches while Shoreland Resource Officer Ben McDougal is working with a team of trained volunteers trying to isolate sources of pollution along the Cape Neddick River. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

is that no regular trends have developed.

Even Harbor Beach has registered higher-than-normal counts of bacteria on a few occasions this summer.

"We've never, in the years we've been monitoring the beaches, gotten bad counts there," Sullivan said. "That was a little mind-boggling to us only because there are no major stormwater runoffs and most of the housing in the area is public sewer. You've got to wonder what would cause those, and it may just be the major runoff we've had."

In several years of testing, York has never had the consecutive high counts that would result in a beach closing as other communities have. And that, Sullivan said, is something he hopes never to see.

"We want to curb that before it happens," he

said. "Once that happens, it's too late."

To those ends, McDougal said the volunteer effort to begin isolating potential areas of concern in the Cape Neddick River is still going strong.

The program, which began at the start of the summer, is ongoing in an effort to isolate areas of the river where sources of pollution can be identified.

To learn more about York's beach monitoring results, and those of beaches along the York County coast, visit www.mainehealthybeaches.org for regular updates.

To become involved in one of the Shoreland Resource volunteer projects in town in the future, contact McDougal at 363-1002 or bmcDougal@yorkmaine.org.

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Selectmen set hearing on growth petition

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—By a vote of 3-2, the Board of Selectmen has agreed to schedule a public hearing on a petition to reinstate the town's Residential Growth Ordinance.

The petition came forward after the selectmen voted earlier this summer to allow the ordinance to sunset in November by not placing it on the ballot for renewal.

The petition first came forward by citizen petition about a decade ago, and residents who support limiting the number of residential structures that can be built in town in any given year immediately set to work on gathering signatures to put that decision back in the hands of the voters themselves.

That petition came forward last week, and

Town Clerk Mary-Anne Szeniawski confirmed it had been certified as having the required number of signatures on Tuesday, Aug. 18.

The next step in the process, as outline in the town's charter, was for Town Manager Rob Yandow to meet with the town's legal counsel and a representative of the petitioners.

When the Board of Selectmen met on Monday, Aug. 24, Yandow confirmed that had happened and that the town's legal counsel had amended the ballot language to specify that the ballot question would be in keeping with state law.

By charter, the selectmen are required to hold a public hearing on the petition and then have 45 days to call an election, Yandow confirmed prior to the meeting. In order to avoid the expense of a special election the request could be included on the November ballot.

However, Selectmen Chairman Mike Estes

questioned the validity of the petition, as the town's legal counsel inserted specific provisions about the Board of Selectmen's annual review of the growth ordinance, which had been left out of the petition language.

Yandow said that according to the town's attorney, that addition does not change the stated intent of the petition, which was to ensure that the ordinance goes to the voters every three years and the decision of whether or not the ordinance continues is left to the full voting population and not to the board itself.

The petition included a provision that the request would be in compliance with state law and the town's charter, and what the attorney

did was specify how to keep the ordinance in compliance, he explained.

Estes disagreed.

"Basically the petitioners took the selectmen out of the process, and that's the document they used to go collect signatures," he said, adding, "That's how they sold their petition... For that reason, my opinion is they inappropriately had an ordinance that they collected signatures on and they told the people the wrong thing."

Selectwoman Kinley Gregg had a different perspective, noting that the amended petition still includes the goal of the petitioners—to ensure it is the voters who decide if and when to discontinue the growth cap.

"What the lawyers have done is added the state law in" that was referenced on the petition, she said. "The crux of the matter is it goes before the ballot."

Selectwoman Mary Andrews said regardless of her personal belief that the town does not need a growth ordinance, it is clear that it should be decided by the voters.

"They did what they did for a complete reason of frustration," she said of the petitioners, adding that when it comes to the growth ordinance itself, "It is my feeling that the citizens brought it forward, the citizens should get rid of it."

Selectwomen Cathy Goodwin and Tracy Jackson McCarty, however, also spoke against the petition moving forward, echoing some of Estes's concerns.

It looked like the board would, in fact, vote 3-2 against scheduling a public hearing required by charter, but Goodwin then asked Yandow for the legal ramifications.

He reiterated that the town's legal counsel determined the intent of the petition is to go to the voters every three years to determine the fate of the ordinance, and that the additional language regarding the Board of Selectmen's role in the process did not materially change the certified petition.

"My concern is our attorney is telling us these changes do not substantially change the petition," Goodwin told her fellow selectmen.

She pointed out that since the petition language has received the endorsement of the attorney, it would not appear the board is on strong legal grounds to oppose it. Based on that information, Goodwin joined Gregg and Andrews in voting to schedule the public hearing on the petition, with McCarty and Estes in opposition.

Looking to the future, Goodwin said, "If this went on the ballot in November, I don't think the voters will pass it. ... Most people agree this ordinance should go away."

The board will schedule a public hearing on the ordinance at one of its upcoming meetings this fall.

Voters to have their say on zoning at the polls

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—From plans for affordable housing to a new free structure for building permits, it will be up to local voters to decide in November on changes to the town's zoning ordinances.

Following multiple public hearings before the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board, the selectmen voted on Monday, Aug. 24, to forward the vast majority of the proposed ordinances on to the voters.

And, within those ordinances, many received unanimous support from the board, including several related to providing affordable housing options in town.

It will be up to the voters to decide on zoning changes to encourage the conversion of existing buildings to affordable apartments; to allow additional residential apartments over buildings, and to amend the town's existing Workforce Affordable Housing.

"It has some design standards that improve the ordinance," Selectmen Chairman Mike Estes said of those changes, adding he believes the Community Development Department, Planning Board and selectmen have "met a nice compromise."

The voters will also decide on a zoning request to better define the town's season-

al units, which originally came forward due to the Residential Growth Ordinance, which requires growth permits to convert seasonal properties to year-round homes.

The selectmen have decided not to put the growth ordinance on the ballot to be extended; however, a citizen petition effort is underway to continue the ordinance.

Ultimately, the majority of the board agreed to go forward with the seasonal unit definition as it will be necessary if an extension of the growth ordinance does win voter support in the future.

Other ordinance changes to be on the ballot in November include provisions to bring consistency to application procedures across various boards and departments and to change outside display standards along Route 1.

For exterior displays, Town Planner Christine Grimando explained, the new ordinance will provide some options for smaller businesses without taking anything away from what other businesses are already allowed to do along Route 1.

The one zoning request not going forward to the ballot sought to change zoning density requirements for season conversions.

"It just basically puts a cap on just how crowded you can get as far as small cottages on one single lot."

water," Estes agreed. "... I just picture those things that can happen."

Grimando said the ordinance can be reviewed in the future to address the selectmen's concerns and does not need to go forward at this time, and the board ultimately voted unanimously not to put it forward in November.

The final ordinance moving forward is a new fee structure for building permits, which was approved by a split vote of 3 to 2, with Gregg and Selectwoman Mary Andrews in opposition.

To view the full text of the proposed ordinances, visit the town's Web site at www.yorkmaine.org.



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News About Town

Selectmen okay Habitat benefit

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—For the seventh year in a row, Long Sands Beach will be the place to go on Labor Day Weekend for fun, music, food and community spirit while supporting a good cause.

That is because on Sunday, Sept. 6, from 5 to 10 p.m., Long Sands Beach will be the site of the 7th Annual Beach Bonfire Benefit, sponsored by Graystone Builders of Maine.

The Board of Selectmen gave its unanimous approval for the special event permit when the board met on Monday, Aug. 24. This year's event will benefit York's Habitat for Humanity project and will feature live music by The Morlocks as well as food, raffles and other fun events.

In addition to raising funds for Habitat for Humanity, the York Food Pantry van will be on site and residents and visitors alike are encouraged

to support the pantry by bringing along a few non-perishable food items to help fill the van.

With a new charity each year, York Selectwoman Mary Andrews said Walter Woods of Graystone Builders, and his family and employees, deserve recognition for creating a wonderful community event.

"They do quite a job down there," Andrews said. "He is to be commended."

Also at the meeting, the board discussed the recent storm event, where Hurricane Bill's churning in the Atlantic sent massive waves crashing along York's beaches.

Local police and lifeguards "did a simply heroic job dealing with all the issues with the astronomical tides," Andrews said.

Town Manager Rob Yandow agreed, adding that many longtime local residents described the hurricane as producing some of the "biggest waves they've seen—winter or summer."

York Fire Chief Chris Balentine pointed out that the stunning waves brought many sightseers down to the water.

"There were a large volume of people all through all the beaches," he said, adding that the work of the lifeguards and police is to be commended as York was fortunate to have no dangerous incidents as occurred in other parts of the state.

In other businesses, Yandow confirmed that he had heard back just that day from Maine Turnpike Authority officials indicating that within the next week they should be responding to the town's most recent requests for information about plans to relocate the tollbooth.

The issue came to the forefront last year when the MTA released a set of potential sites for the tollbooth that would result in the loss of local homes and lands.

The effort continues by the grassroots organization Think Again, which has won the support of the York Board of Selectmen, to make sure that such a taking does not happen.

The board also heard an update on another issue that caught the attention of local residents: the decision by local cable provider Time Warner to remove certain channels from local access when it rearranged its lineup.

The board met with representatives from the company earlier this summer, and a petition was submitted requesting the return of such stations as Massachusetts-based PBS channel WGBH.

Selectmen Chairman Mike Estes shared a letter from Time-Warner explaining that while the cable provider will not be able to do that, it hopes to offer some of the programming that is unique to WGBH and not offered on Maine and New Hampshire PBS stations.

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DOING THE WAVE



Hurricane Bill's trip north toward Nova Scotia meant stunning surf all along York's coast, and some extra work for local public safety personnel when the waves made it too dangerous for swimmers and surfers at York's beaches. Pictured here, waves continue to crash against the rocks as the tide subsides. Many local residents, including Selectwoman Mary Andrews and Fire Chief Chris Balentine, were praising the work of York police and lifeguards in ensuring the public's safety during the height of the storm surge. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

Arts & Leisure

Review: 'Singin' in the Rain'

By Jennifer L. Saunders

OGUNQUIT—From the dancing, to the humor to the irresistibly singable score, “Singin’ in the Rain” has it all.

Fans of the classic movie musical, however, may wonder whether the not-to-be-forgotten tap-dance in the rain, made immortal by Gene Kelly on the silver screen performing alongside the delightful Debbie Reynolds, the outrageously funny Donald O’Connor and the incomparable Jean Hagen—will translate to the stage.

The answer is that thanks to superb casting, direction, choreography, costuming, sets and sheer technical ingenuity—yes, it does rain on the Ogunquit Playhouse stage - it does.

Described as the biggest show in the playhouse’s 77-year history, Artist Director Bradford Kenney explains, “to bring to life one of the most popular movie musicals ever involves not only mounting a huge Broadway musical, but also incorporating the use of special effects, an actual rainstorm on our stage with choreography, and the interworking of multiple film sequences projected alongside live action.”

Well, the work of Director/Choreographer Jayme McDaniel, Music Director/Conductor Matt Smedal and the entire creative team, cast, musicians and crew, has certainly paid off. This is truly a production not to be missed.

From the first moments of the production, when Broadway veteran Celia Tackaberry, as celebrity columnist Dora Bailey, speaks directly to the audience outside the 1927 premiere of the latest silent film starring “Lockwood and Lamont,” the laughter began.

From the eccentric parade of stars—complete with Dora Bailey’s inside information about each of them—to the arrival of Don Lockwood and Lina Lamont, to the start of the silent film—made especially for the playhouse’s production—the laughs just keep coming.

