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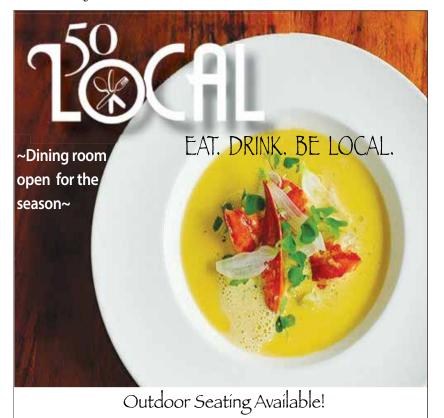
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Legacy Properties Sotheby's International Realty Awards Frederick W. "Rick" Griffin Scholarship to Sarah Catherine Weaver

Legacy Properties Sotheby's International Realty, Maine's leading luxury property company announced today that the annual Frederick W. "Rick" Griffin memorial scholarship has been awarded to Sarah Catherine Weaver. The Frederick W. "Rick" Griffin memorial scholarship fund began in 2015. One scholarship in the amount of \$2,500.00 is awarded each year to a graduating college bound Kennebunk High School senior.

The scholarship is awarded to a student who is recognized by teachers, school administration and peers as one who personifies and embodies all that is "special" about living in the Kennebunks. They exhibit their passion through academic, athletic, and community involvement while demonstrating a commitment to making the Kennebunks a better place to live and work.

Sarah Weaver graduated Kennebunk High School in June 2020, with high honors and in the "Top Ten" percent of her class. While at Kennebunk High School, she participated in soccer, cross country and track and field. Sarah was an active member of Peer Helpers, Girl Talk and Yearbook Club, as well as volunteering with many other community service projects. She is the recipient

of the Society of Women Engineers award for excellence in Science and Mathematics, KHS Scholar Athlete Awards, AP Scholar Award, and the Christopher J. Hussey Memorial Scholarship. Sarah will be attending Villanova University this fall with a major in Chemical Engineering and a minor in Sustainability Studies.

"Sarah is yet another accomplished and deserving recipient of this very special scholarship," states Chris Lynch, President of Legacy Properties Sotheby's International Realty. "I am always so impressed with the amazing student candidates we meet each year that clearly have an incredible passion, as did Rick, for life in the Kennebunks. Rick had immense passion for family, friends, clients and all things Kennebunks, his favorite place in the world," concludes Lynch.

Previous winners of this special honor include Eric Yemma (2015), Olivia Sandford (2016), Emma Murphy (2017), Leah Bridgham (2018), and Grace Soucy (2019).

Frederick W. "Rick" Griffin left a proud legacy of community involvement, pride in his work, and love of his family. He and Martha, his wife of 43-years, owned and operated the Kennebunkport Inn. Changing careers more than a decade ago to join the real estate profession, he quickly made his mark as the professional. consummate He wore many hats in his efforts to share his unbridled passion for the Kennebunks. Rick was involved in several organizations including the Kennebunk Historical Society, The Parsons Way Committee, The Church Vestry at Saint Anne's Episcopal Church, Graves Memorial Library, Kennebunk Rotary, and the Kennebunk River School in June 2020, with high honors and Club. In addition to his role as the in the "Top Ten" percent of her class.

Tree Warden for Kennebunkport, he loved his work with the elderly at the Senior

Center. "Immediate following Rick's untimely passing, I endowed a \$25,000 10-year scholarship program which has already benefitted six terrific high school grads in pursuit of a college education," adds Lynch. "I am looking forward to sharing his story



Sarah Weaver graduated Kennebunk High

return after college to continue to have the same positive impact on the community that earned them the scholarship," concludes Lynch. Legacy Properties

with the Kennebunk

High School seniors

over the next several

years. I am hopeful

that the recipients will

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By Richard and Heather Evans, Quest Fitness in Kennebunk.

Having a strong immune system is a great way to improve your health and reduce the risk of catching infections. Fortunately for us, our bodies respond to many exercises, activities and practices by boosting our immune system.

Here are some natural ways you can boost your immune system using some well proven exercises and a few new ones.

Strength Training - there are many benefits to strength training, including better bone density, joint health and an improved metabolic rate which means you burn more calories at rest, but did you know that even moderate strength training will boost your immune system? During strength training our bodies release endorphins which are known to have a positive effect on our immune system. So whether you are lifting weights, using stretch bands, doing body weight exercises like pushups you can deliver this worthwhile benefit to your health.

Interval Training - Interval based exercise classes like Indoor Cycle, HIIT or Boot Camp can also give you great results. The short bursts of higher intensity effort can give you the same benefits as strength training, with endorphins flowing, the immune system is stimulated. The added impact of boosting the cardiovascular system during these types of exercise, improving blood flow and respiration allow you to get a full body system workout too.

Yoga - For those of you who want to get the same benefits with less intensity, Yoga has long been recognized as having many health benefits including boosting your immune system. For centuries, eastern medicine included movement based therapies to keep people healthy. Yoga helps lower

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stress hormones that can negatively affect the immune system, unlike other forms of exercise yoga has the capability to condition the respiratory system while also encouraging optimal function of various organs throughout the body. A general yoga practice will strengthen the whole body by encouraging deep breathing, movement across all three planes of motion, and mind-body awareness, but some specific postures have significant benefits on their own. For example, Downward-Facing Dog will encourage blood flow to ease sinus congestion. Poses that open the chest will assist in dilating the bronchioles allowing for healthy breathing patterns, like back bends, or Cobra pose. Twisting postures can also have a positive effect on digestion, gently compressing or extending the belly decreases toxin build-up that arises from improper digestion. In addition to the asanas, or poses, meditation on its own reduces the incidence of various ailments by de-stressing the mind and body. A healthy mind promotes a healthy body.

Forest Bathing - You may not have heard about this, but forest bathing is a real thing and has excellent health benefits. The Japanese refer to it as SHINRIN-YOKU or "absorbing the forests atmosphere with all your senses." In Sweden they have their own name for it, VASTSVERIGE. So how do we forest bathe and what are the benefits?

Generally the recommendation is to find a natural wooded environment, that is quiet, less trafficked and find a comfortable rock or a small clearing. Laying still on your back, as if you were sunbathing for 30 minutes has been shown to deliver some valuable benefits, including: lowering blood pressure, reducing stress hormone production, improving sleep and promoting better concentration. Spending a whole weekend in quiet nature has been shown to boost the immune system. So next time you go for a hike, take time for some quiet 'Forest Bathing' too.

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Museum moves STEAMPUNK FAIR DIGITAL



The Brick Store Museum, celebrating local history, art and culture year-round, will mark the dual bicentennials of the State of Maine and the Town of Kennebunk this year with its Century Saturday Series, supported by the Maine Humanities Council and Kennebunk Savings Bank. The series runs from May through October, and features one century of history per month. On Saturday, August 8th, the program will focus on the 19th Century in Maine and dually celebrate the Museum's annual Southern Maine Steampunk Fair. The 19th Century event was planned this year to focus on 19th century history in southern Maine while also studying the Victorian era's modern expression of "Steampunk," a niche aesthetic that envisions the future using Victorian design standards. The Museum's Southern Maine Steampunk Fair, which occurs every August, draws large audiences every year.

"If you have wondered about 'steampunk,' this is the year to explore it!" Museum director Cynthia Walker said. "Since we've moved the fair to a digital venue, visitors to the site will be able to watch lectures on what 'steampunk' is; its aesthetics and applications; and more, all while simultaneously exploring the 19th century in Maine."

Due to COVID-19, the Museum staff have pivoted from what would have been in-person events to creating the world of the Victorian era online. The "19th Century Saturday Portal" and "Newfangled Contraption (Digital) Steampunk Fair" will both open on August 8 on www. brickstoremuseum.org. The site will feature video speakers discussing both historical and steampunk topics; a virtual costume contest (visit www.brickstoremuseum.org to learn details!); pop-up online exhibitions; at-home activities; artist presentations; make-at-home recipes

This year-long programming is funded through a grant from the Maine Humanities Council and generous sponsorship from Kennebunk Savings Bank. Admission to these programs is typically included in the cost of regular museum admission; however, online programming is free with donations gratefully accepted. More information about these programs and their schedules can be found on www.brickstoremuseum.org.

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PRESENT DAY POLICING

Chiefs of Police from Kennebunk, Kennebunkport and Wells Weigh In



Some of the Kennebunk Police Department Force. Left to right: Sergeant Anthony Clukey, Chief Bob MacKenzie, Officer Matthew Harrington, Lieutenant Eric O'Brien, Officer Eugene Gaudette, Sergeant Christopher Russell, School Resource Officer Jason McClure, Detective Stephen Borst, Officer Scott Hendrick, K9 Officer Kaitlyn Sawyer, School Resource Officer Audra Higgins. KPD courtesy photo.

By: Shelley Wigglesworth, lead writer

In this Q & A interview, Kennebunk Police Chief Robert MacKenzie, Kennebunkport Police Chief Craig Sanford and Wells Police Chief Jo-Ann Putnam speak candidly about the challenges law enforcement officers are facing during the COVID19 pandemic and how they are rising to the occasion to serve the public. All three Chiefs' also speak openly about the racially charged political climate that law enforcement officers all over the country are currently experiencing, and how they are addressing these issues locally, as well as talking about the lack of law enforcement applicants, the progress the trio of departments has made despite current challenges, and what they would like the public to know about their local police forces.

What are some of the most significant challenges

facing our local police forces face today and how are local police departments handling these challenges?

Robert MacKenzie, Kennebunk Police Chief "Currently and nationally it is the current state of distrust/displeasure with the recent events that have happened across the country, such as in the death of George Floyd. I would say we have had a great deal of community support during the unrest. In saying that, we always look for ways to improve. We strengthen our use of force policies to make sure they are contemporary and the best practice, we train on topics such as implicit bias, and continue to build and enhance relationships with all members of our community." He added "Finding qualified applicants is another challenge. It is very difficult, especially with the sentiment across the country. Once you do find potential applicants, law enforcement is a very difficult profession to get into as it is

probably the most difficult screening process of any career. Applicants have several interviews, physical, medical, polygraph, psychological exams, and a thorough background investigation in order to be offered the job. We as Chiefs cannot lower our standards just to get applicants, as we need to hire the best possible candidates to serve."

