

OBITUARIES



ROBERTA MARY MILES
DOVER-FOXCROFT — Roberta Mary Miles, 83, of Dover-Foxcroft, died November 6th, 2015 at Hibbard Nursing Home. She was born February 13, 1931 in Dover-Foxcroft, the daughter of Merton W. Pratt and Dorothy T. Bragg.

Roberta graduated from Foxcroft Academy in 1949 and soon married Robert L. Miles in November 1952. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother, and had a smile that would light up any room. She enjoyed watching birds, her animals, cooking and being with her loved ones.

She is survived by 9 siblings; and her sons, Richard and Robert Miles; and a daughter, Patricia Burhoe; 10 grandchildren; and several great grandchildren. Roberta was predeceased by her husband, Robert Miles; a daughter, Susan; and a son, David.

Friends may call from 4 to 6 PM, Wednesday, November 11th, at Crosby & Neal, 21 Oak Street in Guilford. Burial will be held at 1:00 PM Thursday, November 12th at the East Millinocket Cemetery. For an online guest register, go to www.CrosbyNeal.com.

DORIS E. FRIEL

SMYRNA MILLS — Doris E. Friel, 89, of Smyrna Mills died November 7th 2015 in Houlton. She was born April 21st 1926 in Moro, the daughter of Leroy and Myrtle (Mitchell) Mitchell.

Doris enjoyed her family and all animals, especially cats, dogs, and horses. She attended the Bethel Pentecostal Church of Oakfield.

She is survived by one daughter, Anita Mitchell of Oakfield and one son, Michael and his wife Diane Friel of Augusta; two grandsons, Kevin Michael Friel of Avenel, NJ and Matthew Guy Friel of Manhattan, NY; a sister, June Bustard; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Keith (Tubby) Friel and five sisters: Amy Botting, Verna Ellis, Zella Hersey, Faye Drew, and Pearl Boutillier.

A graveside funeral service will be held November 11 at 2pm at the Smyrna Mills Cemetery with the Rev. Sterling Lawrence off. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Ark Animal Shelter, 70 Main St., Houlton. For an online guest book and to leave condolences please visit www.bowersfuneral.com

PETER WALDRON DIAMOND

NORTHPORT — Peter Waldron Diamond, 75, peacefully passed away on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 in Wheeling, IL. Peter was a longtime resident of Northport, ME.

He is survived by his two sons, Matthew (Dana) Diamond of Arlington Heights, IL, James Diamond of Pasadena, TX, their mother Donna Diamond of Danvers, MA, six grandchildren, his brother Jack (Elizabeth) Diamond of Warren, RI, and loving cousin Cleta (Ira) Stockwell of Westbrook, ME. He is preceded in death by his parents John D. Diamond and his Mattie W. Diamond.

A memorial service will be held at 1PM Saturday November 14, 2015 at Maple Grove Cemetery in Mechanic Falls, ME. The family has requested that in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Belfast Free Library 106 High St, Belfast, ME 04915.

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Sierra Leone marks end of Ebola epidemic

BY UMARA FOFANA
REUTERS

FREETOWN — Residents of Sierra Leone's capital held a candlelit vigil and celebrations overnight to mark the end of an Ebola epidemic that has killed nearly 4,000 people, including more than 200 health workers since it began last year.

Following 42 days with no new cases, the West African nation's epidemic will be declared officially over on Saturday at a ceremony attended by President Ernest Bai Koroma and U.N. World

Health Organization representative Anders Nordstrom.

Thousands of people gathered under the Cotton Tree, a massive tree in the center of the capital, Freetown, overnight for a candlelight vigil organized by women's groups to pay tribute to health workers who died.

"They died so we could live," Fatmata, a university student, said with tears in her eyes. Many of the health workers who died were infected because of inadequate protective equipment and training.

The country's first confirmed Ebola survivor, Victoria Yillia, told the crowd she was "happy that this disease which almost killed me has finally ended." She appealed to authorities not to forget survivors, many of whom have faced social stigma and persistent health problems.

Elsewhere in the city, residents celebrated the end of the epidemic, which forced schools to close, overwhelmed healthcare systems and hurt the local economy.

"We're happy. I feel free

again after a period of bondage in the hands of Ebola," trader Joseph Katta said as he clutched a pint of beer at a pub in the suburb of Lumley.

Ebola has killed more than 11,300 people in Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea since the epidemic was announced in March 2014 and about 28,500 were infected, according to WHO data. Sierra Leone's death toll was 3,955 people.

Liberia was declared free of Ebola on Sept. 3, while a handful of cases remain in Guinea.

