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## CMMC receives quality stroke care honor for second straight year



In recognition of its commitment to ensuring that stroke patients receive the most appropriate treatment according to nationally recognized, research-based guidelines, Central Maine Medical Center has received the "Get With the Guidelines" Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award from the American Heart Association-American Stroke Association.

This is the second year in a row that CMMC earned the award by meeting specific quality achievement measures for diagnosis and treatment of stroke patients at a set level for a designated period. These measures include evaluation of the proper use of medications and other stroke treatments, aligned with the most up-to-date, evidence-based guidelines for the purpose of speeding recovery and reducing death and disability for stroke patients. Before discharge, patients should also receive education on managing their health, have a follow-up visit scheduled, and receive other care transition interventions.

According to the American Heart Association-American Stroke Association, stroke is the No. 5 cause of death, and a leading cause of adult disability, in the United States. On average, someone in the U.S. suffers a stroke every 40 seconds, and nearly 795,000 people suffer a new or recurrent stroke each year. Research has shown that hospitals adhering to clinical measures lower mortality rates.

In addition to the "Get With the Guidelines" honor, CMMC received the association's Target: Stroke Honor Roll award. To qualify for this recognition, hospitals must meet quality measures developed to reduce the time between the patient's arrival at the hospital and treatment with the clot-buster tissue plasminogen activator, or tPA, the only drug approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to treat ischemic stroke.

"CMMC is dedicated to improving the quality of care for our stroke patients by implementing this stroke initiative," said Dr. David Tupponce, president of the hospital and executive vice president of Central Maine Healthcare. "The tools and resources provided by the American Heart Association

help us track and measure our success in meeting clinical guidelines and improving patient outcomes."

Last year, CMMC earned accreditation from the Joint Commission for Advanced Primary Stroke Care.

"Get With the Guidelines" is the American Heart Association-American Stroke Association's hospital-based quality improvement program that provides hospitals with tools and resources to increase adherence to the latest research-based guidelines. Developed with the goal of saving lives and hastening recovery, Get With the Guidelines has touched the lives of more than 6 million patients since 2001. For more information, visit [heart.org](http://heart.org).

## Out & About with Rachel Morin A new home for the bells of St. Louis Church

Story and photos by Rachel Morin

It was rain or shine at New Auburn's Anniversary Park on the banks of the Androscoggin River on Tuesday, June 25, when the City hosted a Raising the Bells event to kick off fundraising for a permanent new home for the bells of St. Louis Church.

I arrived early, as I have been following the story of the bells with great interest since the closing of the church in 2013.

It may have been a smaller crowd than anticipated, but those who braved the rain were smiling in their sweaters, jackets, and hoods, armed with umbrellas and eager to hear about the City's plans to build a beautiful new home for the four historic bells, cast in 1916 in the world famous Paccard Bell Foundry of Anney, France.

Scanning the crowd, I was pleased to see former parishioners and neighborhood residents who have moved away but came out for this event. Hot coffee and platters of pastries helped ward off the damp chill of the evening. Brightening Anniversary Park were



Auburn Mayor Jason Levesque, here with Alan Manoian, also spoke at the event.

beautiful red geraniums and bright yellow chrysanthemums provided by Roak the Florist of Lewiston. Adding to the festive ambiance with his renditions of popular favorites was musician Brian Patricks.

Kenny Blais, owner of the popular Rolly's Diner and Auburn's Citizen of Year in 2017, and his employee, Brandon Wease, have lots of memories of living and working in New Auburn. Also sharing memories of his early years in New Auburn was Duane Coffin, now of Turner, who

came to the event with his wife, Linda. It seemed everywhere I turned, people were sharing memories of the old neighborhood, with its friendly closeness and tightknit families.

Keeping very busy helping those coming to their station for information on how to buy Memorial Bricks or smaller bricks were Liz Allen, Communications Manager for the City of Auburn, and Kathy Shaw, manager of Auburn's Farmers Market. They were doing a brisk business as

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# Newsmakers, Names & Faces

## Woman's Hospital Association presents annual gifts to CMMC



Pictured here (l. to r.) are Amy Bilodeau, Maryanne Hill, Monika Bissell, Kathleen Vieira, Jeanne Pacheco, June van Mourik, David Tupponce, and Sharon Poulin.

The Woman's Hospital Association recently presented Central Maine Medical Center with nearly \$19,000 in support of special programs at their 132nd Annual Celebration. In operation since before an actual hospital was built in 1891, the WHA raises money every year in support of CMMC. Their gifts this year went to both long supported programs and new recipients.

Special Funds at the Bennett Breast Care Center and the Cynthia Rydholm Center received a total of \$12,798 for services to cancer patients. The WHA has been supporting the Immediate Needs Fund at the Rydholm Center for 35 years, according to WHA president June Mourik. The Bennett Breast Care Center, another longtime focus for the WHA, has a fund to pay for screening mammo-

grams and biopsies for patients who are uninsured or without adequate insurance coverage.

Last year, WHA gave the hospital \$150,000 to help pay for 3D mammography technology that is now in place.

The Maine College of Health Professions, founded as a nursing school by the WHA in the late nineteenth century, received \$5,000 in scholarship money for nursing students.

In a new-program donation, the WHA gave \$1,200 to fund scholarships in the Health Care Career Explorers Program, which matches children and young adults interested in a health-care career with CMMC employees to provide hands-on learning experiences.

An additional gift was presented to the Dempsey Center for its work with cancer patients.

"We're deeply grateful for the hard work, energy, and compassion that fuels these gifts to the hospital," said Dr. David Tupponce, president of CMMC and executive vice president of Central Maine Healthcare. "For more than a century, the Woman's Hospital Association has steadfastly supported our mission to provide the highest quality of care to the community we serve."

Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston is a Level II Trauma Center serving Androscoggin County and the surrounding region. CMMC's "Centers of Excellence" include the Central Maine Heart and Vascular Institute, the Central Maine Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Neonatal Intermediate Care Unit, and a Trauma Services Program. Supported by the latest technologies, CMMC's skilled professionals provide outstanding care delivered with compassion, kindness, and understanding. For more information, see [www.cmmc.org](http://www.cmmc.org).

## Auburn's new marijuana ordinance goes into effect this week

On Monday, July 1, in the culmination of a process that began in 2016, the City of Auburn "opted in" to a Maine state statute allowing the sale of adult-use marijuana.

According to Auburn's "Adult Use and Medical Marijuana Businesses Ordinance," starting July 1, 2019, existing medical marijuana businesses that were operating with required municipal approvals prior to December 13, 2018 now have thirty days to apply for their Marijuana Business License with the City of Auburn.

Existing businesses that fail to apply before July 30 risk not being approved for a license, which would prohibit them from operating within the City.

"This 30-day window is very important for these existing businesses," said Assistant City Manager Phil Crowell. "Getting them licensed before any new businesses will establish a 'buffer zone' to prohibit someone from setting

up shop right next door to them."

New medical marijuana businesses (those established after December 13, 2018) will be allowed to complete the Marijuana Business License application starting August 1.

The ordinance also stipulates that after July 1, registered medical marijuana caregivers who operate from their homes must apply to the City for a Home Occupation Permit within 30 days. Failure to complete the application will place home-based caregivers in violation of City ordinance.

Home Occupation Permits are available at [auburnmaine.gov](http://auburnmaine.gov) by entering "Home Occupation" in the search box on the home page. They should be submitted to the Economic and Community Development Department.

"This ordinance is the result of a lot of collaboration," said Crowell. "It positions these businesses for success, while ensuring that the production, process-

ing, and sale is done in a safe and reasonable way. It was a deliberate, thoughtful process, achieved through a lot of community input, numerous Council workshops, and a partnership between city staff, citizens, councilors, and marijuana industry professionals."

Auburn's Marijuana Business License process applies to stores, cultivation facilities, manufacturers, testing facilities and nurseries. Adult use marijuana businesses will only be permitted to apply for an Auburn Marijuana Business License after obtaining a Conditional Marijuana License from the State of Maine.

Applications, and all inquiries regarding the Marijuana Business License process, should be directed to the City Clerk's office, which can be reached at 333-6601. An electronic version of the license application, as well as an "Application Fact Sheet," is available on the Clerk's page of the city's website at [auburnmaine.gov](http://auburnmaine.gov).

