

# TOWN CRIER



The Budget Town Meeting was on May 31, 2016 at the West Bath School. All 63 Warrant articles passed, with some needing to be amended.

Several Ordinance changes were presented and each of those passed without correction. This is the first year that we had our School Budget a part of our Town Meeting, which lasted for three hours. The good news: we were able to vote on both the Town and the School budget all on one night.

Note: On June 30th the Town Office will be close at noon, for end-of-the-fiscal-year processing. Also, 30 day notices will be going out July 1st, before tax liens will be filed.

-Brandi Lohr, Town Clerk

## THE MIDDLE GROUND

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Thanks to the good works and strong backs of Raisa Bittner, Beth Brewer & Becky Kresovsky (with a major assist from Sally Graves who nurtured the tree until it got in the ground – and who also documented the planting event with pictures!), a lovely heirloom apple tree is firmly planted at the Littlefield School. It replaces the tree initially put in during our restoration by Jorgensen Landscaping in 2002, which sadly died. Let's hope this one, donated by past Board president Avery Hunt, will have a better outcome!

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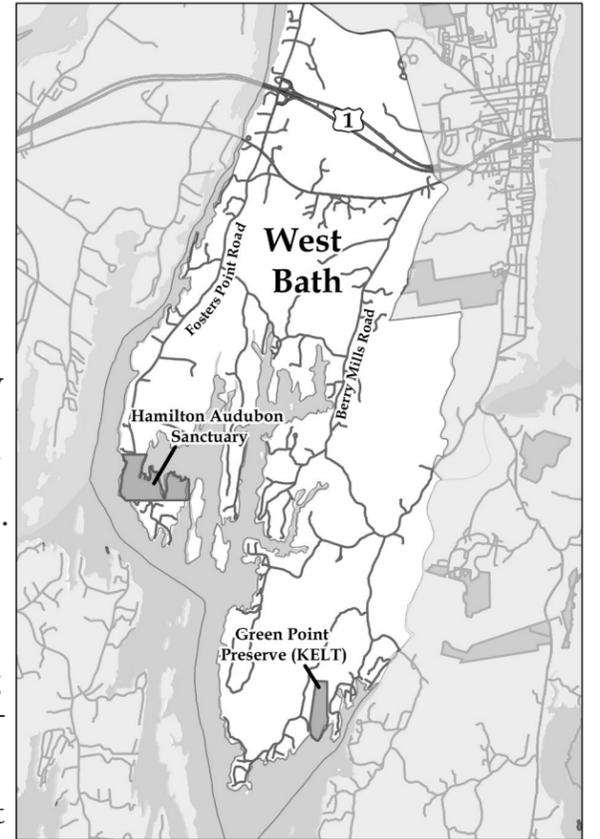
## Kennebec Estuary Land Trust Efforts in West Bath

In February, at the Patten Free Library history talk, Sally Graves and Bill Hochgesang gave a riveting presentation on the history of West Bath byways and today's "Over the Hill Riders" who steward over 21 miles of trails throughout our town, which are open to ATV riders, but also to hikers, bikers and some horses.

As part of the talk, we invited Carrie Kinne, President of the Kennebec Estuary Land Trust (KELT) to discuss current and future plans for conservation lands in West Bath.

Established in 1989 as a membership supported, non-profit conservation land trust, KELT's mission is to conserve, restore and instill appreciation of the land and water resources of the Kennebec Estuary watershed, which stretches from Merry-meeting Bay to the Atlantic Ocean. KELT was founded in response to an expressed need for a land conservation organization in the area. Through conservation easements, property donations and outright purchases,

KELT has protected over 2,600 acres of natural habitat to date in the region and has worked with partners [and concerned land owners] to protect more than 18,000 acres in the Kennebec Estuary. Membership has steadily grown to more than 640 individuals and businesses who help sustain growth. To ensure continued success for it's mission. KELT took several major steps in 2014: completing a 2014-2017 Strategic Plan; achieving accreditation status from the Land Trust



## WBHS ANNUAL MEETING & POT LUCK SUPPA' JUNE 30

The annual meeting of the West bath Historical Society will be held on Thursday, June 30, 6 pm, at the Old West Bath Meeting House. A potluck (as always, with delicious food contributions!) will begin the evening, followed by a quick business meeting – to vote a new slate of candidates: Pam Mayo for Treasurer and Becky Kresovsky, Board Member, The evening's program will be "Adaptive Reuse of the Littlefield School" presented by Gifted in Maine's Jennifer Cavalli.