The 42-day countdown to be declared Ebola-free starts when the last patient tests negative a second time, normally after a 48-hour gap following their first negative test.

Fear of the virus transformed the three countries and hampered efforts in Sierra Leone and Liberia to recover from civil wars.

At the height of the epidemic, the two countries ordered everyone to stay indoors for days at a time in an attempt to identify new cases and slow the disease's spread.

Veterans Day Events

AUGUSTA — University of Maine at Augusta will host a 50th anniversary veteran recognition 5-6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, in the Fireplace Lounge of the Randall Student Center at UMA's Augusta campus, with special guest first lady Ann LePage. The event will honor and thank veterans for their service and recognize UMA's tradition of supporting students with military experience.

BANGOR and BREWER — A traditional Veterans Day will feature Bangor Rotary's pancake breakfast at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at Brewer Auditorium to benefit Keep Kids Warm; a parade at 10:15 a.m. beginning at Brewer Shopping Mall, with transportation offered to participating veterans who cannot walk the 1½-mile parade route; a free program with Bangor Band at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at Cole Land Transportation Museum, 405 Perry Road; walking sticks available free for Maine veterans who served in any one of the four war eras and who have proof of military service, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily through Nov. 11, at the museum. For information on the Walking Stick Program and the 1 p.m. Veterans Day program at Cole Land Transportation Museum, call 990-3600, ext. 13, or visit colemuseum.org.

BREWER — Brewer High School will hold its Veterans Day breakfast and assembly 7:30-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at Brewer High School.

Breakfast, 7:30-8:45 a.m.; assembly, 9-10:30 a.m. All veterans are invited. Guest speakers will be Col. Doug Farnham and Chief Master Sgt. Dan Moore, who are Brewer High School graduates. For information, call Senior Master Sgt. Tony Campbell at 852-8509.

BREWER — Bangor American Legion's 3K Fun Run for Our Vets will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, beginning from Brewer Auditorium and ending in downtown Bangor. The run will help support veterans and their families. Free T-shirts to first 100 registered runners. Registration is \$20 per person. To register or be a race sponsor, email Legion commander Doug Damon at cdcicemom@aol.com or call 949-4735.

FORT KENT — Martin-Klein American Legion Post 133's veterans benefits workshop, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at Fort Kent town office, led by American Legion Department of Maine Veterans Service Officer Amedeo Lauria, who will hold personal face-to-face appointments Wednesday, Nov. 11, at University of Maine at Fort Kent to help veterans submit applications for benefits. For information or to schedule an appointment, call Post 133 Commander Duane Belanger at 951-2874 or email commander@americanlegionpost133.org.

FRENCHVILLE — The town of Frenchville will hold a ribbon-cutting

ceremony for its new Frenchville Heritage Park at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at the park. Organizers indicate the volunteer effort is meant to promote French and Acadian traditions, stories and music. One of the first events to be held in the park after the ribbon-cutting will be the Christmas tree lighting in early December, which will include an appearance by Santa Claus.

LEWISTON — The Lewiston-Auburn Veterans Council will host the "Pass in Review" for all color guards at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at Lewiston Armory. The public is invited to join in patriotic songs with Nel Meserve and his Just the Singers. Veterans are invited to march with their branch of service flag. High school bands are welcome to play and both mayors have been invited to speak. For information, call Jerry DeWitt at 576-0376 or email jdewitt@tcmhhs.org.

ORONO — University of Maine events in honor of Veterans Day will be: dedication of a new display designed and produced in UM's Innovative Media Research and Commercialization Center and unveiled by a student U.S. Army veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom, 11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 9, in the Memorial Room of the Memorial Union; free lunch vouchers for student veterans, Tuesday, Nov. 10, available at the veterans office and redeemable at Bear's Den; Veterans Day 5K to honor those who serve, 8 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, starting at the

New Balance Student Recreation Center, free to veterans and active duty and \$15 for others; Outside the Wire, a social impact company, will present a performance of "Theater of War," 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at the Bangor Opera House, with free bus between UM and Bangor leaving at 6 p.m. from Collins Center and returning approximately 9:30 p.m.; annual veterans luncheon featuring guest speaker Adria O. Horn, director of the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services, noon-1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, in the Lown Room, Memorial Union. For information or to request a disability accommodation, call Tony Llerena, vets coordinator and school certifying official for veterans, at 581-1316 or email tony.llerena@maine.edu.