## Humane Society plans free Pet Wellness Clinics

The Greater Androscoggin Humane Society will present a series of free Pet Wellness Clinics in Androscoggin County this summer. Many community members struggle to provide important medical care for their beloved dogs and cats, and GAHS wants to offer them a helping paw.

Offered at the clinics will be free vaccines, microchips, and pet food. Also available will be affordable spay-neuter vouchers for cats and information about low-cost surgery options for dogs. Please bring dogs on

leashes and cats in carriers.

Please note that the vaccines require a one-month booster follow-up. Each event below has a booster date provided.

The clinics will take place at these dates and times: Saturday, July 6, from noon to 2 p.m. at Minot Town Hall, located at 329 Woodman Hill Road (vaccine boosters on Saturday, August 3, from noon to 2 p.m.); Wednesday, July 17, from noon to 2 p.m. in Moulton Park in Auburn (vaccine boosters on Wednesday, August 14, from noon to

2 p.m.); and Wednesday, September 18, from noon to 2 p.m. in Kennedy Park in Lewiston (vaccine boosters on Wednesday, October 16, from noon to 2 p.m.)

The Greater Androscoggin Humane Society provides a safe haven for over 4,000 sick, homeless, needy, and abused animals in the greater Androscoggin area each year. The primary support for the shelter comes from fundraising events and donations from supporters. For more information, see [www.SavingPetsInMaine.org](http://www.SavingPetsInMaine.org).

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## Chamber Breakfast Meeting

The next Breakfast Meeting of the LA Metro Chamber of Commerce will take place on Thursday, July 11 at 7 a.m. at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center in Lewiston. The speaker will be John Rice, Director of Operations at Schooner Estates Senior Living Community. His topic will be "The Silver Tsunami: Anticipating Changes in Workforce, Customers, and Healthcare in Maine." The cost is \$22 for members and \$35 for non-members. Registration is available at [www.LAMetroChamber.com](http://www.LAMetroChamber.com).

## Governor's Address: No one should have to choose between food, fuel, and medicine

In 2017, the retail prices of some of the most widely prescribed medications that older Americans take to treat everything from diabetes to high blood pressure increased by an average of 8.4 percent - four times the rate of inflation. Nationwide, one in four Americans struggles to pay for their prescription medication, while one in ten simply do not take their medicine as prescribed because of the high costs.

No one should have to choose between food, fuel, and medicine.

Earlier this week, I signed into law a comprehensive prescription drug reform package. These four new laws will allow the wholesale importation

of prescription medicine, create a prescription drug affordability board, increase drug price transparency, and better regulate pharmacy benefit managers - those middle men that you know about.

I signed LD 1272, "An Act to Increase Access to Low-Cost Prescription Drugs," sponsored by Senate President Troy Jackson. Upon approval from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, it will establish a wholesale prescription drug importation program. Now you may ask: "Will the Feds approve this?" Well, the President has said publicly that he would support similar measures in other states, like Florida and Colorado, so we're counting on him to do



Governor Janet Mills  
it for Maine, too.

I also signed LD 1499, "An Act to Establish the Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board," also sponsored by President Jackson. This will create a board to develop strategies to lower prescription drug costs, including bulk purchasing, multi-state purchasing, and/or rebates.

I signed LD 1162, "An Act to Further Expand Drug

Price Transparency," sponsored by Assistant Senate Majority Leader Eloise Vitelli. This will gather data to help us understand how the costs of development, advertising, and profits affect prescription drug pricing for consumers. This bill adds to previous legislation that I worked on with Senator Vitelli when I was Attorney General and that became law last year.

And I signed LD 1504, "An Act to Protect Consumers from Unfair Practices Related to Pharmacy Benefits Management," sponsored by Senator Heather Sanborn of Portland. This will prohibit pharmacy benefit managers from keeping rebates paid by manufacturers and will require those rebates to be passed along to consumers in

Maine or to the health plan.

These four bills all got overwhelmingly bipartisan support in committee and on the floors of the House and Senate. I am very pleased with this bipartisan cooperation to address high drug prices in Maine.

This issue is personal to me. When my husband, Stan, suffered a stroke - which ultimately took him from us a year later - I learned an awful lot about the health care system in Maine.

We were lucky; we had insurance. But dealing with co-pays, deductibles, and the high cost of prescription drugs, all while fighting the insurance companies, is a challenge for all of us.

Health care coverage should not be a luxury or a

privilege reserved for the well-to-do. It is a human right.

I am proud that Maine is taking a major step forward in ensuring affordable, accessible health care for every Main-er - including every small business, every entrepreneur, every self-employed person, and every family across the state.

I want to thank Senate President Jackson, Assistant Majority Leader Vitelli, Senator Sanborn, Senator Foley, Representative Dwayne Prescott, the AARP, and so many others for their hard work on this very important issue.

*Thank You,  
Janet Mills  
Governor*

### CMCC plans summer evening Open House



Those attending will have the opportunity to visit the college's new eSports arena, located in Kirk Hall.

Central Maine Community College will offer an Open House for students interested in attending the college this fall on Wednesday, July 10, from 4 to 7 p.m. This informal event will include campus tours and information on admissions, financial aid, and academic programs.

All students applying for admission at the event will have the \$20 application fee waived. Assistance will be provided in completing

the admissions application and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

The open house welcomes potential students of all ages, including the "nontraditional" student population. Nontraditional students are generally older students attending college for the first time or

returning to college after an extended absence.

"This is a great opportunity for anyone looking

to extend their education to visit the college in a relaxed atmosphere," said Director of Admissions Andrew Morong. "We welcome all potential students to come see the campus and learn about the opportunities we provide."

Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call the Admissions Office at 755-5273. While an RSVP is not required, those interested in attending are encouraged to RSVP online at [www.cmcc.edu](http://www.cmcc.edu).

### Bake Sale

The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church of Gray will present their annual Bake Sale on Saturday, July 6, from 8 a.m. to noon in front of Shop N Save at the Gray Plaza on Route 100. This rain or shine event will feature cakes, cookies, brownies, breads, and more, while supplies last. Enjoy the long holiday weekend and let them do the baking for you. For more information, call 657-4279.



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### "Spider Web Marketing" at CMCC



The Center for Workforce & Professional Development at Central Maine Community College will offer a one-day course on "Spider Web Marketing" on

Friday, July 12, from 9 a.m. to 12:55 p.m. The cost is \$99 and the deadline to register is July 5. For more information or to register, call 755-5280 or visit [www.cmcc.edu](http://www.cmcc.edu).

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# Readfield Union Meeting House to mark bicentennial with completed restorations



The Readfield Union Meeting House as it appeared c. 1900.

Fiddler Greg Boardman of Lewiston recently played a gig at Readfield's Union Meeting House. Though he loved the acoustics, he feared that the foot-stomping that goes with his lively jigs and reels might harm the flooring of the 190-year-old building.

"Don't worry, Greg," said Meeting House Trustee Flo Drake. "We just replaced all the timbers under the original flooring and pews. Let 'er rip!"

This anecdote illustrates the essential challenge to the trustees and caretakers of this Readfield landmark. The historic building, like most structures approaching two centuries in age, has presented a host of maintenance issues through the decades, but it also continues to enrich its community in unique and undeniable ways.

For instance, the floor

timbers that were recently replaced had spent nearly 20 decades in the damp crawl space under the brick building. The job of replacing them was a complex one that spanned nearly six years. Each of the original 200-plus timbers needed to be replaced individually, by hand, by craftspeople who often had to work in spaces less than three feet tall.

But in the spring of 2018, when the re-timbering was completed, the soil in the crawl space was sealed to prevent future dampness and mold from attacking the new wood. "Good for another 200 years," said the crew. "Let 'er rip!" said the trustees, setting the stage for future evenings of community entertainment.

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Readfield Union Meeting House was built in 1827-28 so that several different religious groups could share a place of worship. For almost two centuries, Readfield residents have maintained the Meeting House, first as a place of worship and more recently as a community gathering place and historic architectural gem.