Craig Sanford, Kennebunkport Police Chief "While the nation with racial struggles and constitutional issues, we locally see those concerns in our communities and try to respond accordingly. The law enforcement profession here in Maine have always had a closer connection with the community it serves. We have always trained to make life a priority and adjust training and policy when needed to keep that the standard. I have policed in other parts of the world and this nation and can tell you we are professionals. Some folks feel it is appropriate to take out frustrations freely on police personnel which is very sad." He continued, "Staffing issues are also a challenge. Trying to find candidates that are qualified and want to take on the requirement of the job is tough. Not so long ago, we would have numerous applications for a vacancy. Today, it is not unusual to get one or two. Technology is always a challenge. It is always developing and improving, and the law enforcement community is expected to be automatically familiar with it and carry on with policing no matter the required expertise to navigate the technology. Training time and funds is another continuing challenge. We need the time and the money to keep updated in all aspects of the profession as well as maintain a 24 hour response to the public. As far as addressing the issues, Sanford said "We are constantly reviewing and changing policy to ensure we are serving our community at the highest of standards. We review all uses of force here in Kennebunkport. A



Kennebunkport Police Chief Craig Sanford. KPPD courtesy photo.



Kennebunk Police Chief Bob MacKenzie. Tammy B. Wells. photo.

supervisor is dedicated to looking at the use of force, speaking and gathering information from witnesses, reviewing any recordings and producing a report that is reviewed by myself and the Deputy Chief for potential improvement in

service, improvement in equipment, and or policy violation or change. We continue to support RSU 21 with school resource officers that are a part of the school community. These officers develop relationships with students and faculty that cannot be

accomplished with an occasional visit. We realize that there are only so many dollars to a municipal budget, but do strive to continue to train and grow."

Jo-Ann Putnam, Wells Chief of Police "The world-wide anti-police sentiment is the biggest challenge right now. It is hard not to hear all the negativity towards police as it is all over the news and on the front page of newspapers. We are very lucky here in the town of Wells and the State of Maine as police officers are trained to a very high standard and policies are reviewed periodically by the Maine Criminal Justice Academy, The Maine Chiefs of Police Association and the individual departments to make sure they are current. I think

Robert MacKenzie, Kennebunk Chief of Police "As it relates to the unrest, I feel we do a great job in Kennebunk, we will continually strive to do better and continue to build relationships with community group. As in all members and visitors professions, there alike. We will reduce are people that do barriers such as the 'us against them' mentality, as we are all in this together. 'I want the public to know, we will be there job and the roof in any emergency as we are ready to serve. doesn't mean all

a positive attitude and support from administration is important in keeping officers' minds off the negativity. I would like people to understand that they cannot lump all police officers into the same not do the right thing or go rogue (like you hire a roofer to fix your leaky roof and he doesn't do a great still leaks. This roofers are bad). I believe all the kind emails and letters

of support we have received from the public goes a long way in helping officers through these trying times." Putnam agreed with MacKenzie and Sanford on difficulty finding law enforcement employees and said "Hiring and retaining police officers is a challenge. It's not just about the pay any more. People

Kennebunk Land Trust, University of New England, and the American Chestnut Foundation Partner to Restore a Keystone Species

This winter, Kennebunk Land Trust's Executive Director, Sarah Stanley, visited University of New England (UNE) Environmental Studies Department professor, Tom Klak and his lab to learn about his team's efforts to restore the American chestnut. The American chestnut was all but obliterated during the last century by an accidentally imported fungal blight that is still killing the few remaining trees today. The blight has wiped out an estimated four billion chestnuts throughout the eastern US from Maine to Alabama.

Klak's lab has partnered with State University of New York (SUNY), the American Chestnut Foundation, and others to speed breed blight-tolerant American Chestnut seedlings in his lab and greenhouse, helping them produce pollen much faster than it would take if they grew naturally. For the first time this summer, this blighttolerant pollen will fertilize some wild American chestnuts in Maine.

Klak has collaborated with the Kennebunk Land Trust and others to establish sites for planting seedlings from the few remaining wild American chestnut mother trees.

According to Klak, if the seedlings help restore the American chestnut, it will be the greatest comeback of any tree species in North American history. American chestnuts thrive in sunny locations and therefore, KLT has selected For All Forever, a 111-acre property with two large meadows, as an ideal site for planting. Earlier this summer, KLT stewardship volunteers

seedlings three geneticallyfrom diverse mother trees in the upper meadow. KLT's summer intern, Caitlin Wiseman, will monitor the trees during her internship. This project emphasizes the value and importance of community conservation. By working together diverse with rather partners, than in silos,

and Klak planted

communities can achieve more and reach common goals.



UNE american chestnut visit.



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just don't seem to want to get into public sector work as we are under a microscope constantly and scrutinized all the time. Hiring police officers has changed dramatically over the years. When I was hired back in 1986 there were 77 applicants for the job, now departments are lucky to get 10 applicants and then the stringent background process weeds out half of those. An excellent benefit package, a good working environment and specialty opportunities are ways of attracting and keeping officers."

How has policing changed during the COVID19 pandemic?

Craig Sanford, Kennebunkport Chief of Police "Policing during a pandemic is a new twist. We have operational, training, and personnel costs that were unexpected. We try and protect staff as well as the public and our operation has required significant change. Officers have learned to do their jobs in different ways. They need to equip and protect themselves and the public in



Wells Police Department dispatch team. Left to right: Nicole Richard, Jason Lizotte, Heather Coleman, Aaron Stewart, Saundra Skoczen and Ryan Moody.

Wells PD courtesy photo.

a variety of ways while getting the mission completed. Officers have tried to maintain relationships with students and citizenry while keeping safety a priority and have gone above and beyond during the pandemic by purchasing groceries out of their own pockets for needy families and supplying needy folks with furniture, clothes, and even simple but hard to find toilet paper, and delivered these items to them during the pandemic."

Jo-Ann Putnam, Wells Chief of Police "As far as COVID-19: It has been tough keeping up with all the changes, but we have been doing our best and will continue to try and keep our residents and visitors as safe as possible. There have been instances that we have had to ask people to leave town for COVID-19 related reasons early on in the pandemic and the majority of them agreed to comply after speaking with an officer. The officers have had to change the way they conduct **Continue to page 14**



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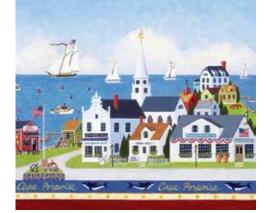
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Local shop owner, Lani Dietz, and guest Sommelier, Betsy Ross, will guide us through the program with ideas, pairings, and educational tidbits as we sip "sparkling wines." This will be a Zoom presentation moderated by Mary-Lou Boucouvalas at Graves Library. Please call the Library (967-2778) to register by Wednesday, August 19 and we will send you the Zoom link on the day of the event. All participants are encouraged to purchase wine at Wine & Vine in Lower Village, Kennebunk prior to the start time. All participants are also invited to call 50 Local to order a "snack" box if they so choose. Details will

be forthcoming. We would love to see you! And you don't have to worry about driving!

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Robert MacKenzie, Kennebunk Chief of Police "We have had one full-time officer and one part-time officer test positive for COVID early on. Both have since fully recovered and have been back to work. We took immediate steps and worked closely with the CDC to stop any potential spread when this occurred. We have had to think outside the box, and take many steps to reduce the potential risks for employees being exposed to COVID. We had to change the way we responded, or not responded to calls and took what calls for service we could over the phone. This is not what we like to do generally, as we like to meet our residents/ visitors in person, but it is a good idea during a pandemic. I believe our communities have continued to do great job with collaborating with many entities to work together, to include our police department. During the pandemic, we have been cautious on spending monies and have delayed purchases if possible, for any potential budget shortfalls. We continue to monitor the situation nationally and locally and will plan future budgets accordingly."

What would you like townspeople to know?

Jo-Ann Putnam, Wells Chief of Police "Residents, businesses and visitors alike have been showing their support for Wells PD employees in many different ways which is greatly appreciated! I believe we have had a wonderful working relationship with our community members for years, which I think has helped in



Wells Police Department honor Guard. Left to right: Cpl. Timothy Cetrano, Officer John Riegel, Officer Brett Tishim and Officer William Jepson. Photo by, Wells PD.



Wells Police Chief Jo-Ann Putnam. Chris Baez photo.

these trying times. I am very proud to say that the members of the Wells Police Department will do their part in trying to keep them safe and healthy now and in the future."

Craig Sanford, Kennebunkport Chief of Police "I would ask the public to not put every police officer in the same category. As with any profession, team, or group, there are those individuals who for whatever reason, got in but should have been removed long ago. Law enforcement is no different. The vast majority of police professionals work hard to serve the community and do their very best. I understand that folks are full of emotions due to the pandemic, political viewpoints and outright anger over poor policing in parts of our nation. Those emotions are felt by each and every officer and I can only ask folks to not take it out on us. We need to work together to move in a direction of positivity for all. We need the public's support to be successful and we will continue to serve with the highest of standards."

Robert MacKenzie, Kennebunk Chief of Police "As it relates to the unrest, I feel we do a great job in Kennebunk, we will continually strive to do better and continue to build relationships with community members and visitors alike. We will reduce barriers such as the 'us against them' mentality, as we are all in this together. As sir Robert Peel stated: 'The police are the public and the public are the police; the police being only members of the public who are paid to give full time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence.' I want the public to know, we will be there in any emergency as we are ready to serve."

THANK YOU to all of our POLICE OFFICERS who keep our community safe!

New gallery adds to *local art* scene in the Kennebunks

Two years ago Kiersten Wilcox was visiting her mom here during a particularly terrible January ice storm, and she and her husband fell in love with the Kennebunks.

"We looked at each other and said "We love it here!' We decided that if we could love this place in the middle of January, we would really enjoy living here year-round," said Wilcox.

So last year they packed up their home in Jackson Hole, Wyo., and moved east to be near family. The Kennebunks were exactly what this couple was looking for: a small town with a strong community vibe in which to raise their two-year-old daughter, that is close to big cities with museums, art galleries and concerts, yet small enough to know your neighbor while surrounded by breath-taking scenery.

Plus the Kennebunks has a vibrant arts scene -and as an art consultant and gallery curator, she saw an opportunity to bring a new aspect to the art scene. "There wasn't really a gallery showing the work and artists I know many of my clients collect, and many of my clients are from the New England area. There was something missing, and I thought 'I can fill that! Let's bring something in that complements what's already here. I want to add to an area that's already known for



arts scene," she said.

"If everyone works together to promote the arts -- restaurants and lodging all benefit from having great art and galleries benefit from their draw -- art can be a huge backbone to a community and overall contributor to its growth," she said.

Raised in Southport, Conn., Wilcox started her successful career as an art consultant in Jackson Hole after receiving her BA from Bucknell and Masters from Savannah College of Art and Design. She worked with clients from across the world helping them acquire new and exciting works for their homes and collections. Wilcox also volunteered her time as the President of the Jackson Hole Gallery Association and as a board member for the Jackson Hole Fall Arts Festival. In Kennebunk, Wilcox started work as a private art consultant, doing her homework and research in hopes of opening a gallery. Despite a pandemic, she opened her doors June 1, virus or no virus.