And in this sweet, rollicking show, they do not stop.

But this is not just a comedy. With a score that includes such all-time favorite numbers as “Good Morning,” “Make ‘Em Laugh,” “You Are My Lucky Star,” and, of course, the title tune, “Singin’ in the Rain” has the audience humming or singing as they walk out the door.

And, not to be understated, are the phenomenal dance numbers.

But, the show is not just like the movie. Be prepared for some new numbers—including a soul-searching moment from Lina Lamont when she asks, in song, “What’s Wrong With Me?” only to come up with a truly Lina-esque answer: “Nothin’!”

The full cast of this production is marvelous, with the four principles giving shining performances in roles made famous by the movie.

First off, there’s Amanda Lea LaVergne as Kathy Selden. Playhouse fans will remember LaVergne as the Red Girl in “Shout! The Mod Musical.”

Taking on the role performed by Debbie



Joey Sorge, Amanda Lea LaVergne and Jon Peterson as Don Lockwood, Kathy Selden and Cosmo Brown dance their blues away in “Good Mornin’” in the Ogunquit Playhouse production of “Singin’ in the Rain.” (Courtesy Photo)

Reynolds in the movie, LaVergne sings and dances her way into the heart of not only a Hollywood icon in the show, but the hearts of the audience as well.

Performing opposite LaVergne is Joey Sorge as the famous Don Lockwood, dancing the dances choreographed by none other than Gene Kelly himself for the role. Sorge, two, shines in his performance with creating a Don Lockwood that is the perfect blend humor, romance, song and dance.

Sorge brings a wealth of Broadway and touring experience to the Ogunquit stage, most recently as the Fonz in the National Tour of “Happy Days - A New Musical.”

Taking on what may be one of the most memorable performances in movie musical history, Donald O’Connor’s brilliant Cosmo Brown, Jon Peterson shines. Don’t worry, fans of the original. Brown’s interpretation of “Make ‘Em Laugh” is every bit as funny as the original.

Peterson’s Broadway credits include the Emcee in “Cabaret,” which he also performed in the National Tour.

And then there is Amy Bodnar’s hilarious performance as the silent screen icon Lina Lamont—a woman whose career hangs in the balance when a new invention, “talking pictures,” means audiences will be hearing her voice for the first time.

Bodnar’s Broadway credits include Laurey in “Oklahoma” and she, like her fellow cast members, boasts an impressive list of National and Regional credits.

Not to be missed, too, are wonderful performances by Peter Marinos as Roscoe Dexter, the long-suffering film director; William McCauley as R.F. Simpson, the studio owner, and Celia Tackaberry as both Bailey and Lina Lamont’s vocal coach, Phoebe Dinsmore.

The Ogunquit Playhouse production of “Singin’ in the Rain” is one where there are far too many wonderful performances to mention them all—and with a story that is absolutely delightful with its humorous twists and turns, there is nothing to do but to get a ticket and enjoy a night out on the town.

“Singin’ in the Rain” continues through Saturday, Sept. 12. For show dates and times and ticketing information, visit www.ogunquitplayhouse.org or call 646-5511.



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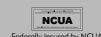
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Obituaries

Richard E. Thyng, Sr.

Enjoyed boating, skiing, travel

YORK—Richard E. Thyng, Sr., 77, of 22 Lobster Cove Road and also a resident of Delray Beach, Fla. passed away Saturday, Aug. 22, 2009 after a long illness. He was born Sept. 4, 1932 in York, Maine, a son of the late John and Marion (Avery) Thyng.



He graduated from York High School in 1951 before enrolling at Wentworth Institute in Boston. He served in the U.S. Army for two years and returned to graduate from Wentworth in 1957. After graduation, Beacon Companies employed him for 18 years. He started a successful consulting company, Thyng Associates, Inc., in 1976 and retired to Florida in 1989. He enjoyed boating, skiing, and travel and was an impassioned supporter of higher learning.

Mr. Thyng is survived by his wife, Jean Donnell Thyng of 56 years; his only brother, Arthur Thyng and his wife Verna Foss, of Boynton Beach, Fla.; three sons, Richard Jr. and his wife Dana, of York, Scott A. and his wife Donna of Boston, and David J. and his wife Kayla of Wellington, Fla.; three granddaughters, Desiree Guy of Coco, Fla., Chantel Thyng of Los Angeles, and Alana Thyng of York; two great-grandsons, Landon Guy and Tanner Guy of Orlando, Fla.

A funeral home service was held on Wednesday, Aug. 26 in the Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, York, Maine. Burial will be private in the First Parish Cemetery, York, Maine. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Visit www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com.

Chester M. Chase

Worked for the phone company

CAPE NEDDICK—Chester M. Chase, 77, of 42 Logging Road, died peacefully Friday, Aug. 21, 2009, at his home, surrounded by his loving family. He had battled multiple illnesses over the past several years while maintaining a positive attitude and cheerful optimism.

Chet was born Sept. 29, 1931, in York, a son of Stewart and Ardell (Brooks) Chase from York Beach. He graduated from York High School in 1950.

Chet, a U.S. Army veteran, served three years in the Korean War, in the 508th Airborne Regimental Combat Team. He proudly served his country and often showed his patriotism. He retired from 25+ years of service with New England Telephone Company, where he worked as a lineman, then installer/repairman.

He loved his family, and enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren grow into adults.

Chet was the husband of the late Patricia Ann (Furber) Chase. He will be sadly missed by his two daughters, Crystal A. Butler and her husband, David, of York and Lisa L. Chase of Bridgton, Maine; and a son, Jeffrey S Chase and his wife Jane, of

York; one brother, Richard Chase of South Berwick; three granddaughters, Jessica Butler, Cassandra Chase and Samantha Allen; four grandsons, Nicholas Butler, Lucas and Benjamin Elliott and Tanner Chase; also several nieces and nephews, and a multitude of friends. Three sisters and two brothers have predeceased him.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, Aug. 25 in the Cape Neddick Baptist Church, River Road, Cape Neddick, Maine.

Burial will be private in the First Parish Cemetery.

In lieu of Flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the "For Every Patient" York Hospital Campaign, 15 Hospital Drive York, ME 03909. Visit www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com.

Marilyn Anne Halle

Retired juvenile probation officer

YORK—Marilyn Anne Halle, 76, died at her home on Sunday, Aug. 9, 2009.

Born Jan. 30, 1933 in Dexter, Maine to Leona R. Hall (Peavey) and Charles E. Hall.

Marilyn graduated from Portland High School, attended Becker Jr. College, married and moved to Pennsylvania, where she received a BA in political science, and, in 1975, a master's degree in education at the University of Pittsburgh. Marilyn returned to New England in 1978, where she worked in various jobs as a professional counselor, and ended her career as a juvenile probation officer in New Hampshire. Upon retirement in 2004, she returned to her beloved Maine.

She was predeceased by a sister, Jacquelyn McKenney of Dexter.

She is survived by four daughters: Kathy Rinn of Tucson, Ariz.; Nancy Rinn-O'Donnell of Santa Barbara, Calif.; Marilyn Rinn of Cape Neddick; and Jane Rinn of Medford, N.J.; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Another Chance Animal Rescue, P.O. Box 552, North Berwick, ME 03906 or to a charity of one's choice. A memorial gathering will be held by the family in September. Arrangements were handled by Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, 91 Long Sands Road, York. Visit www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com.

Phyllis M. Hames

Volunteer at Yorkshire Commons

YORK—Phyllis M. Hames, 89, of 161 York St., died Thursday, Aug. 13, 2009 in York Hospital.

She was born March 16, 1920 in Cambridge, Mass., a daughter of the late Robert L. and Frances M. (Goldsmith) Johnson and was a 1938 graduate of Cambridge High and Latin School. Mrs. Hames had resided in Arlington, Mass. from 1942 to 1965 before moving to York. She was a volunteer at Yorkshire Commons, where she lived and enjoyed traveling, reading,

crossword puzzles and spending time with her grandchildren.

Her husband Alexander N. Hames died in 1991.

She leaves two sons, Robert A. and his wife Lois A. Hames of York, and Philip A. Hames of Rochester, N.H.; a daughter, Geraldine P. Clines of Alfred; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Calling hours were held on Wednesday, Aug. 19 in the Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, York. Burial will be private in the First Parish Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice. Visit www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com.

Jennifer Ann Hunt

Born in Portsmouth, N.H.

YORK—Jennifer Ann Hunt, 39, daughter of John Hunt. passed away at her residence in Scarborough on Thursday, Aug. 13, 2009 surrounded by the people who loved and cared for her. She was born Jan. 17, 1970 in Portsmouth, N.H.

She is survived by her father and step-mother, John and Claudia Hunt of York and a sister Samantha Hunt of East Hartford, Conn. Funeral services will be private in the First Parish Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, 91 Long Sands Road, York. Visit www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com.

Florence I. Gregory

Member of the Red Hat Society

YORK—Florence I. Gregory, 96, of 8 Lobster Cove Road, died Friday, Aug. 14, 2009 in York Hospital.

She was born Dec. 15, 1912 in Lynn, Mass., a daughter of the late David and Fannie Brown. She had owned and operated a day care center teaching Kindergarten children for many years. She was a member of the Red Hat Society, the Order of the Eastern Star, the York Senior Center, the Seacoast Repertory Theater and had worked at the Portsmouth Music Hall.

Her husband, Stanley D. Gregory, died in 1989.

She leaves a son, Paul Gregory of Dover, N.H.; two daughters, Janice Miller and Karen Gregory both of York; two step-children, Eleanor Rowell of South Hope and Robert E. Gregory of Rockland; 8 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, 6 step-grandchildren, 15 step-great-grandchildren and 21 step-great-great-grandchildren. A daughter Shirley A. Gregory predeceased her.

A Memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18 in the First Parish Congregational Church, 180 York St., York. Burial will be private in the First Parish Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701 or to the Iris Network, 189 Park Ave., Portland, ME 04102. Arrangements were handled by Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, 91 Long Sands Road, York. Visit www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com.

Cover Story: Back To School

York schools ready for the start of a new year on Sept. 1

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—Ask local students, and even many of their parents, and they'll be quick to say they can't quite believe that summer vacation is at its end, with the 2009-2010 academic year set to start at the York Schools.

On Tuesday, Sept. 1, however, students in grades K through 9 will return to school, with those in grades 10 through 12 returning the following day, Wednesday, Sept. 2.

And though school will start before Labor Day this year—due to the late date of the holiday—local school officials, teachers and staff are ready.

"Everything is going fine, and it's been a good summer," said Superintendent of Schools Henry Scipione, taking some time in the final days before the start of school to talk about plans for the academic year ahead and the status of preparations for the opening of school. "Things are looking great."

For those who perhaps are a little sad to be heading back to school before Labor Day, Scipione pointed out that there is a bright side to the return schedule this year. Students will have three days of school, from Tuesday through Thursday, Sept. 1 to 3, and then a four-day Labor Day weekend to enjoy with family and friends.

The following week, school will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 8, after Labor Day, for a four-day week, with the first full week of school beginning on Monday, Sept. 14.

That schedule was created deliberately with the transition of home to school in mind.

"It eases the kids in," he said.

If there any challenges Scipione can foresee for the year ahead it is the annual budgeting process, given the current economy, he said, and school officials will need to be sensitive to funding concerns while also working to meet the needs of local students.

This fall will also see contract negotiations beginning between the York Teachers Association and York School Committee, with a goal of coming to agreement before the start of the budget process.

