York County Elder Abuse Task Force

May 2025~

On behalf all of us on the York County Elder Abuse Task Force, thank you for reading this letter. We would like to invite you to be a part of an amazing project we are hosting. We are granting a wish through our Wishing Well project! The first ever: 2026 Maine Golden Beauty Pageant!

The York County Elder Abuse Task Force, established in 2005, is a non-profit 501(c)3 group of committed professionals from many fields, including but not limited to law enforcement, social services, healthcare, public health, legal services, community members and financial institutions. We come together to share our knowledge and skills, to serve as a resource to educate the public about abuse, exploitation and frauds committed against our older adults. Our primary focus is York County but our efforts extend throughout the State of Maine.

The Wishing Well initiative is an opportunity for residents age 60 and over to apply for the chance to have an unfulfilled wish granted.

We rely on amazing partners like you in our communities to help make our Wishing Well Projects come true. It sure takes a village and we are incredibly thankful for the amazing partners that show up to "take care of those who once took care of us". All who contribute to this event will be thanked and recognized publicly. Thank you in advance for being a wish granter and for honoring our older population!

We are accepting donations of or monetary donations to cover the following:

- -2 Crowns (Ms. Maine Golden Beauty 60-75YO, Ms. Maine Golden Beauty-Platinum 75YO+)
- -Contestant bouquets (6 winner flower bouquets)
- -22 Contestant sashes and Winner Sashes
- -20 Contestant number pins
- -20 Robes

-20 Contestant swag bag items: beauty products, health items for older women, shawls, gift cards, nice chocolates/confections, nice toiletry items, stationary items, souvenir items, pins, jewelry set, books, crafts, etc)

-13 Plaques (Top Five in each, Congeniality, Fashion and People's Choice awards)

-50 Printed t-shirts or tote bags with the Maine Golden Beauty Pageant logo

- -2 Gold Necklaces (Golden Beauty (60-75 YO) Winner and Runner Up)
- -2 Platinum Necklaces (Golden Beauty-Platinum (75 YO +)Winner and Runner Up)
- -Printing color programs for the event, flyers, educational materials
- -Workshop & backstage refreshments for the contestants
- -Workshop locations (in Sanford area) that can accommodate 50 people
- -Photographer for headshots at workshop
- -Photographer for day of shots
- -Cosmetologists/Hairstylists on site for Workshop #1 and event day
- -Contestant lunch or dinner
- -Possible gown or Tux rental/donation for Hosts/ushers?

-Raffle prizes for the raffle table at the event (winners announced at the event and must be present)

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Special Donation Opportunities

Platinum Sponsors: \$2,000 (First received donation in this category includes a seat to be the 2026 Honorary Guest Judge) Golden Sponsors: \$1,000 Regal Sponsors: \$500 Contributing Sponsors: Any monetary donations up to \$499 and any other donations to the event.

Donations are 100% used to support the efforts of the YCEATF.

Any residual funds from this project will be use to grant future wishes and to help with the educational efforts of the York County Elder Abuse Task Force. More information on the group and such efforts can be found at: <u>www.yceatf.org</u>

Checks can be made out to "York County Elder Abuse Task Force" and mailed to the address below or we may be able to pick your donations up at your business. Please contact the person you received this letter from or email <u>csimeoni@kennebunkmaine.us</u> for arrangements.

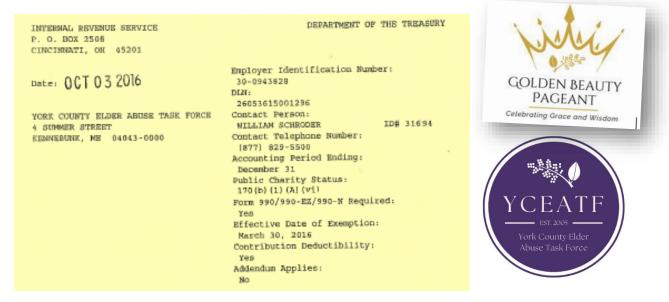
We send you our sincere gratitude and appreciation for reading this and possibly donating to this project and/or the raffle table for the night of the event!

Please spread the word and join us for the 2026 Maine Golden Beauty Pageant on Sept 20, 2026 at the Sanford Performing Arts Theatre!

Updates will be shared on our website and on our Facebook page as they are confirmed!

Applications will be available at our website and by emailing us on July 7, 2025!

Respectfully and gratefully, All members of the York County Elder Abuse Task Force



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