

ELIOT HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2024

Monthly Meeting: November 11 - 7:00 PM: In person and by ZOOM @ McPherson Hall, First Congregational Church, 1361 State Rd.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89970965186?pwd=b0JaVFgyOFRnNW11WjRLZlZlVSRDNLdz09>

Program: Eric Christian will be giving us an overview of the goals of the first summit, held by seacoast area historical societies as our organizations search for solutions to common areas of concern. In addition, he will give us a history of the Wood Island Life-Saving Station and restoration project, in Kittery Point.



IN MEMORIAM

Cheryl Remick Goodwin (1942-2024)

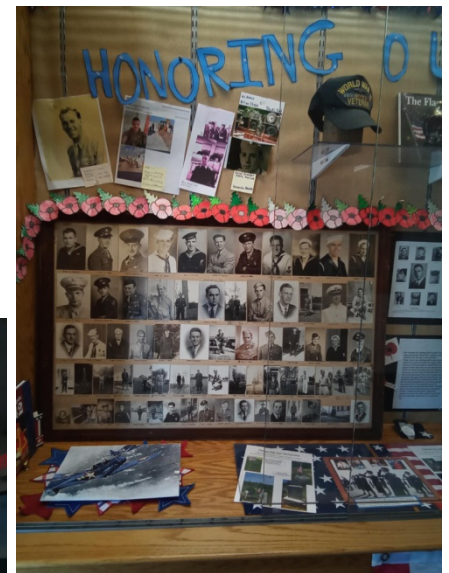
Cheryl was born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire to Wesley Edwin Remick and Eleanor May (Chandler) Remick.

She grew up in Atlantic Heights in Portsmouth, NH and moved to the family farm in Eliot, Maine when she was 9. Cheryl graduated from Eliot High School in 1960 and then attended McIntosh College in Dover, NH in 1961 where she met a lifelong friend, Janet Canney. After college, Cheryl worked for Household Finance, Liberty Mutual and then, with her second husband, Kenneth Wayne Goodwin, at their farm in Eliot, KEWAGO Farm. She enjoyed traveling throughout the country with Ken and to various car shows with his street rod. In more recent years, Cheryl made her home at Eliot's *Baran Place* and, as a life-member, enjoyed attending our Historical Society meetings, sharing her family history, and visiting with old friends. She was a good friend and we will all miss her.



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The display at Eliot Elementary School for November/December has been installed. Each year, at this time, our theme is *Honoring Our Veterans*. Once again the install coincides with veteran's events at the school and in the school district.



Added to the display was the *Missing Man Table* or *Fallen Comrade Table*, which was placed by the students. This memorial is set up to honor U.S. military service members who are missing, imprisoned, or have fallen

in battle. The empty chair symbolizes the absence of the missing service member. The **white**

tablecloth symbolizes the purity of the service members' intentions; the **black napkin**, the sorrow of captivity; the **slice of lemon**, the bitter fate of the missing; **Salt** the tears shed by the families of the missing; an **inverted glass**, the fact that the missing and fallen cannot partake the **Lit candle**, a light of hope that lives in hearts to illuminate the missing's way home.



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All students and staff, once again, placed flags around Eliot Elementary School's outdoor flag pole, to honor Veterans. On November 1st, parents and community members were then invited to place their own flags. This, the second year, we were all delighted that over 40 children and

adults stopped to place a flag

for a family member. Please do take a look if you happen to ride by. The flags create a beautiful visual remembrance.



September visitor to our EES display – Michele Meyer from Back Fields Farm.



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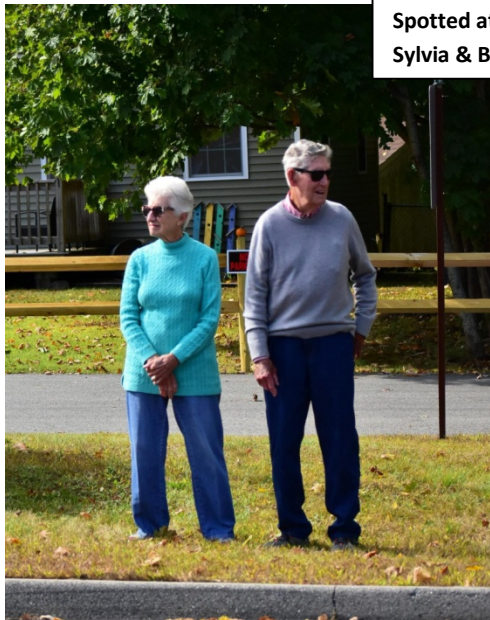
Halloween at the #8 Schoolhouse!

Jan Cerabona's goal is to make our building available so that more people can experience and gain an appreciation of the schoolhouse and the preservation work that our society does. Now that we have a source of heat we can go well into the fall and she is actively looking for different uses, such as a place for small groups to meet, as well as events. Halloween was OUR first "community" event there! The building was decorated and there were games for kids and adults, and some special treats for them. Jan and Rosanne greeted people and although there were only a small number of visitors, it was a good start for us to build on and they hope to make it an annual event. The Officers and Board of Directors of our society held their October meeting at the Schoolhouse and discussed further the installation of an incinerating toilet, programing and our upcoming elections.



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Although we didn't have a booth this year at Eliot Festival Day, brochures were available at various locations and our #8 Schoolhouse was open! **Jan Cerabona** welcomed several new visitors who took the opportunity to stop in.



Spotted at Eliot Festival Day were Society members Sylvia & Bud Moynahan and Polly & Jack McDonough.



The day after *Eliot Festival Day*, **George Gefrich** held his annual *Octoberfest* at his property on Heron Cove. This annual event will be held on the last Sunday in September. Our pictures don't tell the whole story



and the great numbers of people who attended. There was a barbeque as well as desserts with lots of German and American foods and a beer garden, along with great music, and a bonfire on the water in the evening. Mark your calendars so, next year. You won't miss it!