"The internet has been a great thing," she said with a laugh. "And we are thrilled to finally be open to the public and look forward to more visitors! Art is up on the walls, more art is coming in, and we look forward to being part

of the arts community."

Located upstairs from Spaces by Nicki Bongiorno, at 184 Port Road in Lower Village, Kennebunk, the newest gallery in the Kennebunks features contemporary art from emerging and established internationally collected artists, notably Paul Villinski and Jeremy Houghton.

Villinksi, from York and now living in New York and collected around the world, has created studio and large-scale artworks for more than three decades. A pilot of sailplanes, paragliders and single-engine airplanes, he uses metaphors of flight and soaring in his work. With a lifelong concern for environmental issues, his work frequently re-purposes discarded materials, effecting surprising and poetic transformations. Next up in August will be "Transmarinus," a solo exhibit of work by Chloe Saron, opening with a PUBLIC RECEPTION FROM 5 TO 7 P.M. FRIDAY, AUG. 14.

"They're even more stunning in person," said Wilcox. "He will hopefully be here for the opening in July."

Houghton is noted for some high-profile work recently from Windsor Castle and Highgrove to 2017's Wimbledon championships, and the competitors at the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics. He paints places, journeys, sport and adventure to explore the essence of movement, favouring themes of space and light. The subjects that characterize these scenes are illuminated by the way that he shapes the spaces between things, and the spaces in which bodies linger, shimmer, move and often take flight.

"I think their art will really resonate well around here," she said.

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Natures Gifts: Summer Bird Feeding

By Amy Allen,

ummer is a great time to enjoy a wide variety of backyard birds. You can awaken each morning to their cheerful songs and watch as they build their nests and raise their young!

To achieve the fullest from this time of year, create a song bird friendly yard. Start with a good bird feeder filled with a high guality seed. If waste is a concern, try a shelled sunflower seed which will leave nothing behind.

Summer bird feeding is important to the survival of adult and new born birds. A reliable high quality food source, like your feeder, enables parents to better protect and provide for their hatchlings. Adults that must travel far and search long for good food sources may miss an opportunity to chase off a predator. Also, studies have shown that sites with bird feeders have a larger, healthier bird population that will eat more insects overall and may help to reduce the need for pesticide use.

You don't need to let pesky, determined squirrels ruin your bird watching experience.

There are a number of well made and effective squirrel-proof feeders available. The best work by the squirrel's own weight closing food access. Another method to ban them from your feeders means using a squirrel baffle that, when properly placed, can make even the boldest squirrel give up and stay on the ground!

Once the food is available next thing to add is a water source. Bird baths and fountains will add life and to your garden and provide a clean water source for birds to drink and bathe.

If space allows, providing a birdhouse or nest box can encourage birds like bluebirds, tree swallows, chickadees and wrens to nest nearby. Once you witness a mother bird bringing her young ones to your feeder or bird bath, you will be looking to add more bird dwelling options!

Creating a summer songbird environment will help to sustain and strengthen the birds while they nest and rear their young. You will have the opportunity to see and hear so many different types of birds in your very own backyard.

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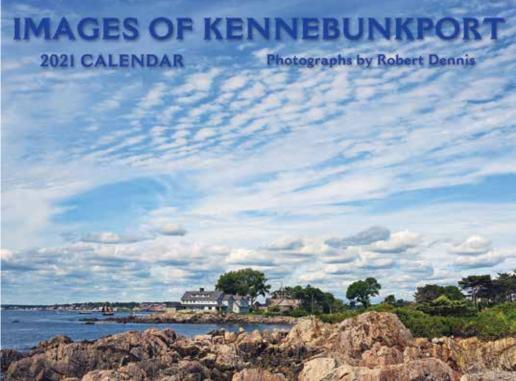
By: Shelley Wigglesworth, lead writer

"What my calendar shows is that, for me, Kennebunkport is absolutely beautiful in every season."

Robert Dennis is a husband, father, grandfather, retired investment banker and year- round Cape Porpoise resident. He is also a well- known local photographer. His work, which includes local scenes, celebrities, nature and more, has **Bob Dennis with his beagle Theo.** *Photo By Shelley Wigglesworth*

appeared in numerous publications and on television.

And, 2021 will mark 20 years of publishing his popular "Images of Kennebunkport" calendar featuring the village he loves in all seasons. He explained how it all began. "For many years I was obsessed with New England photo calendars. To the consternation of my family, I would have about ten different calendars hanging in our home. My dream was



to someday do a calendar about Kennebunkport. In 2000, I teamed up with the staff at Ocean Exposure to make a calendar for 2001 on their in-house printer. The calendar was so successful that next year I began working with Edison Press in Sanford. This year's calendar is my 20th overall and 19th with Edison."

Dennis takes thousands of photos throughout the year and in the spring he begins to select photos for the next year's calendar. " I usually finish sometime in April. There are no criteria other than my judgment as to which are my absolute

best photos and which ones would work best in the calendar. Photos are almost always selected from those taken within the last year. Over twenty years, no photo has appeared more than once."

When asked about his favorite photo, Dennis is known to reply "I haven't taken it yet," though he does show a few of his top contenders on his website. "I believe I've improved as a photographer over the years and the quality of my work hopefully



Bob Dennis courtesy photo

reflects that. Nevertheless, some of my most popular photos go back a decade or more."

Bob Dennis' 2021 Images of Kennebunkport calendar is sold at HB Provisions, The Whimsy Shop, Colonial Pharmacy, Beach Grass, Saxony Imports, Cape Porpoise Kitchen, the Goose Rocks Beach General Store, and Mail-It Unlimited and may also be purchased online at: https://bobdennis.smugmug.com/

ROUNDED STONES

The Hollow Promise By Casey Clark

n my house, complaining about technology is met with "stop complaining", but the cat doesn't seem to mind. So, I'm forced to complain here, my only outlet for such verbal effluence. Those readers adverse to this should go no further. My complaints, however, are ones that affect all of us, since technology is ubiquitous in this world. It's not technology that I object to, a la Ted Kaczynski; it's how we as human beings create it, sell it and react to it. That is the problem. There is a creeping systemic apathy engulfing us, not unlike the proverbial frog in a pot of water slowly being heated to its death. We won't notice it until we're cooked.

Since the commercialization of the transistor in 1951, we have steadily

marched towards detaching ourselves from the analog world. Having grown up in the fifties and sixties, I long for the click-on sound of a TV knob,

versus the utterly unsatisfying touch of a surface that may or may not react to the heat of my finger, or disallow access because of my Covid facemask. Modern cars have start buttons now, which you can actually depress. Yippee, a "push" button!

How long before this is replaced with a cold surface that prohibits your ability to start the vehicle because of a wet finger, or perhaps the car "thinks" your voice command confirmed you are not an authorized driver--you have laryngitis! And of course there's no override to get you out of hot water. Good thinking, developers! Unintended consequences are the constant companion of intended ones, but potentially more impactful.

Another feature of that golden era, the 60's, was the simplicity of having only three TV channels to choose from. With thousands of channels in today's world, we often sigh in exasperation,

> endlessly searching to make a choice. As human beings age, universally long we for simplicity and shun unnecessary complexity, of which there is a growing abundance. We know intrinsically that simplicity is best, and

we gravitate to things that operate with that as a primary feature. Finding simplicity, however, is becoming as rare as finding an honorable politician. What is going on here, really? "Keep it simple stupid", the KISS anthem, has become a hollow promise, and is now accompanied by a desperate grasp for simplicity amid a dizzying array of complex structures imbedded in all technology. The frustration arises as a result of incomplete development of these high-tech products. The part of the development left undone is not important to marketing the product or to the bottom line. Simplicity is simply

not possible any more. A great example of this is the smart phone, which has single-handedly rendered so many other devices unnecessary, from the stopwatch, to the camera, to the GPS, and dozens of other functional, independent devices. Such complexity could never be properly serviced by simplicitythere's just too much diversity of purpose to accommodate. So, what suffers are the lacking conveniences that make the experience for each function hassle-free. This is why so much innovation is the partner of helpless frustration.

My hope is that artificial intelligence (AI) will step in to correct these annoying, time-consuming failures of design. Already showing its own



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promise, AI is penetrating our world, providing services that free us of certain tasks, but raising security concerns. Until the makers of Alexa guaranty absolute privacy to users, I for one will not buy it. The idea that an open Alexa microphone waiting to wake is available to makes for personal disasters which far outweigh the benefits. Didn't the designers envision this possibility as inevitable? These hackers are smart people, but this obvious vulnerability was willfully passed over (by even smarter people) in favor of bringing the product to market more quickly.

Because we would be much more productive with tech wizardry, we are invariably faced with a blizzard of choices, menus, protocols, passwords, and the demands of remembering how to operate a feature forgotten five minutes after it was learned, as discussed in my previous article Useless Learning.

Instead of technology making things better for the world it has done quite the opposite. Sure, we now have useful conveniences and powerful capabilities, but this comes at a hefty price: our unawareness of what's missing—the frog in that pot of slowly boiling water.

Products are designed to be feature rich, making them more competitive in the marketplace. Excluded from these features are the things we wish were there after having bought the product, like how to delete something, for example. The software may have the way to "delete" buried in a menu somewhere, but getting the shovel out every time to dig for it gets old. These are not marketable features since they only provide convenience for the user, not "added value" of a true capability that enhances a feature set's appeal.

High tech Products are replete with annoyances. I'm amazed (I guess I shouldn't be) that an operating system like macOS Catalina can't tell what folder you were just in when saving another file. It brings you back to the top level, acting like it has Alzheimer's. Another example is the iPhone feature that allows you to schedule "Downtime" for specific apps. Days after I did this, I wanted to undo it or at least adjust the schedule, and there's no way. The simple reason is the phone asks for an unknown four digit code to edit this feature-not the six digit code used to unlock the phone, but a mysterious new one I never had the opportunity to program into the phone. Did the designers forget to deal with this? I'm now stuck with this feature permanently enabled.

The designers are not interested in mundane user conveniences. More code for what? Does it help sell the product? Not at all, but using the product could be a lot friendlier and faster. Decisions to include or delete code are made solely on the basis of whether the code enhances product features in order to boost sales. So, the money "carrot" is always there to make our decisions for us. Make less money, "Are you insane?" Make more money, "Of course, dummy!" We are slaves to an inanimate, indifferent object. It's getting warm in this pot, isn't it?-I can't tell.

