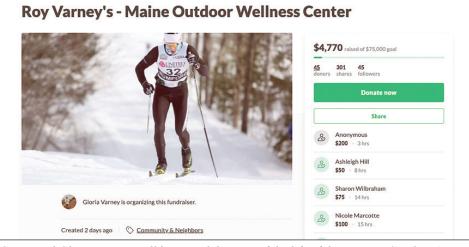
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GoFundMe campaign to preserve memory of Roy Varney



Gregg and Gloria Varney will host a celebration of the life of their son on Sunday, August 25 at Nezinscot Farm in Turner. Donations to establish a nonprofit Maine Outdoor Wellness Center in his honor may be made at www.gofundme.com.

Friends and family members have launched a GoFundMe campaign to preserve the memory of Roy Varney, son of Gregg and Gloria Varney of Turner, who passed away unexpected on July 2.

Varney, who graduated this spring from Leavitt Area High School, planned to attend UNH this fall. An accomplished Nordic skier, he was passionate about skiing, trained seriously to reach his potential, and lived life to the fullest. His accomplishments included winning a state championship in cross country skiing and competing in the National Biathlon Championships. He

was scheduled to train at the National Biathlon Center in Jericho, VT.

Contributions to the campaign will help fulfill Varney's dream of building a wellness and biathlon training center at his family's Nezinscot Farm in Turner, where a system of trails allowed him to train while helping out on the farm.

To be incorporated as a non-profit by the end of the year, the Maine Outdoor Wellness Center will provide access to an extensive system of cross country trails on over 300 acres that will be available year-round for hiking, skiing, biking, and running. Space for events and other

activities will be added as development progresses.

The center will be managed by an executive board consisting of Varney's family members, ski mates, coaches, and friends. Funds raised will go toward expanding the center and its operations. Those interested in volunteering or participating in any way are encouraged to contact the family.

The Varney family will host a celebration of Roy's life on Sunday, August 25, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Nezinscot Farm in Turner. In lieu of gifts, they ask that donations toward the campaign by made at the event or at www. gofundme.com.



Appearing at the Great Falls Balloon Festival



Skosh (eclectic funk) performs Friday from 8:30 to 10 p.m. (Lewiston stage).

In addition to balloon rides and launches, the 27th annual Great Falls Balloon Festival brings a wide variety of entertainment to the banks of the Androscoggin River this weekend. Most acts will perform on the festival mainstage at Simard-Payne Park (formerly Railroad Park) in Lewiston or on the Riverwalk stage in Auburn. See the Balloon Festival Guide on pages 9 through 15 for some of the groups and bands scheduled to appear. For the complete schedule of events, see www.greatfallsballoonfestival.org.

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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

Androscoggin Readers Theater prepares for fall season

The Androscoggin Readers Theater (ART) is now in rehearsals for its upcoming fall season. This spring, the group completed its 10th anniversary season

touring retirement living facilities in Lewiston and Auburn. They perform original humorous skits and sketches that explore the quirks, peculiarities, and id-



Last season, SeniorsPlus brought the group back by popular demand to perform at its Education Center in Lewiston



The group features the talents of (l. to r., from front) Faith Towle, Judy Webber (treasurer), Nancy Daniels (playwright), Naomi York (director) Dick York, Curt Webber, Joanne Tetreault, Joanne Sabourin, Joel Goodman, and Bob Gardner. (Absent from the photo are Linda Jackson-Washburn and Chris Lansley.)





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performances. Nancy Daniels is the playwright, but Joel Goodman has also been known to contribute a play or two. Rehearsals start a month in advance. The performers come from Auburn, Greene, Lewiston, Raymond, Richmond and Sabattus.

iosyncrasies of senior life, to

the delight of their audienc-

es. In truth, the actors enjoy

the process as much as those

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Celebrating the end of the 10th anniversary season at the home of Curt and Judy Webber are troupe members Dick York, Curt Webber, Judy Webber, Bob Gardner, Nancy Daniels, Naomi York, Faith Towle, Joanne Sabourin, and Joel Goodman. (Photo by Cathy Thibodeau)





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Seniors Not Acting Their Age: Paddling Out to the Mussel (Muscle?) Ridge Islands



Two kayakers enjoy mirror-like conditions on the approach to Otter Island.



Paddling around Pleasant Island



A kayaker ducks under a low footbridge in the Hewitt Island gut.

Story and photos by Ron Chasse

The Delorme Maine Atlas calls them the Mussel Ridge Islands. Various other sources, including my Maptech chartbook, refer to the archipelago as the Muscle Ridge Islands.

I've always assumed that some misguided mapmaker from away misspelled the word "mussel," since the islands must be named for the bivalve mollusk endemic to the area. But maybe I'm not so clever after all, because my recent research indicates that the source of the conflicting moniker is an unsolved mystery.

The best explanation I've found was provided by Charles and Carol Evarts McLane in their book, "Penobscot Bay." They wrote

that the Old English spelling for "mussel" was "muscelle," which was "muscle" in Middle English. Wouldn't you know it: the McLane's are from away.

Regardless of the name, the Mussel Ridge Archipelago is one of the finest sea kayaking destinations on the Maine coast, and perhaps its best-kept secret. A large collection of small and medium-sized islands located east of Spruce Head in western Penobscot Bay, they convincingly compete with more popular areas such as the Bold Coast, Muscongus Bay, the Deer Isle Archipelago, and Mount Desert Island.

A paddling friend introduced me to the Mussel Ridge Islands more than a decade ago. I've returned



We met at Birch Point State Park near South Thomaston on a beautiful, sunny day. The small, peaceful beach at the park is another well-kept secret. To reach the islands, one must paddle about two miles across Mussel (or is it Muscle?) Ridge Channel to the closest atoll, Otter Island.

This channel has a Doctor Jekyll and Mr. Hyde personality. This sometimes gentle, friendly traverse can unexpectedly evolve into a gusty crossing with large swells and choppy waves. We had calm conditions for our departure. However, history cautioned wariness. An earlier trip with extremely forceful headwinds on the return prompted at least one participant to call it "The worst day of my life." I didn't hand out any evaluation cards following that outing.

Once past Otter, the paddling choices are many as an array of islands await exploration. Seal sightings

are a near certainty in this region, which has perhaps the largest population along the Maine coast.

With the historic High Island granite quarries to our east, we elected to travel south to Dix Island, where we halted for a respite on a gravel beach where a hiking trail is open to the public.

Navigating further south amongst a multitude of seal-inundated ledges and diminutive islets, we stopped for lunch on sandy Bar Island, where a large growth of colorful wild roses overlooked the picturesque beach. After contemplating our remaining itinerary, we decided to paddle around substantial Pleasant Island, with the possibility of continuing on to distant Two Bush Island and its distinctive lighthouse. But as we rounded outer Pleasant, we found that a high tide made landing on Two Bush a dicey proposition, so we bypassed the isolated, barren atoll.

Proceeding back northward to rugged Hewitt Island, I convinced a skeptic in the group that passage through the narrow gut was possible. After ducking under a low-hanging footbridge, we negotiated the attenuated corridor and then continued north along the west side of Dix Island, where scores of seals frolicked in our midst.

