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## Rep. Libby Announces Local Projects in Maine DOT Work Plan



**AUGUSTA, ME (January 31, 2022)** – State Representative Laurel Libby (R-Auburn) is pleased to announce that the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) Work Plan for Calendar Years 2022, 2023 and 2024 is available. The estimated value of work in the plan totals more than 2,316 individual work items with a total value of \$3.17 billion. This represents a substantial increase from last year due to anticipated federal funding.

The MDOT Work Plan for Auburn and Minot includes over \$19 million for thirty-six projects, including:

- Highway Construction/Rehabilitation (Route 136/Broad Street, Auburn),
- Highway Construction/Rehabilitation (Hotel Road, Auburn),
- Highway Paving (Route 4, Auburn), and
- Bridge and Structural Maintenance (Main Street, Auburn), and
- Highway Paving (Route 121, Minot).

“There are several projects scheduled for our area during the next three years that will make our roads, bridges and transportation network safer,” said Rep. Libby. “Additional federal funds will help the DOT address historic cost increases, but the rapid growth of state government has come at the expense of adequately funding the system that we all travel and rely on every day.”

The full work plan, searchable by municipality, is available at the Maine Department of Transportation’s website: <https://www.maine.gov/mdot/projects/workplan/search/>.

## Hon. Bettyann Sheats Announces Run for Senate District 20

**AUBURN, ME (January 31, 2022)** -- On Monday, January 31, Bettyann Sheats announced her candidacy for Maine State Senate District 20. Bettyann was joined by her family, Senate President Troy Jackson, Senator Ned Claxton, and other local community leaders.

“I am thrilled to announce my candidacy for State Senate in order to continue serving my neighbors,” said Sheats. “As a small business owner, as a U.S. Army helicopter pilot, as a mom, wife, and volunteer, I have always followed my motto ‘listen, learn, lead.’ As your Senator, I pledge to listen to all of my neighbors – veterans, health care workers, business owners, teachers, and more – do my research to learn about the issues, and work with everyone affected to find common ground and common-sense solutions. I will work tirelessly to defend you and your families in Augusta.”

“Bettyann has been a strong advocate for the people of Auburn and Androscoggin County for years. In Augusta, she’s fought hard to deliver results for working people, including lowering the costs of prescription drugs and making healthcare more affordable,” said Senator Ned Claxton, D-Auburn. “As a longtime family doctor myself and now as a State Senator, I see clearly that Bettyann is a champion for patients. I proudly support Bettyann in her campaign for Senate because I know that we will work hard to best serve her constituents no matter what.”

“Bettyann is a freedom fighter who is passionate about protecting and serving her constituents. A graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Bettyann spent the first seven years of her adult life serving as a U.S. Army helicopter pilot,”



said Senate President Troy Jackson, D-Androscoggin. “After active duty service, she quickly got to work for her community once again. As a legislator, she has been a champion for veterans and working families. No one knows the value and sacrifice of service better than Bettyann, and as a Senator, I know that she will continue to fight tirelessly for her constituents.”

Bettyann is deeply connected to her community in Auburn. When she and her husband left the military, they settled in Auburn where Bettyann volunteered in Auburn schools, helped form and volunteered at the St. Mary’s Food Pantry, and became a vestry member and warden at St. Michael’s Episcopal Church. Bettyann’s husband, the Reverend George Sheats, is also a former Army helicopter pilot and is

now the Priest in Charge at St. Michael’s Episcopal Church. Bettyann created and runs her own small business, Finishing Touches Shower Doors, which gives her the opportunity to meet homeowners and other small business owners around the state. She also served as the Chair of the Board of the Auburn Lewiston Airport until she stepped down from the board to be the Interim Airport Manager while the board searched for a new manager.

“During my few months managing the airport, I got to work on several projects that brought together the Federal Aviation Administration, the Department of Defense, Maine Department of Transportation, and city officials in Auburn and Lewiston,” said Sheats. “It was a tremendous and valuable learning experience about our transportation infrastructure.”

Bettyann served two terms in the Maine House of Representatives, representing Minot and Auburn, where she championed legislation to support veterans, lower property taxes, and increase the accessibility and affordability of healthcare. Sheats is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) focused on building Maine’s economy as well as building an educated and trained workforce. She remains active in her business and the community as a member of the Maine Military Community Network and American Legion Post 31.

Senate District 20 includes the city of Auburn and the towns of Durham, New Gloucester, and Poland.