As AI pushes into our lives, changing everything, we will be relieved of many things that some of us like to do, like driving a car. The roads will be safer, insurance rates will drop, using autonomous Ubers to get anywhere will eliminate the need for parking, or even owning an automobile. This huge change is on our doorstep. As with all technological advances, unintended consequences will abound. Autonomous vehicles will be hacked into and used for weapons. Why not? Everything can be hacked-that's been proven. If you can imagine it, it will happen.

Human nature will always have a dark side. As the discussions increase around sentient robots, androids, and cyborgs, the likelihood of a powerful billionaire sociopath creating a killing robot seems inevitable, despite the efforts of legislation and ethical restraints that will be placed on the industry. The possibilities of this happening are multiplied by observing the corruption in the corporate world right now, and its corrupt counterpart—legislative bodies the world over. Visionaries Gates, Musk and Hawking have expressed well their dire warnings about this.

So perhaps Mr. Kaczynski foresaw all this. He was crazy, but his insight points to our blindness to why we are the way we are. Progress is driven by innovation driven by competition driven by the desire to make money, lots of it. This desire is our Achilles heal. Without it we might be content to paint a picture, read a book or stare at the ocean. To be sure, the allure to do that is there already. But, it is guickly pushed aside when it's time to get back to work, to make a "living". We are the only species on the planet that spends most of our lives "making a living." Think on that. What are we avoiding? Peace, tranquility and love? Those are the things we desperately seek out whenever we need to escape the stress, chaos and enervation of most work. Unfortunately, you can't eat tranquility. Its worth can't be measured, but its value is incalculable.

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Submitted by, Gabriela Quinn of BlixxHorses.

Listening to Science

Science may not tell us what we want to hear, but it offers valuable factual information based on evidence, to help us understand why wearing of masks during a pandemic is a good idea.

Science also provides valuable information about horses welfare. It's due to science that research has shown among other things, how the weight of a rider impacts the horse's back and how bits can damage the tissues in their mouth.

Unrelated, this article, reprinted by permission explains the connection we as humans have with other mammals. FMI go to www.drkellon.com

One Medicine

Eleanor M. Kellon, V.M.D..

One of the introductory lectures when I started veterinary school talked about how the University of Pennsylvania believed strongly in the principle of One Medicine. The German physician and scientist Rudolph Virchow first proposed this concept and said:

"Between animal and human medicine there is no dividing line – nor should there be. The object is different but the experience obtained constitutes the basis of all medicine".

This belief led to the creation of the (sadly) now defunct United States Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Washington, D.C. Even as a lowly intern I was welcome to bring in a tissue biopsy of a tough case, and could

Listening to Science



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discuss questions at any time with some of the best minds available.

There are unique features to every species but under the skin and hide we are all mammals. There are far more things about our physiology that are similar, if not identical, than different. Research in one species can provide valuable insights for other species as well.

Robin Coombs was a veterinarian who developed an antibody test for autoimmune anemia which is used in both humans and animals. His work also led to the development of tests for other autoimmune conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis and tests to detect blood and tissue incompatibilities. Coombs developed his interest in immunology and diagnostics early in his career when working on a test for the disease Glanders which attacks horses and donkeys.

Animals have a long history of use in studying disease processes and treatments intended for human use. Mice, rats, rodents, dogs and monkeys are among the most commonly used. Animals can also benefit from research

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that was begun in humans. Oral joint nutraceuticals and bisphosphonate drugs (e.g. Os-Phos) were first pioneered in humans, as was hyaluronic acid for joint injection and use of platelet-rich plasma (PLP).

Research like this often follows a parallel course, with equine specific studies appearing alongside human. The animal research has the potential to advance more quickly because it doesn't have the same level of ethical constraints as when working with human subjects. It is possible to better control important variables like level of exercise. On the flip side, interested human researchers can provide valuable critical review of the equine research, as in this paper: www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/ PMC4449579/.

One Medicine is especially applicable to nutrition and supplements. While requirements and digestion may vary, the basic activities of nutrients and supplements at the cellular level are largely the same in all mammals. Using allometric equations, dosages in humans and small animals can be converted to equine on the basis of their metabolism rather than pound per pound.

The concept of One Medicine has always served me well. It opens a world of possibilities that would not exist if we had to rely on equine specific research alone.





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he Kennebunk brig Trident was very much a family enterprise. Registered in November of 1817, the 212 –ton brig was built under the supervision of carpenter David Thompson. Thompson's older brother, Nathaniel, was the Trident's principal owner as well as master, and Benjamin Thompson, their younger brother, was the vessel's first mate.

The Trident's first year of service saw her sail from the Kennebunk River to Haiti and on to New Orleans, New York, and St. Ubes (Setubal), Portugal before returning home with 1,800 bushels of salt in October of 1818. It was during the last leg of that voyage, near the Azores, that the tedium of shipboard routine was interrupted when the Trident was boarded by the Buenos Ayrean letter-of-marque ship Louisa. As the Argentinian privateer approached with her 16 guns and 101 men, Captain Thompson had reason to reflect on the precariousness of his profession.

Fortunately, the Louisa's commander, Don Jose Almeda, was all politeness and did not detain the Trident. His only request was for Thompson to make report that the Louisa was bound on a sealing voyage but had caught no seals, which the captain did in mid-September during a brief stopover in Boston. Other papers soon picked up the story, often printing it in italics or within quotation marks in open recognition that Almeda's seals were actually Spanish prizes.

Soon enough the Louisa snared a seal in the shape of a richly laden Spanish brig. Leaving his first officer in charge of the Louisa, Captain Almeda and a prize crew turned the captured brig toward the Island of Margarita off the coast of Venezuela. What happened in his absence is an example of how piracy was able to flourish during this period. For within days, the Louisa's crew mutinied and embarked on a voyage of indiscriminate looting. After seizing vessels belonging to France, England, Russia, and America and raiding two towns in the Cape Verde Islands, the mutineers crossed to the coast of Georgia where they sank the ship and fled ashore swelling the ranks of brigands already sheltering there and becoming prime recruits for pirate vessels cruising the Caribbean.

As the Louisa's career was coming to an end in January 1819, the Trident was back in the Caribbean calling at the island of St. Croix. Continuing on to Riohacha, Colombia, Captain Thompson loaded a mixed cargo of dyestuffs, fabric, horses, and turtles bound for New Orleans, where he was reported in early May. While in port, the captain unfortunately contracted yellow fever, and he died on June 9th at the age of 37. It was 26-yearold Benjamin Thompson who buried his brother, assumed command, and sailed the brig across the Atlantic to Amsterdam.

When the Trident returned to Kennebunk in mid-October 1819 Benjamin Thompson retired from the sea, and his widowed sister-in-law sold the family's controlling interest in the brig. Sailing in January 1820 under the command of Captain Nason, the Trident called at St. Thomas and New Orleans before taking a cargo to Europe. After storms and bad weather turned the return passage into a nightmare that lasted 143 days Nason quit the brig, and in April 1821 she was turned over to Captain James Burnham.

Captain Burnham's tenure aboard the Trident would prove to be no happier than Captain Nason's. Joining the brig in Boston, where Nason had left her, Captain Burnham made an uneventful passage of 32-days to New Orleans. Once in port, however, securing and loading an outwardbound cargo consumed eleven weeks, and it wasn't until 18 August that the Trident cleared for Baltimore. Within a week of leaving the Mississippi

The Brig Trident A SERIES OF PIECES ABOUT THE KENNEBUNK REGION'S MARITIME PAST #4 by Ken Daggett

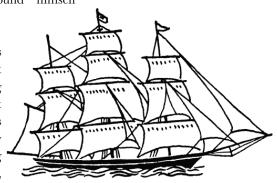
Captain Burnham found himself facing down pirates.

It was about 3-hours before sunset on August 30th while sailing along the Cuban coast just northeast of Matanzas that the Trident's crew spotted an approaching schooner flying the red, yellow, and blue banded banner of Venezuela. Armed with a cannon

and 30 to 40 Spanish and Portuguese buccaneers, the smaller, faster vessel easily overtook the heavily laden brig. Captain Burnham and two of his crew were ordered onto the schooner and confined in the hold, while eight pirates rowed over and commandeered the Trident.

Described as behaving "more like devils than human creatures," the robbers set about "abusing, insulting, and destroying." One passenger who unwisely remonstrated was stabbed in the thigh and hung from the foreyard until nearly dead. The remaining crew and passengers were rounded up and shut in the forecastle while trunks, chests, letters, and lockers were ransacked and the ceiling of the cabin torn down in the search for hidden money.

The next morning Captain Burnham was brought back to a scene of "complete confusion." His cabin was a shambles, pillows were ripped open with feathers drifting about while "bread, charts, letters, books, [and] broken bottles" were strewn across the deck. In a last attempt to coerce cash, a noose was placed around Burnham's neck. Convinced by his denial, the pirates then carted off boxes, bales,



and packages along with the brig's boat, some provisions and tools, and anything else that caught their eye including clothing, bedding, watches, and even the spy glass. Finally, at noon, the Trident was allowed to proceed with the warning that if she deviated from her course to Baltimore she would be burned and all hands killed.

Arriving at Baltimore in mid-September, Captain Burnham took on a freight bound to Cuba, which meant retracing his route through the same perilous waters. But by 19 November, the Trident had arrived safely in Havana, and when she sailed for New York at the end of December Burnham took the precaution of clearing the Cuban coast under the protection of the U.S. schooner Shark. After delivering his cargo of sugar and coffee, Captain Burnham turned the Trident over to Captain Jesse Towne, and by July he was in command of the brig Horace, a post he held until she was dismasted and abandoned at sea in 1825. As for the Trident, Captain Towne made just one voyage before Jeremiah Miller took charge, sailing the brig until her ownership was transferred to Boston parties in 1824. •

The Cabbies of the Kennebunks

By: Shelley Wigglesworth, Lead writer



e Courtesy Roger S. Bragdon and Maine Publicity Bureau An ad from Morrison's Taxi in Kennebunkport. Courtesy photo from Sharon Cummins and the Kennebunkport Historical Society.

impy Redlon, Eddie Bernier, Joe Polito, Wesley Allison, Don Chamberlain, The Mossison's, Ted, Chamberlain. If any of these names sound familiar to you, you may just be a "townie" from way back when many families did not have a family car, and cabs were a much appreciated and beneficial way to get around if ones destination was not within walking distance.

Local cabbies became an interictal part of the community in the Kennebunks during the 1940's and 1950's and many townspeople recall their presence and services fondly. Read on for a handful of memories of the yesteryear cabbies of Kennebunks as told by the townies whose memories of them are still vividly etched in their minds more than a half a century later.