Reapproaching Otter

Island, the correct direction for our return to Birch Point Park was indistinct. When we departed, I had taken a compass bearing between the park and Otter Island, so I was confident that reversing my direction would result in a direct approach. Vigilant to avoid heavy motorized boat traffic in the channel, we proceeded west while enduring southwest winds of approximately ten knots.

At about the halfway point, one of my companions more familiar with the area deviated slightly northeast while I stubbornly held to my course. I missed Birch Point by about a half mile. A strong tidal current was probably the culprit, because it couldn't have been operator error. That's my excuse and I'm sticking to it.

The moral of the story? People from away may know their Middle English lexicon, but the locals are otherwise more knowledgeable about the Mussel (Muscle?) Ridge Islands.

Ron Chasse resides in Topsham and is the author of "The Great Mars Hill Bank Robbery" and "Mountains for Mortals - New England." He can be reached at ronchaseoutdoors@comcast.net. For more information, see www. ronchaseoutdoors.com.

Upon rounding Pleasant Island, the Two Bush Island Lighthouse is visible in the distance.

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Auburn Police Dept. offers Citizens' Police Academy



Applications are now being accepted for the Auburn Police Department's upcoming Citizens' Police Academy. This 10-week program, scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 10, offers community members insight into how local police officers perform their duties and how the police department serves the community.

This series of informational classes provides a behind-the-scenes look at the APD, with the goal of fostering better communication between citizens and police through education.

The Auburn Police Department has offered the CPA for many years and always finds it to be a rewarding experience for the participants and officers alike. "We all benefit from enhancing citizen understanding of the role and function of the police department," said Auburn Police Chief Jason Moen. "Participants will not be trained as police officers, but they will get a fun and informative overview of what we do."

Sessions will take place at the Auburn Police Department each Tuesday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. All instructors are members of the law enforcement profession and will present information on topics such as basic patrol functions, use of force, OUI detection and enforcement, domestic violence, the role of K9 units, drug enforcement, crime scene investigation, and more.

Class size is limited. The academy will be filled on a first-come basis, with preference given to residents of Auburn. A background check will be performed on all applicants. Anyone with felony convictions or an extensive criminal background will not be accepted.

Those interested in receiving an application should stop in at the Auburn Police Department at 60 Court Street, contact Lt. Anthony Harrington at 333-6650, ext. 2035 or AHarrington@auburnmaine.gov, or visit www. auburnpd.com.

Republican Address: Honoring Maine's Gold Star Families and their Sacrifice

By Rep. Justin Fecteau

Previous Republican weekly addresses have focused on the negative consequences of one-party rule. These include runaway spending, extreme proposals to restrict our freedoms, favoring national special interests over Maine people, and a lack of clear priorities that hurts our seniors, roads, and disadvantaged Maine citizens

This week, I want to talk to you about two bills that Republicans and Democrats unanimously agreed upon: bills to honor our Gold Star Families.

The term "Gold Star" describes a family member who has lost a loved one in military service. Often described as an honor no one wants to receive, the Gold Star is meant to signify a family's pride in a loved one's sacrifice, rather than the mourning of their personal loss.

Two bills recently signed into law by Governor Mills demonstrate Maine's shared respect and recognition of the ultimate sacrifices made on our behalf by service men and women and their families. These bills allow families with Gold Star Family registration plates to receive complimentary licenses to hunt, trap and fish (LD 1488) and exempt holders of Gold Star Family registration plates from paying registration fees for those plates (LD 1487).

Both bills apply to those who are eligible for a Gold Star lapel button, or to the grandparents of mem-

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bers of the United States Armed Forces who died after March 28, 1973 as a result of an international terrorist attack recognized by the Department of Defense or a military operation while serving outside the United States

They are consistent with other benefits currently enshrined in Maine law, including those for recipients of the Purple Heart, disabled veterans, recipients of the Medal of Honor, former prisoners of war, the surviving spouses or children of Maine Game Wardens killed in the line of duty, and other members of the Armed Forces.

In our summertime parades and at our festivals, we often showcase Maine's longstanding history of national service in our Armed forces. Maine veterans from wars in Korea, Vietnam, and other recent conflicts display their service with pride and share their stories with friends and family.

My story is that of a U.S. Army veteran with six years of service. More than a third of my service time was spent in Iraq, primarily in the Western Desert and the capital city of Baghdad. While some veterans, like myself, were able to come back and share our stories, there are so many who were not. Veterans stand united in support and gratitude of their fallen comrades and their families.

Right now, a Navy veteran and filmmaker is traveling the country to document the sacrifice of several fallen service members. Just last month, he was in Maine to learn more about the story of Limestone native and Army Master Sergeant Robert Horrigan, who was killed in June of 2005 during a military raid in Iraq.

A quick search on the Gold Star Family Registry reveals that 25 Maine heroes were killed in action in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Three of those



soldiers, SFC Lowery (of Houlton), PV2 Smith (of Bethel), and SGT Emery (of Lee), were killed in action while I was stationed in Iraq between 2007 and 2008.

Another 23 Maine heroes were killed in action in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

As a society, we are judged by how we care for and honor those who have sacrificed on our behalf. Thankfully, Maine is a proud and patriotic state that often goes above and beyond for our veterans.

I am pleased to have sponsored both of these bills and that they received unanimous support. As Maine citizens, we honor our Gold Star families for their sacrifices and the ultimate price paid by their loved ones to preserve our freedom and way of life.

Rep. Justin Fecteau represents House District 86, which consists of West and North Augusta. A German teacher, he is currently on leave from Maranacook Community High School in Readfield to serve in the Maine State Legislature.

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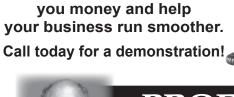
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CCS Pediatrics seeks donations for backpack drive



With many local families facing financial burdens, Community Clinical Services Pediatrics in Lewiston, an affiliate of St. Mary's Health System, is teaming up with community members to help make the daunting challenge of outfitting kids for school a little easier.

Through Tuesday, August 20, CCS Pediatrics is collecting school essentials for children in need and preparing backpacks for them as they get ready to head back to their classrooms.

"We distribute the backpacks to our pediatric patients and, if we have any left over, will distribute them to a local school serving needy families in Lewiston," said Elizabeth Keene, vice president of mission integration for St. Mary's Health System.

All are encouraged to donate items for the backpacks by dropping them off at CCS, located at 330 Sabattus Street, Suite B (next to Women's Health) in Lewiston. The items being collected are pencils, erasers, pens, markers, crayons, pencil cases, folders, binders, notebooks, highlighters, glue sticks, scissors, rulers, tissues, hand sanitizer, water bottles, and backpacks themselves. Individual items or fully packed backpacks will gladly be accepted.

"Every child deserves a chance to learn and be successful," said Jason Gould, director of marketing for St. Mary's Health System. "Our hope is that we can help make that a little easier for families in need this year."

CCS Pediatrics offers family-centered, compassionate primary care for all children, including interpreters provided at no cost. The practice welcomes families who have lived in the Lewiston-Auburn area for generations and newly-arrived families from around the world. Children not covered by health insurance will still receive care.

For more information about CCS Pediatrics or the backpack drive, contact Nicki or Tiffany at CCS Pediatrics at 755-3160. You can also see www.communityclinicalservices.com/ pediatrics.