In 1866, Auburn architect Hubbard Lovejoy completely re-designed the inte-

rior of the Meeting House. Portland muralist Charles Schumacher was commissioned to provide "trompe l'oeil" artwork on walls, ceiling, and woodwork. Hardwood pews replaced the older box pews and colorful new stenciled glass windows were installed.

When a winter gale blew the 35-foot spire off the top of the bell tower in 1916, rain and snow inundated the building until concerned townspeople replaced it with a domed roof. Through the 1920s and 30s, colorful stenciled glass windows were replaced with stained glass, some designed by Monmouth native Harry Cochrane, and a clock was finally installed in the tower.

As religious activity decreased through the first half of the twentieth century, funds to support the maintenance of the building became scarce. In the 1950s, local residents who believed "the brick church," as they called it, was "too good to fail" took on the responsibility for maintaining it. The organization they formed in 1952 continues to care for the building's maintenance, raising funds through donations, grants, and income from public events.

The Readfield Union Meeting House stands today owing to the skill of its builders and the ongoing support of the community. Much of the work done over the last 50 years has been important for structural integrity and to keep out the wind and weather, but it's work that is invisible to the public. The community's continuing faith that this Readfield landmark is "too good to fail" has prepared the way for its next, more visible phase of restoration.

Starting in 2020, work will begin to restore the tower at the front of the Meeting House. When completed in 2022, the building will again stand 100 feet tall, from the ground to the top of the original weather vane. With a little more work in

2023, the restored clock will again ring the original 1859 bronze bell. On May 24, 2027, the Town of Readfield will celebrate the Meeting House's completed restoration, exactly 200 years after the day its cornerstone was set.

Located at 22 Church Road in Readfield, a quarter mile from the intersection of Routes 17 and 41, the Readfield Union Meeting House is an easy 40-minute drive from Lewiston-Auburn. Drop in for a guided tour on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon or watch for information about the series of community fundraising concerts and programs scheduled for this summer. Donations to support the renovation plans are tax deductible. For more information, call 685-3531 or see <https://unionmeeting-house.org>.



The dome that replaced the tower in 1916 was removed in 2012. Plans are underway to replace the original tower.



Created by Portland muralist Charles Schumacher, the trompe l'oeil ("fool the eye") murals on the interior walls and ceiling are executed in paint - and belying their appearance, completely flat!



Fragile original plaster and paint needs careful preservation to survive. Artist and restoration specialist Tony Castro of New Gloucester has been applying his skills at the Meeting House for more than 10 years.



This minister's view of the interior shows how the building looked in 1868 and, thanks to recent efforts, again looks today.

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## LaChapelle named interim principal of St. Dominic Academy-Auburn

Marianne Pelletier, Superintendent of Maine Catholic Schools, has announced that Roger LaChapelle will be the interim principal of Saint Dominic Academy's Auburn campus (Grades 6 through 12), effective immediately.

LaChapelle is a retired educator who has served as principal at Gardiner Area High School (2000-2003), assistant principal at Lewiston High School (1985-2000), program director for Lewiston High School's Alternative Education Program (1979-1985), and a teacher in the Lewiston school system (1970-1979).

LaChapelle has been a member of several key committees for the Maine

Principals' Association, including the Interscholastic Executive Committee, the Professional Development Committee, and the Legislative Committee. He has also served as a commissioner for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and as a participant on 24 NEASC site review committees.

"I am very pleased that Roger enthusiastically accepted this position," said Pelletier. "In addition to his sterling reputation in this community and throughout Maine education, he has been serving on the academy's school board and is in tune with the needs of this school."

LaChapelle is a grad-

uate of Edward Little High School in Auburn. He earned a master's degree in educational administration from the University of Southern Maine in Gorham and a bachelor's degree in health, physical education, and recreation from the University of Maine at Presque Isle.

Outside of the classroom, LaChapelle has been a Master Maine Guide since 1972, owned and operated the Central Maine Athletic Club for 27 years, coached three sports at the high school level, served as coach of the Bates College Women's Hockey Team from 2004 to 2013, and was a board member for the Sisters of Charity at St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston.

## Rotary Breakfast Club meeting features Maine country music artist



Slim Andrews

The next meeting of the Auburn-Lewiston Rotary Breakfast Club on Wednesday, July 10 at 7 a.m. will feature guest speaker Slim Andrews. Born Leonard Andrews Huntington, Jr. on June 14, 1931, Andrews is a Maine country music artist who has performed at the local and regional levels for seven decades. He began his music career in 1942 at the age of eleven, when he won a talent contest at the Community Theater in New Auburn. He

got his first guitar at that time and has spent the next 75 years of his life entertaining throughout the South and Northeast.

In 2017, at the age of 86, Andrews set an all-time airplay record for a Maine country music artist. In addition, he also set a record for chart appearances by a Maine country music artist on the International Mainstream Country Music Charts.

Andrews serves on the Board of Directors of the

Maine Country Music Hall of Fame and is the Chairman of the Hall's Induction Committee. He continues to be a major spokesperson for the Maine Country Music Hall of Fame Museum, one of only a few museums of its kind in the country, which he helped establish.

The Rotary Breakfast Club meets every Wednesday at the United Methodist Church, located at 439 Park Avenue in Auburn. The cost for breakfast is \$10. All are welcome to attend.

## Sampson AFBVA Luncheon



The next luncheon of the Sampson Air Force Base Veterans Association will take place on Thursday, July 11 at noon at the Chickadee Restaurant in Lewiston. The speaker will be Jack Flowers, author of "Rat Six." This informal monthly get-together for those who took basic training at Sampson Air Force Base in the 1940s and '50s is open to all veterans and their guests. For more information, call 657-4909.



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# What's Going On

## Law of the Jungle prevails in Theater at Monmouth's Family Show "The Jungle Book"



Young adventurers who trek to the Theater at Monmouth this summer will see Mowgli the man-cub come face-to-face with cheeky monkeys, noisy vultures, and more in TAM's Family Show production of "The Jungle Book." The show is running in rotation through August 15, with matinee performances on both weekdays and weekends. Those who stay after the show will get to meet the cast on the steps of Cumston Hall.

Adapted by Greg Banks from the beloved tales of Rudyard Kipling, this fast-paced retelling keeps audiences on the edge of their seats as it follows the exploits of Mowgli and his adopted jungle family,

Baloo the bear, Bagheera the panther, and all the beasts who call this mysterious wilderness home.

With the help of his friends, Mowgli must learn the "Law of the Jungle" to teach a tiger a trick or two about family and friendship, escape the clutches of the evil Shere Kahn, and find the true meaning of home. In this lively production, a cast of five talented actors fill the 20 scripted roles.