Looking toward the 2009-2010 year itself, Scipione said students can expect to see many familiar faces in the schools as the York School Department saw less than usual turnover of

teachers and staff positions.

"We're just gearing up and excited about the new year," he said, adding that in those positions where new employees were hired, "we have some wonderful new staff coming on board."

And in addition to the work of the York School Department's maintenance team to get all the buildings ready for a new year, other summer initiatives have included the annual Summer Institute where, Scipione noted, many local teachers took advantage of professional development opportunities.

Other good news, Scipione said, is the recent final approval of the York High School music addition by the Planning Board, a sentiment echoed by York High School Principal Bob Stevens.

"When it comes to 'Back to School' I couldn't be more charged up. The music addition soon will be under way and we have some great new hires," Stevens said, adding, "I have just come off of two days of retreat with 14 members of our staff who donate their time to set goals for the new year."

And, he added, the staff at the retreat center told him, "I always look for news about York High School because I know it must be a wonderful place to work. When teachers donate two days of the summer and come with smiles on their faces it has to be good."

For his part, Stevens agrees, adding that the success of last year's graduating class is a good indication of the kind of place York High School is.

In Class of 2009, 127 of 130 students in applied to college; 122, or 93.8 percent, were accepted and 86.2 percent plan to be on a college campus this fall, he noted.

"It was an exceptionally small class for us but we are excited with their results," he said. "We are coming off a great year and I expect this one to be even better."

York Middle School Principal Steve Bishop, too, said he is looking forward to our positive year ahead.

"It looks as though we will start the year with about 610 students," he said. "We do have new students registering every day"

Bishop said he and the York Middle School staff are looking forward to welcoming the new

members of the fifth-grade, and through a program offered in conjunction with York Parks and Recreation about 37 students have already spent some time at the school through a welcoming program.

Meanwhile, students in grades 7 and 8 will be getting new Macbooks from the state, and Bishop said the staff is looking forward to helping students make the most of these computers as learning tools.

Looking to the year ahead, Bishop said, "We have worked to transform three areas around the school. We had landscaping done around our flagpole garden. This will help us call attention to our new YMS school flag. We also have had some landscaping done in our light-well garden."

Now, he said, there is space in the area where students can gather to eat lunch, work on homework or read.

"Finally, we have built and installed a small stage in our team room," Bishop said, "which will support small classroom-size performances."

Now in the second year of its accreditation process with the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Bishop said the staff is "working hard to identify areas for improvement through this study."

To those ends, Bishop said, "We will be working to strengthen communication between home and school by having every teacher create a webpage for students and parents to access. We are also creating ways to post homework assignments for students and parents so parents can lend support at home."

Parents can learn more about these and other initiatives at York Middle School at Open House events on Monday, Sept. 14, at 6:30 p.m. for grades 5 and 6 and on Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 6 p.m. for grades 7 and 8.

Bishop and Coastal Ridge Elementary School Principal Sean Murphy both pointed to new "Green" initiatives in the district, including putting school handbooks online while sending more "take-home" communications via email rather than in the backpacks.

Murphy noted that Coastal Ridge will print individual copies of the handbook as needed, but the goal is to limit the use of paper.

"We're pushing that envelope again this

year," he said of Coastal Ridge's commitment to being environmentally conscious.

For the 2009-2010 year, Murphy said, "Things are looking great. The teachers have been busy all summer being trained on a new writers' workshop model... We're excited about some of our test scores and how the writers' workshop model might help us in our reading and writing scores."

Teachers have also been working on other professional development initiatives, including in the area of technology.

And in terms of the connection between the York community and the school, "Probably the highlight of the summer has been the renovation to our teachers' room in honor of Sue Duffy," Murphy said.

Duffy, who was a dedicated parent volunteer, passed away in 2008 after battling cancer.

Murphy said it has been heartwarming to see the town's involvement in the project, with many local residents and businesses offering time, donations and their expertise to make the renovation possible.

"None of it at the taxpayers expense, but it is all in honor of Sue Duffy with funds raised by parents who know and respect the Duffy family," Murphy said. "The whole community's come together around it."

And the result, he said, is a much more efficient space for teachers to work together and share thoughts, ideas and strategies for classroom excellence.

Beyond the teachers room, maintenance improvements have been completed including updating the playground and the school's technology upgraded, tree removal and cleanup and safety and security improvements.

"Things have been busy," Murphy said. "There's a lot going on, and we're really excited. We've got a very highly qualified staff that's excited to come back."

And, he said, even weeks before the start of school, "many of them have come back already."

The same has been true at Village Elementary School, added Principal Ruth Dealy.

"Over the summer, staff have been very busy preparing for the first day of school," she

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Cover Story: Back To School

Get ready for back-to-school with the YMS Bookstore

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—With the first day of school just days away on Tuesday, Sept. 1, parents and students alike have been clambering to get those backpacks filled with folders, binders, pens, pencils and notebooks to be ready for the start of the academic year ahead.

However, as parent volunteer Tracy Jackson McCarty is quick to point out, with the economical prices available right here in town at the York Middle School Bookstore, “There is no reason to go over the bridge.”

McCarty, who also happens to be a newly elected member of York’s Board of Selectmen, began overseeing the management and operations of the store this year as a member of the middle school’s all-volunteer parent group.

McCarty said her goal in making the store a source not only for middle school students but for supplies for all ages is in keeping with her commitment as a local resident to support local efforts and businesses.

All proceeds from every item sold in the store—from Wildcats hats and sweatshirts to the three-ring binders, folders and writing supplies required for the start of school to

handy water bottles—goes back to the school through such parent group initiatives as grants to teachers and assistance with field trip costs for students.

“I will buy all we need here because it all goes back to the school,” said York Middle School parent Molly Patten during a recent visit to the store.

McCarty explained that in stocking the shelves for the school year ahead, she met with Principal Steve Bishop, teachers and students before school ended in June to get ideas on what would be the most useful items to keep on hand.

“We have a minimal markup, and everything goes back to the school,” McCarty said.

And fans of the YMS Bookstore can rest assured that such favorite items from last year as the ever-popular “magnetic frogs” will be back as well as an expanded logo clothing and accessory selection.

McCarty noted that orders of specialty items such as custom embroidery for York Wildcats logo shirts and sweatshirts, will be sent in each Friday and delivery to the store will be in one to two weeks.

And to make the transition back to school even easier, McCarty is taking email or phone orders for the supply lists provided by each York Middle School team. McCarty and her fellow volunteers will put each order together and have them ready for pick-up at the store, which will be open Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 29 and 30, from 8 to 11 a.m., and from noon to 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 31, in preparation for the return to school the next morning. The store will also be open in the early morning hours of Tuesday, Sept. 1, from 7:15 to 9 a.m. for any last-minute shopping.

“You’ll find what you need right here, for less than they’re selling in the stores,” McCarty said.

The store is also open throughout the school year, McCarty added, and parent volunteers are always needed.

For more about the store, to order a special item or team package or to find out about volunteer opportunities, e-mail McCarty at tjackwkids@aol.com or call 361-4454.



Eighth-grader Maddie Patten checks out one of the “Wildcats” clothing items available at the York Middle School store. From school supplies to games to special-order shirts, hats and sweatshirts, the store has it all, with proceeds going to support school events. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

YORK SCHOOLS CONTINUED

said. “During the summer recess, the teaching staff has been involved in professional development work and will be implementing a new writing program that is based on the research of Lucy Calkins from the Teachers College at Columbia University. Another initiative addresses the mandated RtI (Response to Intervention) model that supports an intervention system for all students and will promote additional enrichment, maintenance and remediation of skills.”

At Village Elementary School, the 2009-2010 school year is set to begin with seven kindergarten classes, seven first-grade classes and four of the district’s second-grade classes, with the remaining three second-grade classes at Coastal Ridge.

This summer, Dealy said, “the maintenance staff has diligently attended to the needs of the building. Besides the normal cleaning and repair, summer maintenance work at Village has included the last phase of a drainage project, roof repairs and the installation of a secure door and four energy efficient windows.”

With the start of school just days away at Village, Dealy said, “We look forward to this school year with enthusiasm and the commitment to provide the best possible education for York’s youngest students.”

To view the entire York School Department 2009-2010 Calendar, to access each school’s individual Web page or for other helpful back-to-school information, visit www.yorkschoools.org.



The York High School Auditorium, seen here, will not be part of the music instructional space project soon to begin on the school grounds, but once the voter-approved addition is finished, local instrumental and choral music students will at last have the rehearsal and educational space that has been lacking for many years. A replacement of the auditorium was removed, and the project revised, after it was voted down in 2006. (Photo by Jennifer L. Saunders)

York High School music program to break new grounds this fall

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—The vote is in, and the York Planning Board has given the go-ahead for the York High School music instructional space addition.

And for school officials and supporters of the choral and instrumental music programs, that vote on Thursday evening, Aug. 13, meant a reason to make a joyful noise.

"It's full steam ahead at this point," said Superintendent of School Henry Scipione. "That is a good thing and we're fortunate we were able to get that done at this time."

York High School Principal Bob Stevens, too, said this is an exciting way to start a new school year, as the addition has been years in the making.

Local residents approved funding the \$2.3 million project in 2008, with \$800,000 of that amount coming from the School Department's fund balance account and \$1.5 million to be bonded.

It has been almost 18 months, and after many School Building Committee and Planning Board meetings, the official groundbreaking will be scheduled after the start of school, Assistant Superintendent Jim Amoroso confirmed.

The new addition was approved by the voters to include music instructional space for band and chorus, which have long outgrown the facilities in place at the school.

Although the project does not include a renovation to the York High School Auditorium, it will allow the various musical groups to rehearse in spaces designed with appropriate acoustics and provide elements that are needed for the music program.

The project has been designed to allow for the replacement or renovation of the auditorium at some future date, should voters approve

such a plan some time in the future.

Discussions throughout the approve process have included incorporating as many environmentally-friendly building elements as possible within the budget and creating a plan that can be completed with the funding as approved by the voters.

The project has been estimated to have an impact of about \$13 per year on the tax bill for the average York home.

And while the project design and approval phase has taken about 16 months, the history of the York High School music space addition is a much longer one.

Back in May of 2006, voters denied a request for an arts wing, including a new auditorium, by a margin of about 400 votes. That proposal, which was about three times the cost of the current one, would have provided a new auditorium, which many in town supported as a resource not only for York High School's music and theatre programs, but also as a community resource.

The project won majority support from the School Committee and Budget Committee, but the Board of Selectmen at that time voted 4 to 1 in opposition and, ultimately, the voters decided the price tag was too high for them at that time—sending the School Building Committee back to the drawing board.

The current addition was proposed with an eye toward meeting the primary need of academic space for music classes and rehearsals for the very popular instrumental and choral programs, which serve literally hundreds of York High School's students studying music.

Amoroso said a date for the formal groundbreaking has not yet been set as the hope is to include members of the Music Department in that event. The goal is to see the project completed by the end of the next school year.