Chip Morrison to address Rotary Lunch Club

What's Going On

Chip Morrison will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Lunch Club on Thursday, August 22. The event will take place from noon to 1 p.m. at the

Village Inn at 165 High

Street in Auburn.

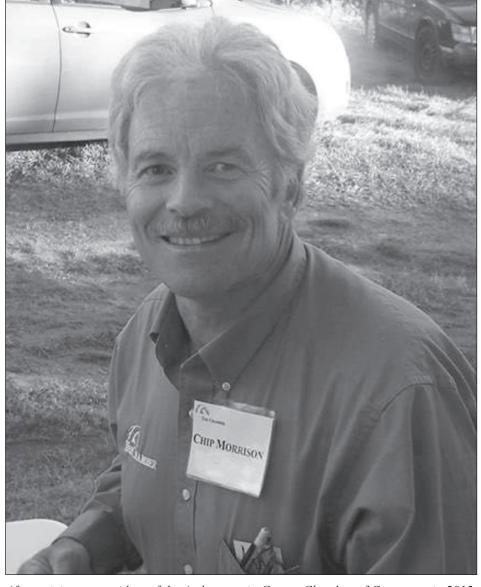
Morrison joined the Business and Government Services team at Androscoggin Bank in August of 2015. Prior to joining the bank, he was the interim executive director for the Maine Make-A-Wish Foundation. He also currently serves on the board of direc-

tors for six local community

organizations. In June of 2015, Morrison retired as president of the Androscoggin County Chamber of Commerce, a position he held since the fall of 1995. Before joining the Chamber, he was City Manager of Auburn and Commissioner of the Maine departments of Administration and Labor. He has a bachelor's degree from Carleton College and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Michigan.

Over the course of his career, Morrison has received numerous honors, including the State of Maine's Public Administrator of the Year, the Maine Development Foundation's Ken Curtis Leadership Award, Auburn's Citizen of the Year, the Maine Chamber's Executive of the Year, Mainebiz's Nonprofit CEO of the Year, the Chamber's Ray Geiger Award, and YPLAA's Forever Young Award.

Morrison is a resident of Auburn, where he lives with his wife, Jane. They have two grown children, Beth and Brett, who graduated from Edward Little High School, went on to college and graduate school, and are now pursuing successful careers in the arts and medicine.



After retiring as president of the Androscoggin County Chamber of Commerce in 2015, Morrison joined the Business and Government Services team at Androscoggin Bank.

Club meets every Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. Lunch is available at the

and visiting Rotarians are always welcome. For more information, contact club

The L-A Rotary Lunch restaurant for \$14. Guests president Celeste Yakawonis at 713-7111, follow them on Facebook, or see www. lewistonauburnrotary.org.

Total Mortgage welcomes Jacqueline Parent



Parent is excited to bring Total Mortgage's vast product line, with its fast closings, low rates, and low fees, to the local real estate community.

Total Mortgage has announced the addition of their newest mortgage banker. Jackie Parent has been serving the Androscoggin County area for over five years as a mortgage lender, with a prior 16-year history in finance with local credit unions. Throughout her career, she has enjoyed giving back to the community by volunteering with groups such as Junior Achievement.

While new to the Lewiston-Auburn area, Total Mortgage is a nationwide lender that has been serving communities around the country for more than 20 years. As part of the Total Mortgage team, Parent is excited to offer their vast product line, with its fast closings, low rates, and low fees, while providing excellent customer service to the local real estate community.





Androscoggin Home Healthcare and Hospice welcomes new board members



Paul H. Andersen

Androscoggin Home Healthcare and Hospice has announced the appointment of three local professionals to its executive board.

Paul H. Andersen is CEO, Vice Chair, and Chair-elect of the Board of Directors of Androscoggin Bank, where he has held numerous positions over 33 years. He also serves as chair of the Portland Trust Company, a full-service wealth management firm in Portland and Lewiston. He has served on the board of directors of the Central Maine Community

College Foundation and the L/A Metro Chamber of Commerce and as an LA Advisory Board member for Storm Warriors International. He is a member of the Lewiston Downtown Association and the First Congregational Church of New Gloucester. He holds a BS in Business Administration from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and a graduate degree in Banking and Finance from the National School of Banking at Fairfield University in Connecticut

James G. Joseph, M.D. is a retired internist who was recently affiliated with Bridgton Hospital and Central Maine Medical Center. He received his medical degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine and his post-graduate training at University Hospitals of Cleveland and the University of Connecticut Heath Center. Dr. Joseph is a Diplomat of the National Board of Examiners and the American Board of Internal Medicine. He had been a clinical instructor at the University of Connecticut Health Center and at health centers in New England. In 2013, he received Central Maine Medical Center's Family HEROES Award for exceptional service.

Phillip L. Crowell, Jr. is the Assistant City Manager for the City of Auburn. He served previously as the Chief of Police for the Auburn Police Department and in interim positions in the Auburn City Manager's office. Crowell has over twenty-five years of experience as a law enforcement officer and a detective. His experience in youth programs resulted in the creation of a Police Activities Center (PAL) and other youth education and prevention programs. In collaboration with the U.S. Attorney General's Office, he co-founded a local chapter of the Not Here Justice in Action Network to raise local awareness of human trafficking issues. He introduced national accreditation models to the Auburn Police Department, leading to its achievement of Gold Standards of Excellence. He holds a B.S. in Administration of Justice from the University of Maine at Augusta and attended the FBI Academy at the University of Virginia at Quantico. He is a U.S. Army veteran, having served as a Military Police Officer.

"We are honored to have these talented professionals dedicate their time and talents to the governing body of our organization" said Androscoggin Home



Phillip L. Crowell, Jr.



James G. Joseph, M.D.

Healthcare and Hospice CEO Kenneth Albert. "Phil, Jim, and Paul each bring unique experiences, but all share a commonality that aligns with our mission, which is a long history of serving their community with distinction."

Androscoggin Home Healthcare and Hospice is the largest non-profit, independent home health and hospice organization in the state. They focus on healthnot illness - by making each individual's quality of life the best it can be.

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adventure about a young Russian soldier sent on a hopeless odyssey during the Nazis' brutal siege of Leningrad. The other books to be discussed this fall are "Travels in Siberia" on October 7 and "Visitation Street" on November 4.

All meetings will take

place at 12:30 p.m. at the library. Please read at least the majority of the book before attending. Copies can be requested through the interlibrary loan process. For more information or to request a copy of a book, call the library at 333-6640, ext. 4.





Carol Noonan to perform at Celebration Barn Theater

The Boston Music Award-winning vocalist is known for her contemporary folk music, humorous storytelling, and haunting renditions of traditional songs. (Photo by Tonee Harbert)

Critically acclaimed singer-songwriter Carol Noonan will perform in concert with master guitarists Duke Levine and Kevin Barry at Celebration Barn Theater in South Paris on Saturday, August 17 at 7:30 p.m.

The Boston Music Award-winning vocalist is known for her contemporary folk music, humorous storytelling, and haunting renditions of traditional Irish, English, and American songs. Her voice has been compared to that of a young Joan Baez.