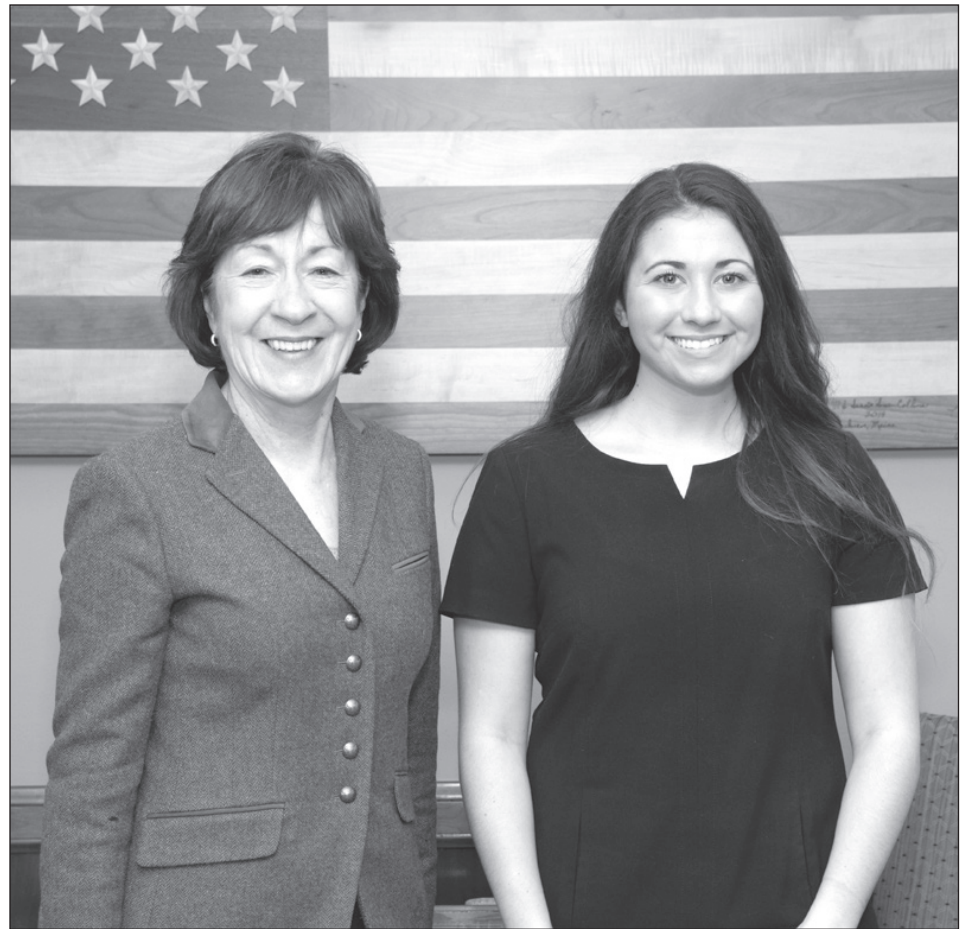
"I had thought we would continue in the tradition of creating our own modern takes on great literary classics, but when I read Greg Banks' play, I knew it was the way to go," said Producing Artistic Director Dawn McAndrews, who directs this year's Family

Show.

The production features Caitlin Ort as Father Wolf and Baloo; Michael Dolan as Shere Khan and Vulture; Tessa Martin as Bagheera, Wolf, and Vulture; Sarah Goldman as Mowgli; and Kara Green as Mother Wolf and Kaa. Set design is by Katie Keaton, costume design is by Elizabeth Rocha, lighting design is by Laura Happel, and sound design is by Rew Tippin.

Performance dates are July 6, 13, 20, and 30, and August 3, 6, 9, and 15, all at 1 p.m. For TAM's complete performance schedule or to purchase tickets, call the box office at 933-9999 or visit [www.theateratmonmouth.org](http://www.theateratmonmouth.org).

## Senator Collins hires new staff assistant for Lewiston office



Ellen Wainwright recently completed an internship in Senator Collins' Bangor, Lewiston, and Washington, D.C. offices.

U.S. Senator Susan Collins has announced that Canton native Ellen Wainwright has been hired as a new staff assistant in her Lewiston Constituent Services Center. Wainwright previously worked as an intern in Senator Collins' Bangor, Lewiston, and Washington, D.C. offices. She is the daughter of Oxford County sheriff Christopher Wainwright and Erin Wainwright of Canton.

Wainwright will help Mainers with questions and problems related to federal issues and agencies, such as the Social Security Administration, the Department of Veterans' Affairs, and the Internal Revenue Service.

As a staff assistant,

Wainwright is graduate of Dirigo High School and the University of Maine at Orono, where she received a degree in political science.

## Saint Dominic Academy receives \$1 million endowment from anonymous donor



Saint Dominic Academy has received an unprecedented \$1 million endowment from an anonymous donor, the academy's largest gift since the building of its Auburn campus nearly 20 years ago. Endowment funds will be used to assist

local families in bridging the financial challenges of providing their children with the opportunity of a Catholic education.

"We are overwhelmed by the generous spirit of this donor and the confidence it shows in the academy," said Marianne Pelletier, new Superintendent of Maine Catholic Schools. "The donor is passionate about St. Dom's, having observed the difference it makes in the lives of students and alumni."

"On behalf of the diocese, I wish to express my sincere gratitude for this remarkable contribution to the St. Dom's community," said Bishop Robert P. Deeley. "When I visit the academy, I often tell the students that helping those in need is a way they can grow the seed of God's love within them. This endowment will help families send their children to a school with a long history of promoting academic excellence and service in the context of a faith-based education."

The news was the latest in a series of major announcements made by the academy this spring.

In June, Pelletier, the former principal of St. Dom's Lewiston campus, was promoted to the position of Superintendent of Maine Catholic Schools. Later that month, Roger LaChapelle was named interim principal of the school's Auburn campus for the 2019-20 academic year.

In addition, the 2019 Dion Challenge raised over \$320,000 for the academy. Donald Dion, Jr., a 1972 graduate of St. Dom's, challenged the St. Dom's community to raise funds to offer tuition assistance to local families. The challenge came in the form of a \$150,000 matching gift.

The Catholic Foundation of Maine has several endowments supporting Saint Dominic Academy and its students. For more information about contributing to an existing endowment or creating your own, contact Foundation director Elizabeth Badger at 321-7820 or [elizabeth.badger@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:elizabeth.badger@portlanddiocese.org).

You can also visit the foundation's website at [www.catholicfoundation-maine.org](http://www.catholicfoundation-maine.org).

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## Lewiston Municipal FCU supports High St. Food Pantry



Liz Woods of Lewiston Municipal Federal Credit Union presents a \$2,020 donation to a volunteer from the Food Pantry.

Lewiston Municipal Federal Credit Union, which raised more than \$2,600 during the Maine Credit Union League's 2018 Campaign for Ending Hunger, recently donated \$2,020 to the High Street Food Pantry. Functioning as a cooper-

ative of dedicated volunteers from a small group of local churches of different denominations, the Food Pantry supplies numerous local families with a monthly allotment of food from its location at High Street Congregational Church in Auburn.

Celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, Lewiston Municipal Federal Credit Union serves the employees of the City of Lewiston, City of Auburn, Lewiston Schools, Auburn Schools, Lewiston Housing Authority, and their families.

## State Champion Lisbon Greyhounds visit State House



The Lisbon High School and Middle School baseball teams visited the Maine State House recently, where they were hosted by State Sen. Jeff Timberlake (r.) and State Rep. Rick Mason (l.). The Greyhounds' high school team won the 2019 Class C State Championship, finishing the season with a 20-0 record.

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## MSAD 52 Adult Ed. graduates 20



Each student received a congratulatory handshake by the commencement speaker, Congressman Jared Golden.

MSAD 52 Adult and Community Education recently celebrated the graduation of 20 students in a ceremony at Leavitt Area High School. Adult learners completed either the High School Equivalency Test (HiSET, formerly GED) or the MSAD 52 diploma program during the 2018-19 academic year.

Director Razell Ward led the celebration, followed by opening remarks from graduate Spencer Roy. The commencement address was given by Congressman Jared Golden, who spoke on the lessons he's learned in life. Student speaker Casey Fitzpatrick spoke about her

journey to the commencement stage, advising students to "find the lesson in every day."

Diplomas were presented by Ward and Assistant Superintendent Theresa Gillis, with a special congratulatory handshake by Congressman Golden to each graduate.

Special recognition was paid to students Justin Beaulieu, Casey Fitzpatrick, Nicholas Lahey, Emma Levesque, Jonathan Gordon, Spencer Roy, Isaac Tardif, Ayden Warren, and Karis Wentzel, who were inducted into the National Adult Education Honor Society. The Central Maine Community

College Courage to Grow Award was presented to Emma Levesque. Students Karis Wentzel and Brendan Gilbert were awarded HiSET honors for achieving scores in the top 10 percentile range.

MSAD 52 Adult and Community Education provides opportunities for adult learners to complete a traditional high school diploma, take the HiSET, prepare for college, train for careers, and develop skills and interests in a variety of personal enrichment classes.

For more information about MSAD 52 Adult and Community Education, call 225-1010 or visit [www.msad52.maineadulted.org](http://www.msad52.maineadulted.org).

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# Bells

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checks were being filled out. Allen designed the poster and program handed out to all the visitors.

The new home of the St. Louis Bells will be a 40 foot, 9 inch-high bell tower erected in Anniversary Park. It will be the second tallest monument in Maine, creating a striking gateway to New Auburn.