Brian McBride said "After World War II, the cab drivers of Kennebunk were here to help people get around, as not many people had vehicles back then. The cabbies would position their cars at the North and Southbound sides of Main Street awaiting the Trailway and Greyhound buses which would stop in front of the Hills News Agency going South and Ackley's Service Station going North. They would be waiting for fares from Biddeford and Portland as a lot of people from town shopped in these nearby cities." He added "Kennebunk was a 'dry town' for some time, so taxis were taken from Kennebunk to North Kennebunkport (now Arundel) to buy beer. Some taxis would even deliver it to your home. Don Chamberlin was a train depot cabbie waiting to escort tourists from the train to Kennebunkport, while Wes Allison was known to cater to the local crowd, taking families, like mine, to and from the beach for the day. If a sudden storm approached, Allison would take it upon himself to

pick us up early at the beach. Wimpy Redlin was another jolly man who drove a cab, I remember him sitting low in the drivers seat."

Lucy Hanscom said "I remember taxi driver Eddie Bernier from the 1950s. I was with my Nanny Hanscom (Cornelia) one day in front of Hills News Stand beside where Bowdoin's Drug used to be. My mother and brother were across the street at the 5 & 10 store . Nanny slumped to the ground, and my brother and mom were alerted by a kind person. I recall being sent home with my brother in a taxi. I was trying to console my brother and telling him not to cry, he was 10 and I was 5. I will never forget that taxi ride home with such a kind taxi man. As it turned out my Nanny had been called to heaven that day. After that, we always had Eddie Bernier as our taxi man until he retired."

Ray Kimball recalled "Allison's taxi was run by Wesley Allison. A taxi would come to Arundel and for 25 cents take me to Kennebunk to go to the movies. The 'normal' fee was 50 cents, but Wesley knew my father and gave me a discount. This was about 1955-56."

Nancy DuDevoir said she was told that "Cab driver Raymond Orin Redlon, was known as 'Wimpy' for all the hamburgers he ate while waiting at Hills News Agency for fares ."

While Allan Evelyn remembers "Helen Morrison and her husband ran a taxi service on Union Street in Kennebunkport, directly across from the Seavey house (now Ben and Jerry's) She continued on for another 20 years after he passed away, and also had a Western Union business, sending and receiving telegrams as well as the "Honor System" parking lot on Ocean Avenue on her contiguous property below the house and garage. The honor system parking remains."

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BOOKLETS ABOUT COVID-19 PANDEMIC

HOW 2 FRIENDS FOUND A WAY TO COPE WITH THE PANDEMIC THAT IS COVID-19 AND LEND HOPE AND INSIGHT WHERE IT SEEMS NONE CAN BE FOUND.

While recovering from a serious non-Covid related illness, this writer/poet's pen found a manner to add a bit of levity to life as we now know it. In collaboration with a friend's photos of squiggly Easter basket chickies and my words, a booklet of photo poems (which I dubbed "phoems") titled "Chickie Covid Chronicles" was born. So well received by a circle of friends, that I and my photographer friend, Lynne Gaudette, subsequently published a follow-up, more introspective look at the pandemic of Covid-19 with another booklet titled "Pandemic Ponderings." What evolved as a personal way of coping with the fears and anxieties of a heinous virus, has thus become a coping mechanism

for readers as well. Both booklets are presently available for purchase at Trillium Gift Shop, 238 Main St., Biddeford.

Sincerely, Sandy Duross. Biddeford.

About: Sandy Duross

As it happens, words and the images they represent have always been an integral part of my being. It is only at the urging of friends that I finally began to share and publish my works. But then 2 years ago, a purpose greater than I ever could have expected presented itself with the diagnosis of stage 3 breast cancer followed by a mastectomy and chemotherapy. It is during my struggle with acceptance that my photographer friend, Lynne Gaudette, suggested a collaboration of her photos and

PANDEMIC PONDERINGS

CHICKIE COVID CHRONICLES



my poems as a means of coping and utilizing my experience to offer hope and inspiration to others. Shortly thereafter, "Strength For the Journey" followed by "It's A New Day!" became reality and a book signing was held at Trillium Gift Shop, 238 main St., Biddeford where those publications are available for purchase.

And now 2 years later, at age 78, after another health scare in the midst of Covid-19, my pen sought a taste of levity to brighten the dark days of fear and anxiety. That is when "Chickie Covid Chronicles" was born followed shortly thereafter by a more introspective look at the pandemic confronting us; and so another collaboration of photos and poems produced "Pandemic Ponderings." Both booklets are a result of in-depth soul-searching to provide meaning to the meaningless in words and photos that not only embellish them but add dimension and creativity. Sometimes it is the photos that inspire my pen to flow, other times the words are "bubbling" in my grey matter and all I need do is mention their intention to my friend and her lens' produce the inspiration....and that is when a "phoem" is born!

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The Village AUGUST 2020 27



A message from Hayley Brown, daughter of Joe Nickerson, a Cape Porpoise fisherman who died at sea earlier this year. We featured the life and legacy of Joe in the Village.

"I'm am so humbled that these bags have been a hit! Thank you Beth Shissler for another month of fundraising

I started with the goal to sell 10 bags and my mind was blown when we sold more than that in the first 24 hours!

This entire process has tremendously helped me deal with my grief and I am so very appreciative of each bag purchased. I set out to raise a little bit of money for something my dad truly stood for. What this is turned into just fills my heart with joy.

Please help keep pushing these bags! I can't wait to see them around! Head over to www.mainecoastfishermen.org before August 24th to order your bag.

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CALENDAR

Upcoming events

Evergreen Quilters: Due to the current health concerns, the Evergreen Quilters will not hold their regular meeting in June. We are hopeful that meetings will resume in August. For more info, please visit our web page at http://evergreenquiltersmaine.org/

AWS Kennebunk

Adoptions are by Appointment

Adoption appointments can be made by calling (207) 985-3244 ext. 125 between the hours of 11 am - 3 pm and you must speak to a staff member directly. If no one picks up, please do not leave a voicemail as that will not guarantee an appointment. Understand that appointments will be limited to 5 each day, as to promote social distancing. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to find our pets home and keep our community safe at the same time.

Graves Library

The current hours for the Louis T. Graves Memorial Public Library are Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10:00 to 4:00; Saturday 9:30 to 12:00. Book Sale items are available during open hours on the porch.

WINE ON-LINE WITH MAINE & VINE Join us on Thursday, August 20 at 5:30 pm for a fun hour of tasting, information, and trivia. Local shop owner, Lani Dietz, and guest Sommelier, Betsy Ross, will guide us through the program with ideas, pairings, and educational tidbits as we sip "sparkling wines." This will be a Zoom presentation moderated by Mary-Lou Boucouvalas at Graves Library. Please call the Library (967-2778) to register by Wednesday, August 19 and we will send you the Zoom link on the day of the event. All participants are encouraged to purchase wine at Wine & Vine in Lower Village, Kennebunk prior to the start time. All participants are also invited to call 50 Local to order a "snack" box if they so choose. Details will be forthcoming. We would love to see you! And you don't have to worry about driving!

READ ME (READ MAINE!) For the summer of 2020, do you want to be part of a statewide discussion different from politics and pan-

discussion different from politics and pandemics? Do you like reading and discussing books with your family, friends, and neighbors? We have the perfect program for you! Read ME is a statewide community read that gets Maine adults all reading two books recommended by a well-known Maine author. For 2020, the Maine Humanities Council's recommending author Lily King has Chosen Roughhouse Friday by Jaed Coffin and The Vigilance of Stars by Patricia O'Donnell. The summer reading season will culminate at the end of August with a special episode of Maine Calling, broadcast in front of a live audience (date and location TBD). We have copies of Roughhouse and Vigilance at the Library ready for check out. Don't know much about Lily King—we have her stuff too!

BOOK GROUPS Second Thursday at 9:45 am in the Garden area (weather permitting).

Last Thursday at 6:00 pm in the Garden area (if rain, a Zoom Link will be offered to members)

WEEKLY STORYTIME – VIA FACEBOOK

Every Friday at 10:00 am, Miss Stephanie offers a live storytime for her your readers and their families. Tune in at our FaceBook Page at 10:00 for a fabulous time

TERRI TALES – VIA FACEBOOK Annie the Artist (a guest from Terri Tales) will be leading an art class for young patrons. Pre-Registration is required. Give us a call to get on the list (967-2778). Reading packet and craft kit will be available on the porch for pick-up prior to the event. This is a pre-recorded program on the Graves Library Facebook Page. Join in on Thursday, August 4 at any time for a COLORFUL treat!

Dickie the Drummer will be Miss Terri's guest on her "getting famous" special show. This is a pre-recorded program on the Graves Library Facebook Page. Join in on Wednesday, August 11 at any time for an ELECTRIFYING treat!

VIRTUAL YOGA Join us on Thursday, August 13

at 10:15 am via FaceBook to gently rock your body with Yoga! Explore movements and breathing for a balance of strength and peacefulness. Taught by Mindy Miller Muse, E-RYT/CCLTY. No experience needed. For ages 6 and up.

CALLING ALL LEGO CLUB MEMBERS Join us on August 13 @ 3:00 pm on our FaceBook Page to make something special with your Legos. A challenge will be given at the beginning of the program. You can build your creation along with Miss Stephanie. For children of all ages. Photos can be posted to our website for all of your friends to see your work.

Wells Reserve at Laudholm

Tuesday, August 4, 7-10am

Bird Banding Demonstration. Visit the banding station at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm, where bird studies have been ongoing for more than 25 years. Scientists from the Biodiversity Research Institute and the Maine Medical Center Research Institute are contributing to knowledge of bird migration, breeding activities, life spans, and vector ecology. Weather dependent. Free with site admission. 342 Laudholm Farm Rd, Wells. FMI 207-646-1555 wellsreserve.org

Tuesday, August 4, 10-11:30am

Secrets of the Salt Marsh Walk. Learn what is special about these productive ecosystems, nestled between seashore and uplands, on a docent-led walk that covers about 1 mile. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@wellsnerr.org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Wednesday, August 5, 1-2pm

Flying Jewels. Dragonflies and butterflies are appealing animals that make a great introduction to the world of insects. Learn about their biology, ecology, and identifying marks, then go into the field to see them up close and try your hand at netting them. \$5/member, \$7/non-member, or \$15/ family plus site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 116 or skahn@wellsnerr.org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Thursday, August 6, 10-11:30am

Nature Walk. Tour a variety of coastal habitats on a 1- to 2-hour walk with a Wells Reserve naturalist to discover what's happening in the ever-changing world of plants and animals. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@wellsnerr.org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Thursday, August 6, 12-3pm

Kayaking on the Little River Estuary. Paddle the quiet waters of a Maine estuary, watching for wildlife and learning about this treasured habitat from a registered Maine Kayak Guide. For ages 12 and up and some restrictions apply. \$50/regular or \$40/ member plus site admission. Registration required. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, 207-646-1555 or wellsreserve.org/kayak.