Jenn has created a wonderful visitor experience that features an exploration of our historic one room schoolhouse and the opportunity to support local New England artists whose work is on display. Join us to learn more about this opportunity for our community and summer guests to enjoy a glimpse of our past revitalized by this partnership. As always, this event is free and open to the public, as well as to WBHS members. Mark the date and invite your friends and neighbors, too! (Note: To help the environment, please try to bring your own plates and utensils.) For any questions, call Avery at 443.4449. To coordinate pot luck contributions, call Leah Zartarian at 443.5907. ■

**KELT**

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Accreditation Commission, and established its first endowment fund to provide consistent and permanent funding for our conservation program.

In West Bath, a total of 357 acres have been protected, so far, with KELT owning 45 acres at Green Point preserve and holds 312 acres in conservations easements with several landowners.

Specifically, KELT oversees 45 acres in the Green Point Preserve, off Birch Point Road. Located on the shore of Winnegance Bay, Green Point contains upland spruce-pine forest with some hardwoods. It has great views of Winnegance Bay down the New Meadows River toward Cundy's Harbor from rocky outcrops on the ridge that runs north to south through the center of the property. Vernal pools are present, providing breeding habitat for fairy shrimp, wood frogs, and salamanders).

In addition there are the following 312 acres of conservation easements: Davenport Camp Easement—44 acres; McClintock Soverel Easement—149 acres; Bellows Easement—26 acres; Hamilton Audubon Sanctuary Easement—93 acres. To date, that adds up to 357 protected acres, or 4.6% of West Bath's total of 7,595 acres. Included in that protected land are several public access trails: Green Point Preserve: 0.5 miles; Hamilton Audubon Sanctuary (protected by Audubon ownership & KELT easement): 2.75 miles.

**MEET OUR NEW BOARD MEMBER CANDIDATES**

We are pleased to announce that two new members of the community have agreed to join the WBHS board and will be on the election slate for our Annual Meeting, June 30.

**PAM MAYO** is a candidate for Treasurer and Board Member. Pam grew up in the south, met her husband at the University of Miami and has lived in Maine since 1973. She and her husband, Rick, lived in Brunswick for 30 years where they raised their two daughters.

They moved to the family home at Birch Point in 2003. Pam enjoyed teaching math to high school and college students for over 40 years, predominantly at Morse High and Southern New Hampshire University. She attends Small Point Baptist Church, is a volunteer at the Maine Maritime Museum and cares for her daughter who was critically injured in a car accident 4 years ago. She is a magnet for mosquitoes and black flies, but otherwise loves living in Maine with all the variety it offers. "I have had an interest in West Bath since 1968 when Rick and I became engaged at the West Bath Meeting House and am looking forward to helping out."

Presently, KELT is finalizing their Conservation Plan which will be an important tool for future conservation. "This fall," according to Carrie, "KELT would like to meet with residents of West Bath to discuss the Conservation Plan and get crucial feedback from residents of West Bath about what is important to everyone now, and looking toward the future, what should we paying attention to." For more information, call KELT at 442.8400. ■

**BECKY KRESOVSKY** is a Board candidate. Becky and her husband, John, have been coming to Maine with their daughters since 1983, from the time when her parents, Janet & Seth Washburn, retired to West Bath. She has a strong design and art background and has worked as a licensed interior designer for a design firm in Columbus Ohio; an architectural firm in Kansas, and has been running design studios for major home builders in Southwest Florida where the couple resided for 14 years.

Becky and John built their home in 2011 in Shoal Cove in West Bath to be near her father, Seth, who recently passed away, and was an early active member and continuous supporter of the West Bath Historical Society. A graduate of Pittsburgh Art Institute and La Roche College in Pittsburgh Pa., Becky is currently spending much of her time painting in her studio on the shores of Brigham's Cove.

"We love being able to live here full time now," she says. "And our home has become an important destination for our married children and grandchildren who live in Boston and Cincinnati Ohio, as my Dad's home was for me and my siblings when we were younger." ■

**WEST BATH STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

Named to the Dean's List at Maine Maritime Academy: Tyer Tardiff, majoring in marine engineering operation, and Corey Underwood, majoring in marine engineering technology.