"Carol Noonan seems to exist beyond time,"

says the Boston Globe. "[She] has forged a distinctive, dreamy style that is as breathtaking as her rich alto voice." Renowned music critic and Bruce Springsteen biographer Dave Marsh has called her "a brilliant modern folk singer."

Noonan will share the stage with guitar masters Kevin Barry and Duke Levine. Barry specializes in lap steel, pedal steel, and acoustic and electric guitar. Levine has been honored by the Boston Music Awards as an "Unsung Hero" and "Outstanding Instrumentalist." Both men have toured extensively with the likes of Rosanne Cash, Peter Wolf, the J. Geils Band, and Mary Chapin Carpenter.

Tickets are \$30. All tickets are general admission and members receive priority seating. Purchasing tickets in advance is strongly recommended. The lobby and concessions will open at 6:30 n m

Celebration Barn Theater is located just off Route 117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris. For more information or to buy tickets, call the box office at 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

Language artist to perform at Youth Open Mic

LA Arts and Lewiston 21st Century will present their next Youth and Community Open Mic on Friday, August 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. at LA Arts Downstage. Hosted by poet LaLa Drew, the program will feature Myles Robert Bullen, a Native American language artist who uses poetry and rap music as a conduit for storytelling and therapeutic practice.

Bullen has toured his music and poetry extensively throughout the U.S. and has put out three records, multiple EPs, dozens of music videos, and was voted "Best Hip Hop Artist" at the Music Video Portland Awards in 2019. For more information, see https://mylesbullen.com.

The program is free and open to the public. Both youth and adults are welcome to share poems, stories, songs, and other original work before enjoying the performance by Bullen. Light refreshments will be served. The entrance to LA Arts Downstage is from the 5 Canal Street alley behind LA Arts (221 Lisbon Street)



Myles Robert Bullen (Photo by Violette Media)

in Lewiston.

A collaboration between Lewiston 21st Century and LA Arts, the Youth and Community Open Mic program began as a means of integrating talented youth into the growing local arts and culture scene and strengthening the network of youth performance artists. Providing an accessible platform to showcase youth and adult talent, this monthly event

is typically held at LA Arts Downstage, with occasional signature events featuring nationally recognized artists held at Lewiston Public Library. While prioritizing youth performances, Open Mic events are open to all members of the community.

For more information, interested performers are encouraged to contact Jenn Carter at jcarter@lewiston-publicschools.org.



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Maine Event Comedy at Bear Bones Beer



Bryan Valencia

Maine Event Comedy will present Albuquerque, New Mexico's Bryan Valencia at Bear Bones Beer in Lewiston on Thursday, August 15 at 7 p.m. Also performing will be Jake Jacobson and Leonard Kimble. A comedy open-mic will follow the show.

Bryan Valencia was

the head writer at Comedy Well Done and Jokes4Miles, where he wrote alongside comedy pioneer Ritch Shydner. He currently hosts the World Series of Comedy. Over the past two years, he has performed in clubs, colleges, and bars in 34 states and multiple international comedy festivals while

raising money for pediatric cancer research. Valencia has combined his multiple talents into a one-of-a-kind Vaudevillian style that teeters on the cusp of humor, sentiment, and absurdity. Simply put, he is a weirdo!

Jake Jacobson has seen the world and he's not impressed. Born in Massachusetts, raised in Rhode Island, and enlightened in Africa, he now resides in Western Maine and writes intellectual-social-observational irreverence to be delivered wherever some good ol' common sense is required.

As charming as he is funny, Leonard Kimble has opened for internationally touring comedian Rich Vos and was recently selected for the Last Comix Standing competition at Mohegan Sun.

The show is free and open to those ages 21 and older. Bear Bones Beer is located at 43 Lisbon Street. For more information, call 513-0742 or e-mail maineeventcomedy@gmail.

Museum L-A seeks shoes for upcoming fashion event

In preparation for its upcoming fundraising event, "The Shoe Must Go On: A Shoe Fashion Show," Museum L-A is seeking shoe submissions from the community. These shoes will be worn during the fashion show event, alongside shoes that are currently featured in the museum's gallery exhibit, "Footwear: From Function to Fashion."

Shoe submissions can be brand new, well-loved, or many years old. They can be beautifully designed or otherwise intriguing to look at, hold sentimental value to their owner, or have an interesting, funny, or heartwarming story attached to them. The shoes featured in the event will be prime examples of how important shoes can be in a person's life.

"Shoes are sometimes the forgotten element of our daily lives, but they can hold enormous sentimental value and often a good story or two," said collections and exhibits coordinator Emma Sieh. "We are encouraging submissions from anyone in the community to showcase the footwear they love most in their lives."

All shoes submitted for the event will be juried by museum staff. Decisions



Collections and exhibits coordinator Emma Sieh looks over shoes in the museum's current exhibit, "Footwear: From Function to Fashion."

on which shoes will be featured in the fashion show will be based on the number of submissions received and how well they suit the criteria listed above. Shoes chosen will then be used during the event on Friday, September 20, when they will be worn either by the submitter themselves or by a volunteer model.

Museum L-A will accept submissions of shoes until August 20. No physical shoes should be brought to Museum L-A; all submissions will be in the form of a completed submissions application, including a photo of the pair of shoes,

sent via email to esieh@museumla.org or dropped off in person during the museum's open hours. To submit a pair of shoes or get more information about the process, visit www.museumla.org.

Museum L-A is located in the Bates Mill Complex at 35 Canal Street in Lewiston. Its hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Special tour requests and large group tours outside of these hours are available by appointment. For more information, call 333-3881 or email esieh@museumla.org.

Registration now open for LA Metro Passport Challenge

The LA Metro Chamber of Commerce and Uplift LA are now accepting registrations for the LA Metro Passport Challenge. In this brand new event on Saturday, September 21, teams of four will test their knowledge, strength, and perseverance while competing in a four-hour scavenger hunt across the LA Metro area.

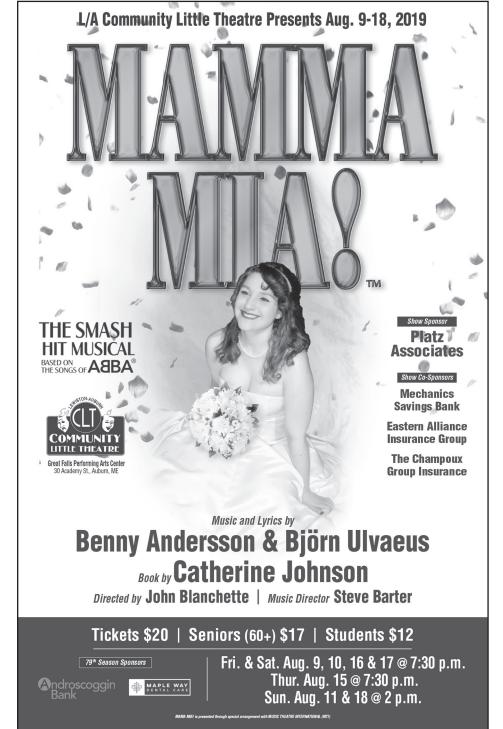
The teams will work to solve clues leading to different Destination Spots, where they will complete physical challenges and test their mental prowess to earn points. The three teams finishing with the most points will win cash prizes.