Leroy Walker, City Councilor for Ward 5, mingled easily amongst the arrivals, detailing the future plans for Anniversary Park. He elaborated on a new road entrance and other improvements, new landscaping, and the revitalization of the Androscoggin Riverfront. He also stressed the importance of a continuing

fundraising schedule to pay for the project.

Known previously as Little Andy Park, the park is located off Pulsifer Street, next to Rolly's Diner and the New Auburn Social Club. When the plan is completed, commemorative bricks will line the walkway.

Walker has worked long and hard on the bell tower project and is dedicated to raising the funding for it. He has maintained close ties with Alan Manoian, a former Economic Development Specialist for the City of Auburn who recognized the artistic and cultural value of the bells and was instrumental in arranging an agreement with the Diocese of Portland that allowed the City of Auburn to purchase them.

Now the Director of

Community & Economic Development in Ayer, Massachusetts, Manoian spoke at the event. Other speakers included Auburn Mayor Jason Levesque, former Auburn Mayor Jonathan LaBonte, City Councilor Leroy Walker, and Gerard Dennison, a proud fourth-generation resident on his mother's side of New Auburn's well-known Routhier Family, who were original members of St. Louis Parish in 1902.

In his speech, Mayor Levesque announced that an anonymous \$10,000 donation to the campaign was received in memory of Ray and Ann Geiger, who passed away in 1994 and 2014, respectively.

More news and events pertaining to Anniversary Park and the Raising of the

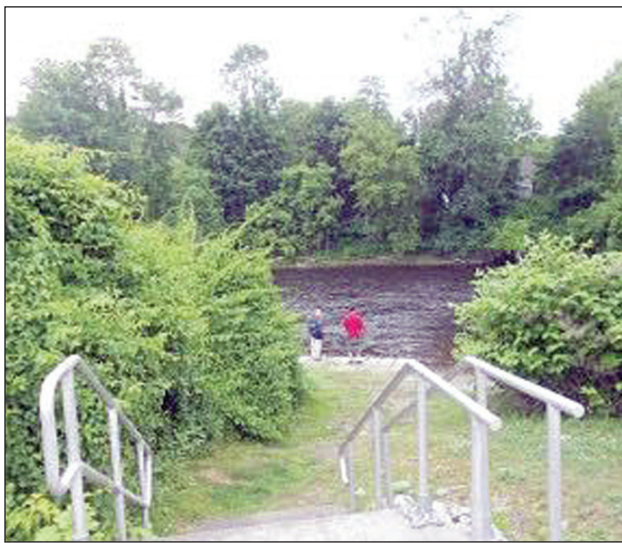
Bells will be forthcoming, so keep an eye and ear out

for future developments. Until then, for more in-

formation on the project, visit [www.Auburn150.com](http://www.Auburn150.com).



Event speakers Alan Manoian, former Economic Development Specialist for the City of Auburn, and Leroy Walker, Ward 5 City Councilor, have kept in touch over the years.



The boat launch at Anniversary Park will witness a great revitalization of Auburn's riverfront.



Auburn Farmers Market manager Kathy Shaw and City of Auburn Communications Manager Liz Allen were busy selling bricks to fund the campaign. Many took additional order forms home for friends and family.



Part of the crowd stayed dry under the tent.



## 3D Mammography Now Offered at Central Maine Medical Center

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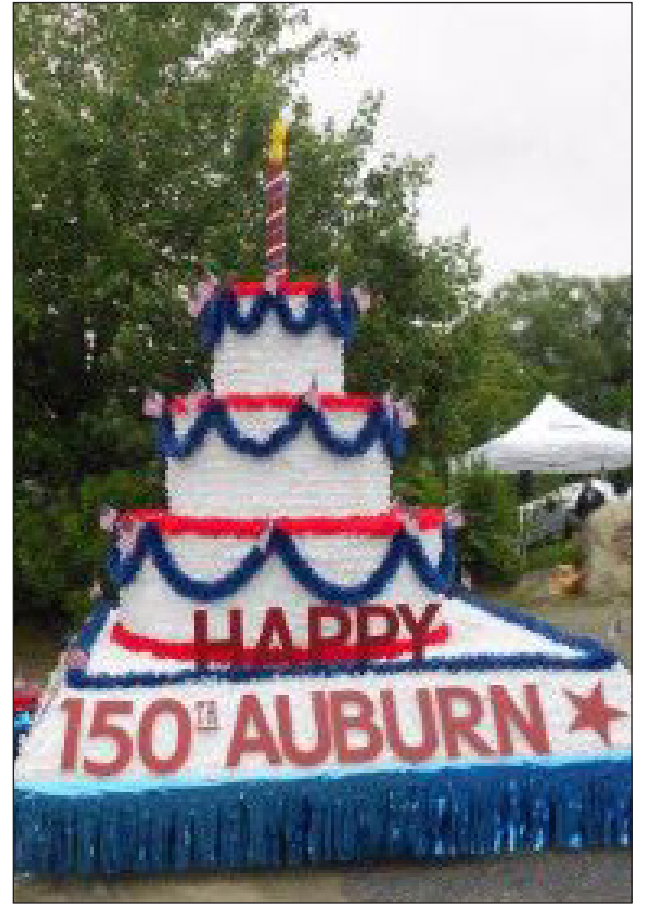




Musician Brian Patricks added to the festive ambiance with his renditions of popular favorites.



Auburn Public Library Director Mamie Anthoine Ney and Alan Manoian catch up on their news.



The Auburn Birthday Float is parked at the entrance to Anniversary Park in New Auburn.



Attending with wife Linda, Duane Coffin of Turner shared stories of his early years in New Auburn.

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# TWIN CITY NIGHTS

## Weekly Arts & Entertainment

### 2019 Bates Dance Fest kicks off with hip-hop weekend

The 2019 Bates Dance Festival will kick off on Thursday, July 11 at 6:30 p.m. with a “Concerts on the Quad” concert-dance led by DJ Man-O-Wax and hip-hop dancers MaMa2. Taking place on the college’s Historic Quad at Campus Avenue and College Street, this free outdoor event will begin with 45 minutes of dance lessons followed by an hour of participatory dancing.

This hip-hop-themed weekend will continue with festival mainstage performances on Friday, July 12 at 7:30 p.m., and again on Sunday, July 14 at 7:30 p.m., when soul-roots musicians the Reminders will join the bill. In their mainstage performances, Man-O-Wax’s global-fusion sound will frame the Reminders’ socially conscious music and the high-energy movement of MaMa2 to create an immersive experience for all audiences. The festival beer garden will be open after Friday’s show.

These festival mainstage performances will take place in air-conditioned Schaeffer Theatre, located at 329 College Street in Lewiston. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for seniors, and \$12 for students. For more information or to buy tickets, call 786-6381 or visit [batesdancefestival.org](http://batesdancefestival.org).

In their July 11 Concert on the Quad, renowned hip-hop dancers MaMa2, featuring duo Amirah Sackett and “B-Girl Mama” (aka

Mary Mar), will teach basic moves from their respective styles of popping and breaking, while DJ Man-O-Wax spins fresh beats on the 1’s and 2’s.

A Chicago-based dancer-choreographer, Amirah Sackett received the Sage Cowles Award for her choreography in Brother Ali’s music video “Mourning in America.” Her love of hip-hop dance and devotion to her faith fused to inspire a contemporary dance collective called “We’re Muslim, Don’t Panic,” which is dedicated to elevating the status of women and educating the public on women’s issues.

Mary Mar has been breakin’ since 2001 and has since studied, taught, and performed hip-hop dance all over the U.S. DJ Man-O-Wax is Asad Ali Jafri, a cultural producer, global arts leader, and interdisciplinary artist with a creative vision for sustainable social change. As Man-O-Wax, he plays and blends soulful, spiritual, and funky music from around the globe. The Reminders are Brussels, Belgium-born emcee Big Samir and Queens, N.Y. native emcee-vocalist Aja Black. They blend soulful sounds and roots music with thoughtful lyrics that message peaceful social change.

As the festival continues, two more free “Concerts on the Quad” will follow, both on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. on the college’s Historic Quad. On July 25, Portland Intown Contra

Dance founder Dela Murphy will teach the basics of the style and then call a contra dance while Stomp Rocket combines powerful fiddle, shimmering mandolin, and driving Irish-style guitar playing. On August 1, the Maine band Stream will perform classic and new reggae music.