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- Start route at Triple Oaks Road and Greenleaf Parsons Road at 6:45 AM.
- LEFT on Greenleaf Parsons Road
- RIGHT on Clay Hill Road
- LEFT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Josiah Norton Road, turn around at the end of the pavement.
- RIGHT on Clay Hill Road
- RIGHT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Old Mountain Road, turn around at the end of the pavement.
- RIGHT on Mountain Road, turn around at the base of Mount Agamenticus.
- LEFT on Groundnut Hill Road, turn around at Algonquin Drive.
- LEFT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Sewalls Pasture Road, turn around at end of Sewalls Pasture Road
- RIGHT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Route One South.
- Continue to Village Elementary, then to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route on Route One North at 7:45 AM.
- LEFT on Mountain Road

- RIGHT on Greenleaf Parsons Road
- RIGHT on Clay Hill Road
- LEFT on Josiah Norton Road, turn around at the end of the pavement.
- RIGHT on Clay Hill Road
- RIGHT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Old Mountain Road, turn around at the end of the pavement.
- RIGHT on Mountain Road, turn around at the base of Mount Agamenticus.
- LEFT on Groundnut Hill Road, turn around at Algonquin Drive.
- LEFT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Sewalls Pasture Road, turn around at end of Sewalls Pasture Road
- RIGHT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Route One South.
- Continue to Village Elementary, then to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From York Middle School, proceed to York High School to pick up students.
- Express to Route One North.
- LEFT on Mountain Road

RIGHT on Groundnut Hill Road, turn around at Algonquin Drive.

- RIGHT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Old Mountain Road, turn around at the end of pavement.
- RIGHT on Mountain Road, turn around at the base of Mount Agamenticus.
- LEFT on Clay Hill Road
- LEFT on Josiah Norton Road, turn around at the end of the pavement.
- RIGHT on Clay Hill Road
- LEFT on Greenleaf Parsons Road.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Village Elementary, proceed to Coastal Ridge to pick up students.
- Express to Route One North.
- LEFT on Mountain Road
- LEFT on Sewalls Pasture Road to turnaround
- LEFT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT continuing on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Groundnut Hill Road, turn around at Algonquin Drive.
- RIGHT on Mountain Road
- RIGHT on Old Mountain Road, turn around at the end of the pavement.
- RIGHT on Mountain Road, turn around at the base of Mount Agamenticus.
- LEFT on Clay Hill Road
- LEFT on Josiah Norton Road, turn around at the end of the pavement.
- RIGHT on Clay Hill Road
- LEFT on Greenleaf Parsons Road.

BUS 16

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Begin route at Route One North and Pine Hill Road at 6:45 AM.
- RIGHT on Pine Hill Road
- RIGHT on Pine Hill Road South
- RIGHT on Shore Road
- Express to Agamenticus Avenue.
- LEFT on Agamenticus Avenue
- LEFT on Shore Road
- STRAIGHT onto Main Street
- RIGHT on Railroad Avenue
- RIGHT on Ridge Road (only stop on Ridge Road is at Smith Ball Field)
- LEFT on Webber Road
- Proceed to the High School, then to the Middle School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at 7:45 AM at Route One North and Pine Hill Road.
- RIGHT on Pine Hill Road
- RIGHT on Pine Hill Road South
- RIGHT on Shore Road
- STRAIGHT onto Agamenticus Avenue.
- LEFT on Shore Road
- STRAIGHT onto Main Street
- RIGHT on Railroad Avenue
- RIGHT on Ridge Road
- Proceed to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.
- RIGHT on Ridge Road
- STRAIGHT onto Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on York Street
- Continue to Village Elementary to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, proceed to the High School to pick up students.
- Left on Webber Road
- Right on Ridge Road (only stop on Ridge Road is Smith Ball Field)
- Express to the center of York Beach.
- RIGHT on Main Street
- STRAIGHT onto Shore Road
- LEFT on Agamenticus Avenue
- LEFT on Shore Road, turn around at River Road.
- LEFT on Shore Road
- LEFT on Pine Hill Road South
- LEFT on Pine Hill Road to Route One.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Village Elementary, LEFT on York Street.
- LEFT on Long Sands Road
- Proceed to Coastal Ridge to pick up students.
- LEFT on Ridge Road
- RIGHT on Church Street
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue
- LEFT on Ocean Avenue
- RIGHT on Main Street
- RIGHT on Shore Road
- RIGHT on Agamenticus Avenue
- LEFT on Shore Road, turn around at River Road.
- LEFT on Shore Road
- LEFT on Pine Hill Road South
- LEFT on Pine Hill Road

BUS 17

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Start route at 6:45 AM on Route 91 at the Eliot / York town line heading toward York.
- RIGHT on York Shores Drive
- RIGHT on York Pond Road, turn around at York Pond Road.
- RIGHT on York Shores Drive to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- RIGHT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Hemlock Ridge Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on High Pine Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on Payneton Hill Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- Proceed to the Middle School, then to the High School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at the end of Bell Marsh Road at turnaround at approximately 7:45 AM.
- STRAIGHT onto Mill Lane Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on High Pine Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on Payneton Hill Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- RIGHT on Old Mast Road, turn around at the end of the road.
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- RIGHT on Tide Meadow Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on Pudding Lane
- RIGHT on Fall Mill Road
- STRAIGHT onto Fall Mill Road Extension, turn around at the end of the road.
- LEFT on Fall Mill Road
- LEFT on Bog Road to turnaround at Scituate Road.
- CONTINUE down Bog Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- Express to Village Elementary, then proceed to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, proceed to the High School to pick up students.
- Express to Route One South and Route 91.
- RIGHT on Route 91 (Cider Hill Road)
- RIGHT on Payneton Hill Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Hemlock Ridge Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on York Shores Drive
- RIGHT on York Pond Road, turn around at York Pond Road.
- RIGHT on York Shores Drive to turnaround.
- LEFT on Cider Hill
- Turn around at Roe Fields Road in South Berwick.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Village Elementary, proceed to Coastal Ridge to pick up students.
- Express to Route One South and Route 91
- RIGHT on Route 91 (Cider Hill Road)
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Hemlock Ridge Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on York Shores Drive
- RIGHT on York Pond Road, turn around at York Pond Road.
- RIGHT on York Shores Drive to turnaround.
- LEFT on Cider Hill
- Turn around at Roe Fields Road in South Berwick.

BUS 18

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Start route on York Street at The Bagel Basket at approximately 6:50 AM.
- RIGHT onto Norwood Farm Road, contin-

ue onto Roaring Rock Road.

- RIGHT onto York Street
- LEFT on Eureka Avenue
- CONTINUE on Sheru Lane
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- LEFT on Scott Avenue
- RIGHT on Glenn Lane
- RIGHT on Eureka Avenue
- RIGHT on York Street
- RIGHT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on Eldredge Road
- LEFT on Boban Street
- STRAIGHT onto Boban and make loop back to Darcy.
- STRAIGHT on Darcy Road
- STRAIGHT onto Sentry Hill to turnaround.
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- LEFT on Axholme Road
- LEFT on York Street
- RIGHT on Moulton Lane
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT on Avon Avenue (HS only)
- RIGHT on Fernald Avenue (HS only)
- LEFT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT on Ferncroft Road
- LEFT on Long Sands Road
- Proceed to the High School to drop off students.
- For Middle School students only:
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on York Street
- Continue to the Middle School to drop off.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at 8:00 AM on Seabury Road
- CROSS OVER onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT onto Pepperell Way
- LEFT onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT onto Rayne's Neck
- LEFT onto Godfrey Cove, turn around at Kings Lane.
- RIGHT onto Godfrey Cove
- RIGHT onto Rayne's Neck
- LEFT onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT onto High Rock Road, make loop.
- LEFT on Braveboat Harbor Road
- LEFT on Route 103
- RIGHT Payne Road
- RIGHT On Deacon Road to turnaround.
- LEFT onto Payne Road
- LEFT onto Route 103
- LEFT onto York Street
- Proceed to Coastal Ridge, then to Village Elementary to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, for Middle School students only:
- RIGHT on Organug Road
- RIGHT on York Street
- LEFT on Moulton Lane
- RIGHT onto Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT onto Sentry Hill Road to turnaround.
- STRIGHT onto Darcy Road
- LEFT on Boban and make loop.
- LEFT onto Boban
- RIGHT onto Eldridge Road
- RIGHT onto Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT onto Long Sands Road
- CONTINUE to the High School to pick up students.
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- RIGHT onto Ferncroft Road
- RIGHT onto Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on Fernald Avenue
- LEFT on Avon Avenue
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- LEFT on Darcy Road
- RIGHT on Boban Street
- RIGHT on Eldredge Road
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- LEFT on Sheru Lane
- RIGHT on Scott Avenue
- LEFT on Glenn Lane
- RIGHT on Eureka Avenue
- RIGHT on York Street
- LEFT onto Norwood Farms Road
- CONTINUE to Roaring Rock Road
- LEFT on York Street
- CONTINUE to Coastal Ridge School.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Coastal Ridge, proceed to Village Elementary to pick up students.
- LEFT on York Street
- RIGHT on Route 103
- LEFT onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT onto Pepperell Way
- LEFT onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT onto Rayne's Neck
- LEFT onto Godfrey Cove, turn around at Kings Lane.
- RIGHT onto Godfrey Cove
- RIGHT onto Rayne's Neck
- LEFT onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT onto High Rock Road, make loop.
- LEFT onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT onto Route 103
- RIGHT onto Payne Road

- RIGHT onto Deacon Drive
- LEFT onto Payne Road
- LEFT onto Route 103
- LEFT onto Seabury Road

BUS 19

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Begin route at Mountain Road and Chases Pond Road at 6:55 AM.
- RIGHT on Snowdin Ridge Road to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road
- LEFT on Old East Scituate Road
- LEFT on Chases Pond Road
- RIGHT on Perkins Drive make loop back to Chases Pond Road
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road
- LEFT on Spur Road
- LEFT on Route One
- LEFT on Newtown Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Route One
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- LEFT on Ridge Road
- RIGHT on Webber Road
- CONTINUE to the High School to drop off students.
- For Middle School students only:
- Leave High School via Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on Fernald Avenue.
- LEFT on Avon Avenue
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- BEAR RIGHT on York Street
- LEFT on Lindsay Road
- RIGHT on Indian Trail
- RIGHT on Organug
- Express to the Middle School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at 7:55 AM at Lobster Cove Restaurant, Route 1A.
- RIGHT on Eureka Avenue
- LEFT on Glenn Lane
- RIGHT on Scott Avenue
- LEFT on Sheru Lane
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- LEFT on Scott Avenue
- LEFT on Eureka and continue on to Sheru Lane
- RIGHT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on Eldredge Road
- LEFT on Boban Street
- STRAIGHT onto Darcy Road making the whole loop.
- STRAIGHT on Sentry Hill Road, turn around at the island.
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- LEFT on Axholme Road
- LEFT on York Street
- RIGHT on Norwood Farms Road
- CONTINUE on Roaring Rock Road
- LEFT on Tall Oaks Drive
- RIGHT on Wavecrest Drive
- RIGHT on Wavecrest Circle to turnaround
- RIGHT on Wavecrest Drive
- LEFT on Roaring Rock Road
- LEFT on Route 1A (York Street)
- RIGHT on Moulton Lane
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT on Avon Avenue
- RIGHT on Fernald Avenue
- LEFT on Camden Avenue
- RIGHT on Field Avenue
- LEFT on Camden Avenue
- LEFT on Fernald Avenue
- Proceed to Coastal Ridge, then to Village Elementary to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, for Middle School students only.
- RIGHT on Organug Road
- RIGHT on York Street with a stop at Village Elementary
- LEFT on Long Sands Road continuing on to Ridge Road
- LEFT onto Avon Avenue
- LEFT onto Fernald Avenue
- LEFT onto Long Sands Road
- LEFT into Coastal Ridge Elementary School
- LEFT onto Ridge Road
- Go to High School via Webber Road
- Leave High School via Webber Road
- LEFT onto Ridge Road
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- LEFT at lights heading South on Route One
- RIGHT on Newtown Road to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Route One South
- RIGHT on Spur Road
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road
- LEFT onto Perkins Drive
- LEFT onto Chases Pond Road
- RIGHT on Old East Scituate Road
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road
- LEFT on Snowdin Ridge Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Chases Pond Road.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Village Elementary, proceed to Coastal Ridge to pick up students.
- RIGHT on Ridge Road
- CONTINUE onto Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on Fernald Avenue
- RIGHT on Camden Avenue
- RIGHT onto Field Avenue
- LEFT on Camden Avenue
- RIGHT on Fernald Avenue
- LEFT on Avon Avenue
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on Moulton Lane
- LEFT on York Street
- LEFT on Axholme Road
- RIGHT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on Sentry Hill Road, turn around at the island.
- STRAIGHT onto Darcy Road
- LEFT on Boban Street
- RIGHT on Eldredge Road
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on Sentry Hill Road, turn around at the island.
- STRAIGHT onto Darcy Road
- LEFT on Boban Street
- RIGHT on Eldredge Road
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- LEFT on Scott Avenue
- LEFT on Sheru Lane
- LEFT on Woodbridge Road
- RIGHT on York Street (Route 1A)
- LEFT on Roaring Rock Road
- RIGHT on Wavecrest Drive
- RIGHT on Wavecrest Circle, turnaround.
- LEFT on Wavecrest Drive
- LEFT on Tall Oaks Drive
- RIGHT on Norwood Farms Road
- LEFT on York Street.