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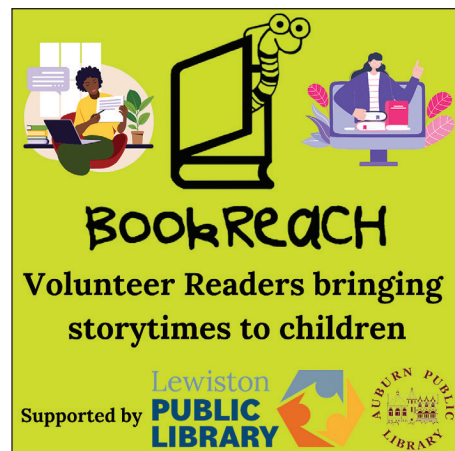
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## Anonymous Donation to Library BookReach Program

**LEWISTON, ME (January 31, 2022)** -- The Lewiston Public Library Children’s Department recently received an anonymous donation of \$5,000 in support of the BookReach program at the Lewiston and Auburn Public Libraries

The donated funds will be used to purchase new books, canvas bags, and other literacy-enriching items that will support the BookReach mission: to help raise a community of readers by enriching the lives of young children through the pleasure of reading. “We are so thankful for this generous donation. This will help create lasting positive impacts on each child’s educational development and support the future vision of connecting the Library with early learning providers, their students, and families. Our goal is to make literacy an integral part of children’s lives and encourage them to become lifelong learners,” said Lewiston’s Children’s Librarian, Sara Turner.

BookReach is an early childhood literacy program supported by the Lewiston Public Library and Auburn Public Library, serving the communities of Lewiston, Auburn, and Minot. Volunteer readers bring storytimes and books to children in



licensed family childcare homes and preschool center classrooms. BookReach volunteers share weekly stories, songs, and collections of books with children who may not have the opportunity to visit a library on a regular basis. The BookReach program fosters intergenerational relation-

ships between children and their volunteer readers. Reading sessions are currently virtual so that readers can be safely unmasked, offering children a chance to visually connect emotions and feelings with full facial expressions.

BookReach is currently accepting applications for volunteers and childcare providers. Readers must be 18 years or older and must pass a DHHS background check. Time commitment is approximately one hour per week. All training and materials are provided. BookReach volunteers make a difference in the local community by encouraging literacy for the next generation.

For more information about BookReach, or to apply as a volunteer reader or childcare provider, please contact Miranda Fortin, BookReach Coordinator for the Lewiston and Auburn Public Libraries at 513-3004 ext. 3515 or [BookReach@lewistonmaine.gov](mailto:BookReach@lewistonmaine.gov).

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# Newsmakers, Names & Faces

## 133rd Engineer Battalion Receives National Supply Award



Story by Staff Sgt. Sarah Myrick  
**BRUNSWICK, ME (February 9, 2022)** — On Jan. 9, 2022, the Army Chief of Staff's Supply Excellence Award (SEA) to Chief Warrant Officer 2 Peter Houghton, Brig. Gen. Dean Preston, Maine's land component commander, presented

Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Trepanier and Staff Sgt. Patrick Purcell, all members of the 133rd Engineer Battalion at the Brunswick Armed Forces Reserve Center.

Houghton, Trepanier, Purcell, former property book officer Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jennifer Paradis, and other key logistics staff members worked tirelessly towards this recognition of having the top program in the organizational level property book officer category.

"The 133rd Engineer Battalion is proud," said Lt. Col. Shanon Cotta, commander of the 133rd. "It is a testimony of the S-4 team's commitment to excellence and the support of our Maine Army National Guard leaders."

The SEA program was established in 1984 by the U.S. Army Quartermaster School to recognize supply excellence at the various unit and organizational levels. It is open to active Army, Army National Guard and Army Reserve units nationwide.

The objectives of the program are to enhance logistical readiness of all Army units, enforce supply discipline, provide a management tool to ensure system standardization, perpetuate group competition and increase public awareness of supply excellence within the U.S. Army.

"The engineer community hopes to continue the momentum with the SEA evaluation, phase II, in 2022 with the 133rd's

Forward Support Company," said Cotta. "The leadership team believes this program enhances readiness of our Maine Army units and improves the command supply discipline program."

The 133rd Engineer Battalion continues the long line of success the Maine Army National Guard historically has in the SEA competition. Maine units have placed in the regional or national level several times since 2010, including the 133rd's Headquarters and Headquarters Company, the 488th Military Police Company, Joint Force Headquarters, the 286th Combat Support Sustainment Brigade and Charlie Company 1-126th Aviation Regiment.

## Red Cross Needs More Than 125 Maine Volunteers

**PORTLAND, ME (February 10, 2022)** — Winter weather has arrived and with it an increase in the number of home fires. The American Red Cross

Northern New England Region is recruiting new volunteers to help respond to these local emergencies by supporting people in their time of greatest need.

Since July, trained Red Cross Disaster Action Team (DAT) members have responded to at least 165 home fires in Maine, helping 603 people.

"Volunteering with the Red Cross is far and away the most satisfying, heartwarming and compassionate work I have ever done. To be at the ground level, helping people out when disaster strikes, is so very rewarding. I am able to make an immediate difference when someone is unexpectedly having the worst day of their life," said Denise Martin, Maine DAT volunteer.