**Crossing the Bar**

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**Sally Hyde Knight**, 89, of Peabody, MA, died Dec 4. She was a member of the Hyde family and was raised on the family estate, Elmhurst, in Bath. Tktktk ask pete ....

**Ann E. Jones**, 69, passed away on Dec 11 at her home in Blue Springs, Mo. Among her survivors is her sister-in-law **Joan McCole** of West Bath.

**Daniel P. Dalton**, 55, of Brunswick (formerly Wiscasset) died Dec 27, at his home. Among his survivors is his sister **Maureen Cressey** & her husband **Bill** of West Bath.

**Terry McDougall**, of Brunswick, passed away peacefully at home on Jan12, 2016. Terry retired after many years at BIW and enjoyed summers at Birch Point.

**Betty A. Evans**, 74, of Brunswick, died Jan 26 at Mid Coast Hospital. Among her survivors is a daughter, **Kim Johnson** of West Bath.

**Ronald A. Peabody**, 81 of Bremen, died March 20 at Cove's Edge in Damariscotta. Among his survivors is a son, **Jeffrey Peabody** of West Bath.

**CHANNEL BUOYS**



**WEDDINGS**

Jaimie Plimpton Hyde & Lincoln Beck Erhard were married in Camden on Sept 19. Jaimie is executive assistant to the CEO of Catabasis Pharmaceuticals in Boston, and is a 2006 graduate of Simmons College. She is the daughter of Ms. Nicola Plimpton & Russell McCall of Cutchogue, NY and Dr. Nathaniel Hyde and Polly Arnoff of West Bath. Lincoln is the son of Kate Beck & James Whittemore of Harpswell, and Lincoln & Kerrin Erhard of Boothbay.



**COOK'S KORNER**

Dandelion greens? Yuck. Not so fast: your grandma wasn't kidding when she said they were good for you. Let's count the ways. Folk medicine claims the dandelion plant is a powerful healer, and an especially good spring tonic. The fact is, the humble dandelion provides 535 percent of the recommended daily dose of vitamin K,

which may be the most important source of any other plant-based food to strengthen bones, but may also play a role in fighting Alzheimer's disease by limiting neuron damage in the brain. These bitter greens also give the body way above the minimum daily requirement of vitamin A, as an antioxidant, which is particularly good for the skin, mucus membranes and vision.

Need more benefits? Dandelion greens are high in fiber, which helps your body shed waste. They also contain vitamins C and B6, thiamin, riboflavin, calcium, iron (crucial for generating red blood cells), potassium (to help regulate heart rate and blood pressure), and manganese. Other nutrients include folate, magnesium, phosphorus, and copper. OK. Are you ready to try them? After gathering this plentiful, easily recognizable herb – preferably younger, paler leaves – rinse them gently, pat them dry, and store them in plastic bags in the fridge. Blanching them in boiling water for 20 to 30 seconds helps reduce a sometimes-present acrid taste, Try adding dandelion greens to sandwiches, soups, stews and casseroles, as well as to herbal teas and coffee. Here's a tasty salad:

**Dandelion & Fennel Salad**

1 bunch finely chopped dandelion greens, 1/2 fennel bulb, thinly sliced, 2 cups thinly sliced Napa cabbage, 1 cup bean sprouts.

Dressing:

Juice of one lemon (plus a little zest)  
1 Tbs. mirin (rice wine), 2 dashes sesame oil  
1 tsp cider vinegar, 1 tsp. tamari soy (gluten free),  
2 Tbs. olive oil 1/2 tsp maple syrup

Place the salad ingredients in a large bowl.. Mix all the dressing ingredients together, pour over the top, toss lightly, and enjoy! Serves 4. ■

**WEST BATH HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**HISTORIC BUILDINGS**

\*LITTLEFIELD SCHOOL\*  
363 BERRY'S MILL ROAD

\*OLD WEST BATH MEETING HOUSE\*  
680 BERRY'S MILL ROAD




**SATURDAY, JULY 2, 2016**  
10AM - 2PM

**COME VISIT LIVING HISTORY.**  
**FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**  
**REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE.**

FMI: 389-4498

## Crossing the Bar

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**Durene C. Carleton**, 67, of West Bath, passed away March 14 after a long battle with MS. Born in Tennessee to Patricia & Austin Stover, she moved to Bath at a young age and graduated from Morse High in 1966. She married James Carleton in 1968, and the couple lived in Bath and later Minot, ND, where James was in the Air Force. In 1972, they moved back to Maine and built their home in West Bath. In addition to James, she is survived by their three daughters; three grandsons; her sister, and her sister-in-law, Julie Carleton of West Bath.