BUS 20

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Start route at 7:00 AM at Beech Ridge Road and Scotland Bridge Road.
- LEFT on Scotland Bridge Road
- LEFT on Heather Road
- LEFT on Thistle Road
- RIGHT on Clyde Road
- RIGHT on Tarton Road
- RIGHT on Malcolm Road
- LEFT on Scotland Bridge Road
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- RIGHT on Old Mast Road
- RIGHT on Hickory Lane to turnaround.
- LEFT on Old Mast Road
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- RIGHT onto Route One South
- LEFT on Orchard Farm Road
- RIGHT onto Greenacre Drive
- LEFT onto Orchard Farm Road
- STRAIGHT across onto Seahawk Lane
- LEFT onto Flintlock
- RIGHT onto Mallard Drive
- CONTINUE on Mallard Drive
- RIGHT onto Winterbrook Drive
- RIGHT onto Organug Road to Middle School
- Proceed to the Middle School, then the High School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Leave Hannaford's parking lot at 8:00 AM.
- LEFT on Route One North
- RIGHT on Route 1A ramp, then turn left toward lights.
- LEFT onto Route One South
- RIGHT on Brickyard Lane
- LEFT on Orchard Court
- LEFT on Route One North
- RIGHT on Orchard Farm Road
- RIGHT on Greenacre Drive
- LEFT on Orchard Farm Road
- STRAIGHT on Sea Hawk Lane
- LEFT on Flintrock Drive
- RIGHT on Mallard Drive
- RIGHT on Snowbird Lane
- LEFT on Quail Court
- RIGHT, then continue to Woodcock Lane.
- LEFT on Woodcock Lane, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Mallard Drive
- LEFT on Winterbrook Drive
- LEFT on Mallard Drive
- RIGHT on Winterbrook Drive
- LEFT on Organug Road
- LEFT on York Street, Straight across lights to Plaisted Road.
- LEFT on South Street
- LEFT on Gorgeana Way
- RIGHT on Plaisted Road
- STRAIGHT across at lights onto York Street
- Continue to Village Elementary, pick up PAL students; then to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, proceed to the High School to pick up students.
- Express to Organug Road
- RIGHT on Winterbrook Drive
- RIGHT on Mallard Drive

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- LEFT on Flintrock Drive
- RIGHT on Seahawk Lane
- LEFT on Orchard Farms Road
- RIGHT on Greenacre Drive
- LEFT on Orchard Farms Road
- RIGHT on Route One North
- LEFT on Route 91 (Cider Hill Road)
- LEFT on Old Mast Road
- RIGHT on Hickory Lane to turnaround.
- LEFT on Old Mast Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on Scotland Bridge Road
- RIGHT on Malcolm Road
- LEFT on Tarton Road
- LEFT on Clyde Road
- CONTINUE on Thistle Road
- RIGHT on Heather Street
- RIGHT on Scotland Bridge Road
- LEFT onto Beech Ridge Road
- LEFT onto Route One North
- Proceed to Coastal Ridge Elementary.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Coastal Ridge, continue to Village Elementary to pick up students.
- RIGHT on York Street; at lights, go straight across to Plaisted Road.
- LEFT onto South Street
- LEFT onto Gorgeana Way; at lights go straight across back to York Street.
- RIGHT on Organug Road
- RIGHT on Winterbrook Drive
- LEFT on Mallard Drive
- LEFT on Winterbrook Drive
- RIGHT on Mallard Drive
- RIGHT on Woodcock Lane, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Mallard Drive
- STRAIGHT on Snowbird Lane
- RIGHT on Quail Court
- LEFT on Mallard Drive
- LEFT on Flintrock Drive
- RIGHT on Sea Hawk Lane
- STRAIGHT across onto Orchard Farm Road
- RIGHT on Greenacre Drive
- LEFT on Orchard Farm Road
- LEFT onto Route One South
- RIGHT onto Brickyard Lane
- LEFT onto Brickyard Court to end.
- LEFT on Route One North
- RIGHT at fork onto York Street.

BUS 21

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Begin route at Route One South at 7:00 AM.
- Turn around at weight scales, continue on Route One North
- RIGHT onto Southside Road, express to Seabury Road via Southside Road.
- RIGHT on Route 103, do not turn at Route 103 and Payne Road.
- RIGHT on Payne Road and turn at Payne and Bartlett Road.
- LEFT onto Route 103
- RIGHT onto Brave Boat Harbor Road
- RIGHT on Rayne's Neck Road
- LEFT on Godfrey Cove Road, turn around at Locke Lane.
- RIGHT on Rayne's Neck Road
- RIGHT on Brave Boat Harbor Road
- RIGHT on Pepperell Way to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Brave Boat Harbor Road
- STRAIGHT on Seabury Road
- CONTINUE onto Organug Road.
- Drop off students at the Middle School.
- RIGHT on York Street
- Village Elementary (HS only)
- The Old Library (HS only)
- Proceed to the High School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Begin route at Route One South and Southside Road at 7:56 AM.
- LEFT on Southside Road
- RIGHT on Jeffrey Drive, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- RIGHT on Woodside Meadow Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Carrie Lynn Lane
- RIGHT on Woodside Meadow Road
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- LEFT onto River Meadow Lane
- LEFT onto Southside Road
- RIGHT onto Bartlett Road, turn around at Bartlett Road and Payne Road.
- Express back to Southside Road.
- LEFT onto Seabury
- LEFT on Organug Road
- RIGHT onto Indian Trail
- LEFT onto Lindsay Road
- LEFT onto York Street
- LEFT onto Lindsay Road
- RIGHT on Organug Road
- Proceed to Village Elementary to drop off students; continue to Coastal Ridge, picking up students on York Street and Long Sands Road before dropping off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, continue to the High School to pick up students.
- Express to Long Sands Road and York

- Street.
- RIGHT on York Street
- LEFT on Organug Road
- CONTINUE onto Seabury Road
- GO STRAIGHT across on Braveboat Harbor Road
- LEFT on Pepperell Way to turnaround.
- LEFT on Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT on Rayne's Neck
- LEFT on Godfrey Cove Road, turn around at Locke Lane.
- RIGHT on Rayne's Neck Road
- LEFT on Brave Boat Harbor Road
- LEFT on Route 103
- RIGHT on Payne Road, turn around at Payne Road and Bartlett Road.
- LEFT on Route 103
- Go to Coastal Ridge Elementary to begin afternoon Elementary Route.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- Pick up students at Coastal Ridge and proceed to Village Elementary, dropping Coastal Ridge students that live on Long Sands Road and York Street as far as Village Elementary.
- EXPRESS to Organug Road via York Street
- LEFT on Organug Road
- LEFT onto Indian Trail Road
- LEFT on Lindsey Road
- LEFT onto York Street
- LEFT onto Lindsay Road
- RIGHT onto Organug Road to turnaround at Organug Road and Indian Trail.
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- LEFT on Bartlett Road to turnaround; turn around on Payne Road.
- LEFT on Southside Road
- RIGHT on River meadows Lane to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- LEFT on Woodside Meadow Road
- BEAR RIGHT and go down the hill, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Carrie Lynn Lane
- RIGHT on Woodside Meadow Road
- LEFT on Southside Road
- LEFT on Jeffrey Drive, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Southside Road to end of route.

BUS 22

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- BEGIN at Smith Field @ 6:55 AM
- LEFT out of field with stops along Ridge Road.
- RIGHT on Church Street
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue
- LEFT on Ocean Avenue
- RIGHT on Main Street
- RIGHT on Bay Haven
- RIGHT on Freeman Street
- LEFT on Main Street
- LEFT on Railroad Avenue
- LEFT on Church Street
- RIGHT on Long Beach Avenue
- LEFT on Nubble Road
- LEFT on Broadway
- GO STRAIGHT
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue; continue straight.
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on Garrison Avenue
- LEFT on Webber Road
- Continue on to High School; then to Middle School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Begin route at Short Sands parking lot at 7:55 AM.
- RIGHT onto Bayhaven, RIGHT onto Freeman; First pickup at 8:00 AM.
- EXPRESS to Broadway via Church Street.

- LEFT onto Long Beach Avenue
- RIGHT onto Broadway
- RIGHT on Airport Drive Extension
- LEFT on Airport Drive
- RIGHT on Church Street Extension
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue
- LEFT on Nubble Road
- LEFT on Broadway
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue
- CONTINUE on Long Beach Avenue
- RIGHT at Bath House on Oceanside Avenue
- LEFT on Acorn
- LEFT on Beacon
- LEFT on Reserve Street
- CONTINUE on Reserve Street
- RIGHT on Long Beach Avenue
- RIGHT on Webber Road
- LEFT on Garrison Avenue
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on Ferncroft Road
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- Continue to Coastal Ridge, then to Village Elementary to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, express to Long Sands Road.
- LEFT on Garrison Avenue
- LEFT on Webber Road
- Proceed to High School to pick up

- students.
- RIGHT on Webber Road
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue
- RIGHT on Broadway
- RIGHT on Airport Drive Extension
- RIGHT on Church Street
- LEFT on Long Sands Avenue
- LEFT on Nubble Road
- LEFT on Broadway
- RIGHT on Willow Street
- RIGHT on Ocean Avenue
- RIGHT on Main Street
- RIGHT on Bayhaven Street
- RIGHT on Freeman Street
- LEFT on Main Street, continue on Rail-road Avenue.
- RIGHT on Ridge Road
- Go to Village to begin afternoon elementary route.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Village Elementary, proceed to Coastal Ridge to pick up students.
- RIGHT on Ridge Road
- LEFT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT on Ferncroft Road
- LEFT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT into High School
- RIGHT on Webber Road
- RIGHT on Garrison Avenue
- LEFT on Garrison Avenue
- RIGHT on Webber Road
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue
- LEFT on Beacon Street
- RIGHT on Reserve Street
- LEFT on Bartlett Road to turnaround
- LEFT on Oceanside Avenue
- LEFT on Acorn
- LEFT onto Beacon
- CONTINUE out onto Long Beach Avenue
- RIGHT on Broadway
- RIGHT on Airport Drive Extension
- RIGHT on Airport Drive
- RIGHT on Church Street Extension
- LEFT on Long Beach Avenue
- LEFT on Nubble Road
- LEFT on Broadway
- RIGHT on Willow Street
- RIGHT on Ocean Avenue
- EXPRESS to Freeman Street
- RIGHT on Freeman Street