LOCAL RESPONSE HELP NEEDED DAT volunteers help families with their immediate needs after a fire in their home and offer support during a very difficult time. As a DAT team member, you will provide emotional sup-

port, access to financial assistance and information to help families begin to recover. DAT team members respond to emergencies to provide immediate compassion and care. Training will be provided.

"Our Red Cross volunteers support their community and neighbors in need each and every day by responding to local emergencies," said Aaron McIntire, Regional Disaster Officer, American Red Cross Northern New England Region. "We need more help so no one faces this heartbreaking situation alone."

In Maine, we are seeking 19 disaster volunteers in the following areas to meet the current need:

Androscoggin (4), Franklin (3), Somerset (1), Hancock (1), Lincoln (2), Waldo (3) Aroostook (1), Piscataquis (4)

BLOOD SERVICES

VOLUNTEERS ALSO NEEDED The Red Cross also needs volunteers to support blood collections as the country faces an ongoing critical need for blood products and platelets. Blood donor ambassadors play an important role by greeting, registering, answering questions and providing information to blood donors throughout the donation process.

In Maine, we are seeking 116 blood donor ambassadors in the following counties to meet the current need:

Androscoggin (11), Aroostook (3), Cumberland (45) Franklin (3), Knox (6), Hancock (2), Lincoln (2), Penobscot (18), Piscataquis (3), Oxford (2), Sagadahoc (8), Somerset (10), Waldo (4), Washington (1)

COVID-19 AND STAYING SAFE The need for volunteers is constant

and continues to evolve as the Red Cross navigates the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. The safety of everyone is our top priority and our guidelines reflect the latest CDC safety recommendations. COVID-19 vaccination is required for in-person volunteer roles beginning February 15, 2022. When considering volunteer opportunities, review the CDC guidance for people who are at higher risk for severe illness, consult your health care provider and follow local guidance.

Please consider joining the Red Cross as a volunteer today and bring help and hope to people in need. Vaccination verification required for in-person roles. Note: this does not apply where contrary to current state or local regulations. Find out more at [redcross.org/volunteertoday](http://redcross.org/volunteertoday).

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# Newsmakers, Names & Faces

## Area Students Make Dean's Lists

**ORONO, ME (February 7, 2022)** -- University of Maine announces fall 2021 Dean's List

The University of Maine recognized 3,101 students for achieving Dean's List honors in the fall 2021 semester. Of the students who made the Dean's List, 2,024 are from Maine, 1,009 are from 39 other states and 68 are from 25 countries other than the U.S.

To be eligible for the Full-time Dean's List, a student must have completed 12 or more calculable credits in the semester and have earned a 3.50 or higher semester GPA. Students who have part-time status during both the fall and spring semesters of a given academic year are eligible for Part-time Dean's List. They must have completed 12 or more calculable credits over both terms and have earned a combined GPA in those terms of 3.50 or higher.

Please note that some students have requested

that their information not be released; therefore, their names are not included.

### ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY

Auburn: Becca Bassett, Will Cassidy, Lydia Celani, Max Creaser, Crispin Crispin, Abigail Fisher, Spencer Frahn, Riley Gilpatric, Caroline Hammond, Storm Jipson, Kayden Kirouac, Rebecca Levasseur, Nevaeh Longchamps, Gabe Lovering, Annabelle Pendleton, Lydia Peterson, Samantha Poirier, Joshua Power, Faith Marie Small, Gweneth Turgeon, Molly Vincent

Durham: Sera Bigelow, Alexa Harvey, Sam Laroche, Bailey McGee, Amanda Myron

Greene: Jenna Boucher, Ethan Gates, Gary Lapointe, Ellery Macgregor, Jaidyn Negley

Leeds: Lily Comeau-Waite, Adreanna Michaud, Ellie Oliver, Ally Ryan, Eryn Ryan, Meg Webber

Lewiston: Connor Androlewicz, Gordon Beckwith, Maggie Belleau, Connor Bolduc, Hail Champagne, Sarah Chapput, Chantel Dulac, Avery Greco, James Greenwood, Hunter Landry, Maraeka Merchant, Matthias Murphy, Jamie Poliquin, Sydney Roy, Matt Virgin, Wyatt Yost

Lisbon: Jaden Burnham

Lisbon Falls: Timber Mattson

Livermore: Jonathan Brenner, Abby Castonguay, Drew Delaney, Grace Harmatys

Livermore Falls: Joby Byrd, Riley Mills, Orion Schwab

Mechanic Falls: Jordyn Kohtala, Sierra Pomerleau, Elizabeth Tibbets

Minot: Nick Allen, Alyssa Gagne, Grace Royle

Poland: Ben Daigneault, Sofia Hartley, Jasmine Lamb, Bree Storer, Lucas Yorkey

Sabattus: Autumn

Chadburn, Mikki Gervais, Renee Pickard, Maggie Ryder, Gage Thompson, Sadie Waterman