Friday, August 7, 10am-12pm

Ferns: Ancient Plants. What makes a fern a fern? How many can you identify? On this walk, you will

learn the fern lifecycle, begin to recognize fern parts, and discover the various kinds of fern along the trails of the Wells Reserve. \$7/ regular, \$5/member, or \$15/family plus site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 128 linda@wellsnerr. or org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Monday, August 10, 10-11:30am

Laudholm's Farming Past. Delve into the rich history of the Wells Reserve at Laudholm, from Native American life to English settlement and from farmland to estuarine reserve. This docent-led walk covers about ½ mile. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@ wellsnerr.org. FMI wellsreserve.org.

Tuesday, August 11, 7-10am

Bird Banding Demonstration. Visit the banding station at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm, where bird studies have been ongoing for more than 25 years. Scientists from the Biodiversity Research Institute and the Maine Medical Center Research Institute are contributing to knowledge of bird migration, breeding activities, life spans, and vector ecology. Weather dependent. Free with site admission. 342 Laudholm Farm Rd, Wells. FMI 207-646-1555 wellsreserve.org. **T**

Tuesday, August 11, 10-11am

Explore the Shore. The treasures you find along Maine's shoreline can tell you stories about the land, the ocean, and the beach itself. Take a stroll along the Wells Reserve's Laudholm Beach to learn about the sand, the wrack line, and all sorts of found objects. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@wellsnerr.org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Thursday, August 13, 12-1pm

Values and Worldviews on Nature and Its Uses. How can scientists and environmental advocates be most effective in protecting biodiversity? Dr. James T. Spartz, professor of environmental communication at Unity College, believes the effort calls for incorporating local and indigenous peoples' ways of knowing. People define and value nature relative to their cultural worldviews, so moving beyond typical Western notions of environmental study and activism offers a wider range of scenarios and solutions. The Wells Reserve welcomes Dr. Spartz for a virtual lecture sponsored by World in Your Library, a program of the Maine Humanities Council. World in Your Library gives small Maine rural communities access to experts and the opportunity to explore complex topics, gain insight, and broaden perspectives. Free. Registration required at wellsreserve.



Monday, August, 17- Dr. Brian Helmuth studies how climate change is affecting coastal ecosystems from the perspective of marine invertebrates.

org/calendar.

Monday, August 17, 10-11:30am

Nature Walk. Tour a variety of coastal habitats on a 1- to 2-hour walk with a Wells Reserve naturalist to discover what's happening in the ever-changing world of plants and animals. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@wellsnerr.org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Monday, August 17, 6:30-8pm

A Mussel's View of Climate Change. How do intertidal organisms experience their shifting world? Through computer modeling, field instrumentation, and virtual reality technology, Dr. Brian Helmuth studies how climate change is affecting coastal ecosystems from the perspective of marine invertebrates. Dr. Helmuth is a professor at the Marine Science Center at Northeastern University. Support

Wells Reserve at Laudholm CONTINUED

for the Ted Exford Climate Stewards lecture series is provided by Dave & Loretta (Exford) Hoglund. Free. Registration required at wellsreserve.org/calendar.

Tuesday, August 18, 7-10am

Bird Banding Demonstration. Visit the banding station at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm, where bird studies have been ongoing for more than 25 years. Scientists from the Biodiversity Research Institute and the Maine Medical Center Research Institute are contributing to knowledge of bird migration, breeding activities, life spans, and vector ecology. Weather dependent. Free with site admission. 342 Laudholm Farm Rd, Wells. FMI 207-646-1555 wellsreserve.org

Tuesday, August 18, 9am-12pm

Kayaking on the Little River Estuary. Paddle the quiet waters of a Maine estuary, watching for wildlife and learning about this treasured habitat from a registered Maine Kayak Guide. For ages 12 and up and some restrictions apply. \$50/regular or \$40/ member plus site admission. Registration required. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, 207-646-1555 or wellsreserve.org/kayak.

Wednesday, August 19, 10-11am

Nature's Night Shift. Let the Center for Wildlife and its animal ambassadors introduce you to nocturnal animals. How does a bat find thousands of tiny mosquitoes while flying in the dark? Why does an opossum choose to lumber around at night? How does a porcupine defend itself against predators? \$5/member, \$7/nonmember, \$15/family plus site admission. Reserve your space at 207-646-1555 ext 116 or suzanne@wellsnerr.org.

Thursday, August 20, 10-11:30am

Secrets of the Salt Marsh Walk. Learn what is special about these productive ecosystems, nestled between seashore and uplands, on a docent-led walk that covers about 1 mile. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@wellsnerr.org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Saturday, August 22, 11am-12:30pm

Laudholm's Farming Past. Delve into the rich history of the Wells Reserve at Laudholm, from Native American life to English settlement and from farmland to estuarine reserve. This docent-led walk covers about ½ mile. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@ wellsnerr.org. FMI wellsreserve.org.

Monday, August 24, 1-4pm

Kayaking on the Little River Estuary. Paddle the quiet waters of a Maine estuary, watching for wildlife and learning about this treasured habitat from a registered Maine Kayak Guide. For ages 12 and up and some restrictions apply. \$50/regular or \$40/ member plus site admission. Registration required. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, 207-646-1555 or wellsreserve.org/kayak.

Wednesday, August 26, 10-11am

Explore the Shore. The treasures you find along Maine's shoreline can tell you stories about the land, the ocean, and the beach itself. Take a stroll along the Wells Reserve's Laudholm Beach to learn about the sand, the wrack line, and all sorts of found objects. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@wellsnerr.org. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, wellsreserve.org.

Thursday, August 27, 9:30-10:30am

Mingling with Monarchs. Home in on milkweed, monarchs, and migration on this focused walk at the Wells Reserve. We will stay active in our search for monarchs, eggs, and chrysalises. Free with site admission. Reserve your space at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@wellsnerr.org.

Friday, August 28, 10-11:30am

Laudholm's Farming Past. Delve into the rich history of the Wells Reserve at Laudholm, from Native American life to English settlement and from farmland to estuarine reserve. This docent-led walk covers about ½ mile. Free with site admission. Registration required at 207-646-1555 ext 110 or caryn@ wellsnerr.org. FMI wellsreserve.org.

Monday, August 31, 9am-12pm

Kayaking on the Little River Estuary. Paddle the quiet waters of a Maine estuary, watching for wildlife and learning about this treasured habitat from a registered Maine Kayak Guide. For ages 12 and up and some restrictions apply. \$50/regular or \$40/ member plus site admission. Registration required. Wells Reserve at Laudholm, 20###

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Kennebunk Free Library

Kennebunk Free Library Teens Take Home Kits for August

Every week kits will be available to be picked up along with your curbside order. Each kit will include the supplies and instructions necessary to complete the weekly project, either a craft or a fun science experiment! Every Monday we will meet via zoom to chat and complete the previous weeks project, join us here at 3 P.M. https://networkmaine.zoom.us/j/86356573384 or see the library calendar for the zoom link. **All Teens ages 10 and up are welcome! Join us for fantastic programs and spending time with friends**. For more information and to register, please call 985-2173 or visit the website www.KennebunkLibrary.org.

Summer Reading Program – KFL Kennebunk Free Library's summer reading website is ongoing through 8/15! KFL is using Beanstack, an online tool for you to log the amount of time you spend reading this summer. Challenges are available for children, teens, and adults. Can you help us reach our community goal of 15,000 reading hours? Every three hours that you read and log on Beanstack, you will earn a virtual badge and a ticket to enter in a raffle! At the end of our summer reading program, we will raffle off gift certificates to local businesses such as Duffy's, Raptor Falls Mini Golf, Arundel Ice Cream, and more! The last day to earn and submit tickets is 8/15. Sign up for Beanstack today at https://kennebunklibrary.beanstack.org. A mobile app is also available for Apple and Android devices and can be found by searching for "Beanstack Tracker". Video tutorials are available on our Facebook page, YouTube account, and the library's website. Happy reading!

Take, Make and Read How can you make a great story even better? Crafts and activities that relate to the story help us understand more and experience it deeper! In August, Kennebunk Free Library will be offering craft kits curbside while supplies last that correspond to particular stories. Miss Maria will read the story that the crafts are based on using Facebook Live. Kits can be picked up starting August 3. Upcoming Facebook Live reading dates are: August 27, 10:30 a.m.: We Are Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom and illustrated by Michaela Goade. The stories we are featuring are #OwnVoices books and/or books purchased with our recent grant from Diverse BookFinder. Pick up a kit curbside starting August 3 and join us for some great stories!

A Magical Zoom Storytime: Unicorns and Dragons! Do you believe in magic? You can always find magic in stories! On Thursday, 8/6, at 10:15 a.m., join us for a Zoom Storytime all about unicorns and dragons! Miss Maria will share several magical tales and songs. Join us using the following link: https://networkmaine.zoom.us/j/83154544601 Bring along a magical stuffie friend or come dressed as your favorite magical creature! We'll have more fun than a unicorn in a glitter factory!

Storytime Live with Kennebunk Free Library It's time for storytime! Kennebunk Free Library will **be** continuing storytimes on Facebook Live. Storytimes will be at 10:15 on Tuesday mornings. Join Miss Maria for fun songs and stories! It's a different way of getting together, but we'll still spend time sharing. We will be taking a storytime break on 8/18 and 8/25. Miss Maria can't wait to say hello and sing with you!

Kennebunk Free Library Friday Afternoon Gaming If you're looking for something fun to do with friends on Friday afternoons, join every Friday for Teen Gaming at 3 P.M. as we play JackBox! It's a fun multiplayer game that you can play from a distance, all you need is a device with internet access and before the game begins you will be given a code to log in and play along. We will meet via zoom at 3 P.M. to go over the rules and pass out the code. Here is the link, https:// networkmaine.zoom.us/j/88980582413 or check our calendar for the Zoom link! Open to all teens ages 10 and up. This event is free and wheelchair accessible.

Brick Store Museum

Saturday, August 8: The Newfangled Contraption (Digital!) Steampunk Fair, 12:00PM. Brick Store Museum, www.brickstoremuseum.org. This 19th Century Saturday will explore the 1800s in our region's history through guest lectures, popup exhibits, activities, and foodways, funded by a grant from the Maine Humanities Council. Dually, today will feature the launch of the Museum's Digital Steampunk Fair, one of the most popular annual events at the museum. Offerings include online activities, presentations, virtual tours, a costume contest, and more. Visit the Museum's website for more information!

