



*Kaitlin Beal of Sumner High School earned 2021's Angus MacDonald Scholarship.*

## **Mission Awards \$158,000 in 2021 Scholarships**

NORTHEAST HARBOR, ME — Continuing a tradition that started more than 100 years ago, Maine Seacoast Mission welcomes 23 new Mission Scholars for year 2021. The Mission this year awarded \$49,000 in new scholarships and \$109,000 in renewed scholarships.

Mission Scholarships Director Terri Rodick said, "Our 2021 scholarship awardees are from 14 high schools in Washington and Hancock Counties and the islands we serve."

The 2021 Mission scholars were resilient and able to overcome the Covid-19 pandemic to achieve their college aspirations. During the scholars' interviews with the Mission, they told stories of deeper connections with teachers, guidance counselors, and community members supporting them throughout the year.

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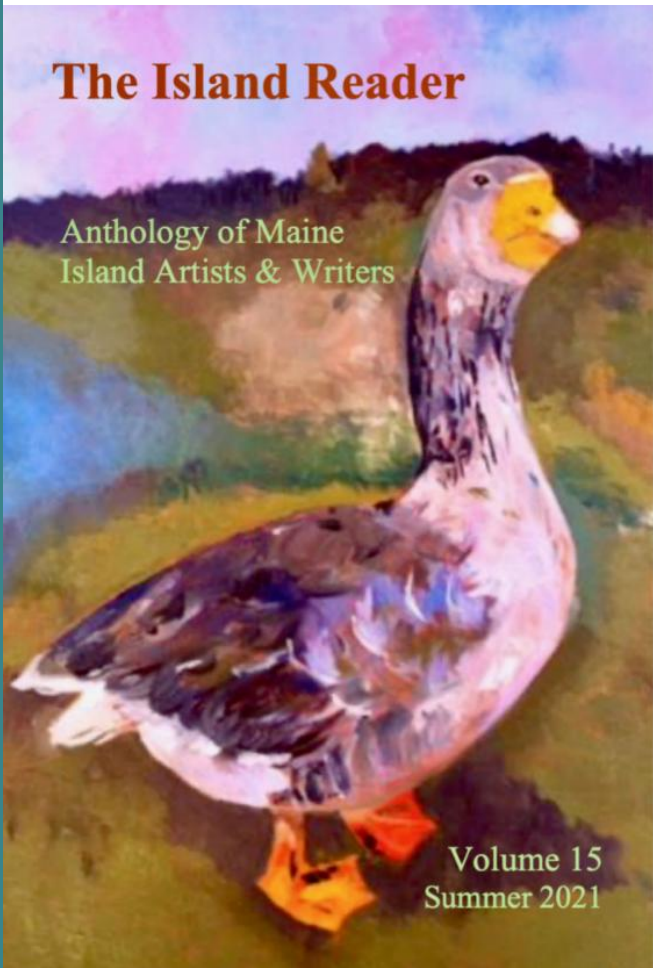


# Nurses Measure What They Do by Little Things

NORTHEAST HARBOR, ME -- Watch how tight-knit island communities are getting the COVID-19 vaccine. Episode 4 of Walgreens “The Vaccine, In Our Words” video series features Mission Island Health Director Sharon Daley, RN.

The coast of Maine is dotted with thousands of tiny islands, fifteen of which still have year-round residents, far removed from the mainland. In a race against time, nurse Sharon Daley and the Maine Seacoast Mission brave rough seas and gale force winds to get the COVID-19 vaccine to islanders and safeguard these remote communities against the virus.

Watch the Video



# Mission Launches 15th Annual *The Island Reader*



NORTHEAST HARBOR, ME — Celebrating poetry, prose, photography, and art, 2021 marks 15 years Maine islanders have shared their creativity through the pages of *The Island Reader*.

*Sustaining Islands*, this year's theme, highlights islanders' excellence as stewards of island resources and place. We invite you to join us on island as you stroll through the pages of the 15th Anniversary *The Island Reader*.

*The Island Reader* is available free, although donations to benefit the [Mission Outreach](#) program are welcome. *The Island Reader* is available as a hard copy or, for downloading or reading online, in PDF format.

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*DETOP volunteer extraordinaire Bonnie attending to hungry people on June 6.*

## DETOP is Back!

CHERRYFIELD, ME -- The Mission's Sunday Downeast Table of Plenty (DETOP) suppers in the Weald Bethel Community Center in Cherryfield were welcoming record numbers of guests last year but Covid-19 safety concerns led us to suspend these popular community gatherings. Attendance was so high at one supper, hosted by *Down East* magazine, that we ran out of plates and silverware!

Besides the camaraderie DETOP offered, through potluck dinners of homemade, nutritious, delicious meals prepared by different groups and individuals, the meals also provided food security to many DETOP guests. Our food pantry has helped to fill the DETOP gap, but we are so excited that DETOP is now returning. On June 6 guests picked up their meals at our DETOP drive-thru. Jillian, who was instrumental in prior DETOP food prep, directed the meal prep with volunteers in the Community Center commercial kitchen. The goal, said Director of Service Programs Wendy Harrington, is to return to DETOP as it was pre-Covid and the drive-thru model this weekend was the first step along the way.