For 2019, the festival runs with an exciting new schedule and an artist roster comprising faces both new and familiar to Bates. Designed to build a critical mass of onstage excitement, the new festival schedule arranges the performances into three clusters in July and August.

Festival performances will resume on July 25 with Doug Varone and Dancers, Lida Winfield, Netta Yerushalmy and the Reggie Wilson - Fist and Heel Performance Group. On stage starting August 1 for the festival’s final weekend will be Joanna Kotze, artist-in-residence nora chipaumire, and jumatatu m. poe & Jermone Donte Beacham.

In addition to mainstage events, the schedule includes additional happenings, new and established, including the expanded “Inside Dance” presentation series and a “How Was the Show?” series of midday gatherings bringing community members and festival participants together at a local brewery.

The festival’s “Inside Dance” series, which adds insight and context to festi-

val performances, is newly expanded this year to include Community Conversations in Lewiston, South Paris and Portland.

The “How Was the

Show?” discussions, with drinks and snacks provided compliments of the Bates Dance Festival, will take place at the Lewiston nano-brewery Bear Bones Beer at

noon on July 27 and 28 and August 3 and 4.

For a complete roundup of 2019 Bates Dance Festival events, see [batesdancefestival.org/performances](http://batesdancefestival.org/performances).



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## Independence Day edition of "Early Evening Show" to feature poet Richard Blanco



Blanco was selected by President Barack Obama to read his original poem "One Today" at Obama's inauguration ceremony on January 21, 2013.

Celebration Barn Theater in South Paris will present a special Independence Day edition of Mike Miclon's "The Early Evening Show" on Saturday, July 6 at 7:30 p.m. Poet Richard Blanco will appear as a guest.

President Barack Obama selected Richard Blanco to serve as the fifth presidential inaugural poet in the history of the United States. Blanco read his original poem "One Today" at Obama's inauguration ceremony on January 21, 2013. Blanco was the youngest and first Latino, immigrant, and gay person to serve in this role, joining the short list of

presidential inaugural poets that includes Robert Frost and Maya Angelou.

The Tribune Bookstore will be on hand on the night of the show to sell copies of Blanco's latest collection of poems, "How to Love a Country."

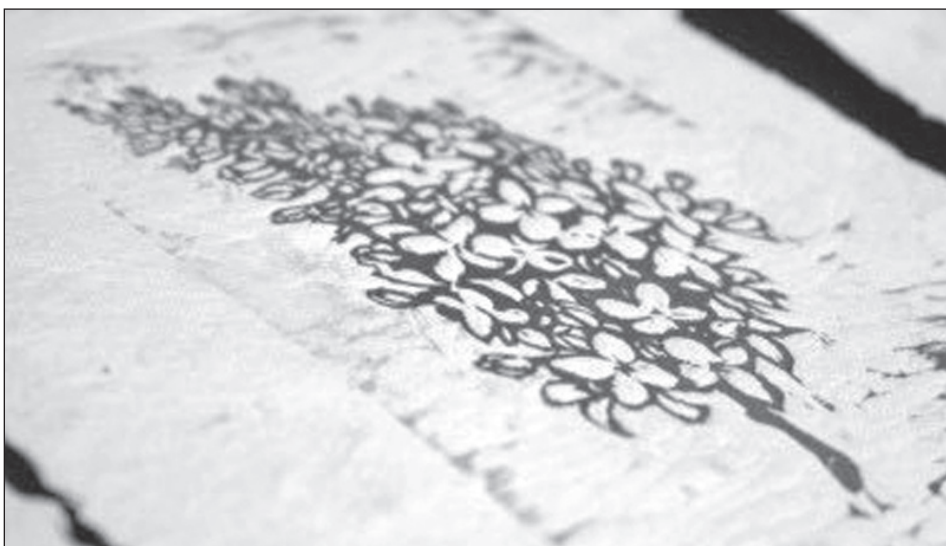
Surprise guests, wild improvisations, and audience interactions are a staple of Mike Miclon's Early Evening Show, the longest-running live variety show in Maine history. The Bangor Daily News has called this late-night TV show spoof "a seamless, hilarious production" and CBS Sunday Morning has

called it "must-see reality."

Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$16 for seniors (ages 60-plus), and \$10 for kids (ages 17 and under). All tickets are general admission and Celebration Barn members receive priority seating. Purchasing tickets in advance is strongly recommended.

The lobby and concessions will open at 6:30 p.m. Celebration Barn Theater is located just off Route 117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the box office at 743-8452 or visit [www.CelebrationBarn.com](http://www.CelebrationBarn.com).

## Harlow offers July art workshops



"Lilac," a woodblock print created by course instructor Jaime Wing

In July, the Harlow at 100 Water Street in Hallowell will offer the workshops "Intro to Woodblock Printmaking," taught by Jaime Wing of Portland, and "Intro to Drawing," taught by Kay Morris of West Gardiner.

Each limited to 10 students, these workshops, will provide plenty of opportunity for one-on-one instruction and conversation. No previous experience is required. All materials will be provided unless otherwise stated. Advance registration is required; to register, call 622-3813 or see [harlowgallery.org/category/workshop](http://harlowgallery.org/category/workshop).

"Intro to Woodblock Printmaking" will take place

on Saturdays, July 6 and 13, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Students will come away from this two-session class with a foundation in the history of block printing and the basic skills to create their own. Participants will design and carve their own wood block and print a small edition of archival-quality prints. While all materials will be provided, students are encouraged to bring drawings or images of inspiration for their design. This class is open to adults ages 18 and older. Tuition is \$85 for members or \$95 for non-members.

"Intro to Drawing" will take place on Saturday, July 20, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

In this entry-level drawing course, taught in a relaxed environment, students will draw simple still life objects as they study line and value. Participants should bring a 6B or 9B pencil and a kneadable eraser; all other materials will be provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Tuition is \$30 for members or \$35 for non-members.

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# Twin City Nights

## Make-A-Wish Comedy Show coming to Norway Savings Bank Arena



Headliner Dan Boulger has appeared on Comedy Central, HBO's Aspen Comedy Show, and The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson.

The City of Auburn, Uncle Andy's Digest, and Maine Event Comedy will present a Make-A-Wish Comedy Show on Friday, July 26 at 8 p.m. at Auburn's Norway Savings Bank Arena. Prior to the show, there will be a social hour and raffles in the mezzanine area. Admission is \$25. All proceeds will benefit Make-A-Wish Maine.

This night of laughs will feature four talented comedians. Headliner Dan Boulger has appeared on Comedy Central, HBO's Aspen Comedy Show, and The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson. He is a winner of the Boston Comedy Festival.

Brian Brinegar has three times been named Maine's Best Comedian by the Portland Phoenix and has performed at the famous Comedy Store in Los Angeles.

Mike Keegan is a regular performer at The Comic Strip Live, Dangerfield's, and Greenwich Village Comedy Club in New York City.

And Ryan Gartley is a 20-year comedy veteran who has opened for Lenny Clarke and Jeff Dunham and performed everywhere from Las Vegas to Bangor.

"Maine Event Comedy is thrilled to provide the entertainment for this event,"

said MEC founder Mark Turcotte. "My start in comedy began with a series of fundraising shows, and the response was overwhelmingly positive. It is going to be an incredible evening."

"We're excited to be a part of the first comedy show ever at Norway Savings Bank Arena," said Jim Marston, owner of Uncle Andy's Digest, LA Metro Magazine, and a board member of Make-A-Wish Maine. "I'm proud of this community, their support of Make-A-Wish, and our work together to grant wishes to local children facing critical illnesses."

"The City of Auburn and Norway Savings Bank Arena are excited to partner with Uncle Andy's Digest and Maine Event Comedy," said Marc Gosselin, Executive Director of Community Partnerships & Sports Tourism for the City of Auburn. "We are excited to showcase our venue for such a unique event, but even more excited to team up with community partners to raise money for such a great cause."

This will be an ages 21-plus show. Seating capacity will be 500 guests, so get your tickets early by visiting [www.norwaysavingsbankarena.com/shows](http://www.norwaysavingsbankarena.com/shows).