Clues to the Destination Spots will incorporate history, community, and the arts, promoting our region as a center of culture for residents and visitors. With Destination Spots that include both new and established businesses and attractions, the event will take participants on a fun and informative adventure around the region.

Registrants may sign up as teams of four for \$100 or individually for \$25, in which case they will be assigned to a team. All participants will be entered to win door prizes.

Organizers are also seeking local businesses and organizations to be Destination Spots during the challenge. The cost is \$350 and the benefits will include increased traffic, social media exposure through Chamber and Uplift LA social media sites, and recognition as a destination sponsor in the passport given to teams.

For more information, or to sign up as a participant or Destination Spot, call 783-2249 or visit www. LAMetroChamber.com.



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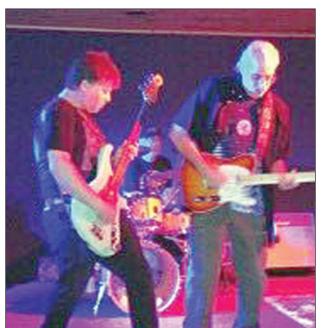
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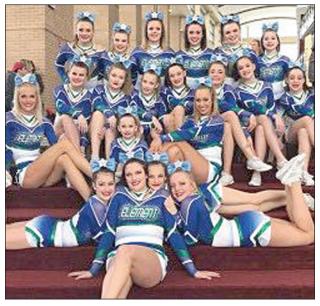
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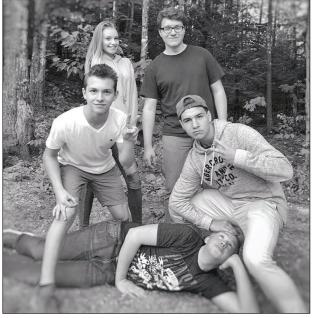
Power trio Continental Shakedown performs Saturday from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. (Lewiston stage).



The Element All Stars (competitive cheering) perform Sunday from 11 to 11:45 a.m. (Lewiston field).



Auburn Middle School all-ages band Camp of Rock performs Sunday from 9:45 to 11 a.m. (Lewiston stage).



Lie to Me (classic, alternative, modern rock) performs Saturday from 4:45 to 6 p.m. (Lewiston stage).



The Diamond Athletics (hip hop dance, tumbling, competitive cheering) perform Sunday from 1 to 1:45 p.m. (Lewiston



The Depths (classic rock, alternative, dance favorites) perform Sunday from 2:30 to 3:45 p.m. (Lewiston stage).



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Country Roads (modern country covers) performs Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m. (Lewiston stage).



Aliens in Public (90s and '00s rock-alternative) perform Friday from 7:30 to 9 p.m. (Auburn stage).



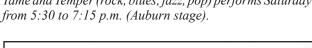
Shugah Kitty (1980s hairband) performs Saturday from 12 to 1:30 p.m. (Auburn stage).



The Imari Dancers (Middle Eastern belly dance) perform Friday from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (Lewiston stage) and Friday from 7 to 7:30 p.m. (Auburn stage).

Tame and Temper (rock, blues, jazz, pop) performs Saturday









The Tim Winchester Trio (indie folk) performs Friday from 4 to 5:15 p.m. (Auburn stage).

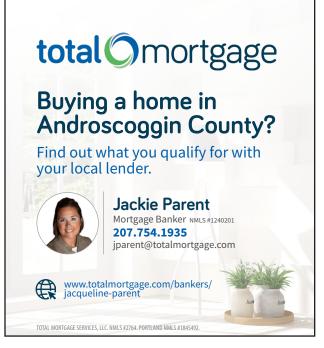


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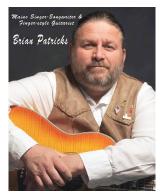


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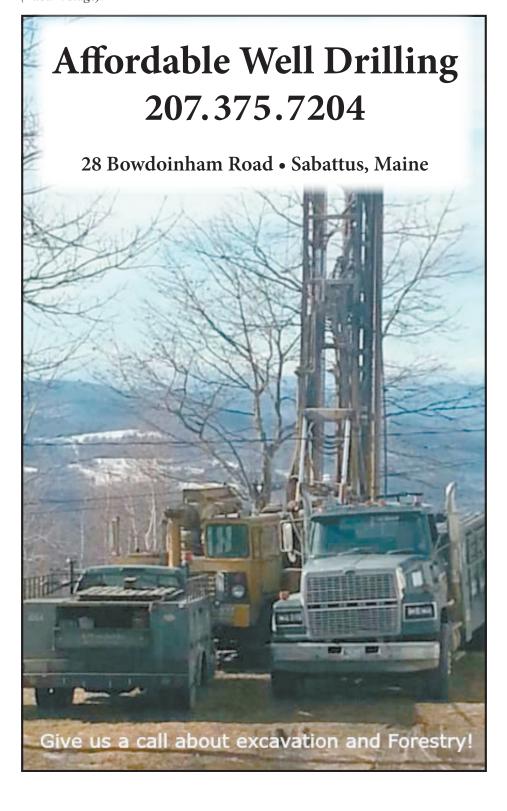
Check out next week's edition of TCT featuring a photo spread of 2019 balloons and events!



Solo singer-songwriter Brian Patricks (rock, blues, folk, modern rock) performs Saturday from 1:45 to 3:15 p.m. (Auburn stage).



The Cugno Boxing Team presents a boxing demonstration on Sunday from 10 to 11 a.m. (Auburn stage).





The Misadventures (alt-country, roots, classic rock) perform Saturday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. (Auburn stage).



Pelletier's Karate Academy presents a karate demonstration on Sunday from 12:45 to 1:15 p.m. (Auburn stage).



Down Cellah (rock, country, blues covers) performs Sunday from 1:15 to 2:30 p.m. (Auburn stage).



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The Old Gold Band (classic rock, blues, folk) performs Sunday from 2:45 to 4 p.m. (Auburn stage).

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6 p.m. daily, weather per-

mitting. When the balloons

aren't overhead, there is

still plenty to do: dozens of

food booths offer everything

from lime rickeys to taco

salad, pancake breakfast fol-

low the morning launches,

craft and trade booths invite

browsing, a children's area

with games, a bounce house

and face painting and live

entertainment on two stag-

es. Carnival rides, a parade

and various demonstrations

and contests round out the

weekend's events.

Balloon launches are

The mission of the Great Falls Balloon Festival is to provide fundraising opportunities for local non-profit organizations, while celebrating our community and promoting the Lewiston/Auburn area as a visitor destination.

About the festival

Established in 1992 by a group of business people, civic leaders and friends, the Great Falls Balloon Festival is a weekend-long celebration featuring hot air balloons, food and entertainment.

With the support of local businesses, an army of volunteers and the cooperative efforts of the cities of Lewiston and Auburn the festival has gained a national reputation as a first-class event and is a destination for many visitors to the state of Maine.

Based at Simard-Payne Memorial Park in Lewiston—with additional entertainment and food offerings at Festival Plaza in Auburn—the festival attracts approximately 100,000 visitors throughout the weekend. The Androscoggin River and rocky Great Falls provide a picturesque setting for the dozens of balloons that visit each year, including some special shape balloons. With free admission, hundreds of thousands of Parade Info





Please join us on Saturday, August 17, 2019, at 11 a.m. for the festival parade!

