



1664 US Highway 1 Littleton, Maine

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# Southern Aroostook Agricultural Museum

*"A museum by the people, for the people"*

*"We are an equal opportunity provider"*

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Nancy Wright, left, our volunteer coordinator set up a display at the Houlton Agricultural Fair in July. Pictured with Nancy is Barry Campbell. Both are board members of the museum. Many visitors participated in the potato activities provided by Nancy for visitors to engage in.

Nancy has had a busy summer scheduling tour guides and she and Debbie Melvin have been doing many jobs around the museum, while many of our men have been working in the outside buildings. We have had a record number of visitors this summer and have continued to offer Saturday tours through the end of September and possibly into October. Call for a private tour using the numbers listed on the last page of this publication.



## Fall Gun Raffle

**SAVAGE Axis .270 Winchester with  
Sig Sauer Buckmasters 3-9x40 Scope**



**2<sup>nd</sup> prize**  
\$100 gift card to  
Mac's Trading Post

**3<sup>rd</sup> prize**  
\$50 gift card to  
Mac's Trading Post

Donation: \$10/Ticket  
only 550 sold

Tickets are on sale now for the Fall Raffle. Contact any name listed on the back of this publication for a ticket or purchase online at our web-site. \$10 per ticket.

Drawing to be held on before November 16, 2024



*Our thanks to our many volunteers this season, without your willingness to volunteer our museum would not be the treasure it is for our County. Please consider lending a hand, even if it's just once in awhile. Ask what areas need some help. Volunteering provides an opportunity to meet new people, renew friendships and to lend a hand that fits your schedule.*





The North Country Cruisers sponsored another successful show in August. Pictured on the left is Bill Buckley with Gerry and Dana Briggs, all from the Bangor area. Bill, originally from Bridgewater has a truck on display at the museum and entered it in the competition. The Briggs brothers, whose family came from the greater Woodstock area brought several pieces of woodworking equipment as a donation for the museum. The show had more than 200 entries this year. A beautiful day brought lots of spectators.



Photo on the left is Rory and Carrie Shaw with Jamie and Rondise Watson in the background. They were riding on our Ross School float in the Fourth of July parade. Above is Colby Shaw and Candy Stairs selling Maine Ag shirts and hats during the car show.





Ten Bowdoin students spent an afternoon at the museum in August. This has been an annual trip for about 20 years. This year's group washed our tables and chairs before embarking on a tour of the museum. The students came from all over the United States and one from Tansania. While in the Ross School he posed with the map of Africa pointing to his homeland. It was his first trip to the United States. The students are freshmen at Bowdoin and participate in this orientation program to experience areas of Maine away from the campus. Each student received a gift bag from the museum filled with booklets, brochures, a t-shirt, pens, small flashlights, a Maine Potato pin, a 2024 Maine eclipse poster and postcards. Several items were given by the Houlton Chamber of Commerce.

We have Ag. Museum bags pictured above for a donation of \$6 and Ag. Museum hats for \$20 each. Contact one of the members listed on the back of this publication to receive yours.



We have gift certificates available for our suppers and memberships. Great birthday or Christmas gifts or just because.





*Memorials: John Barker, Bobby Bartlett,  
Dean McCarty Sr. and Mark A. Smith*



## Days gone by

Here is Littleton farmer, manager of Monticello Potato Shippers and my father, Ken Eleiott, left, with his foreman, David Green in the early 70s. A two-row digger is above and a truck loaded with barrels. Much of this equipment is now just a memory, as harvesters, windrowers and bulk bodies have replaced diggers and barrels.

### *Upcoming Events*

Suppers are served from 4:30 to 6 p.m. or until we sell out. \$10 per person., Take-out available.

October 19—Baked Ham

November 16—Roast Pork

Membership supper January 18, 2025



A beautiful crock was donated to us from the David Gricus family. David was a well-know potter and was a Ricker College faculty member.

Please send your 2025 membership dues to:

S.A.A.M. 304 Campbell Road Littleton, ME 04730 or renew online.

Thank you for supporting our mission to preserve the past.



### Bits and pieces of information:

**Multi-Purpose Room:** Our gym & kitchen facilities are available to rent for reunions, receptions, parties or banquets.

**We are a non-smoking, alcohol free facility and handicapped accessible.**

**Gift Certificates** are available for suppers or memberships.. Great birthday, anniversary or "just because" gifts.

**Regular Museum meetings** are the first and third Saturdays of the month beginning at 9 a.m. Members and guests welcome

Open for tours Thursday, Friday and Saturday..1 p.m. to 4.

June 24 through Labor Day

For private tours call Debbie Melvin or other members listed below.



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### SAAM appreciates your support!

#### MEMBERSHIP FORM

Becoming a member does not obligate you to any volunteer position, but it does help us fulfill the dream of :

#### "Cultivating the Heritage of the County"

Please complete the form below to enjoy free admittance to the museum and help support a great cause. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, operated solely by volunteers.

\_\_\_ Single Membership \$20

\_\_\_ Family Membership \$30

\_\_\_ Sodbuster \$50

\_\_\_ Thresher \$100

\_\_\_ Farmer of the Year \$250

\_\_\_ Single Lifetime—\$500

\_\_\_ Couple Lifetime--\$750

\_\_\_ Additional donation for:

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#### OFFICERS

PRESIDENT.. .....Paul Klein.....521-1874

V.PRESIDENT.....Francis Fitzpatrick.....538-0050

TREASURER.....Debbie Campbell.....538-9583

SECRETARY.....Debbie Melvin.....538- 9604

#### COMMITTEES

**Buildings & Grounds..Colby Shaw.....694-0824**

**Paul Klein.....521-1874.**

**EVENTS / Rae Johnston.....538-9402**

**Contact Debbie Campbell to reserve museum.....538-9583**

**HISTORIAN /open for volunteer**

**PUBLICITY /Karen Donato..... 694-6099**

**Displays/decorating- NancyWright 538-8905**  
**and Karen Donato..694-6099**

**TRANSPORTATION OF DONATED ITEMS:**

**Francis Fitzpatrick.....538-0050**

**MUSEUM.....538-9300**

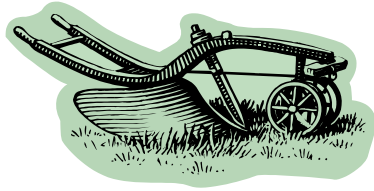
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