**Wayne Hamilton**, 70, died March 3 at Mid Coast Hospital. Among his survivors are his son, Wayne Hamilton Jr & his wife Julie, and daughter, Kimberly Bernier & her husband Scott, all of West Bath.

**James Robert "J.R." Hill**, 72, of West Bath lost his courageous battle to cancer on Nov 9. Born in Bath, a son of William & Leona (McKenney) Hill, he attended Bath schools and entered the US Air Force in 1960. He worked at BIW and also Maine Yankee, until 1971, when he founded J.R. Hill & Son. In 1998, he married **Lynn Moore**. J.R. was a life member of the Smith Tobey American Legion Post 21, and a member of the Bath Elks and the Masonic Lodge in Bath. An avid country music fan, he loved playing the guitar, singing, and listening to classical music. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing, spending time at the family camp in West Forks. He is survived by his wife; two sons, including **Martin "Marty" Hill** of West Bath; two daughters; three brothers; three sisters, 14 grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews and cousins. ■

**Charles Warren "Johnny" Ring Jr.**, 79, of Brunswick died peacefully at home Oct 24, surrounded by family. A Navy veteran, he was stationed in Brunswick, where he was assigned to the NAS's Administration Department. Following the Navy, he began an illustrious career in fundraising, starting with Bowdoin College in 1961, where he became VP for Development, and much later, directed fund raising activities for Mid Coast Hospital. He was very active in the community, serving as Board president of the Maine Maritime Museum, among many other community efforts. In recognition of his decades of dedication to the Museum, the "Wyoming Alcove" of Sewall Hall is named in his honor.



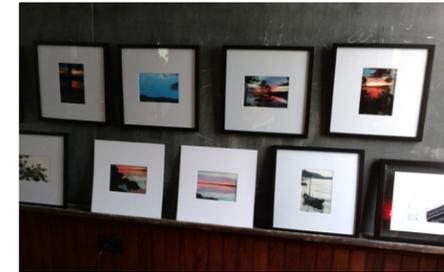
**Seth H. Washburn**, of Shoal Cove Road, died peacefully on Jan 17, 2016 at Hill House in Bath, Maine. He was 94 years old. Born in Kansas City, MO in 1921, he was the son of Rt. Reverend Benjamin Martin and Henrietta T. Washburn. He entered the class of '43 at Dartmouth College, leaving after his junior year to attend MIT where he received a B.S. in electrical engineering. He served in the U.S. Navy as a Lieutenant j.g., during World War II and then returned to MIT for an M.S. degree. In 1944, he married Janet Higginbotham in South Orange, NJ and joined Bell Laboratories, working in the field of electronic switching systems. At the age of 30 he co-authored "The Design of Switching Circuits," a seminal text in his field. In 1963 he became executive director, Columbus Switching Division, with laboratories in Columbus, Ohio, Naperville, Ill and Indian Hill, NJ. Wherever he lived, he was active in community, church and civil rights groups. In 1973 he moved to Peapack, New Jersey, as senior VP of Human Resources for Bell Labs in Murray Hill. He retired in early 1984,

According to Elliot Rosen, a long time West Bath summer resident, "Johnny had a little overnight cabin and many acres of land next door to us on Mill Cove, and he continued to maintain two moorings for friends to use long after he stopped boating himself. He was a nice neighbor, and when I was a young teen he let me hang out on his boat *Bert and I*. I ended up taking him out for his last boat ride last summer."