Turner: Tamra Benson, Mallory Casey, Zach Madison, Oren Shaw, Abigail Varney, Everet Varney

Wales: Brynn Emond, Morgan Inman

**COLCHESTER, VT (Grassroots Newswire) (February 9, 2022)** -- Local Students named to Fall 2021 Dean's List at Saint Michael's College

The following students were named to the Dean's List at Saint Michael's College for the Fall 2021 semester. Anyssa Logan, a junior media studies and digital arts major from Auburn (04210) and a graduate of Edward Little High School. Zoe Feehan, a senior biology major from Brunswick (04011) and a graduate of Lisbon High School. Sarah Poutree, a junior English / secondary education major from Brunswick (04011) and a graduate of

Brunswick High School. Adeline Dolley, a first year health science major from Brunswick (04011) and a graduate of Brunswick High School. Magnolia Sinisi, a junior art and design major from Durham (04222) and a graduate of Freeport High School. Nicholas Welsh, a junior environmental science major from Lewiston (04240) and a graduate of Saint Dominic Academy. Veda Leclerc, a junior psychology major from Lewiston (04240) and a graduate of Lewiston High School. Kayne Wentzheimer, a senior neuroscience major from Lisbon (04250) and a graduate of Lisbon High School. Sophia Fournier, a sophomore psychology major from Litchfield (04350) and a graduate of Baxter Academy For Technology science.

**BEVERLY, MA. (February 7, 2022)** -- **Endicott College Announces**

### Local Dean's List Students

Endicott College, the first college in the U.S. to require internships of its students, is pleased to announce its Fall 2021 Dean's List students. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no letter grade below "C," have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

The following students have met these requirements:

Auburn, ME

Zachary Gagne, International Studies, son of Lori-Ann Gagne and William Gagne

Piper Norcross, Libl Studies/Education, daughter of Kristi Huard-Norcross and Craig Norcross

Lewiston, ME

Amelia Fortin, Marketing Comm/Advertising, daughter of Julie Fortin and James Fortin

## Camden National Bank Promotes Heather Robinson, CPA, SHRM-SCP, to Executive Vice President, Chief Human Resources Officer



### CAMDEN, ME (February 8, 2022)

Heather Robinson has been promoted to Executive Vice President, Chief Human Resources Officer at Camden National Bank. Robinson has been a Senior Vice President, Chief Human Resources Officer since starting with the bank in 2018.

"Over the past three years, Heather's experience and passion have helped us develop a strategic focus on our employee experience, including professional development and engagement," said Greg Dufour, President & CEO of Camden National Bank. "Her strategic contributions have helped expand our organizational strategy and hire and retain exceptional talent who

embrace our culture, work effectively through the rigors of the pandemic and are responsive to hybrid workplace transformations."

In her current role, she is responsible for the leadership and strategic direction of the bank's Human Resources department, including Compensation and Benefits, Talent Acquisition, Employee Relations, Human Resources Information Systems (HRIS), Employee Engagement and Learning and Development.

Prior to joining Camden National Bank, Robinson was Senior Vice President of Human Resources, US and Canada for EVO Payments, International. She also held several leadership positions in human resources at Fair-

child Semiconductor and its successor ON Semiconductor, where she worked for 16 years. Robinson, a native of Rockland, Maine holds a bachelor's degree from Bryant University and resides in Portland, Maine. She is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and certified member of the Society of Human Resources Professionals (SHRM-SCP). She is pas-

sionately involved as a board member of the Children's Museum and Theatre of Maine.

Send all items for What's Going On to the Editor. Deadline is Friday by five.

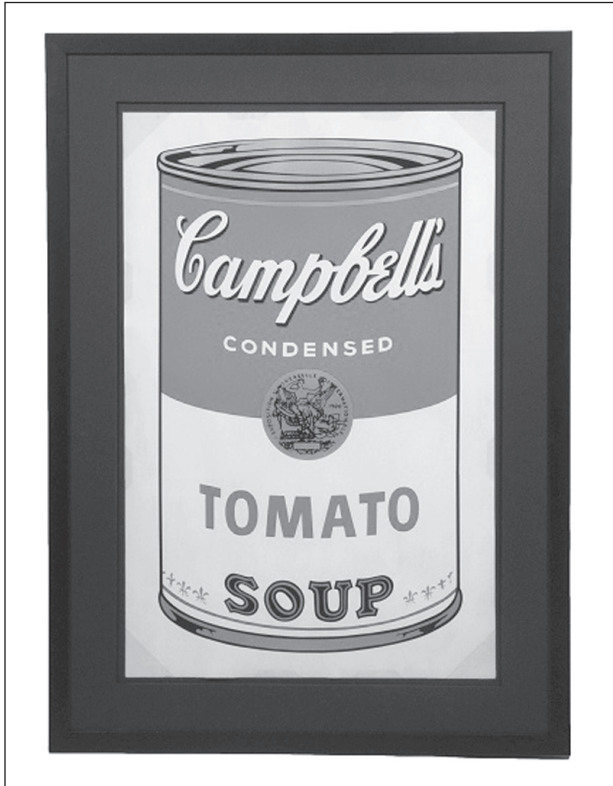
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# Enchanting Winter Weekend Sale at Thomaston Place Auction Galleries