Wednesday, August 12: Virtual Bicentennial Exhibition Tour (live), 4:00pm – 5:00pm. Brick Store Museum, www.brickstoremuseum.org. You are invited to an exhibition tour of the Museum's Bicentennial Exhibition: "Perspectives: 2020," now open in the galleries. "Zoom in" for a virtual tour of the exhibit at 4:00pm. Supported through our partnership with the Maine Arts Commission. Free to Members; \$5 for visitors. Register in advance to reserve your spot via the museum's website.

Saturday, August 15: Virtual Collections Tour (live), 11:00am – 12:00pm. Brick Store Museum, www.brickstoremuseum.org. You are invited to a behind-the-scenes tour of the Museum's storage rooms, holding nearly 70,000 artifacts relating to Maine history. "Zoom in" for a virtual tour of starting at 11:00am, to interact with Museum staff and get your questions answered! Supported through our partnership with the Maine Arts Commission. Free to Members; \$5 for visitors. Register in advance to reserve your spot via the museum's website.

Thursday, August 20: Virtual Bicentennial Exhibition Tour (live), 12:00pm – 1:00pm. Brick Store Museum, www.brickstoremuseum.org. You are invited to an exhibition tour of the Museum's Bicentennial Exhibition: "Perspectives: 2020," now open in the galleries. "Zoom in" for a virtual tour of the exhibit at 12:00pm. Supported through our partnership with the Maine Arts Commission. Free to Members; \$5 for visitors. Register in advance to reserve your spot via the museum's website.

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"Doc Talk" Column with:



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exercise, as above. In addition, effective sleep is encouraged by slowing your mind and body down for at least 90 minutes prior to going to bed. This includes reducing the ambient light in the room you are in, for about an hour before bed. It is fairly important to avoid TV watching or computer or smart phone use during that hour, as well. As your body is slowing down, it is important to avoid eating during the slow-down period. The changes in day / night physiology include stimulating melatonin, which enhances sleep physical activity, eating, and lights

Tips on PREVENTING AND MINIMIZING severity of coronavirus infection

As we all know, there is no specific treatment for Covid-19. We will likely have a vaccine, but we don't know when, how effective it will be or how long the immunity will last.

There are some helpful things we do know, most importantly, that people with healthy immune systems are less like to get it and less likely to experience serious consequences. There are a number of things we know about supporting one's immune system. These things are well thought of, with a lot of scientific research support, and many of these recommendations are not things many of us, including me, like to do.

Probably, at the top of the list what we eat. Our food choices can be immune supportive of immune challenging. Not everyone has the same metabolism, so there are few universal recommendations.

1. Sugar is damaging to your immune function. If eaten in small quantities, your body can deal with the damage, but with daily use of sugar-sweetened foods, most people pay a penalty. Sugar is what is called an inflammatory food. Some amount of inflammation is necessary for health, to repair damaged tissue, etc, But the damaging chronic inflammation is out of control. It's kind of like fire: in the proper place, it's critical to our way of life; but, out of control, it is can be one of the most damaging phenomena in our world. Think about: "inflame-ation" – something's on fire. The primary contributors to chronic inflammation are: Fried foods, Soft drinks, Refined carbohydrates (bread, pasta, pizza dough, pastries), Processed meats, Margarine and shortening, Alcohol

2. Phytonutrients tend to be immune supportive. These compounds are found in fruits and vegetables...One of the rules of thumbs regarding fruits and vegetables is Eat The Rainbow: Red, Blue, Green, White, Orange, Yellow, every day. The darker the color, the more antioxidants it contains. If the skin is edible, clean it and eat it; the skin, and right under it, is where the phytonutrients tend to be concentrated.

Getting into detail about food is beyond the scope of the article. BUT YOUR FOOD CHOICES WILL GO A LONG WAY TO DETERMINING YOUR RESISTANCE TO Coronavirus infection. If you want

recommendations specific about food choices and amount, I think the Mediterranean Diet seems to be a very good general guideline. There's a lot written about it and it's easy to find on the web. Exercise is one of the most important immune stimulants. There a lots of exercise plans. I think the best advice is simple, inexpensive exercise that most people are capable of doing - Walking. Find a safe, pleasant, nearby place to walk - drive there if, necessary - but walk regularly, at a speed that is comfortable for you.

The 3rd critical lifestyle activity for immune support is sleep. Your metabolic activities during sleep, in many ways, are more active when you are asleep that when you are up and about. These processes are done by the "janitors" that come in at night and clean up the dust and dirt and ashes, repairing breaks and polishing that are left over from the day. The more those janitors can get done, the better everything functions in the day. – including your resistance to coronavirus. The best practices to support sleep are nutrition and



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all inhibit melatonin. Melatonin supplements are much less effective because they are unregulated by the mechanisms of your body. Sleep medication are rarely truly effective, healthy sleep stimulants. Their primary effect is to cause dependence on sleep meds, which is good for the manufacturers.

There is some good evidence that some supplements improve the effectiveness of getting to sleep and staying asleep. If you intend to take these supplements, I urge you to speak to you doctor, or other medical provider, especially if you are taking prescription meds.

These supplements include Vitamin D3, Probiotics (check on the web for "a brand that has been shown to survive in stomach acid), Curcumin Cytostome, NAC (n-acetyl cysteine), Medicinal mushrooms (Shitake, Reishi, Maitake, etc.). Please do some research, consult someone educated in medicinal mushrooms).

Then , of course, the advice the you're sick of hearing"

- Hand washing is the most effective transmission

prevention. Whenever you think of it, wash your hands, especially after you've touched things that have been touched by others who don't live with you. The hand sanitizers are convenient and sort of effective. They are not nearly as effective as soap and water washing, with at lease 30 seconds of soap contact with your hands before being rinsed off.

- Avoid physical contact or proximity with people other than house m

- Face masks – there is controversy, about these, but there certainly is some benefit, I continue to recommend them

Experience, and scientific inquiry will add to and change some of what we think we know about Coronavirus; expect some conflicting advice as we learn more. It's a brand-new question in our world, and no one has absolutely reliable truth. We are relying on fairto-good theory and opinion. Keep your ears open, and listen to reliable sources, which seem to avoid personal biases

Do what you can to keep a robust immune system. Your maker has given a good one.

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A Boat Load of Fun on the F/V Nor'easter-Deep Sea Fishing Trips and More!



A private scenic charter on the FV Noreaster. Courtesy photos F/V Nor'easter

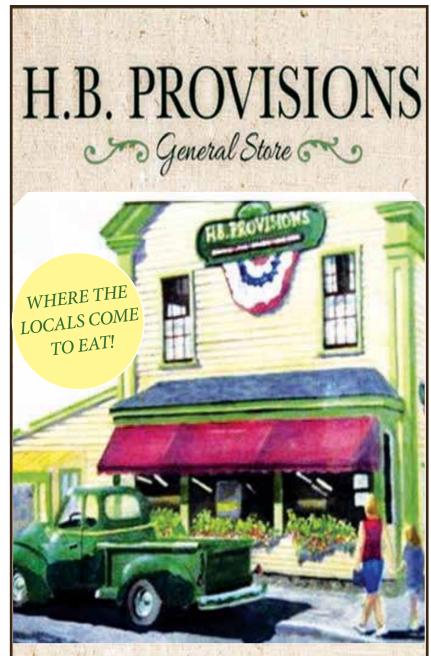
By Shelley Wigglesworth, Lead writer

A day at sea breathing in the fresh salt air, soaking up the sunshine, and catching your own food is a day well spent. Maine saltwater fishing is a great outdoor activity, good exercise, and fun for people of almost all ages and abilities. Memories of fishing, whether alone or with family or friends last a lifetime and the captain and crew of the F/V Nor'easter out of Kennebunkport specialize in making your day at sea one to remember.

The F/V Nor'easter is the Kennebunk's only deep-sea fishing boat owned and operated by a commercial lobsterman. Docked next to the Spirit of Massachusetts floating restaurant in Lower Village, the 42' Bruno & Stillman goes out to sea daily in season to jig for ground fish such as cod, Pollack, haddock, cusk, halibut, shark and more. The Nor'easter is owned and operated by USCG licensed Captain Michael J. Perkins who hails from a long line of fishermen with family roots in Southern Maine dating back over 200 years.

Captain Mike grew up on the ocean, lobstering with his grandfather, the late Roy Perkins Sr., a lifelong fisherman from Wells. He later worked on commercial dragger boats before settling into lobstering on his own boat out of Kennebunkport and Wells prior to becoming a USCG licensed master charter boat captain. In the spring, summer and fall months Captain Mike takes passengers up to 20 miles offshore to experience the thrill of catching ocean fish. In the evening, he provides private charters for all occasions including pleasure cruises to nearby Perkins Cove, ash scatterings at sea, sightseeing tours, and more. Trips are catered to the needs of customers. During the winter months, after providing Christmas Prelude boat rides, he is a commercial lobsterman.

Captain Perkins explained a typical day deep sea fishing on his boat. "We leave at 7:30 am, but it is important to check in at 7 and we will show you where to park. We leave at 7:30 and the boat does not wait. All you need to do is show up with a lunch, drinks and layers



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Captain Michael Perkins with a haddock.

clothes suited for the weather and be ready to fish and we'll take care of the rest. We steam out about 2 hours out to Jeffrey's Ledge to the fishing grounds and spend about 4 hours fishing before steaming back in. On the way in, the mate fillets the fish and bags it up for you to take home. We do ask that you tip the mate for his work. "

The boat features a covered and heated wheelhouse, 5 bunks below and there is a restroom onboard. Fishing



Todd and Katie Derham of Kennebunk got married on the FV Noreaster.

rods, reels and all gear, including handmade jigs are supplied, making the experience truly hassle free.

The Nor'easter also offers monthly extreme fishing trips for those who want a more adventurous experience than what the full day fishing trip offers. "It's the same fishing experience, but we go offshore 100 miles for these trips. The boat leaves at 11PM and returns at 5pm the following day. Bring your own food,



Red Fish caught on the FV Noreaster.

drinks, foul weather gear and a sleeping bag and we will take care of the rest. Just like the day trips, all fish will be filleted and packaged for you on the trip in."

