



Belle Bouchard, 9, of Milbridge creates chalk art titled "Thank You Nurses and Doctors for Keeping Us Safe and Healthy." Coastal Chronicle photo.

Youths Decorate Milbridge Sidewalks in Chalk Art Event

After being delayed for a day by rain, a first-ever chalk art event got underway in Milbridge on Sunday, Aug. 30. Thirteen youths, ranging in ages from 4 to 12, created works of art on Main Street sidewalks from Vazquez Mexican Takeout to the Narraguagus Bay Health Care Facility. Gateway Milbridge organized the occasion.

The headquarters and center of activity was at the site of the future Milbridge Theatre and Arts Center where Richard Bondurant, Gateway Milbridge chair, Kathy Chipman, vice chair, and John Bettis worked to see that the things ran smoothly. Jacquie Leighton coordinated the activities and served as announcer.

While adult family mem-

bers and event workers were present to supervise activities, the focus of attention was upon the young people who created the chalk drawings.

The event began with registration. Each child was given colored chalk and assigned a space at a sidewalk location on Main Street.

Bright helium balloons marked each spot and gave the child's first name, age and the title of the art work. Some of the titles were: Rainbow Zoo, Maine, Thank You to Nurses and Doctors, Dinosaurs in the USA and Puff the Magic Dragon.

At the conclusion of the event, all of the children and their families reassembled at the site of the headquarters for awards

and prizes.

Leighton, using a microphone, interviewed each of the participants, asking about his or her artwork.

All of the artists received awards, presented by Chipman, for their drawings. After each award, the youths went to a nearby awards wheel, operated by Bettis, where they gave the wheel a spin to determine a prize they would receive. Prizes included pirate hats, footballs, bubble wands and monkeys. The monkeys were popular choices.

The artists also were awarded ice cream certificates, compliments of The Meadows owner, Vera Small.

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Cherryfield Residents Organize Scavenger Hunt for Maine County Signs

Brenda Fickett and Cheryl Brown, two sisters who live in Cherryfield, have organized a scavenger hunt for town residents and anyone else interested in participating. The objective is to find all 16 of the signs they plan to place around town, each commemorating a different Maine county.

The signs, according to Brown, are made from old wooden seat bottoms that were salvaged from the Cherryfield Elementary School years ago. The seats were first painted white and then had scenes painted over the white background.

According to Brown, the signs will be left out for as long as they hold up to the

weather. People are encouraged to walk around town to see how many they can find.

Earlier in the year, several other scavenger hunts were held in Cherryfield, including a hunt for golden Easter eggs, a teacher hunt and a rainbow hunt.

Fickett came up with the idea for this hunt to help celebrate Maine's bicentennial. It also provides the occasion to get out of the house and engage in safe activities.

Information about the signs and the scavenger hunt can be found at the Cherryfield Community Calendar Facebook page.



This Knox County sign, along with 15 others, will be placed around Cherryfield as part of an upcoming scavenger hunt. Photo courtesy of Cheryl Brown.

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Public Hearing

The Milbridge Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on September 22, 2020 at 6:00 PM
on the **Milbridge Sewer Base Rates**.
The hearing will be in the Milbridge Library.

The EPA and DEP have put new requirements on our treatment facility which will cost us more so we need to raise the rates to cover those cost.

The new rate proposed will be as listed below:

The base fee for all sewer accounts will increase by \$60.00 a year, and the increase will start October 22, 2020.

If you do not feel safe coming to the public hearing you can regular mail, or email any questions or comments to the town office at
PO Box 66 Milbridge Maine 04658 or
milbridgetown@gmail.com

Lewis Pinkham, Town Manager

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variation in the level of interest in the lots. Lots #4, #5 and #6 only had six bidders. Lot #10 had 21 persons bidding for it and Lot #12, the least expensive, had 22 bidders.

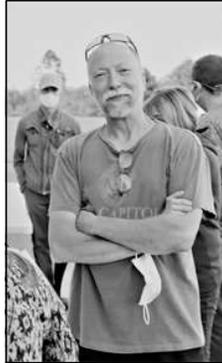
There was also variation in the plans of the people who won the right to purchase lots through the lottery. Douglas Schoenberg, who won Lot #8, said he planned to build a house there. Robert Kotosky, of Stowe, Mass., who won Lot #9, also said he plans to build, though he might be living in his RV for some time before construction.

Ann Tourtelotte, winner of Lot #10, from Bowdoinham, said she didn't know what she would do with her property, nor did Beth Nagle and her husband, Brian Timmer, of New York City, winners of Lot #11.

When it was all over, town officials were both happy and relieved. Preparing the land for the sale represented a considerable investment of time and money. For its efforts, the town took in approximately \$300,000 from the land sales and lottery entry fees. Town Clerk Julie Ginn summed it up this way: "We are excited for the growth it will bring but are happy to wrap up this project."



Top, Evie and Roy Palmer of Steuben are shown here after the lottery ended. The couple won the right to purchase Lot #4 in the town land lottery.



Right, Robert Kotosky, of Stowe, Mass., won Lot #9. He said he plans to build but doesn't know when.

Bottom, Town selectmen, Jim Kovacs, Eve Parkin and Larry Pinkham (not

shown), all seated, listen as Town Clerk, Julie Ginn, addresses the audience. Officer James Malloy, Joy Robinson and Teresa Ginn (not shown) stand nearby. Coastal Chronicle photos.



Participants Receive Awards at Chalk Art Event



Jacque Leighton, the event organizer, talked with each of the participants at its conclusion.

Leighton interviews Pearl Pinkham, 12, Carter Pinkham, 10, and Cody Leighton, 13, all of Steuben. Kathy Chipman holds awards they are about to receive.



All of the participants in the Sidewalk Chalk Art Event received awards.

Bo Berarano, 7, of Milbridge, decides which award he should choose. Kathy Chipman assists with the awards.



Jenna Wallace, 4, of Milbridge, holds her awards as Jacque Leighton interviews her during the awards ceremony. Coastal Chronicle photos.



Catherine Hill Winery's
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The first person to correctly guess "Where's Bee?" will win a bottle of berry wine from our winery!



Here is this month's picture. Can you figure out "Where is Bee?" Good luck!

Email your answer as quick as you can!

Last month our Bee was hanging out at the Narraguagus Jr/Sr High School in Harrington. Look for the answer to this picture in the next issue!

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