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Land's End Gift Shop has been in business on the tip of Bailey Island since 1959, with merchandise crafted by nearly 100 Maine artisans and homemade fudge made daily in the summer.

Bailey Island gift shop stands the test of time

By Elizabeth Clemente

HARPSWELL — At the end of Route 24 on Bailey Island there's a sign that warns "Road Ends 500 feet."

But for 60 years, countless visitors have been curious enough to continue past.

As the trees clear and give way to a view of the ocean and Jaquish Island, explorers are rewarded when they spot a long, gray building with a row of whimsical whirligigs out front.

The structure is the Land's End Gift Shop,

Land's End, Page 23



Howard Hutchins, left, and his mother Ruby Hutchins stand on the front porch of Land's End Gift Shop in Bailey Island, which their family has owned and operated for 60 years.

Fate of water tower at Mitchell Field still up in the air

By Elizabeth Clemente

HARPSWELL — Despite a Town Meeting vote to demolish the Mitchell Field water tower last month, the fight to save it may not be over.

Selectmen were informed April 19 that a 400-signature petition challenging the demolition vote would be delivered this week, according to Robert McIntyre, a member of the Harpswell nonprofit Friends of Mitchell Field.

The petition came up at the Board of Selectmen's April 19 meeting, where Chairman Rick Daniel also questioned Selectman David Chipman about his involvement with Friends of Mitchell Field, his knowledge of the petition, and "bias" regarding the tower.

On April 24, McIntyre said his nonprofit is planned Thursday to submit a petition with approximately 400 signatures.

On April 23, Town Administrator Kristi Eiane said the town had already received a petition sheet with three signatures from one circulator on April 20.

The smaller petition, which will not be verified by the Town Clerk due to not having the minimum number of 307



FILE

Despite a vote to demolish the Mitchell Field water tower at Harpswell Town Meeting, members of Friends of Mitchell Field said a 400-signature petition to save the tower will be submitted to the town this week.

votes, requested voters have an opportunity to repeal the March 10 Town Meeting decision in a future election.

It also asks voters be able to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five-year agreement with Friends of Mitchell Field to lease the tower.

McIntyre said the petition with three signatures was the result of "somebody acting spontaneously," but bears the same message the larger petition will convey.

The group's argument to challenge the Town Meeting vote, he said, is that residents at Town

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Preserving historic art a priority in planning new Brunswick school

By Elizabeth Clemente

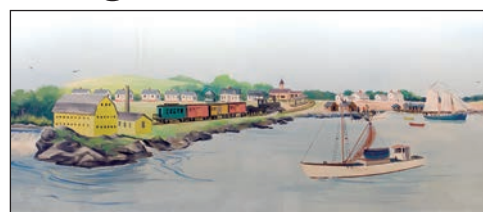
BRUNSWICK — As the School Department continues to plan a \$28 million elementary school on Jordan Avenue, efforts are also being made to preserve an unexpected feature in the buildings being replaced: the art.

At the April 11 meeting of the School Board,

board member William Thompson relayed the progress of the Public Art Subcommittee, which he chairs.

The group has been tasked, in part, with evaluating stored art from other schools in the district that might be used in the new school.

Mural, Page 24



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As part of the planning of a new \$28 million elementary school in Brunswick, the Public Art Subcommittee is working on a way to preserve a mural from Jordan Acres School and incorporate it into the new building.

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