**Cynthia "Cindy" Bernier**, 73, of Topsham, died Oct 26 at her home surrounded by her family. Among her survivors is her stepdaughter **Ruth Groder** of West Bath.

and he and Janet moved to West Bath. He continued to be involved in Civil Rights, by supporting the Association of Black Laboratories Employees, who, in 2013 presented him with an award as a visionary executive, skillful leader and a man of dignity. Seth was a member of Grace Episcopal Church in Bath, and served on the West Bath School Board and the West Bath Historical Society. He enjoyed playing the flute, boating, rock polishing and coin collecting, and was a skilled stride piano player. In addition to piano, he had a lifelong passion for modern jazz, fly-fishing (he tied his own flies for over 70 years), martinis and good cigars. He especially loved spending time with his family and numerous dogs and cats. He was predeceased by his wife, Janet Washburn, in 1987. He is survived by his children John Washburn and his wife Lari of Wiscasset, **Rebecca Kresovsky** & her husband **John**, of West Bath; Kate Brennan of Albuquerque, NM; Stephen Washburn & his wife Shari of Berkeley, CA.; Peter Washburn & his wife Marilyn of New York City; ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. ■

## ARTS & CRAFTS STUDIO TO OPEN THIS SUMMER AT THE LITTLEFIELD SCHOOL



A unique seasonal studio and gift shop for New England crafts will open in West Bath's historic Littlefield School in early June. "Gifted in Maine" will offer a wide variety of arts and crafts including Cavalli's own original work, Sea Glass and Sea Porcelain mobiles; and photography, to handmade soaps, felted work, pottery and more. This "shop within a school" will be run by Jennifer Cavalli, who has designed an interior environment that does not compromise the historical architecture of the school and also offers a great glimpse into the past of this special building, which is listed on the National Registry of Historic Places.



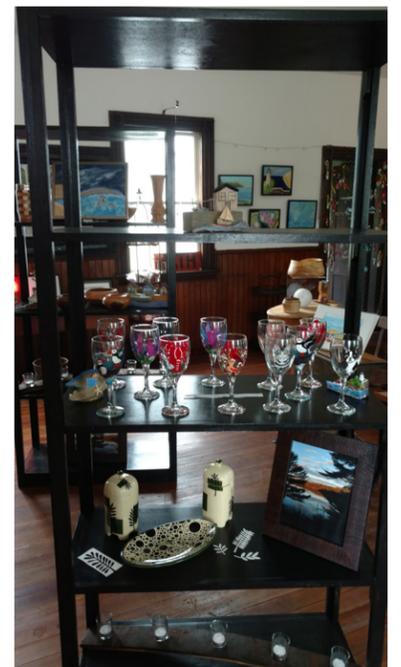
"We are very pleased to allow this special use of our one room schoolhouse, allowing it to be open to the public during this coming summer. It is a win, win, for both the historical society and for Jennifer who, along with her father Ivon Boyer (a WBHS board member) came up with this great idea," says Amy Wesson, WBHS president. In 2010, the woefully rickety Littlefield School was restored to its former gleaming beauty, thanks to the efforts of the WBHS and many community members, and has garnered many historical restoration awards in Maine.

It is located at 363 Berry's Mills Road which runs between State Road at Witch Spring Hill to Campbell's Pond Road. The West Bath Historical Society and "Gifted in Maine" have created this collaboration to encourage visits to the school by tourists and locals who may not have been inside before. Jennifer has created vi-



sual displays of the school and will also speak to the history of the school and the area in which the school is located. We hope to gather more history of the school house when people visit and encourage visitors to share their stories for a journal Jennifer will be keeping.

In addition to the carefully restored school house itself, there is also an exquisite marsh and apple orchard to be admired. If you are a seasoned artist or just dabble a little, we encourage you to bring a sketch book, camera or medium that you use to record your visit. Gifted in Maine will be open through September 30th, or longer if the weather permits. Days and hours: Thursday through Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 11-5. For more information, contact Jennifer at: [jenn@giftedinmaine.com](mailto:jenn@giftedinmaine.com) or call 207-386-6100. ■



## CROSSING THE BAR



**Norman E. Coon, MD**, 72, of Dresden, died Oct 8 in Auburn following a 3-year battle with cancer. He and his wife, **Roberta**, and family moved to Maine in 1996, where he practiced primary care and infectious diseases at Parkview and the VA Maine Healthcare system. They lived for many years on Berry's Mill Road in West Bath. Throughout his medical career, he took many mission trips to the Dominican Republic, Honduras, Zimbabwe and Mexico.