Andy Warhol 1968 limited edition serigraph, Campbell's Soup I (Tomato)

**THOMASTON, ME (February 8, 2022)** – On February 25, 26 & 27 at 11:00 a.m., Thomaston Place Auction Galleries will present “Winter Enchantment”, a magical auction of rarities and fresh-to-the-market finds. The sale will include enticing collections of paintings, folk

art & country Americana, fine pottery & glass, Asian antiques, and designer & custom decorative accessories. Thomaston Place owner and auctioneer Kaja Veilleux said: “This auction presents an interesting balance of traditional and modern objects that

will appeal to virtually all collecting and design interests.”

Leading the painting category is a beautiful and delicate work by Jessie Arms Botke (CA/IL, 1883-1971) depicting two white peacocks among amid a garden of exotic flowers. “Spring Tide” a dynamic oil on canvas seascape by Frederick Judd Waugh (NJ/MA, 1861-1940) will also be featured, along with paintings by James Edward Buttersworth (NJ/NY/UK, 181-1894), Thomas Moran (PA/CA, 1837-1926), Ralph Eugene Cahoon, Jr. (MA, 1910-1982), and Karl Albert Buehr (IL/VT/France, 1866-1952).

Two Andy Warhol (NY, 1929-1987) Campbell's Soup limited edition serigraphs from 1968 will be offered – Campbell's Soup I (Tomato) and Campbell's Soup I (Green Pea) will be offered along with three outstanding “outsider art” watercolors by folk artist Bill Traylor (AL, 1854-1947).

There will be a great selection of early American folk art portraits, including a Prior Hamblin

School work of a young brother and sister, an infant child with cat by Aaron Dean Fletcher (VT/NY, 1817-1902), and a pair of husband and wife portraits by E.E. Finch (ME, active 1832-1850). Other folk art items include five weather-vanes, six carousel animals (including rare moose and sea monster figures), plus groups of ship models, decoys, theorems, early signs, baskets, and treenware.

The sale will present a mid-19th Century British soldier-made quilt composed of thousands of wool geometric pieces, probably from military uniforms, centered by UK and US flags and assorted symbols. Another historic treasure to be sold is a 1795 appointment signed by President George Washington.

Featured among the over 200 lots of fine furniture will be: a round walnut dining table purchased by Marilyn Monroe for her Brentwood, CA home; a circa 1700 red painted Deerfield blanket chest; a rare maple William & Mary drop-leaf butterfly table; New England rampant tiger maple chest on stand; plus many other early painted and inlaid pieces, and custom designer items by Thos. Moser, Mies Van Der Rohe, and Nils Jonsson.

The large pottery and glass collection will include: two lots of 18th Century German free blown stemware; pottery by Brother Thomas Bezanson (Canada/VT, 1929-2007), Martin Brothers, Pablo Picasso, and Doulton Lambeth; early porcelain by Coalport, Derby, Wedgwood, and Worcester; plus selections of early stoneware, redware and mocha



Mid-19th c. British soldier-made quilt with British and American symbols

ware.

There will be over 130 lots of Asian antiques and artifacts, led by a Chinese inlaid rosewood pedestal display table from the 1939-40 New York World's Fair, a set of 18 Chinese late 18th Century carved ivory Buddha disciple figures, multiple lots of early Japanese tsuba, and an early Thai gilt cinnabar Buddha figure.

Other items of interest include: a men's 2005 Rolex Submariner wristwatch, an early 20th c. Italian micro-mosaic portrait of a standing musketeer from the Vatican Studio, a circa 1800 tall case clock by Nathan Hale (son of the Revolutionary War pa-

triot), selections of early barometers, and a large group of fine boxes and tea caddies.

The auction will begin at 11:00 a.m. EST each day. All lots can be viewed at Thomaston Place Auction Galleries' website, [www.thomastonauction.com](http://www.thomastonauction.com).