The parade will line up on Elm Street, Auburn, proceeding down Elm Street. It will turn left onto Main Street, right onto Court Street and across the Longley Bridge. It will then turn right onto Lincoln Street, and then a right onto Chestnut Street and disperse on Oxford Street. The parade will last approximately 2 hours.



Tom Petty tribute band Runnin' Down A Dream performs Saturday from 8 to 10 p.m. (Lewiston stage).

Directions and Parking

The main launch site for the festival is Simard-Payne Memorial Park (formerly Railroad Park), off Oxford Street in Lewiston

From Points North

Take the Maine Turnpike (I-95) to Exit 80, Lewiston. At the light, turn left and follow ME-196 W/Lisbon Street downtown (about 2.5 mi.). At the intersection of Lisbon Street and Main, turn left. At the next light, turn left onto Lincoln Street. Simard-Payne Memorial Park is located off Oxford Street, one block over from Lincoln.

From Points South

Take the Maine Turnpike (I-95) to Exit 75, Auburn. At the light, turn left and follow US-202/ME-4/ ME-100/Auburn (Washington Street and Minot Avenue) for about 4.75 mi., to the intersection with Court Street. Turn right onto Court Street. Cross the bridge into Lewiston. Take the first right onto Lincoln Street. Simard-Payne Memorial Park is located off Oxford Street, one block over from Lincoln.

Parking

Ample parking is available in the downtown area and in several lots adjacent to the festival grounds. Many non-profit organizations will be raising money for their organizations by offering parking for a donation. This parking will be located around the Bates Mill and along Lincoln Street in Lewiston. The City of Lewiston is graciously donating the use of these areas to the non-profit organizations.

Handicap parking is available just over the bridge, inside the main gate to Simard-Payne Memorial Park. The Auburn Municipal Parking Garage also has many handicap spaces.



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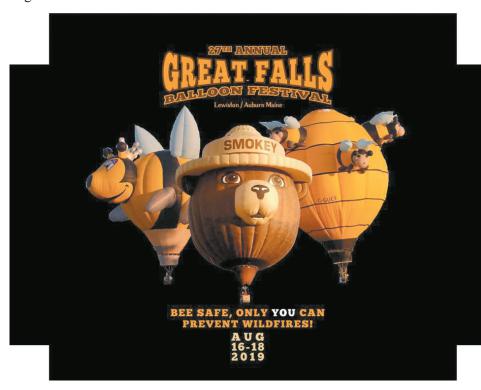
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ELHS Field Hockey: Pizza, Pretzels, Fresh Squeezed Lemonade

Cumberland Lodge: Poutine & Chile Cheese Fries

LHS Girls Field Hock-

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LHS Performing Arts Booster Assoc.: Pepsi and Water products

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dog. Or your cat. Or bird. Or

snake. With the exception of

service animals, NO PETS

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LAUNCH TIMES

Launches are scheduled for 6 am and 6 pm throughout the weekend and are always weather permitting. This includes wind and clouds as well as more obvious conditions like rain and lightning.

In the event of questionable conditions, 0ur Balloonmeister will wait as long as they can in hopes of a turn for the better. However, a launch decision may be delayed by up to an hour if weather conditions are changing. Ideally, the balloons will launch by 6:45 p.m. This timeframe provides a fair ride for our passengers and gets everyone back on the ground before we run out of daylight.

LAUNCH SITES

Simard-Payne Memorial Park in Lewiston is our main launch site. Edward Little High School in Auburn will also act as an additional launch site for some regular shape balloons.

ON THE MIC

Live stage performances will end at 5pm and will resume following the launch. As the balloons arrive on the field, visitors will learn about each balloon and pilot from our on-field announcer.

BE READY TO RE-LOCATE

If you've staked out a spot in the center of the field ... you probably won't get to stay there. At launch time, if you're on the main field at Simard-Payne Memorial Park, there is a good possibility that you will be asked to move; and maybe more than once.

Additionally, please give balloon vehicles the right-of-way when they are entering/exiting the field. We also ask that you take care not to step on the fabric of the balloon envelope when the balloons are on the ground.

SPECIAL SHAPES

Specials fly only in the morning. At our evening launches, the specials will inflate and stay at the field to glow for the crowd. They are large, complex and hard to pack up in the dark.

MOONGLOW

This ground-level light show is a crowd favorite! Following the Saturday evening launch (usually around 9 p.m.) some of our visiting balloons will return to the field, inflate and light their burners for a ground-level light show.

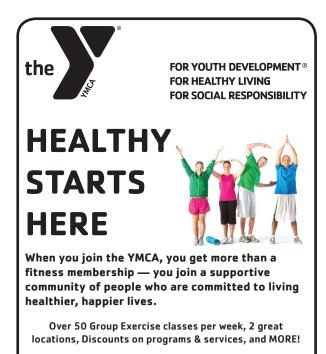
CHASING BAL-LOONS

Chasing balloons can be an exciting way to participate in the festival. Keep your focus on the road if you spot a balloon while driving. Pull off to the side of the road to watch the balloon safely. And be careful not to drive or walk onto private property without the landowner's permission.

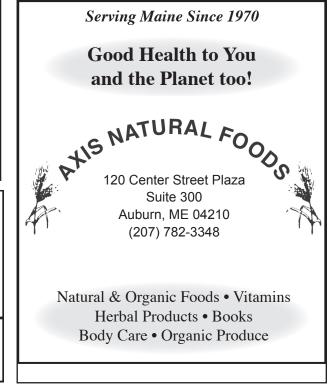
We ask that everyone involved in the festival—including spectators, volunteers and balloonists—be respectful of landowners' rights and responsibilities.

TETHERED RIDES

When the weather permits, tethered rides are available for \$10–\$15/person. Tethered rides typically begin in the late afternoon (exact time is dependent on temps and/or winds).









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Balloon Launches

Due to weather conditions, the best times for balloon launches are 6 a.m. for morning launches and 6 p.m. for evening launches.

Launches are always weather permitting and times may vary depending on conditions.

The Moonglow (hot air balloons tethered and lit up with propane) is scheduled for Friday night (usually around 9 p.m.), after the balloons return from the evening launch.

The first impression that comes to mind when we see hot air balloons is the free spirit and grace of floating where ever the wind decides to take you. But there is much more to a hot air balloon launch and flight that just riding the wind.

Hot air balloons are considered aircraft and are regulated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) just as fixed-wing aircraft are. Hot air balloon pilots must pass a yearly in-flight certification to maintain his or her license as a commercial pilot. The Great Falls Balloon only invites pilots who have met these qualifications.

The balloons themselves must pass a yearly safety inspection which includes testing the fabric of the balloon, fuel system,

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integrity of the basket, burners and all other related equipment before the balloon receives its annual air worthiness certificate to fly.

Unlike fixed-wing aircraft, a hot air balloon is dependent upon fair weather. Ideal conditions are calm winds below 8 mph and cool temperatures. Since wind and heat come with the sun, the ideal time for a balloon to fly is early in the morning before the sun gets too high in the sky and in the early evening as the sun begins to descend. The exception to this rule would be wintertime flying when the sun is less intense

To inflate the balloon, pilots use inflation fans to fill the balloon with outside air. This process is called cold packing. When the balloon is inflated enough the pilot uses his burner to heat the inside air to approximately one hundred degrees warmer than the outside temperature. This is when the balloon takes shape and is ready to fly on a new adventure.