**ALBERT H. PREST**, 73, Fosters Point Road, passed away at his home on Oct 21. Born in Neptune, NJ, the son of Warren & June Prest, he graduated from Valley Forge Military Academy in 1961.

He went on to the Univ. of Miami, where he studied aviation administration, graduating from American Flyers School in Ft Worth, TX. A lifelong aviation expert, Al had over 47 years of experience in the airline industry, focused on operations, safety and training. He was also a career pilot for TWA and

served as captain and instructor pilot for both the Boeing 727 and 707. Following retirement, he became Director of Charter Ops for Jet America and later Gulf Air. He then became VP of Operations for the Air Transport Assoc. of America in Washington, D.C., where he made numerous contributions to the modern aviation history. After retiring to Maine, he was active in Grace Episcopal Church and in various historical groups, as well as serving on the Board of Senior College in Bath.

He married Margaret Smith in 1965, since deceased. He is survived by his wife, **Elizabeth**; two sons and a daughter; a brother and three sisters, seven grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

**Anthony J. "Tony" Brown**, 70, of Topsham, passed away peacefully at home on Sept 8. Among his many survivors is his adopted daughter, Bridget Taylor of West Bath.

**Merrill J. Barter**, 83, of Hill Road, died Nov 14 at Mid Coast Hospital. Born in Portland, a son of Forrest & Simone Barter, he attended the one-room Littlefield School in West Bath and graduated from Morse High in 1950. He was in the Maine National Guard during the Korean conflict. He then joined the US Air Force for 4 years. In 1961, he married **Mary Lucy** and built his home in West Bath in 1965. He was a ship fitter at BIW until retiring in 1997. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, **Tim Barter**; two daughters, **Lucy Collins** and Susan Pike, five brothers: **Robert Barter**, Richard Barter & his wife Cindy, Roland Barter & his wife Irene, Albert Barter & his wife Laura, and Hubert "Bert" Barter; two sisters, Anita Hamblett and Loretta Homan (West Bath residents in bold); six grandchildren and many nieces and nephew.

**Peter J. Roane**, 58, of Seattle, died Dec 2. Born in Bath, he worked at BIW. In addition to racing cars and ice racing with the New Meadows Ice Racing Assoc., he found time to build two homes; one in West Bath.

Choral Society.

He was also active in Common Cause, Maine Organic Farmers Association, the West Bath Fire Department, and in many legislative hearings and workshops in Augusta, to ensure the safe closure of the Maine Yankee Nuclear Power plant, and in the Quaker organization - Friends Committee on Maine Public Policy. A celebration of his life will be held June 25 at the Old West Bath Meeting House. ■



**David W. Hall**, 78, of West Bath, died Oct 7, 2015, from complications of Parkinson's Disease. He was born in Damariscotta, the son of Reverends Carl Franklin and Gretchen Hayes Hall. He leaves his wife, **Nancy**; his daughter, **Alison**, of West Bath; his son, **Jonathan** & his wife, Kathy and their daughters Katelyn and Grace, of Seattle, WA; his sister, Elizabeth & her husband, Damon Harmon, of Cumberland, ME, and his brother, Douglas Hall of Mansfield CT. David spent his formative years on Swan's Island off Mt. Desert, where his father was minister for the Maine Seacoast Mission. He graduated Bates College, with a B.S. in physics, and shortly after, was drafted to work at the

Army Chemical Center in MD. Later, he was a social worker for the state of Maine. He was active in First Parish Church, and later, as a Quaker with Mid Coast Friends in Damariscotta, and then Brunswick Friends. He loved travel and he spent his entire life involved in outdoor activities, leading many trips for the Appalachian Mountain Club. He met his wife on one such a trip and they married in 1969. David & Nancy moved to an old tidewater farm in West Bath where their two children grew up and where he built and ran a banquet hall, Dam Cove Lodge. He sang with the Brunswick Chamber Singers and performed Gilbert and Sullivan with the Brunswick

**Richard Card**, 82, of Bath and Boston, died May 7, 2015 at Hill House. He was born in Bath and graduated from Morse High. An honors graduate of Bowdoin, he went on to a successful career, mostly in banking. He was active both in Boston, his primary residence, and in Bath, especially in historical and preservation organization. His family has a cottage in Sabino for many years. According to Kerry Nelson, WBHS archivist, "Dick was a wonderful gentleman. I knew him for many years. He had a fabulous photograph collection, including thousands of images taken by his father, grandfather, and others that he shared with WBHS, BHS, and MMM. His collection is being split between the museum and Bath Historical Society. I have many of his West Bath views in our collection in some form. Others will be available to us as we go along. [See a future Middle Ground for details.]"