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## Maine College of Health Professions announces spring Dean's List

Maine College of Health Professions' Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Alex Clifford, has recognized the following students for achieving Deans List status for the 2019 spring semester. Students must be matriculated in a degree program and achieve a semester GPA of 3.5 or greater to be named to the Dean's List.

The students who made the list are: Sarah Ann Annance (Oxford), Audrielle Audet (Standish), Ashley Belanger (Biddeford), Grace Bell (Phippsburg), Denny Bourgoin (Lewiston), Julia Bowen (Lisbon Falls), Jennifer Brown (Freeport), Molly Christensen (Sebago), Lindsay Cookson (Readfield), Hali Cote (Auburn), Denise Craig (Topsham), Madison Cuddy (Jackman), Brooke Curry

(Windham), Lecia Curtis (Auburn), Chelsea Davies (Auburn), Patricia Distasio (Gray), Jade Fecteau (Naples), Brianna Gaillardetz (South Portland), Alexis Gile (Sabattus), Alissa Goselin (Poland), Cassandra Haley (Topsham), Taber Hatch (Turner), Kevin Hong (Westbrook), Rachel Ingram (Winthrop), Warren Johnson (Portland), Cari Jolin (Lewiston), Kendra Kirby (West Gardiner), Sophia Latham (Raymond), Kailey Martin (Lewiston), Sarah Miner (Litchfield), Pamela Morissette (Lewiston), Rayven Niva (Minot), Tanya Ogden (Lewiston), Katelyn Olsen (Hartford), Sadie Pelletier (Minot), Nicole Perry (Lisbon Falls), Julia Powell (Poland), Lia Sibley (Wells), Alyssa Smith (Sidney), Nicholas Stone (Buckfield), Courtney Sul-

livan (Edgecomb), Carley Ware (Poland), and Danielle West (Monmouth).

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## Schoolhouse Arts Center makes it rain on stage



Cast members Jeff McNally and Matt Scala match swords while making a silent film in "Singing in the Rain."

Schoolhouse Arts Center in Standish will push the limits of community theater to new heights as they present an ambitious production of the musical "Singing in the Rain." The play will run over three weekends, from July 11 through 28, with shows taking place Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings at 7 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m. And yes, the production will include a rollicking dance number performed in the midst of an indoor rain storm!

"Getting it to rain on

stage is only half of the battle," says new Artistic Director Zachariah Stearn. "We also have to get rid of many gallons of water that land on the stage and keep front rows of the audience from getting wet in the process." Patrons sitting in the two front rows of each performance will be issued rain ponchos and warned that they will be sitting in the splash zone. Crews will take advantage of intermissions to clear the results of an indoor rain storm from the stage and prepare for the elaborate dance routines that follow.

Tickets are \$19 for adults and \$17 for seniors and students. VIP tickets, which include special parking, a signed poster, and a tour of the set and rain-making machine, are \$25. A \$2 discount is available by using the coupon code SAC30 when ordering your tickets online before July 9. They may be purchased at [www.SchoolhouseArts.org](http://www.SchoolhouseArts.org).

Schoolhouse Arts Center is located at 16 Richville Road (Route 114) in Standish, just seven miles from North Windham or Gorham Center.

## Bird Club offers kids' Nature Week, Wednesday Walks



A male Black-Throated Blue Warbler, now nesting in local wooded areas. In the fall, they migrate to the Caribbean and Central America. (Photo by Dan Marquis)

The Stanton Bird Club of Lewiston-Auburn will offer its third annual Nature Week at Thorncrag July 15 through 19. Sessions will run from 9 a.m. to noon each day. The program is designed for children ages 6 through 12. The focus will be on the four elements: Into the Woods (Day 1), Fire (The Sun) (Day 2), Air (Day 3), Water (Day 4), and Earth (Day 5). Registration is \$25 and scholarships are available. A limited number of openings still remain. For more information or to register, call Penny Jessop at 782-5467 or see Stanton-

[birdclub.org](http://birdclub.org).

The club will also present two Wednesday Walks in July. On July 10, the walk will take place at the Fitzgerald Preserve in Brunswick. Participants will park and meet on the entrance road, "Lindbergh Landing" (Lindbergh Crossing), off the Old Bath Road. On July 24, the walk will take place on Riverside Trail in Lewiston. Walkers will meet at the corner of Winter and Whipple Streets at Sunnyside Park.

All Wednesday Walks begin at 8 a.m. and end by 11 a.m. They usually cover

about two miles on a generally even and basically dry surface. They are free and open to everyone interested in identifying birds. Bring binoculars and dress for the weather. For more information, contact walk leaders Stan and Joan DeOrsey at 406-4741 or [jsmd@att.net](mailto:jsmd@att.net).

The Stanton Bird Club manages the Thorncrag Nature Sanctuary in Lewiston and the Woodbury Nature Sanctuary in Monmouth and Litchfield. For more information, including results and photos from club trips, see [www.StantonBirdClub.org](http://www.StantonBirdClub.org).

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**Saturday, July 6**

Bake Sale. 8 a.m. to noon. Shop N Save, Gray Plaza, Rte. 100, Gray. Cakes, cookies, brownies, breads, and more, while supplies last; rain or shine. Pres. by the Women’s Fellowship, First Congr. Church of Gray. 657-4279.

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Pet Wellness Clinic. Noon to 2 p.m. Town Hall, 329 Woodman Hill Rd., Minot. The Greater Andro. Humane Society offers free vaccines, microchips, and pet food; bring dogs on leashes and cats in carriers.

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Strawberry Festival. 1 to 3 p.m. Readfield Union Meeting House, 22 Church Rd., Readfield. Strawberry shortcake on the lawn (\$5), pies and goodies for sale (extra); proceeds support the restoration of this historic Readfield landmark. https://unionmeetinghouse.org.

Mike Miclon’s Early Evening Show. 7:30 p.m. Celebration Barn, 190 Stock Farm Rd. (just off Rte. #117), So. Paris. This Independence Day edition of the popular late-night talk show spoof features poet Richard Blanco. \$18/16/10. 743-8452; www.CelebrationBarn.com.

**Monday, July 8**

Theatre: “The Three Little Pigs.” 10 a.m. Pickard Theatre, Bowdoin College campus, Brunswick. Maine State Music Theatre presents this Stiles and Drewe musical version for young audiences. Again at 1 p.m., 4 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. \$12-18. 725-8769; www.msmt.org.

**Tuesday, July 9**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is the LaBlanc Family Band, with surprise guests (French, Country, Cajun, Ho-Down). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

**Wednesday, July 10**

Rotary Breakfast Club Meeting. 7 a.m. United Methodist Church, 439 Park Ave., Auburn. The guest speaker is Maine country music artist Slim Andrews. All welcome; breakfast \$10. Stanton Bird Club

# Calendar

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Bird Walk at Fitzgerald Preserve. Meet at 8 a.m. at the preserve off Old Bath Rd. at Lindbergh Crossing in Brunswick. Walk ends by 11 a.m. All welcome. Free. 406-4741; jsmd@att.net.

Summer Open House. 4 to 7 p.m. Central Maine Community College, 1250 Turner St., Auburn. Prospective students and their families are invited to come learn about programs, activities, and sports at CMCC; apply onsite and have your application fee waived. RSVP at [www.cmcc.edu](http://www.cmcc.edu).

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Chamber Breakfast Meeting. 7 a.m. Ramada Hotel and Conference Center, 490 Pleasant St., Lewiston. John Rice of Schooner Estates Senior Living Community discusses “The Silver Tsunami.” \$35 (members \$22). Register at [www.LAMetroChamber.com](http://www.LAMetroChamber.com).

Sampson AFB Veterans Luncheon. 12 p.m. Governor’s Restaurant, Lewiston. This informal monthly get-together for those who took basic training at Sampson Air Force Base in the 1940s and ’50s is open to all veterans and their guests. 657-4909.

Concert on the Quad. 6:30 p.m. Historic Quad (at Campus Ave. and College St.), Bates College, Lewiston. Led by DJ Man-O-Wax and hip-hop dancers MaMa2, this concert-dance begins with 45 minutes of dance lessons, followed by an hour of participatory dancing. Free.