The gallery will be open for previews from Monday thru Friday, February 14 through 18 (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.); Saturday, February 19 (10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.); and Monday through Thursday, February 21 through 24 (9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.). Pre-viewing will also be available on auction days, Fri-

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international auction company located on U.S. Route 1 in Thomaston. Thomaston Place is a leader in discovering antique and fine art treasures by offering Free Appraisals each Tuesday at the gallery, creating fundraiser events for civic and charitable organizations, and providing house call appraisal services. Their expertise in researching and marketing antiques and fine art has earned Thomaston Place the respect of buyers, collectors and experts worldwide.

## Maine Author Re-Releases Maine Mystery Book

**MILO, ME (January 26, 2022)** -- Author John Balsler of Milo, Maine has re-released his book, *Mystery On Macomber Hill*. The book is set at Macomber Hill in Jay, Maine with a time period of 1957. This book is written to appeal to an age group from 10 to adult.

This book reflects some of John's childhood on Macomber Hill. The area and locations are authentic but the MYSTERY is fiction. It involves two brothers who find infor-

mation that turns their summer into fun, frustration, intrigue and discovery. It is a very fun and enjoyable read with a surprise ending!

With help from their Uncle they are slowly able to decipher the "MYSTERY ON MACOMBER HILL".

The book can be found on Amazon Books or on Kindle ebook reader.

If anyone would desire more information they can email John at [mdbals@charter.net](mailto:mdbals@charter.net).

# Maine Air National Guard Supporting Afghan Allies

**AUGUSTA, ME (February 10, 2022) (re-adMedia)** -- For over five months members of the Maine Air National Guard have supported Operation Allies Welcome at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey. The airmen are there as part of Task Force Liberty, which supports housing, medical, transportation, and logistical operations for vulnerable Afghans as they arrive in the United States. A number of these Afghans worked alongside U.S. forces in Afghanistan for the past 20 years.

Operation Allies Welcome, the name of the overarching efforts at multiple locations across the country, was established by the Department of Homeland Security on Aug. 29, 2021. A key factor in OAW's mission includes screening and vetting of the Afghans and completing the Special Immigrant Visa process for resettlement in the U.S.

Task Force Liberty is a team of DHS and Department of State personnel, Department of Defense service members and civilians, resettlement partners and affiliates and non-governmental organizations united for a common purpose. The task force makes various accommodations and services available to the Afghans arriving at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst after departing Afghanistan.

"This mission is very important to the Maine National Guard," said Maj. Gen. Douglas Farnham, Maine's adjutant general. "Afghans and their families resettling through Operation Allies Welcome personally helped Maine National Guard members during their deployments in Afghanistan."

The first members of the Maine Air National Guard joined Task Force

Liberty in mid-September. Several other rotations have followed. In all, about 20 MAINEiacs have assisted during tours lasting 6-10 weeks. The airmen have worked at various levels throughout Liberty Village, the area at the base supporting the Afghans.

"We arrived on Sept. 16 and there were about 9,000 Afghans already on the base," said Capt. Joseph White, who served as the Joint Operations Center Liaison Officer to the non-Department of Defense agencies. "In addition to the Afghans, there were about 2,000 U.S. personnel there and it was amazing to see what a large-scale effort this was by all agencies."

White, from Brewer, joined Task Force Liberty with two other Maine Air National Guard members including Tech. Sgt. Nisajith Welikadage, originally from Colombo, Sri Lanka, and now residing in Alton.

"I volunteered for this mission because I witnessed enough wartime strife on the civilian population during the 1983-2009 Sri Lankan civil war," said Welikadage, who supported safety efforts a Liberty Village. "I saw an opportunity to assist another community facing a similar issue and wanted to help."

Welikadage likely saved an infant's life while working in Liberty Village. The infant was choking on a piece of plastic and the airman quickly jumped into action, successfully performing back blows and chest thrusts to dislodge the plastic, reestablishing the child's airway.

"That's an experience that I will never forget," said Welikadage, who works full time as a logistics plans specialist for the 101st Air Refueling Wing in Bangor. "We were there to do the best we could to support these people, and that was just something I was able to help with."

As Operation Allies Welcome continues, so does the Maine Air National Guard's support. The MAINEiacs currently have 12 airmen working in various capacities within Task Force Liberty.

"I'm amazed at the scope of the mission," said Lt. Col. John Kayser, who served as the task force's engineering branch chief. "At one point there were over 13,000 guests and support personnel there, which would make it one of the largest towns in Maine. Being a part of this operation in helping these families begin their lives in the United

States is something that we all know makes a difference."

Kayser, of Scarborough, arrived at Liberty Village in November and completed his mission this week. His civilian experience as a professional engineer and project management professional were quickly put to use by working with contractors and agencies to provide vital services to the small city.

"The National Guard is an incredible resource for operations like this as many of us carry additional skills and training we acquire in our civilian careers," said Kayser. "It isn't your typical military mission, but walking down the street after a 12-hour shift while being greeted by smiling Afghan children is something I'll always remember."