BUS 23

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Begin route at 6:40 AM at Chases Pond Road and Scituate Road.
- LEFT on Scituate Road
- LEFT on Sunrise Terrace and make loop.
- LEFT on Scituate Road
- CONTINUE on Scituate Road to Michael Drive and turnaround.
- RIGHT on Scituate Road
- LEFT on Bog Road
- RIGHT on Fall Mill Road
- LEFT on Fall Mill Road
- LEFT on Pudding Lane
- LEFT on Route 91 (Cider Hill Road)
- LEFT on Route One North at second set of lights.
- LEFT on Plaisted Road
- LEFT on South Street
- LEFT on Gorgeana Way
- RIGHT on Plaisted Road
- LEFT on Route One North
- RIGHT on Donica Road
- LEFT on Raydon Road
- RIGHT onto Raydon Road Extension, turn RIGHT to make loop to Raydon Road.
- RIGHT onto Raydon Road
- RIGHT on York Street
- Continue to the Middle School, then to the High School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at 7:48 AM at Chases Pond Road (Little River).
- RIGHT onto Old East Scituate
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road, turn around at Mountain Road.
- LEFT onto Chases Pond Road
- RIGHT on Scituate Road
- LEFT on Sunrise Terrace
- RIGHT on Netherby Lane
- LEFT on Sunrise Terrace
- LEFT on Scituate Road
- LEFT on Michael Drive to turnaround.
- LEFT on Chases Pond Road
- RIGHT on Hemlock Hollow/Perkins Drive (just past yellow house)
- RIGHT on Perkins Drive
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road
- LEFT on Spur Road
- LEFT on Route One South
- Continue to Village Elementary, then to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, proceed to the High School to pick up students.
- Express to Route One South from lights at Old Post Road.
- LEFT on Route One South
- LEFT into Meadow Brook Plaza
- RIGHT on Route One North
- RIGHT on Donica Road
- LEFT on Raydon Road

- RIGHT on Raydon Road Extension, make loop around back to Raydon Road.
- RIGHT on Raydon Road
- RIGHT on York Street
- STRAIGHT on Plaisted Road
- LEFT on Gorgeana Way
- LEFT on Route One South
- RIGHT on Route One South
- RIGHT on Pudding Lane
- RIGHT on Fall Mill Road
- RIGHT at the corner Fall Mill Road/Fall Mill Road Extension
- RIGHT on Fall Mill Road
- LEFT on Bog Road
- RIGHT on Scituate Road
- LEFT on Michael Drive
- LEFT onto Edward Circle
- RIGHT on Michael Drive
- RIGHT on Scituate Road
- RIGHT on Sunrise Terrace make loop
- RIGHT on Scituate Road
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road
- Continue on to Coastal Ridge to begin afternoon elementary route.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Coastal Ridge, proceed to Village Elementary to pick up students.
- RIGHT on Route One North
- LEFT at lights
- RIGHT on Chases Pond Road
- LEFT on Hemlock Hollow/Perkins Drive
- RIGHT on Perkins Drive
- LEFT on Chases Pond Road
- LEFT on Scituate Road
- RIGHT on Michael Drive
- RIGHT on Scituate Road
- RIGHT on Sunrise Terrace
- RIGHT on Netherby Lane
- LEFT on Sunrise Terrace
- RIGHT on Scituate Road
- LEFT on Chases Pond Road to turnaround.
- BACK down Chases Pond Road
- LEFT on Old East Scituate Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Chases Pond Road.

BUS 24

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Start route at 6:45 AM
- LEFT onto Saltwater Drive
- Go out to Riverwood Drive to Saltwater
- LEFT onto Beech Ridge Road
- Express to Route One North; Straight through 3 sets of lights
- LEFT on Whippoorwill Estates on Meadowlark Lane
- RIGHT at fork; go up hill.
- LEFT on Chickadee Lane
- RIGHT on Meadowlark Lane
- RIGHT on Route One South
- RIGHT into Squire Lane to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Route One South
- RIGHT onto Tall Pines to turnaround.
- RIGHT onto Route One South
- LEFT on Fieldstone Estates Road
- LEFT, continuing on Fieldstone Estates Road.
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- Proceed to the High School, then to the Middle School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at 7:45 AM on Route One South at C&J Collision Center
- RIGHT on Beach Ridge Road
- LEFT on Betty Welch Road to town turnaround.
- LEFT on Beech Ridge Road, turn around at Beech Ridge Road and Birch Hill Road.
- LEFT on Scotland Bridge Road
- LEFT on Heather Street
- LEFT on Thistle Road
- RIGHT on Clyde Road
- RIGHT on Tarton Road
- RIGHT on Malcolm Road
- RIGHT on Scotland Bridge Road
- LEFT on Riverwood Drive
- LEFT at stop sign, continuing on Riverwood Drive, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- STRAIGHT on Saltwater Drive
- LEFT on Foxtail Drive, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Saltwater Drive
- CONTINUE STRAIGHT on Deer Run, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Saltwater Drive
- LEFT on Beech Ridge Road
- LEFT on Kimball Farm Lane to turnaround.
- LEFT on Beech Ridge Road
- LEFT on Route One North
- Continue to Village Elementary, then to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, proceed to the High School to pick up students.
- Express to Route One South and Fieldstone Estates Road.
- LEFT on Fieldstone Estates Road
- BEAR RIGHT, continuing on Fieldstone Estates Road.

- RIGHT on Route One North
- LEFT in Whippoorwill Estates onto Meadowlark Lane
- RIGHT at fork and go up hill.
- LEFT on Chickadee Lane
- RIGHT on Meadowlark Lane
- LEFT on Route One South
- RIGHT on Squire Lane to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Route One South
- RIGHT on Tall Pines Lane to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Route One South
- Express on Route One South to Beech Ridge Road.
- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road
- RIGHT on Saltwater Drive
- LEFT Continuing on Saltwater Drive
- LEFT on Riverwood Drive
- LEFT on Scotland Bridge Road
- LEFT on Beech Ridge Road
- LEFT on Route One South
- Proceed to CRES to begin afternoon elementary route.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Coastal Ridge, continue to Village Elementary to pick up students.
- RIGHT on York Street
- LEFT on Route One North
- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road
- RIGHT on Kimball Farm Lane
- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road
- LEFT on Betty Welch Road to town turnaround.
- LEFT on Beech Ridge Road, turn around at Beech Ridge Road and Birch Hill Road.
- LEFT on Scotland Bridge Road
- LEFT on Malcolm Road
- LEFT on Tarton Road
- LEFT on Clyde Road
- LEFT on Thistle Road
- RIGHT on Heather Road
- RIGHT on Scotland Bridge Road
- LEFT on Riverwood Drive, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- STRAIGHT onto Saltwater Drive
- LEFT on Foxtail Drive, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Saltwater Drive
- STRAIGHT on Deer Run, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Saltwater Drive

BUS 25

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Start route at 6:37 AM at the end of Belle Marsh Road, South Berwick to Mill Lane.
- STRAIGHT on Birch Hill Road
- RIGHT on David Drive, turnaround.
- RIGHT on Birch Hill Road
- RIGHT on Frost Hill Road, turn around at Garrison Road.
- RIGHT on Birch Hill Road
- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road to turnaround, Eliot.
- CONTINUE back on Beech Ridge Road
- LEFT on Route One North
- LEFT on Ferry Lane South, turn around at the end of the road.
- LEFT on Route One North
- RIGHT on York Street
- Continue to the Middle School, then the High School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at 7:37 AM at Beech Ridge Road at turnaround, Eliot.
- Start at York and Eliot line 7:42 AM
- CONTINUE back on Beech Ridge Road.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on Frost Hill Road, turn around at Garrison Road.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on David Drive, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- CONTINUE on Cider Hill Road to Roe Field Road So Berwick; turnaround.
- LEFT back on Route 91 to York Line.
- RIGHT on York Shores Drive, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- RIGHT on Brixham Road, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Leavitt Farms Road
- RIGHT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Hemlock Ridge, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Cider Hill with stops beginning after Pudding Lane.
- Continue to Village Elementary School and then to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, continue to the High School to pick up students.
- From Webber Road, LEFT onto Ridge Road
- RIGHT onto Old Post Road
- LEFT at lights onto Route One South
- RIGHT onto Ferry Lane South, turn around at end of road.
- RIGHT on Route One South

- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road
- CONTINUE on Beech Ridge Road to turnaround in Eliot.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on Frost Hill Road, turn around at Garrison Road.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on David Drive, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- LEFT onto Birch Hill Road
- STRAIGHT on Mill Lane Road to end, turnaround.
- Express to Coastal Ridge to begin afternoon elementary route.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Coastal Ridge, continue to Village Elementary to pick up students.
- Express to Route One South and Route 91 (Cider Hill Road).
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road; express to Scotland Bridge Road.
- LEFT on Scotland Bridge Road
- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road to turnaround, Eliot.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on Frost Hill Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on David Drive to turnaround.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Leavitt Farm Road, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Hemlock Ridge Road, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- LEFT on York Shores Drive

BUS 26

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Begin route at 7:00 AM at Route One North and Southside Road.
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- RIGHT on Jeffery Drive
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- RIGHT on Woodside Meadow Road
- LEFT on Carrie Lynn Lane
- RIGHT on Woodside Meadow Road
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- RIGHT on Bartlett Road to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- LEFT on Seabury Road
- RIGHT on Lindsay Road
- LEFT onto Indian Trail
- Continue to the Middle School, then to the High School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Begin route at Route One South and Beech Ridge Road at 7:45 AM.
- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road
- LEFT on Old Beech Ridge Road, turn around at the end of the road.
- RIGHT on Beech Ridge Road
- RIGHT on Route One South, turn around at the weigh station.
- Heading North on Route One with a stop at Caincrest Mobile Home Park.
- Express to Route One North and New Towne Road.
- LEFT on New Towne Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Route One
- LEFT on Tall Pine Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Route One
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- LEFT on Bluestone Drive, continue around Bluestone Drive
- RIGHT on Greystone, turnaround.
- RIGHT on Bluestone Drive
- LEFT on Old Post Road
- RIGHT on Fieldstone Estates
- LEFT on Route One South
- LEFT on Donica Road
- LEFT onto Raydon Road
- RIGHT onto Raydon Road Extension, RIGHT, make loop.
- RIGHT onto Raydon Road
- LEFT at the bottom of the hill onto York Street
- Continue to Village Elementary School and then proceed to Coastal Ridge to drop students.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- Start route at 7:37 AM at Beech Ridge Road at turnaround, Eliot.
- Start at York and Eliot line 7:42 AM
- CONTINUE back on Beech Ridge Road.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on Frost Hill Road, turn around at Garrison Road.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on David Drive, turn around at the cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Birch Hill Road
- LEFT on Cider Hill Road
- CONTINUE on Cider Hill Road to Roe Field Road So Berwick; turnaround.
- LEFT back on Route 91 to York Line.
- RIGHT on York Shores Drive, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Cider Hill Road
- RIGHT on Brixham Road, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- RIGHT on Leavitt Farms Road
- RIGHT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Hemlock Ridge, turn around at cul-de-sac.
- LEFT on Brixham Road
- RIGHT on Cider Hill with stops beginning after Pudding Lane.
- Continue to Village Elementary School and then to Coastal Ridge to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, proceed to the High School to pick up students.
- LEFT on Webber Road
- LEFT on Ridge Road
- LEFT on Old Post Road
- Express to Village Elementary.
- LEFT on Indian Trail
- RIGHT on Lindsay Road
- LEFT, go over Sewalls Bridge
- RIGHT on Southside Road
- LEFT on Bartlett Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Southside Road
- LEFT on Woodside Meadow Road
- LEFT at fork on Carrie Lynn Lane
- RIGHT on Woodside Meadow Road
- LEFT on Southside Road

- LEFT on Jeffrey Drive
- LEFT on Southside Road
- LEFT onto Route One South, continue on to weigh station to turnaround.
- Proceed to CRES to begin afternoon elementary route.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Coastal Ridge, proceed to Village Elementary to pick up students.
- RIGHT on York Street
- RIGHT on Raydon Road
- LEFT on Raydon Road Extension
- LEFT on Raydon Road
- RIGHT on Donica Road
- RIGHT on Route One North
- RIGHT on Fieldstone Estates Road
- CONTINUE to Candlewood Lane.
- RIGHT, continuing on Fieldstone Estates Road.
- LEFT on Old Post Road
- RIGHT on Bluestone Lane, make loop.
- RIGHT on Graystone Lane to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Bluestone Lane
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- LEFT on Route One South
- RIGHT on Tall Pines Road to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Route One South
- RIGHT on New Towne Road to turnaround.
- Express to Route One South and Parsons Lane
- Turn around at the weigh station; heading North on Route One with a stop at Caincrest Mobile Home Park.