Captain Mike said deep sea fishing is "great fun for just about anyone." He added "We get people of all ages and backgrounds –some are experienced fishermen; some have never fished before. If fishing

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isn't your thing, we also do custom charters for all occasions." He added "What's good about being out on the ocean fishing is you never know what you might see while you are out there- whales, sharks coming up to snag fish, sunfish basking, porpoises, seals, sea birds, you name it." Fishing is not the only activity that takes place on the Nor'easter. The boat is also available for private charters for all occasions-including weddings, birthdays, sunsets, and evening round trip cruises to Perkins Cove, Ogunquit, ash scattering services at sea and more.

Captain Mike concluded "Whatever you charter the boat for, our main goal is to provide a safe, fun and memorable experience to all who step onboard."

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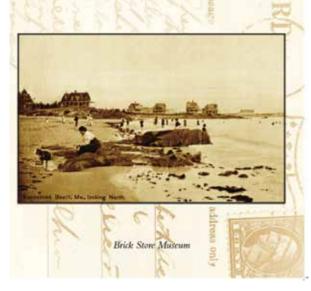


NEW BOOK EXPLORES KENNEBUNK'S HISTORY THROUGH IMAGES

The Brick Store Museum is proud to announce the publication of a new book using vintage postcards in the Museum Archives to explore the changing landscape in this town in the 20th Century. "The Kennebunks in Vintage Postcards," published by Arcadia Publishing this month, features 183 postcards from the museum's collection. The book can be purchased for \$21.99 at the Museum's Store, called the Mercantile, at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk, or online at www.brickstoremuseum.org.

Kennebunk's proximity to three large bodies of water—the Kennebunk River, the Mousam River, and the Atlantic Ocean—fueled its development over thousands of years. Kennebunk's waterways were POSTCARD HISTORY SERIES

The Kennebunks in Vintage Postcards

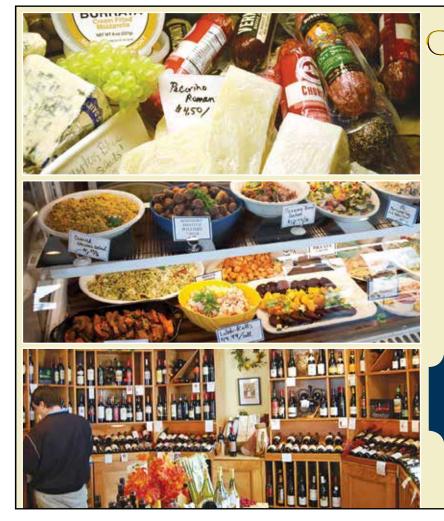


home to Wabanaki hunters, settlement farmers, early lumber mills, and a booming shipbuilding business. The Maine coast soon brought tourists to Kennebunk and its beaches. By the 1930s, Kennebunk Beach and its surrounding area contained several and hotels beach cottages. Sites like the Wedding Cake House, Kennebunk Beach. Main Street, and Blowing Cave quickly reached new heights as well-known landmarks. Postcards played a part in fueling the powerhouse tourist industry that remains active to this day.

With captions written by Museum

members Leanne staff Hayden and Cynthia Walker, with research assistance provided by Museum volunteer Bruce Jackson, the book explores Kennebunk's 20th century history with images from around town. Some are recognizable, while others are visions of past structures and landscapes that no longer exist. The book is dedicated to former Kennebunk Town Historian and Museum Trustee Stephen P. Spofford, who passed away unexpectedly last year before the book was written. He was planning to help compile the book.

The 128-page paperback book surveys Kennebunk's downtown, beaches, amusements, and rarities using postcard images found in the Museum's collection. Books can be ordered via www.brickstoremuseum. org for curbside pick-up or ship-tohome. The Museum is now open to the public, with its Museum Mercantile relocated to a larger space to encourage physical distancing and healthy visits to the Museum.



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Our goal has always been to reimagine the site, and expand, without changing what we love about Old Vines, and staying true to what we do well. We have always believed in doing well by doing good and by being good neighbors and citizens.

And while this might be a strange time to talk about ambitious plans, we feel that our team and our community need something to



look forward to. As we enter a very uncertain summer season in 2020, it's never too soon to start thinking about 2021. So, we decided to unveil our plan a bit early.

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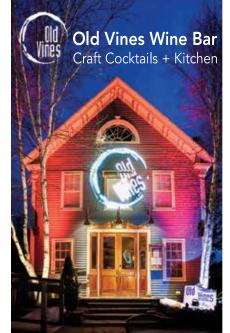
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bar, all under a striking glass and steel three season retractable roof. On sunny days, we'll dine al fresco. When weather turns as it so often does here in Maine, we close

the roof, and everyone stays dry and warm. The season is short, and this allows us to extend what so many guests enjoy – dining outside.

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Joyne Emmons **Dog Training Tip:** How to Teach "Place"

"ABOUT Jane Emmons: I have always loved animals, but my true love is with dogs. After writing a research paper in school on the many ways' dogs can help people, I decided that I wanted to be a dog trainer. I then volunteered at The Animal Welfare Society with their dog trainers, and fell in love with training, and knew I had chosen the right path."

After completing her training at Highland, Emmons began dog training professionally in 2018, with a focus on dog obedience and behavior modification. She quickly gained recognition for her abilities and has recently opened her own business, Current K9 Training, servicing Kennebunkport and the surrounding communities. "I offer private in- home training, tailored to the owner and the dog's needs. The first visit is a free evaluation, which is usually 45 minutes to 1 hour long. During this evaluation we meet and chat about what you and your dog's needs are, and what training option best fits those needs. Once we have established the best training option, we continue meeting for the agreed duration of time." Each one-hour private session is \$80. Emmons also offers a "Bootcamp" which is a total of 30 hours of training over a 5 week period for \$1000- and group classes and therapy dog work will soon be offered to her line up of options. Her long-term goal is to run a board and train facility.



Photos of Jayne Emmons and Olivia, a 6 month old lab mix by: Wendy White Emmons



Kennebunkport native and professional dog trainer Jayne Emmons is the daughter of Wendy White Emmons and Michael Emmons. Emmons graduated from Kennebunk High School in 2017 with her twin brother Kyle, and went on to study at Highland Canine Training, LLC. The 20-year-old dog trainer is a dog-mama to Labradors, 10 year old Maisy and 2 year old, Lanai. Emmons said her love for animals and connection to them was evident even as a small child.

"Place" is a helpful command to use when you need your dog to settle down, or be out of the way. Here are the steps to teach it.

- Choose a dog bed, blanket or towel that your dog is able to put all 4 paws on.
- Choose a command.
 Some popular choices are "place", "bed", "mat" or "climb".
- 3. Lure him/her with a treat

onto the "place". When all 4 paws are on the "place", mark with a "Yes" or a "Good" and reward with a small treat. Repeat this several times.

4. Begin increasing the amount of time he/she spends on "place". Start with a few seconds, then slowly put distance between you and your "placed" dog. Reward with a small treat. If your dog gets off "place" at any time during training, calmly walk him/her back to the "place" and try again.

5. When you and your dog have a good foundation, begin moving to different rooms and environments to practice.

Look for more Tips from Jayne of Current K9 Training in upcoming editions of the Village! FMI on Current K9 Training: (207) 502-9706 currentk9training@gmail.com

A Dog Named Sweet Pea

by John Forssen, Guest writer

I proposed to my wife a little over 55 years ago and, although some of the details are a bit sketchy now (time will do that even to the most memorable events), I do remember it involved a small dog.

The dog's name was Sweet Pea, named I believe out of sheer cussedness, for there was little about that creature that could be mistaken for sweet. I was in the army at the time —Fort Riley, Kansas, if that makes any difference, and Sweet Pea belonged to my company XO (executive officer), as did the telephone on which I planned to put forth my proposal.

Before going further, let me say that some long number of years later my wife and I had a dog of our own, a cairn terrier that was memorable for (1) allowing a piece of lunch meet, tossed in his direction, simply to drop on his face and (2) expressing no interest whatsoever in being near me or even acknowledging my presence. I could have died beside him and gone unnoticed. Sweet Pea, on the other hand, could suck the food out of a sealed can in his sleep and a stranger in the room was to him a siren call for intimacy.

Now, to the phone call.

I should underscore its importance because it wasn't the first ---nor even the second. Indeed, it may have been the fifth, each of the previous calls made in the heat of a moment in the wee hours past the weekly "Happy Hour" with my fellow lieutenants. You may assume from this that one of nature's less compromising laws is that the heat of a moment is generally followed by something a bit more temperate, even chilly, the next morning. This is when one measures the temperature of the feet. Thus, as surely as Friday night produced a proposal, Saturday morning produced a retreat.

So on this night of the fifth proposal, far from the company

of my fellow lieutenants, I was determined to make an earnest appeal.

The stage was set. My XO and his wife went out, and Sweet Pea, seeming to have some idea of what was about to happen, went and sat by the phone.

Together, we listened to the ringing on the other end, Sweet Pea, jiggling from stem to stern with anticipation. "Hello?"

At last there was a voice.

1 Sweet Pea was beside himself. He was scratching wildly enough at my knee to suggest that I had placed the call for him and it was time to surrender the phone.

It was my intention simply to ignore him. After all he was a small dog. So I picked up the phone and stood, believing that I had successfully removed myself from his orb —at which point, there appearing to be no natural opening, I simply blurted out: "I guess it's time we got married."

The silence on the other end of the phone was not deafening, but there was a certain stillness to it. Sweet Pea whimpered softly.

"Are you coming from the club?" the voice asked. "Have you been drinking?"

"No."

"Are you serious about this?" "Yes."

"Will you call me in the morning and ask me if you said anything foolish last night?"

"No." "All right, then."

An right, then.

"Does that mean you'll marry me?"

"You haven't asked me yet."

"I'm asking you now."

"Are you down on one knee?" "I'm on the phone."

"I know, but are you down on one knee?"

"Yes."

"Really? I need to trust you." "Well, no."

The silence returned, the stillness. When it started to appear that it would go on forever, I lowered myself slowly to one knee. Halfway through this maneuver, Sweet Pea began to dance; and by the time I was all the way down, he had me in what can only be described as an inescapable embrace —dog heaven, it was, his paws firmly on my shoulders, his wildly lapping tongue, dripping with desire across my face and in my ears. His affection had no bounds.

Of course, there was a struggle. I was moving about trying to shield myself without tearing the phone out of the wall.

At length, the voice asked somewhat suspiciously, "Is someone

there with you?"

"No," I said. "It's the dog."

- "I didn't know you had a dog."
- "I don't."

"Then, why is it there with you?"

"It's complicated and he seems now to be urinating on my shoe. Can I put you on hold for a minute."

"You're sure it's a dog?"

"Yes, and I love you."

"I love you, too."

"Does that mean you'll marry me?"

"Ditch the dog and call me in the morning."•



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