

DRIFTINGS

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What's cuter than a baby squash? A baby wearing a squash hat, of course.

Brunswick resident MiMi McGee, a recreational knitter, put her hobby to work last fall to help a good cause – the mission of Golden Isles resident Maureen Ahern and Our Journey to care for South African children orphaned by the HIV/AIDS virus.

McGee obtained permission from designer Ann Norling to use her pattern for fruit and vegetable hats to raise donations to Our Journey and help outfit the children of South Africa for the winter, which coincides with summer

in the Golden Isles.

"The hats are so cute that every time I show one, someone wants to buy it for a new grandbaby, friend of a friend who is having a baby, etc.," McGee says. "So, the idea morphed and I began to collect donations for Our Journey in exchange for a hat."

McGee and friends can make just about any fruit or vegetable you choose in exchange for a \$25 donation to Our Journey. For \$10 more, you can also buy a hat and other needed supplies for a child in South Africa.

To purchase a hat, email McGee at mimispirit@comcast.net. To learn more about Ahern's work, visit www.ourjourneyinc.org. ■



Mr. Tomato Head

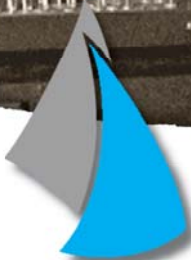
A blue-eyed blueberry

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