BUS 27

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Start route at Meadowbrook Plaza at 6:45 AM.
- Proceed North on Route One with stops from Rogers Road to River Road.
- RIGHT on River Road
- LEFT on Old County Road
- RIGHT on Shore Road
- RIGHT on Route 1A
- LEFT on Abbey Road to turnaround.
- LEFT on Route 1A
- RIGHT on Riversedge Drive
- RIGHT on Route 1A
- LEFT on Route One South
- LEFT on Old Post Road
- LEFT onto Bluestone Estates
- LEFT onto Greystone
- RIGHT on Bluestone
- LEFT on Old Post Road
- Proceed to the High School to drop off students.
- RIGHT on Long Sands Road
- LEFT at stop sign
- Proceed to the Middle School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Start route at 7:45 AM at Route One Carpet Parking lot, Route One.
- Head North on Route One with stops between Meadowbrook Plaza and River Road.
- RIGHT on River Road
- RIGHT on Shore Road
- RIGHT onto Cape Neddick Road (Route 1A)
- LEFT on Abbey Road, turnaround.
- LEFT on Cape Neddick Road (Route 1A)
- RIGHT on Riversedge Drive
- RIGHT on Clark Road
- LEFT onto River Road
- LEFT on Route One South
- RIGHT into Whippoorwill
- RIGHT onto Osprey Lane and go up hill.
- RIGHT on Meadowlark Lane
- RIGHT onto Sparrow Lane; turn at end.
- RIGHT onto Meadowlark
- RIGHT on Chickadee Lane
- RIGHT on Route One North
- RIGHT onto Squire Lane
- RIGHT on Route One South
- LEFT on Old Post Road
- Continue to Coastal Ridge, then to Village Elementary to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- Leave Hannaford's Parking lot at 1:40; at Middle School line up on left side behind bus 24.
- From the Middle School, proceed to the High School with stops along the way.
- RIGHT onto Organug Road
- RIGHT onto York Street
- LEFT on Long Sands Road to High School to pick up students.
- LEFT on Webber Road
- LEFT on Ridge Road
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- RIGHT on Bluestone Drive
- LEFT on Graystone to turnaround.
- RIGHT on Bluestone Estates
- RIGHT on Old Post Road
- RIGHT on Route One North; no stop until Rogers Road.
- RIGHT on River Road
- RIGHT onto Cape Neddick Road
- RIGHT on Abbey Road

- LEFT on Route 1A
- RIGHT on Riversedge Drive
- Proceed to Coastal Ridge to begin afternoon elementary route.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Coastal Ridge, continue to Village Elementary to pick up students.
- RIGHT on York Street
- RIGHT on Raydon Road
- RIGHT onto Route One North
- RIGHT on River Road
- RIGHT on Shore Road
- RIGHT onto Cape Neddick Road (Route 1A)
- LEFT on Abbey Road; turnaround.
- LEFT onto Cape Neddick Road (Route 1A)
- RIGHT on Riversedge Drive
- RIGHT on Cape Neddick Road
- RIGHT on Clark Road
- LEFT on River Road
- LEFT on Route One South
- RIGHT into Whippoorwill Estates
- RIGHT on Osprey
- RIGHT onto Meadowlark Lane
- RIGHT onto Sparrow Lane
- RIGHT onto Meadowlark Lane
- RIGHT onto Chickadee
- RIGHT onto Meadowlark Lane
- RIGHT onto Route One South
- RIGHT into Squire Lane

BUS 28

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL AM:

- Start route at 6:40 AM at Route One North and Agamenticus Road.
- LEFT on Agamenticus Road which becomes Clay Hill Road.
- RIGHT on North Village Road
- LEFT on Ogunquit Road
- Turn around at the York / Berwick town line and continue back down Ogunquit Road.
- RIGHT on North Village Road
- LEFT on Clay Hill Road
- RIGHT on Logging Road
- RIGHT on Route One South, picking up as far as Mountain Road.
- Proceed to the High School, then to the Middle School to drop off students.

ELEMENTARY AM:

- Begin route at approximately 7:45 AM at Route One North and Agamenticus Road.
- LEFT on Agamenticus Road which becomes Clay Hill Road.
- RIGHT on North Village Road
- LEFT on Ogunquit Road
- Turn around at the York / Berwick town line.
- BEAR LEFT onto Ogunquit/ Berwick Road
- RIGHT onto Route One
- RIGHT onto Clay Hill Road
- LEFT on Logging Road
- LEFT on Route One South, picking up as far as Mountain Road.
- LEFT onto Old Post Road
- Proceed to Coastal Ridge, then to Village Elementary to drop off students.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL PM:

- From the Middle School, continue to the High School to pick up students.
- Express to Route One North with stops between Mountain Road and Logging Road.
- LEFT on Logging Road
- Right on Clay Hill Road
- Turn around at the ball field and continue back up Clay Hill Road.
- RIGHT on North Village Road
- LEFT on Ogunquit Road
- Turn around at the York / Berwick town line and continue back down Ogunquit Road.
- BEAR LEFT onto Ogunquit/ Berwick Road to Route One.

ELEMENTARY PM:

- From Village Elementary, continue to Coastal Ridge to pick up students.
- LEFT on Ridge Road
- LEFT on Old Post Road
- RIGHT on Route One North with stops between Mountain Road and Logging Road.
- LEFT on Logging Road
- RIGHT on Clay Hill Road
- Turn around at the ball field and continue back up Clay Hill Road.
- RIGHT on North Village Road
- LEFT on Ogunquit Road
- Turn around at the York / Berwick town line and continue back down Ogunquit

Pets

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

THE DOGS

Maverick
Meet Maverick! He is a six-year-old Potcake. Maverick is a smart boy that knows the command "sit" and also knows the trick "give paw." Maverick should do just fine sharing his new home with certain other dogs and dog savvy cats. Children are not Maverick's cup of tea so, we will not be asking him to share his new home with any. He is a friendly boy that can't wait to find that special someone.



Sumpin Special
Meet Sumpin Special, a beautiful two-year-old Greyhound who is searching for that special someone. Sumpin Special is a retired racer that will need to find a family that is willing to help her get used to living in a home environment. She will need help with stairs and just getting used to every day noises in a home. Cats are not her cup of tea there for we will not be asking her to share her new home with any, but Sumpin Special is a friendly girl that will do just fine living with oth-

er dogs and children of all ages.

Veronica
Who could resist that face? Meet Veronica, a five-year-old Alaskan Malamute. Veronica has a gorgeous black and cream colored coat and is very friendly. Veronica should get along well with some other dogs and children over the age of 8 in her new home, but we ask that she not have to share a home with cats. She's housetrained and knows the commands "sit" and "down," but could still use some help with basic obedience. Luckily, we offer an obedience class here at the shelter with discounted rates for adoptees.

THE CATS

Maggie
Friendly as can be and as pretty as a picture, Maggie is a beautiful five-year-old that has a medium-length brown tiger coat. She is a bit shy, but very sweet and can't wait to have a forever family to warm up to. Maggie is a great girl and would love to be the only kitty for her new family to love and cherish.



Genevive
Pretty as a picture and always ready for some fun, Genevive is a beautiful three-year-old with a long black coat. She is a fun-lov-

ing, friendly girl who can't wait to find a forever home to call her own, and should do just fine sharing her new home with other cats and respectful children.

OTHER PETS

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



Pet Mice
We currently have a variety of mice up for adoption at the shelter. They range from adults all the way down to newborn babies. If you are interested in having a mouse for a pet please fill out an adoption application and stop in to meet them.

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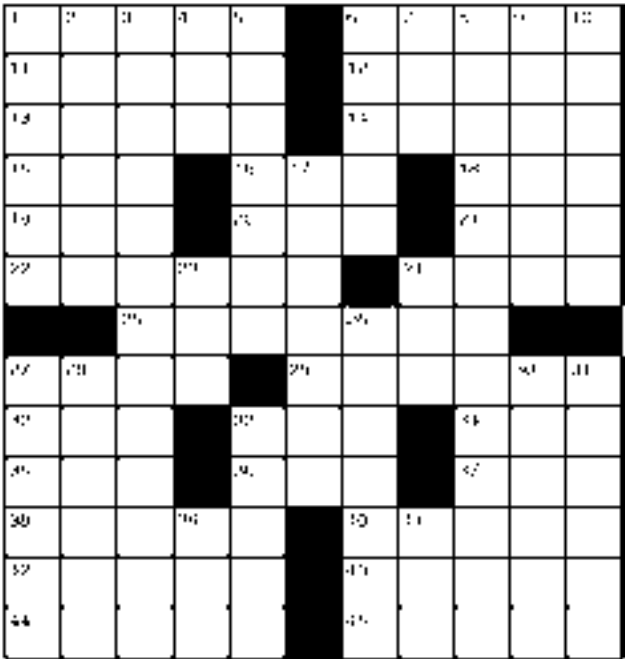
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Loses weight
- 6 Spring sign
- 11 Principle
- 12 Free of suds
- 13 Dustin's "Midnight Cowboy" role
- 14 "Something's — Give"
- 15 Cigar bit
- 16 Old hand
- 18 Go left
- 19 Charge
- 20 Butter serving
- 21 Greek vowel
- 22 Spotted
- 24 Heed
- 25 Gary's home
- 27 Tears
- 29 Ring islands
- 32 Piggied out
- 33 Bar worker: Abbr.
- 34 Tell tales
- 35 Kilmer of "The Doors"



- 36 By the unit
- 37 Scathing review
- 38 "My Fair Lady" lady
- 40 Men of Mecca
- 42 Frisco footballer
- 43 Children's author Eric

- 44 Perfume
- 45 Small fry

DOWN

- 1 Rake with gunfire
- 2 Flat papers
- 3 Being worked on
- 4 — amis
- 5 Halted
- 6 Secret lingo
- 7 Carnival city
- 8 Close to correct
- 9 Ritzy home
- 10 Ocean lane
- 17 Glow
- 23 Powerful bunch
- 24 Lennon's wife
- 26 Draw in
- 27 Baltimore team
- 28 Tilted type
- 30 Prone
- 31 Detects
- 33 Set off
- 39 Buddhism branch
- 41 Bob's partner

SUDOKU

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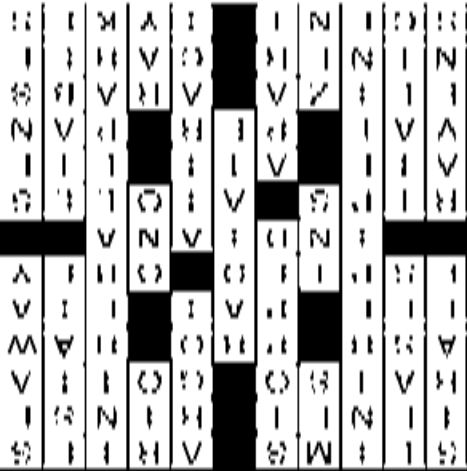
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Crossword Solution



Sudoku Solution

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2	7	4	5	6	9	3	1	8
5	1	8	4	7	3	9	2	6

Summer Listings

EVENTS

The 22nd Laudholm Nature Crafts Festival will be held at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm Farm on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12 and 13, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$7 per person or \$5 for Laudholm Trust members. The Wells Reserve at Laudholm has a no pets, no smoking policy. For more, call 646-4521 or visit www.laudholm.org.