It is the heat inside the balloon that makes the balloon rise. If the outside air temperature is too high. the pilot would need to add more heat to the balloon to compensate. High heat can cause damage to the fabric of the balloon. This is why balloons rarely fly in the heat of the day.

Hot air balloon pilots are always aware of the weather and the function of their equipment. The safety of the people in the basket is a top priority for the pilots always have the final say in whether the conditions are right for them to fly.



Ballooning FAQs

What are hot air balloons made of?

The bag or envelope is made of reinforced fabric called rip-stop nylon (some balloons are made of dacron). The material is very light weight but very strong. The fabric is coated to prevent leaks.

What are the baskets made of?

The baskets are made from rattan or wicker. The material is lightweight and very durable. Each basket is individually woven by hand.

How fast does it go?

As fast or as slow as the wind. Since the balloon has no forward propulsion system, its speed is determined entirely by the speed of the wind. That is why balloon competitions are strictly for accuracy, not for speed.

How high does it go? The balloons will fly from ground level to anywhere from tree level to a couple thousand feet above ground level, depending on wind direction and speed.

When is the best time to fly?

Usually just after sunrise and one or two hours before sunset. This is the time of day when the winds are calmest and the air the most stable.

How long can the balloon stay up?

It depends. Normally, the balloon carries enough fuel to remain aloft for 1 to 2 hours, but factors like outside air temperature, weight being carried in the basket and weather conditions determine the duration of the flight. Our pilots try to get in at-least 45 minutes of airtime each flight.

What kind of fuel is used?

Propane is kept in pressurized tanks in the basket. The balloon carries 30-40 gallons of liquid propane. It is carried under pressure through flexible hoses to to the burner. When the valves are opened, the propane atomizes and is ignited by a pilot light in the burner. The flame may shoot out as much as ten to twenty feet, making a loud whoosh.

How do you get back? With the help of friends, who drive a chase vehicle. The chase crew will follow the flight of the balloon (as well as existing roads allow) and should be on hand to make the recovery when the balloon touches down.

What should I wear?

We recommend wearing casual clothing and comfortable shoes. Consider light layers of warm clothing so you can easily adjust to the temperature as the sun comes up. The coolest you will be is on the ground. Once you're in flight, the burners tend to keep the baskets nice and warm.





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MCF names Brown Scholarship recipients

The Maine Community Foundation's Androscoggin County Committee has announced the recipients of the Annette M. Brown scholarship for 2019. A total of \$19,850 was awarded.

The new scholarship recipients are Pitshou Banguninga, Ibrahim Dekow, Kaylyn Ritchie, and Elena Trofimova of Lewiston and Nathan Nardone of Turner. The students receiving renewal scholarships this year are Jacob Foss of Livermore, Carmen Lee and Deni Federico of Lewiston, Morgan Dalton of Livermore Falls, and Rebecca Raymond and Trisaint

Wabwende of Auburn. The students will be attending Husson University, the University of Maine, Central Maine Community College, the University of New England, St. Joseph's College, and Saint Anselm College.

The Brown Scholarship Fund provides renewable support to residents of Androscoggin County pursuing a post-secondary degree at a two- or four-year college. The next application deadline is June 1, 2020. Annette M. Brown was a teacher in the Lewiston-Auburn area in the early 1900s. In her 1916 will, she left \$16,000 to establish a scholarship fund for needy students. Since then, the fund has given thousands of dollars to Androscoggin County students pursuing higher education.

Headquartered in Ellsworth, with additional personnel in Portland, Dover-Foxcroft, and Mars Hill, the Maine Community Foundation works with donors and other partners to provide strong investments, personalized service, local expertise, and strategic giving to improve the quality of life for all Maine people. To learn more about the foundation, visit www. mainecf.org.

Mah Jong players seek donations of league cards, additional sets

Mah Jong players who gather at the Lewiston Senior Center (located at the Lewiston Armory) every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. to play both the Chinese and American versions of the game are looking for expired 2018 National Mah Jong League cards to use in teaching the American version to new players. They

would also welcome donations of additional Mah Jong sets. New players are always welcome to attend. For more information, contact Pat at 344-8485.



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Auburn resident promoted to Senior VP at Camden National Bank



Ryan Smith

Camden National Bank has announced that Ryan Smith was promoted to Senior Vice President, Director of Credit Administration. With over 23 years of banking and finance experience, Smith brings extensive knowledge of commercial lending, business banking, and treasury management services. In his new role, he will manage the bank's credit group, underwriting process, and policies to maintain the bank's exceptional loan portfolio quality and risk management. He

will also chair the bank's Senior Credit Committee.

"Ryan's strong credit skills and his experience as one of our top commercial bankers make him a great fit for his new role," said Greg Dufour, President & CEO of Camden National Bank. "Because we are able to attract and cultivate talented team members such as Rvan, we continue to keep our decision-making local, improving the customer experience for our business clients."

In 2012, Smith was

initially hired to lead Camden National Bank's Commercial Banking efforts in Central and Southern Maine. He soon took on the added responsibility of leading the Treasury Management group, growing that line of business until 2015, when he became Director of Commercial Banking for Central and Midcoast Maine. Before joining Camden National Bank, Smith gained experience working for other Maine-based banks. He began his career at Ford Motor Credit Company.

"I'm proud to work for such a strong, community-minded organization that provides opportunities for employees to learn and grow," said Smith. "Leading the credit department is an exciting next chapter in my career at Camden National Bank.'

Originally from Maine, Smith currently resides in Auburn with his family. He is actively involved in the local community as a volunteer coach for youth baseball. He also serves as a Board Director and Past President of the Maine Building Materials Exchange. Smith is a member of the Commercial Lending Committee for the Maine Bankers Association. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from the University of Maine.

Sawyer Memorial hosts Pineland Fiddlers



These talented young fiddlers ages 6 to 18 perform traditional favorites from Maine, Quebec, and the British Isles.

The Pineland Fiddlers will perform at the Sawyer Memorial in Greene on Friday, August 23 at 2 and 7 p.m. Led by Maine master fiddler Ellen Gawler, these talented young fiddlers ages 6 to 18 will present an entertaining program of traditional fiddle favorites

from Maine, Quebec, and the British Isles. Both programs are free and open to the public.

As part of the Pineland Suzuki School, members of the group began studying classical violin by ear, some as young as three years old. Now part of a continuing

legacy of traditional music in Maine, they are just back from a tour of the Shetland Islands.

The Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial is at 371 Sawyer Road. For more information, call 946-5311 or visit sawyer-foundation.

Check out next week's edition of TCT featuring a photo spread of 2019 Balloon Festival events!

Thursday, Aug. 15

Rotary Lunch Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. The guest speaker is Jennifer Marchigiani of Maine State Rehabbing. Free; lunch avail. at restaurant (\$14). www.lewistonauburnrotary.org.

The Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers' "Legend of the Banana Kid." 2 p.m. Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Rd., Greene. Sawyer Memorial presents its annual Children's Day program (one show only) on this special day and time. Free. 946-5311; sawyer-founda-

Business After Hours. 5 to 6:30 p.m. YMCA Outdoor Learning and Education Center, Stetson and River Rds., Auburn. Join the LA Metro Chamber of Commerce and Uplift LA for food, fun, and networking.

Maine Event Comedy. 7 p.m. Bear Bones Beer, 43 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Tonight's performers are Bryan Valencia, Jake Jacobson, and Leonard Kimble; comedy open mic follows. Ages 21-plus. Free. 513-0742;

maineeventcomedy@ gmail.com.

Theater: "Mamma Mia!" 7:30 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center, Auburn. Community Little Theatre presents the popular romantic comedy featuring songs of the pop supergroup ABBA. Again 8/16-18 (Sun. at 2 p.m.). \$20/17/12. 783-0958; LACLT.com.

Friday, Aug. 16

Youth and Community Open Mic. 6 p.m. LA Arts Downstage, 5 Canal Street alley, behind LA Arts (221 Lisbon Street) in Lewiston. Both youth and adults are welcome to share their original poems, stories, and songs before enjoying a performance by language artist Myles Robert Bullen. Free.

Saturday, Aug. 17

Model Railroad Train Fest. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Great Falls Model Railroad Club, 144 Mill St., Auburn. This family event features model trains operating on the club's permanent layouts, plus train-related games and activities. Game tix \$1 ea.; admission \$5 adults, free for

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Soggy Po Boys play their combination of jazz, funk, and Caribbean music. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center. Free.

Concert: Carol Noonan. 7:30 p.m. Celebration Barn, 190 Stock Farm Rd. (just off Rte. #117), So. Paris. The Boston Music Award-winning vocalist is known for her contemporary folk music, humorous storytelling, and haunting renditions of traditional songs. \$30. 743-8452; www. CelebrationBarn.com.

Calendar

See more Calendar at www.TwinCityTimes.com

Monday, Aug. 19

Blood Drive. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. LA Metro Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon Street, Lewiston. To register and choose an appt. time, enter LAMETRO in the blue box at www.redcrossblood. org. 783-2249.

Tuesday, Aug. 20

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is Kevin Libby and Friends (Folk, Rock & Roll). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Wednesday, Aug. 21

Stanton Bird Club Bird Walk. Meet at 8 a.m. at the Whitman Spring Road Trail in Auburn, south entrance, which is the first right after Summer Street beyond Youngs Corner. Walk ends by 11 a.m. All welcome. Free. 406-4741; jsmd@att.net.

Thursday, Aug. 22

Rotary Lunch Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. The guest speaker is former Andro. County Chamber of Commerce president Chip Morrison, who is now part of the Business and Govt. Services team at Androscoggin Bank. www.lewistonauburnrotary.

5K Prediction Run-Walk. 6 p.m. Oak Hill Middle School, Ball Park Rd., Sabattus. Those who come closest to guessing their finish times win prizes; you need not be fast to win! \$5. Register onsite from 5 p.m. Pres. by Sabattus Rec Club. Running@sabattusrec.com.

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Saturday, Aug. 24

Public Office Hours. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Couture Room, Lewiston Public Library. Lewiston's delegates to the Maine Legislature answer questions and provide an update of the current legislative session. To RSVP, see http://bit.ly/ lewistonofficehours.

Chicken BBO. Seatings at 5:00 and 5:45 p.m. Parish House, Congr. Church, 5 Brown St., Gray. Half chicken, baked potato, ear of corn, biscuit, desserts, beverages. \$10 (\$5 kids under 12). Take-out available. 657-4338.

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.

Sunday, Aug. 25

Celebration of Roy Varney. 6 to 9 p.m. Nezinscot Farm, Turner. Gregg and Gloria Varney host a celebration of the life of their son, an accomplished Nordic skier and recent Leavitt Area HS grad who passed away on July 2. Contributions to help establish a Maine Outdoor Wellness Center in his honor may be made at www.gofundme.

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-

Monday, Sep. 9

Book Discussion. 12:30 p.m. Auburn Public Library. The library's Auburn Page Turners group discusses David Benioff's novel "City of Thieves." Copies avail. through interlibrary loan. 333-6640,

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 "Music for Ma-

vis" Outdoor Concert. 6 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is talented high school musicians The Only Hope (music the 50s to the 90s). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Wednesday, Sep. 18

Free Pet Wellness Clinic. Noon to 2 p.m. Kennedy Park, Lewiston. The Greater Andro. Humane Society offers free vaccines, microchips, and pet food; please bring dogs on leashes and cats in carriers. www.

Square & Round Dance Lesson. 6:30 p.m. Cafeteria, Oxford Hills Middle School, 100 Pine St., So. Paris. The Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club kicks off their season with this free dance lesson for prospective members. 966-2327; http://swinginbears. squaredanceme.us.

Saturday, Sep. 21

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Saturday, Nov. 23

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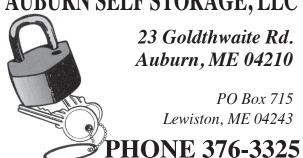
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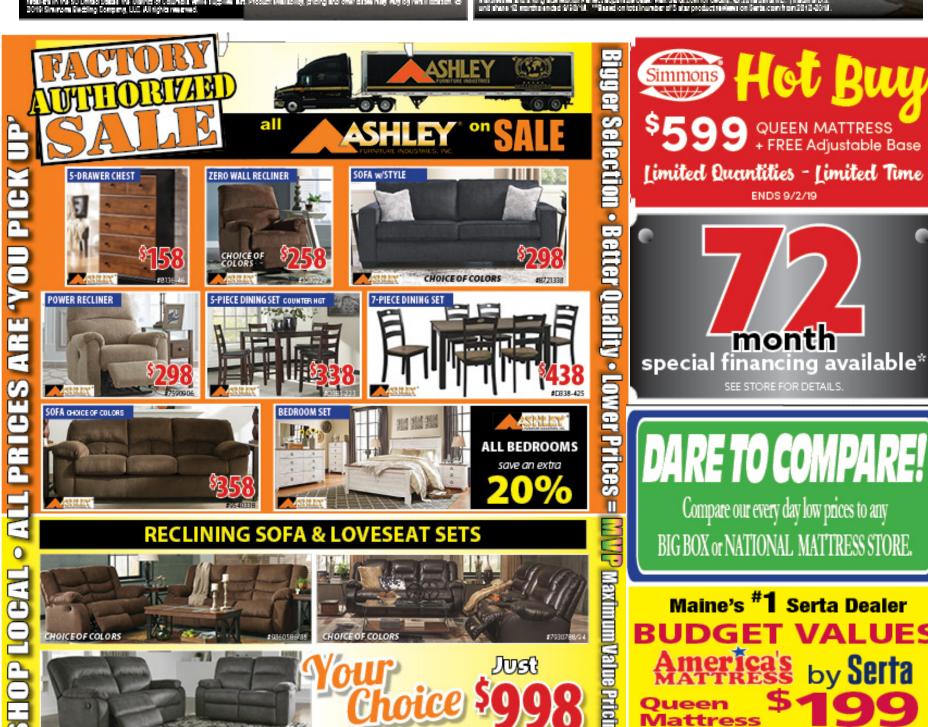
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