PORTLAND — The Easter Seals Maine Heroes Wall will be unveiled at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at the Old Port at Dimillo's Boardwalk. A short ceremony to honor Maine's military will follow, which includes guests Gov. Paul LePage and first lady Ann LePage as well as a local veteran who will share his service story. The Easter Seals Maine Heroes Wall is a permanent monument to honor military heroes past and present. The public can purchase tiles with their hero's name and image in honor or memory of a U.S. military hero and 50 percent of each purchase will benefit Easter Seals Maine's military and veteran services. Packages can be upgraded to

include an additional slate to keep at home or memorial site. To order a tile or learn more, visit eastersealsmaine.com.

ROCKLAND — Rockland District Middle School will hold its traditional Veterans Day breakfast and assembly Tuesday, Nov. 10, at the school, 30 Broadway. Breakfast will be served at 8 a.m. in the school library. The assembly will begin at 9 a.m. in the gymnasium. Veterans are invited and encouraged to attend the event.

SOUTH BERWICK — A Veterans Day service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, in front of the South Berwick Town Hall, 180 Main St. Master of ceremonies will be Richard Shaw, commander of South Berwick VFW Post 5744, and guest speaker will be Retired U.S. Army Command Sgt. Maj. Anthony Cinotta.

TOGUS — VA Maine Healthcare System will conduct the annual Veterans Day observance at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at the flagpole in front of the Togus Medical Center. A local veterans service organization will present the colors with a singing of the national anthem. Comments will be made by the center director and representatives of Maine's congressional delegation before a wreath is laid at the main flagpole. The Maine National Guard Honors Team will conduct a 21-gun salute. Veterans and the general public are invited.

Scarborough man dies in Bay State motorcycle crash

BY DOUGLAS MOSER
THE EAGLE-TRIBUNE

METHUEN, Massachusetts — The man who died in a motorcycle crash Thursday evening was a 25-year-old from Scarborough, Maine, police said Friday.

Brandon Shelzi, whose last known address was in Scarborough, according to police, died when his motorcycle crashed into a woman's car on Railroad Street at about 8:15 p.m. Thursday.

Shelzi was taken to Lawrence General Hospital after the crash and was pronounced dead.

Police said Shelzi was driving a Harley Davidson north

on Railroad Street by Immaculate Conception Cemetery when he crossed the yellow centerline and crashed into a 2010 Toyota Corolla, driven by a 46-year-old woman, whom police have not identified.

The woman also was brought to Lawrence General with injuries not considered life-threatening, police said.

Patrolmen William Kanan and Patrick Fleming, along with Capt. Randy Haggart, investigated the crash with the help of the State Police Accident Reconstruction Unit.

Haggart told The Eagle-Tribune Thursday that speed may have been a factor in the crash.

Man accused of robbing CVS in NH twice

CBS 13

DOVER, New Hampshire — A man was arrested after allegedly robbing the CVS Pharmacy on Central Avenue in Dover twice.

The Dover Police Department arrested Robert J. Belair, 35, of Berwick and charged him with two counts of robbery.

Police say the first robbery happened around 8:15 p.m. Oct. 22, when a lone male produced a note to the pharmacist demanding prescription pain medication. Once in possession of the medication, the suspect fled the business.

Then around 7:40 p.m. Friday, Dover police officers responded to the same CVS Pharmacy for a second robbery.

Police say once again, the lone male suspect produced a note demanding prescription pain medication and fled the scene once he had the medication.

Police say witnesses provided a license plate number of the vehicle the suspect was seen driving. Shortly thereafter, a New Hampshire State Police trooper stopped the vehicle on Old Dover Road in Rochester.

Dover police came to the scene and arrested Belair. He was charged with the Friday robbery. After further investigation, police were also able to link Belair to the Oct. 22 robbery.

Belair is being held at the Strafford County House of Correction.

Fort Fairfield man dies in truck crash

BY JOHANNA S. BILLINGS
BDN STAFF

FORT FAIRFIELD — A 49-year-old Fort Fairfield man is dead following a one-vehicle crash Saturday morning.

Jason P. Reed was pronounced dead at the scene, according to a news release from Fort Fairfield police.

Reed was the driver and sole occupant of a black 2005

Chevrolet Colorado pickup truck that struck a tree, police said.

He had been traveling north on Route 1A, north of the Bryant Pond Road, when he veered off the roadway into a ditch. The vehicle went airborne and struck the tree head on, according to police.

Reed was not wearing his seatbelt, police said.

The crash was reported at

6:10 a.m. by a passing motorist.

Sgt. Shawn Newell of the Fort Fairfield police is leading the investigation. Initial reports indicate speed was a factor in the crash, police said.

Fort Fairfield Fire Department assisted at the scene of the crash and the Maine Warden Service mapped the scene of the crash.

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