The Maine Air National Guard plans to provide more airmen to the mission in several weeks, with those currently there returning in February. Eventually, Operation Allies Welcome will draw to an end through the transitioning process for the Afghans. For thousands, the support provided by the Maine Air National Guard will be remembered as creating a warm welcome to their new home.

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## Monmouth Community Players Presents “When Radio Was King: A Return to the 60’s”



Karen Lipovsky as Helen Trent, and Danny Gay as Brett, in the continuation of Helen Trent.

**MONMOUTH, ME (January 26, 2022)** -- Before there was Netflix, Hulu and cable TV, families would crowd around the radio to listen to their

favorite shows. The Monmouth Community Players invites audiences to travel back in time to the 1960’s and experience a live radio show in their fifth annual production of “When Radio Was King.”

This production is being directed by Josie French of Lewiston, produced by Danny Gay of Monmouth, with Ginger Smith of Winthrop as box office manager and Kyle Mansur of Auburn as light and sound operator.

The audience can expect to see an authentic old-time radio show, complete with old vaudeville comedy routines, sketches and commercials including sound effects — just like they would experience if they were in the audience of a real radio program.

If you had a problem, how would it compare to those of Helen Trent? Would you enjoy a trip to the zoo with Popeye and friends? Can you solve the 5 Minute Mystery? Come enjoy these skits along with some beautiful songs of the era.

The cast is a mixture of vocal and comedic talent, ages ranging from 13 to 70+, consisting of: Andy Tolman of Readfield; Jane Mitchell of Greene; Danny Gay of North Monmouth; Karen Lipovsky of Monmouth; Jocelyn Curtis of Lisbon Falls; Debby and Ken Mansur of Auburn; Deb Kramlich of Gray; Cade Parker of Augusta; Shawn Jimenez of W. Gardiner; Jeff Fairfield of Farmingdale; Patrick and Amy Hamlin of Wales;

Amy Griswold of Winthrop; Kathryn Ross of Gardiner; Jennifer White, Adam Dawes and Josie French of Lewiston.

The show will be performed at the historic Cumston Hall in downtown Monmouth. The audience will be required to wear masks while in the building.

The show runs one weekend, February 18-20, 2022 at 7:30 pm Friday, 2pm and 7:30 pm Saturday and at 2pm on Sunday. Tickets are \$18 for General Admission and \$15 for Students and Seniors. To order tickets, or for more information regarding the theater and Covid19 protocols, please visit MCP’s website at [www.monmouthcommunityplayers.org](http://www.monmouthcommunityplayers.org), or call (207)370-9566.

## SeniorsPlus Announces Tai Chi Workshop to be Held in Lewiston

**LEWISTON, ME (February 2, 2022)** - SeniorsPlus, the designated Area Agency on Aging serving Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford counties, will be offering a Tai Chi workshop for adults who are interested in learning how to prevent falls and relieve arthritic pain. Tai Chi for Health and Balance will be held Tuesday, February

8th running through Thursday, April 14th from 10:00 am-11:00 am in the Education Center at SeniorsPlus in Lewiston. The cost for the ten-week class is \$20 per person. This workshop is open to the public. Call 1-800-620-6036 or email [info@healthyliving-forme.org](mailto:info@healthyliving-forme.org) for more information and to register.

Tai Chi for Health and Balance is an effective

exercise program for improving health and well-being, proven to help prevent falls and relieve pain for those living with arthritis. Participants focus on improving strength, balance, and mental health. This low-impact exercise is performed in slow, fluid movements that are easy on the joints and can be done either sitting or standing.

*Healthy Living for ME is a statewide network of evidence-based programs that empower adults to address and better manage their health conditions. All workshops are listed at [healthyliving-forme.org](http://healthyliving-forme.org).*

Established in 1972 and headquartered in Lewiston, SeniorsPlus is the Western Maine designated Area Agency on

Aging covering Franklin, Oxford and Androscoggin counties. The overall program goal of SeniorsPlus is to assist older people and adults with disabilities in its tri-county area to remain safely at home for as long as possible. The mission of SeniorsPlus is to enrich the lives of older people and adults with disabilities, their families and communities, and to

support them to make informed choices. SeniorsPlus envisions a future where all older adults and individuals with disabilities are engaged and respected while living quality, independent lives in the communities of their choice. In 2021, SeniorsPlus served a diverse population of almost 10,000 clients and fielded 185,000 phone inquiries.

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# Maine Beer Company Gift Creates “Brewing Up Opportunity” Program at the University of Southern Maine

**PORTLAND, ME (February 8, 2022)** -- The University of Southern Maine (USM) Foundation has received a \$100,000 gift from Maine Beer Company to create a unique Brewing Up Opportunity Internship & Scholarship Fund. The gift establishes a pilot program for USM students that includes a paid internship with Maine Beer Company and a scholarship award of up to \$5,000 per academic year upon completion of the internship. The program’s goal is to promote diversity and inclusion within the craft beverage industry by providing access to education, on-the-job training, and mentoring to help de-

velop a new generation of beer industry professionals.