Theatre: “Singing in the Rain.” 7 p.m. Schoolhouse Arts Center, 16 Richville Rd. (Rte. 114), Standish. This production includes a rollicking dance number performed in the midst of an indoor rain storm. Again 7/12-14, 18-21, 25-28 (Suns. at 2 p.m.). \$19/17. [www.SchoolhouseArts.org](http://www.SchoolhouseArts.org).

**Saturday, July 13**

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**Tuesday, July 16**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is Denny

Breau with Frank Coffin and special guest Debbie Morin (Acoustic, Folk, originals). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Concert: The Gawler Family. 7 p.m. Readfield Union Meeting House, 22 Church Rd., Readfield. The talented family band plays traditional and folk music of various traditions; proceeds support the restoration of this historic Readfield landmark. \$10. https://unionmeetinghouse.org.

**Wednesday, July 17**

Pet Wellness Clinic. Noon to 2 p.m. Moulton Park, Auburn. The Greater Andro. Humane Society offers free vaccines, microchips, and pet food; bring dogs on leashes and cats in carriers. [www.SavingPetsInMaine.org](http://www.SavingPetsInMaine.org).

**Thursday, July 18**

Blackjack 5K Run-Walk. 6 p.m. Oak Hill Middle School, Ball Park Rd., Sabattus. This social, noncompetitive event invites participants to come get some exercise for a chance to win prizes. Sign-up starts at 5 p.m. \$5. [www.sabattusrec.com](http://www.sabattusrec.com).

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**Tuesday, July 23**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is Mike Preston and Kim Curry (Country). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

**Wednesday, July 24**

Stanton Bird Club Riverside Trail Walk. Meet at 8 a.m. on the corner of Winter and Whipple Streets.

at Sunnyside Park in Lewiston. Walk ends by 11 a.m. All welcome. Free. 406-4741; jsmd@att.net.

**Thursday, July 25**

Concert on the Quad. 6:30 p.m. Historic Quad (at Campus Ave. and College St.), Bates College, Lewiston. Portland Intown Contra Dance founder Dela Murphy teaches the basics of the style and then calls a contra dance to the live music of Stomp Rocket. Free.

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**Friday, July 26**

Make-A-Wish Comedy Show. 8 p.m. Norway Savings Bank Arena, Auburn. Comedians Dan Boulger, Brian Brinegar, Mike Keegan, and Ryan Gartley perform; raffles, social hour. Ages 21-plus. Benefits Make-A-Wish Maine. \$25. [www.norwaysavingsbankarena.com](http://www.norwaysavingsbankarena.com).

**Saturday, July 27**

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Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Hank Barbee and the Dust Parade play their genre-bending mix of surfy jazz, rock, and country blues. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center. Free.

**Tuesday, July 30**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is Hangin’ with Hooper - Brad Hooper and Rusty Wiltjer (Acoustic, Folk, Blues, Americana). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Open Mic Night. 10 a.m. to noon. Readfield Union Meeting House, 22 Church Rd., Readfield. Share your talent(s); proceeds support the restoration of this historic Readfield landmark. \$10. https://unionmeetinghouse.org.

**Thursday, Aug. 1**

Concert on the Quad. 6:30 p.m. Historic Quad (at Campus Ave. and College St.), Bates College, Lewiston. The Maine band Stream performs classic and new reggae music. Free.

**Tuesday, Aug. 6**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer

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**Tuesday, Aug. 13**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is six-piece Back Woods Road Band (Bluegrass). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

**Tuesday, Aug. 20**

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**Saturday, Aug. 17**

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**Saturday, Aug. 24**

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Jason Ward, former horn player of Rustic Overtones, leads his danceable jazzy funk band. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center. Free.

**Tuesday, Aug. 27**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30

p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is Chris Poulson & Friends (Folk, Rock). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

**Saturday, Aug. 31**

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Steel drum band Pan Fried Steel closes out the series with their traditional steel drumming and renditions of rock, pop, and reggae songs. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center. Free.

**Tuesday, Sep. 3**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is The Cobblestones - M. & M. Plourde, C. Constanzi, T. Simmons (Acoustic Americana). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

**Tuesday, Sep. 10**

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week’s performer is Hot Damn - Norm and Deb Pelletier (Country to Classic Rock). Free, but a “pass the hat” suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

**Tuesday, Sep. 17**

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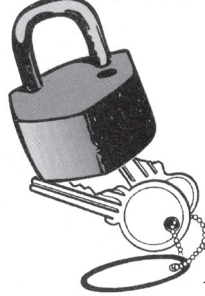
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## Sabattus Rec Club plans Blackjack 5K Run-Walk

The Sabattus Rec Club will hold its seventh annual Blackjack 5K Run-Walk on Thursday, July 18 at 6 p.m. at Oak Hill Middle School, located on Ball Park Road in Sabattus. This is a social, non-competitive event whose focus is to get out, get some exercise, and maybe get some lucky cards in the process.

Participants will get a card at the two-mile mark and another at the three-mile mark. Anyone getting

Blackjack (an Ace, plus a face card or a ten) can call out to win a prize. If not, they get another card at the finish line to try for a total of 21 with their three cards. All 21s will also win prizes.

The course is a moderately hilly 3.1 miles. The first male and female finishers will be awarded prizes, but fast finish times will not be needed to win most prizes. There will also be many other prize drawings!

The Blackjack 5K is open to runners and walkers of all ages. Those under 18 need parental permission. This is a show-up, sign-up event with no pre-registration required. Sign-up will begin at 5 p.m. The entrance fee is \$5. For more information, check out the Sabattus Rec Club Running Program page on Facebook, write to Running@sabattusrec.com, or click on the running tab at www.sabattusrec.com.

## Young Audiences production of "Three Little Pigs" takes stage at MSMT



Pictured here (l. to r.) are Nicholas Hall (as Cha), Natalie Bellamy (as Siu), and Michael Ivan Carrier (as Bao). (Photo by Olivia Coe)

Maine State Music Theatre in Brunswick will present a Theatre for Young Audiences production of Stiles and Drewe's "Three Little Pigs" on Monday, July 8, with performances at 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 4 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

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The play stars Mel Bills (Gardiner) as Mom, Natalie Bellamy (Cincinnati, Ohio) as Siu, Andrew Carney (Millinocket) as the Three Merchants, Nicholas Hall (South Berwick) as Cha, Cameron Wright (Yarmouth) as Wolf, and Michael Ivan Carrier (Lafayette, Louisiana) as Bao. Book, lyrics, and music are by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe. The show is directed by Raymond Marc Dumont (Portland).

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# July Schedule

**Thursday, July 11 at 7:00 pm** - '80's Night with a pre-game performance by THE AWESOME presented by PM CONSTRUCTION.

*Better Flippin' Meat Night with APPLGATE®.*

**Friday, July 12 at 7:00 pm** - MCCP Night. Sea Dogs players will wear specially designed uniforms which will be auctioned off.

*ASTRONAUT CHRIS CASSIDY APPEARANCE.*

**Saturday, July 13 at 6:00 pm** - American Ninja Warrior appearance by John "The Giant" Alexis.

**Sunday, July 14 at 1:00 pm** - PRINCESS & PIRATE PARTY - pre-game tea party and parade.

**Monday, July 22 at 7:00 pm** - Portland Sea Dogs vs. Hartford Yard Goats.

**Tuesday, July 23 at 7:00 pm** - Come see the 2018 WORLD SERIES TROPHY.

**Wednesday, July 24 at NOON** - Portland Sea Dogs vs. Hartford Yard Goats.

**Thursday, July 25 at 7:00 pm** - Mookie Betts Bobblehead giveaway to the first 1,000 fans presented by Bath Savings.

*'90's Night with a pre-game performance by HELLO NEWMAN.*

**Friday, July 26 at 7:00 pm** - Witchcraft & Wizardry Night presented by Five Guys Burgers & Fries.

**Saturday, July 27 at 6:00 pm** - FIREWORKS SHOW.

**Sunday, July 28 at 1:00 pm** - Portland Sea Dogs vs. Harrisburg Senators.