

Press Release

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2024 Falmouth Historical Society's Heritage Award Dinner will be held Saturday June 29th Honoring Michael McNaught

Michael McNaught's life story is a captivating adventure displaying a profound dedication to education. His upbringing, spanning England and Tanzania, was colored by the experiences of a military family, fostering a spirit of curiosity and resilience from a young age. An unexpected encounter with the Egyptian Revolution in 1952 added a thrilling chapter to his childhood, leaving an indelible mark on his adventurous spirit. Despite familial expectations to follow a military path, Michael's passion for teaching took root and blossomed. His academic journey led him to excel at Oxford University, where he earned both a BA and MA in history, solidifying his commitment to the realm of education. A serendipitous turn of events led him to St. Bernard's School in New York City in 1961, where he not only found his calling, but also found love with fellow educator, his late wife Lyn whom he married in 1966. Their bond led to a lifelong partnership, starting in Lenox, Massachusetts, where Michael was head of the Berkshire Country Day School. Their journey together spanned over four decades, nurturing young minds across New England while raising a loving family of their own.

Upon retirement, Michael and Lyn settled in Falmouth, where they continued their commitment to education and community service. Lyn's pivotal role in the Falmouth Education Foundation found support from Michael, showcasing their shared dedication to enhancing educational opportunities for others. Michael's contributions to the Falmouth Historical Society, through lectures, as board member, and caring for the society's grounds, reflect his deep-rooted connection to preserving and sharing local heritage. Michael McNaught stands as a cherished figure in the Falmouth community, admired for his unwavering commitment to education, historical preservation, and his profound impact on the lives of many. His legacy, intertwined with the fabric of Falmouth's heritage, undoubtedly merits recognition and honor, making him a deserving recipient of a Heritage Award. For more information please visit www.museumsonthegreen.org