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

Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai Motor America will be held on Sunday, Sept. 13. Walkers may choose to walk one of five routes: the entire 26.2-mile route, the 14-mile route from Hopkinton to Babson College, the 13.1-mile route from Babson College, the 5-mile route from Boston College, or the 3-mile route with patients and their families starting at the main Dana-Farber campus.

Cookbook Signing at Kittery Trading Post will feature Kate Krukowski Gooding will sign copies of her newly released cookbook, "Simple Gourmet Lamb with Side Dishes and Wine Pairings," from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 11, at the Kittery Trading Post on Route 1. The cookbook is the latest in Gooding's Black Fly Stew series. The book is distributed by Islandport Press of Yarmouth. For more information, please contact Gooding at kate@blackflystew.com or 460-8884, or the store at 439-2700.

Fourth Annual Meet the Breeds Showcase, hosted by York County Kennel Club of Maine and the Vacationland Dog Club, will be held on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009, at Tractor Supply Co., on Route 1 in Scarborough. The showcase

runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and admission is free. Canine Good Citizen (CGC) testing will be available to well-behaved dogs for \$15. For more, email dnsfarm@roadrunner.com, call 324-5400 or visit <http://yorkcountykennelclub.homestead.com>.

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

Hospice of York 30th Anniversary Celebration will be held on Friday, Sept. 25, at the Regatta Room in Eliot to commemorate three decades of service by this all-volunteer hospice organization. Hospice of York Director Dee Bickmore urges past members of Hospice of York and other area residents touched by the organization who would like to be a part of this special event to contact her at Hospice of York at 363-7000 so that they may be included among the invited guests.

Miss Maine Day Scholarship Pageant will be held in Saco at the Hampton Inn on Sunday, Aug. 30, at 1 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door for \$10.

Public Supper at the Union Congregational Church in York Beach will be held on Thursday, Sept. 10, with one seating at 5:30 p.m. The meal includes casseroles, salads, baked beans, rolls, beverage and pie and the price is \$9 for adults and \$4.50 for children age 10 and under. Reservations are suggested and may be made by calling 363-4611 or 363-4821. In that everyone is seated at the same time, arrival before 5:30 p.m. will be appreciated.

Wild About Our Community: A Celebration of Nature, Conservation and Education at the Center for Wildlife will be held on Sunday, Sept. 13. Tickets to this special educational and fundraising event are available in advance for \$5/individual; \$10/couple; \$15/family of five or at the gate for \$7.50/individual; \$15/couple and \$20/family of five. For all the details, visit www.yorkcenterforwildlife.org or call 361-1400.

Win a House Essay Contest for the Conway Area Humane Society is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to win a \$780,000 Conway vacation home. There is a \$50 entry fee, which must be accompanied by the contestant's choice of one of the

following: a written essay, a video, photography, poem or song explaining why they should win the home donated by the family of Roscoe the Terrier. The entry deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 30, at 5 p.m. In addition to the Grand Prize, all entrants are eligible to win \$15,000 in cash prizes. One early-bird raffle for \$5,000 remains on Thursday, Sept. 10. For complete contest rules, and a photo tour of the home, please visit www.newenglandhomecontest.com. For other information call (603) 447-5605. For more about the nonprofit shelter, visit www.conwayshelter.org.

York Flea Market at St Aspinquid Masonic Lodge on Long Sands Road is open Saturdays this summer from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

EXHIBITS, MUSIC, THEATRE, BOOKS AND MORE

Calling all Artists and Crafters for Art in the Park 2009 on Saturday, Sept. 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., sponsored by the York Art Association. Approximately 60 spaces are available, assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis, for fine arts and crafts. Food and free parking are available and there will be purchase prizes and cash awards. The entry fee is \$100. For more information or to sign up, call the York Art Association at 363-4049.

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

On the Marsh "Ladies Night Only" on Thursday, Sept. 10, to benefit the Food Pantry of York County, will feature Kelly MacFarland, who has been heralded as one of the top female comedienne of her time. The cost for the evening is \$60 plus tax and gratuity. Call 967-2299.

The Portland Museum of Art will explore the art of Jay Hall Connaway (1893-1970) in the first major museum exhibition since his death. "Moods of Nature: Jay Connaway and the Landscape of New England" will be on view beginning Wednesday, Sept. 19, and continuing through the first week of December. The exhibit will feature 40 rarely seen works from private collections in Maine and Massachusetts. For more information, call (207) 775-6148 or visit www.portlandmuseum.org.

Red Door Pottery Studio and Gallery Shop features "Exposing the Moment," award-winning photography by Kittery resident Steve Delaney, former chief photog-

rapher for the Environmental Protection Agency, through September, at 44 Government St. in Kittery. Call 439-5671 or visit exfpottery@yahoo.com.

StoneCrop Gallery on Shore Road at the York-Ogunquit line features work by Yoav Horesh in the exhibition Above & Below through Saturday, Sept. 26.

The York Art Association Open Pastel and Watercolor Show runs from Friday, Aug. 28, through Sunday, Sept. 13, at the York Art Association building in York Harbor.

The York County Shelter Programs Apple Celebration of the Arts will be held from Saturdays, Sept. 12 through 26, focusing on art and music, including works by Grady Collins. The Apple Celebration of the Arts will culminate with a benefit "Music for Meds" concert by world-acclaimed composer, musician, conductor and arranger Tim Janis in the rustic Shaker barn on the beautiful grounds of the Brothers of Christian Instruction in Alfred on Saturday, Sept. 26, at 7 p.m. Tickets for this fundraiser for prescription medications for the homeless and the uninsured will be available for \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door. There will be apple crisp and apple cider refreshments for sale. For information about tickets, becoming a sponsor or helping out, please call at 324-1137 or email mqdoyle@gmail.com.

HEALTH, SUPPORT AND WELLNESS

Don't Weight to be Healthy begins on Thursday, Sept. 17. This group class meets Thursdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for 10 weeks. The program is facilitated by a registered dietitian and a fitness instructor and includes a 10-week gym membership to the Heart Health Institute. The cost is \$199. All programs meet at the Heart Health Institute, a division of York Hospital, located at 127 Long Sands Road in York. To register or find out more information, call 351-3700.

Weigh To Go, a weight management program for teens, begins Thursday, Sept. 17. This group class meets Thursdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for 10 weeks. The program's emphasis is on a family approach to lifelong weight management and is designed for teenagers, ages 13 to 18, and their parent or guardian. Group classes are facilitated by a registered dietitian and a fitness instructor. a 10-week gym membership to the Heart Health Institute is included for both participants. The cost is \$299 for each par-

ent/teen team. All programs meet at the Heart Health Institute, a division of York Hospital, located at 127 Long Sands Road. To register or for more details call 351-3700.

WORKSHOPS AND ENRICHMENT

Hospice of York is looking for new volunteers and the next training class begins Monday, Sept. 14. Have you been thinking this is the kind of meaningful, "give-back" kind of volunteerism that you would like to do? Have you seen the benefits of having Hospice serve your family or friends and think you would like to see if you can do that? Are you simply thinking this is something that would benefit your own life? Call Hospice of York to explore the opportunity. Completing Hospice of York's 12-week course does not commit you or us to anything, but you need to do so if you think you want to become a volunteer in the future. Classes are held at Pelkey Funeral Home on the Route 1 Bypass in Kittery from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$30 and preregistration is necessary. To register, or for more information, call Dee at 363-7000.

The Peace Of Portsmouth Community Arts Performance Workshop will be held on Tuesdays from Sept. 15 through Oct. 20 from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m. No experience is necessary to be a part of this six-week workshop and participate in a readers' theatre performance of Pontine Theatre's original production celebrating the 1905 signing of the Treaty of Portsmouth. Open to everyone ages 8 to 98, young people under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Tuition is free with contributions gratefully accepted. Workshops will be held at Pontine's West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington Street, Portsmouth N.H. To register or for more information, please attend the first session of the workshop on Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 5:45pm. The workshop's culminating performance will be Saturday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m. This event is in collaboration with the Japan-America Society of NH's Portsmouth Peace Treaty Forum.

ONGOING

DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

York Community Thrift Shop, located at 1320 Route 1 in Cape Neddick requests donations of small furniture, small kitchen appliances, cos-

tume jewelry, summer hats and shoes. Proceeds from the shop benefit townspeople through the Food Pantry and Family Services. Call 363-2510.

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

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

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

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

York sixth-grader shares a moment with the president

By Jennifer L. Saunders

YORK—Dante Nieves will be the first one to tell you that standing in line for two and a half hours with tickets in hand to enter Portsmouth High School for President Barack Obama's recent visit to the Seacoast made him wonder whether hearing the president speak would be worth the wait.

However, after the soon-to-be sixth-grader and his mother, York resident Sandi Nieves, found their seats, heard the president's speech and the question-and-answered period that followed, Dante had an opportunity he will never forget.

Dante was able to meet President Obama face-to-face and have his ticket signed by the president himself.

"When he was leaving the place the Secret Service was all around," Dante recalled. "He went by and I put out my ticket and he signed it."

Only children could have their tickets signed by the president, Dante explained.

Sandi added that she and Dante received their tickets through an online lottery and her son never expected to have an up-close moment with the president.

Dante explained that he and his mother were

sitting in the second row of the bleacher section - just a short distance from the fence put up in the room as a security measure.

"He's just a cool guy," Dante said. "He told me to have a good summer."

And when Dante begins his sixth-grade year in Paula Bogard's class at York Middle School in just a few days, he will have a unique story to tell about what he did during his summer vacation.

"To be my age and never have seen that—and to have my son experience that was just amazing," Sandi said of seeing her son share a short conversation with the president. "He has

a great rapport with kids. You can tell he's an involved dad."

And what was it like to see President Obama face to face, after watching him on television through the campaign and his election?

"He looks exactly the same," Dante said.

Sandi added that while she and her son did not see any other York residents at the president's "town hall" meeting on his healthcare initiative, she has a feeling Maine was well represented. When Obama spoke favorably of Maine's Republican Senators Susan Collins and Olympia Snowe, she said, the crowd erupted in cheers.

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