Follow the Mission social media pages for details on upcoming DETOP community

suppers.

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# Sunbeam Award Gala 2021

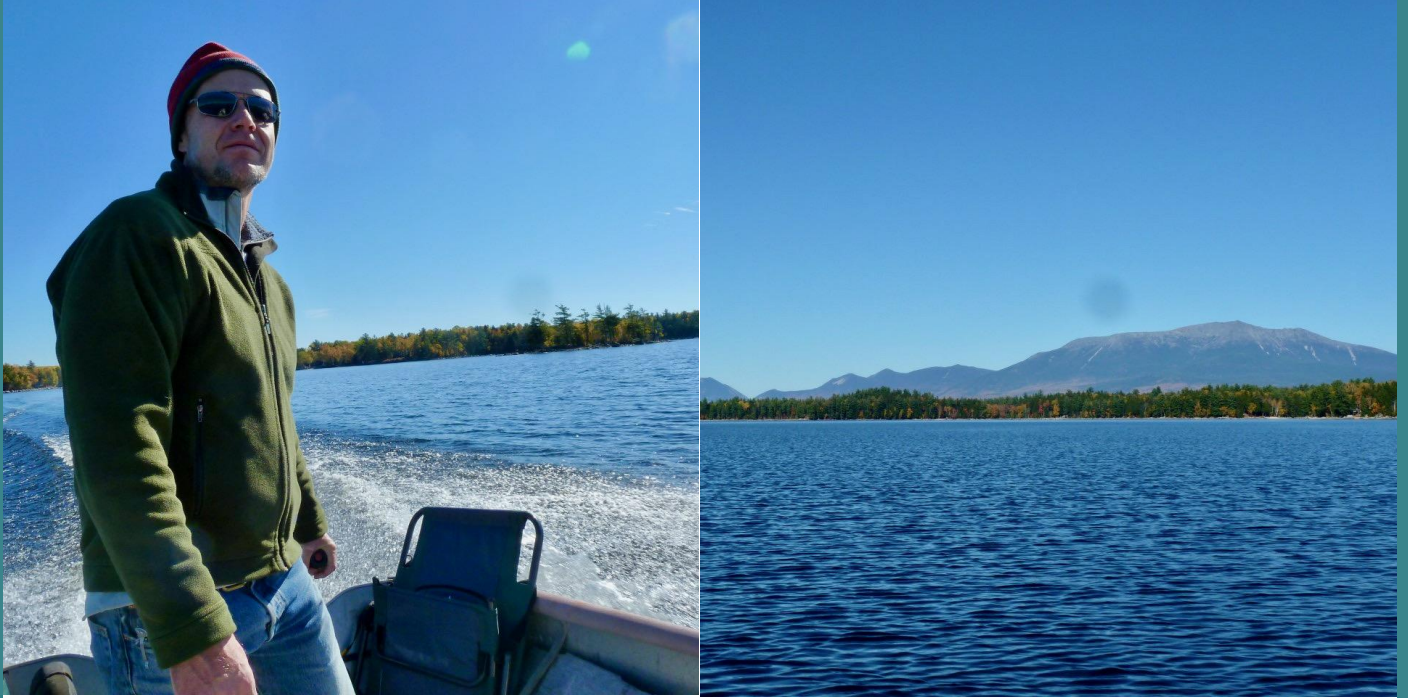
### The Mission Honors Acadia Senior College and Sigma Kappa

NORTHEAST HARBOR, ME — Mission President John Zavodny [has announced](#) the two honorees for the summer *Sunbeam Award Gala*: Sigma Kappa and Acadia Senior College. The Mission's *Sunbeam Award Gala* on August 12, 2021 is our centerpiece fundraising event, built around recognizing those who embody the ideals of community.

President Zavodny said the values and accomplishments of these two inspiring organizations are clear examples of actions and spirit that make communities strong. Maine Seacoast Mission is honored to celebrate these two organizations' contributions.

Stay tuned to the Mission's social media pages for Gala ticket reservation details. Please contact Anna Silver at [asilver@seacoastmission.org](mailto:asilver@seacoastmission.org) or 207-801-6011 with any questions about the event.

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*Capt. Mike Johnson and his favorite place - Ambajejus Lake.*

## People & Places - Mike Johnson

CHERRYFIELD, ME -- I am approaching 20 years with the Maine Seacoast Mission. I started as *Sunbeam* engineer with longtime captain David Allen, and learned the two most important things a captain can know: All the peculiar noises our boat makes, and how to get a pretty massive ship into the tiny little harbors that we visit. Thanks Dave.

My favorite Maine place is [Ambajejus Lake](#) in Penobscot County. At just over 18.5 thousand acres in size, Ambajejus is big enough lake to keep this ocean guy happy, with great views of Mount Katahdin, and endless sandy beaches for camping, swimming.

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