**Elizabeth Rosalie Malcolm**, 77, of West Bath, passed away Oct 4 after a long illness. Her parents, Claire & Fred Morse walked down the road in North Bath to the doctor (after a short sit in a snowbank to rest), and welcomed Rosalie into the world. She attended Morse High. She was married to Perry, the love of her life, for 60 years.

Known for her bubbly disposition, she enjoyed meaningful relationships with her large family. Recently she pursued a number of artistic efforts in painting and quilting, selling her creations at fairs and on e-Bay. She raised her four children and was a surrogate mother to many neighborhood kids. In addition to her husband, she leaves behind three sons and a daughter, two brothers and sisters, four grandchildren, and countless nieces, nephews and cousins.

**Commander Gilbert P. Schneidewind**, USN Ret., 82, of Brunswick, died Oct 6. Among his survivors is **Steven F. Schneidewind** of West Bath.

**Marilyn Marie Guppy (Macklin) Bruce**, 75, of Berry's Mill Road, passed away suddenly on Jan 13. She was born and raised in Medford, MA, the daughter of Earl and Marie (Wendt) Macklin. As a teen candy striper at Lawrence Memorial Hospital she found her calling as a nurse. After graduating from Medford High School in 1958 she went on to receive her training at Widden Memorial Hospital in Everett, MA. Over her long nursing career she worked primarily in obstetrics and helped bring hundreds of babies into the world. In 1962 she was married to Donald A. Bruce Jr. and they made their home in Ipswich, MA. Along with raising her four children she worked at Cable Memorial Hospital. She was an active member of the Immanuel Baptist Church where she played her autoharp and taught Sunday school. The family moved to West Bath in 1976. She was a past member of First Baptist Church of Bath and worked at the Bath Memorial Hospital, and later at Parkview Hospital until her retirement.

She loved the outdoors, especially boat rides and mackerel fishing from the Bruce family camp in Brigham's Cove. In retirement she enjoyed working in her yard and garden, watching her beloved Red Sox and Patriots, and listening to Jimmy Buffet. She was a Civil War history buff, and a longtime supporter of WBHS. Along with **Lydia Smith** and **Paolo Isnardi**, she

**Gladys Totten**, 87, of Brunswick, passed away March 28 at Sunnybrook Village. Among her survivors are her sons, **Larry** & his wife **Kathy**, and **Richard** & his wife **Margaret**, of West Bath.

**Simonne Tetu**, 84, of Brunswick, died March 31 at Mid Coast Hospital. Among her survivors is her son **Thomas** of West Bath.

was instrumental in saving the historic Littlefield School. Her own house, built in 1760, was an ongoing restoration project that she took pride in. A kind-hearted person, she was a great helpmate to her neighbor **Laura Small**, for the last few years she lived in her own home. Recently, Marilyn was her granddaughter's biggest supporter of her goal to become Miss Maine USA. She is survived by her four children; daughters, Nancy Elwell & husband Michael of Port Orange Florida, and **Bethany McCabe** & husband **Timothy Sr.** of West Bath; sons, Donald Bruce III & partner Laine Laliberte of Brunswick, and Peter Bruce & wife Dawn of Framingham, MA; granddaughters, Heather Elwell of Los Angeles, CA, Sarah Elwell and partner Joey Champa of Port Orange, FL, and her favorite grandson **Timothy McCabe Jr.** of West Bath. She is also survived by former husband and friend Donald Bruce Jr. of Redlands, CA; brother, Robert Macklin of Stoneham, ME and family member **David Bruce** of West Bath. ■



**Martha J. Murray**, 84, passed away March 25 in Freeport. Among her survivors are her daughter **Cheryl Farnham** & her husband **Rick**; and son **Timothy Murray** & his wife **Audrey**, of West Bath.

**Gavin J. Clark**, 15, of Alna died Oct 10 at his residence. Among his many survivors is his aunt, **Heather Leeman** of West Bath.