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**Rollie's
return**
Lost dog found

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YORK, Maine — Rollie, the 2-year-old German shepherd missing since being hit by a truck Wednesday, was found alive Friday morning, though not well.

With a suspected broken leg, Rollie made it from Organug Road in York north to Mountain Road in Cape Neddick, a distance of four miles by road and an unknown distance by the dog.

A Cape Neddick resident driving on Mountain Road early Friday morning spotted Rollie, according to the dog's owner, Meg Nichols of York Street. The driver knew about Rollie from seeing one of 150 posters put up in town after his disappearance. She saw Rollie running in an area near Route 1, where Flo's Hot Dogs is located, and got him into her car.

When Meg Nichols got the call, she was ecstatic, joking, "If we had known he wanted a hot dog, we would have gotten him one."

For his part, Rollie raised his head from the seat of the car, indicating he recognized Meg and husband David Nichols. He did nothing but lie down in the back seat as Meg and David took him to an emergency facility, Port City Veterinary Referral Hospital on Commerce Way in Portsmouth.

"He was definitely dazed and confused," Meg Nichols said.

As of Friday afternoon, Rollie was

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ABOVE: Meg Nichols sits with Rollie, a 2-year-old German shepherd who went missing Wednesday after he was struck by a truck on Organug Road in York, Maine. Rollie has multiple injuries and is now recovering at the Port City Veterinary Referral Hospital in Portsmouth. INSET (Courtesy photo): Rollie in happier times.

**BANK ERROR NOT
IN MAN'S FAVOR**

**Local faces felony charge
for failing to return \$1K**

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PORTSMOUTH — A Maine man is charged with a felony alleging he kept \$1,171 that was mistakenly given to him by a bank teller.

Dwayne Wright, 52, of 30 Halstead St., Kittery, is scheduled to appear in the Portsmouth Circuit Court on Tuesday for arraignment on a felony count of theft of lost or mislaid property. According to an affidavit dated Nov. 14 by Officer Christina Meyer, Wright presented a check for

\$130 to a teller at a downtown bank to cash and the teller mistakenly gave him \$1,301.

A security investigator for the bank reviewed records and surveillance images, compared the images to police records, then identified Wright as the person who was given the extra cash. Meyer's affidavit states the bank

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Wright

**SERIAL DEFACER MAY
GO TO JAIL THIS TIME**

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PORTSMOUTH — Police want an Islington Street man to go to jail for a year — for spray-painting graffiti — because the graffiti was painted while he had a year of suspended jail time for five other graffiti convictions.

Scheduled to appear in the Portsmouth Circuit Court on Tuesday, Alexander Harding, 22, of 1808 Islington St., is expected to face a motion by police prosecutor Rena DiLando calling for the year of incarcer-

ation. Harding is due in court for arraignment on charges

alleging he spray-painted the word "demons" on a door at Prescott Park and an obscenity on the side of the Players' Ring Theater.

Police say the graffiti was painted June 14, 2012, and the arraignment

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Harding

New group helping troops

Seacoast Chapter of Veterans Count Club kicks off

BY CHARLES MCMAHON
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PORTSMOUTH — Some of the area's most influential people gathered Friday at the new Service Credit Union headquarters for the inaugural meeting of the Seacoast Chapter of the Veterans Count Club.

The club, which is a division of the Easter Seals N.H. Veterans Count Club, is a newly formed group of local individuals and corporations dedicated to providing emergency assistance to veterans, service members and their families before, during or after deployment.

Founded in 2007, the state-wide organization has raised more than \$1.1 million to support veterans

and their families. Since its inception, the program has provided support services to more than 2,000 military families across the state.

The program began in Manchester in partnership with Easter Seals of New Hampshire, the N.H. National Guard and the N.H. Department of Health and Human Services. Since that time, the program has expanded to Nashua and now has a presence on

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Mark Sullivan, chairman of the Seacoast Chapter of the Veterans Count Club board of directors, talks about the importance of trying to help vets returning from war integrate back into society.

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