“The craft beer industry has done a lot in terms of creating jobs and being a driving force in our economy. We have a lot of work to do to make this industry a better reflection of our actual community,” said Maine Beer Company co-founder and USM alum Daniel Kleban. “Our hope is that this collaboration with USM creates an access point into craft beer and expands the understanding of what a career in this industry can be, while at the same time cultivating the industry’s next generation and changing the narrative of who makes

up that community.”

This pilot program will give students the opportunity to be fully immersed in the brewing industry in Maine, while helping support their financial needs.

The Brewing Up Opportunity pilot program will launch this spring, with the first USM student beginning their Maine Beer Company internship this summer.

Jeanne Paquette, Vice President of Corporate and Workforce Engagement at USM, said, “We are thrilled to partner with Maine Beer Company on this important initiative. This direct investment to our students not only of-

fers a powerful opportunity to fulfill USM’s promise of enhancing education through real-world experiences, it also supports the development of talent for a critical industry in Maine.”

The Brewing Up Opportunity fund will be used to support USM students who wish to pursue careers within and connected to the craft beverage industry, with internship-scholarships awarded to individuals from traditionally underrepresented populations, first-generation college students, or students coming to Maine from an international location.

Paquette said, “This collaboration showcases the growing capacity of

USM’s Career & Employment Hub, led by Director Andy Osheroff, to deliver on critical programs for employer partners and students alike. Through the Brewing Up Opportunity program, more of our students will have the ability to consider these powerful learning opportunities. As the most diverse institution of higher learning in the state, this is of critical importance.”

The program looks to broaden the definition of beer studies and training to be inclusive of all the fields represented within the brewing industry. Maine Beer Company and USM hope to open up opportunities to those who might

not have considered a career in beer thus expanding the number of experiences and voices represented. Internship-scholarships will be awarded to students enrolled in or connected to relevant USM programs including, but not limited to, Tourism & Hospitality, Food Studies, Marketing, Engineering, Finance, Design, and those working with the Quality Control Collaboratory (QC2).

For program information about the Brewing Up Opportunity Internship & Scholarship, please contact Andy Osheroff, Director, USM Career & Employment Hub at [andrew.osheroff@maine.edu](mailto:andrew.osheroff@maine.edu) or 207-780-4695.

## Severe Winter Weather Intensifying Red Cross Blood Crisis

**PORTLAND, ME (February 8, 2022)** — As severe winter storms continue to move through the country, the American Red Cross asks those in areas unaffected by weather to schedule the earliest-available blood or platelet donation appointments in their community.

Dangerous snow and ice conditions have contributed to over 500 blood drive cancellations since the beginning of the year, resulting in about 17,000 uncollected blood and platelet donations.

Since the Red Cross issued its first-ever blood crisis in January, thousands of generous donors have come forward to give, but patient care remains at risk. The threat of winter weather continues – as well as ongoing complications posed by the omicron variant – and could further complicate efforts to rebuild the blood supply.

More donors are needed to make appointments now for the weeks ahead to help ensure accident victims, cancer patients and new mothers experiencing complicated childbirths have access to lifesaving blood product transfusions without delay. Make an appointment to give blood or platelets by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

All who come to give blood or platelets Feb. 1-28, 2022, will receive an Amazon.com Gift Card by email, thanks to Amazon.\*

### Health insights for donors

At a time when health information has never been more important, the

Red Cross is screening all blood, platelet and plasma donations from self-identified African American donors for the sickle cell trait. This additional screening will provide Black donors with an additional health insight and help the Red Cross identify compatible blood types more quickly to help patients with sickle cell disease. Blood transfusion is an essential treatment for those with sickle cell disease, and blood donations from individuals of the same race, ethnicity and blood type have a unique ability to help patients fighting sickle cell disease.

Donors can expect to receive sickle cell trait screening results, if applicable, within one to two weeks through the Red Cross Blood Donor App and the online donor portal at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org).

### Blood drive safety

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions – including face masks for donors and staff, regardless of vaccination status – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive.

### How to donate blood

Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor

card or driver’s license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass® to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) or use the Blood Donor App.

## National Resources Council of Maine Calls for Mainers to #StandWithWabanaki



**AUGUSTA, ME (February 8, 2022)** -- Next week, the Maine Legislature will hold a hearing on LD 1626, a bill to restore the rights of the Wabanaki people to self-govern and to self-determination.

The Wabanaki have stewarded the lands and waters of the area we now call Maine for millennia. Recognizing their inherent rights and securing the tribes’ future is the right thing to do and long overdue.

The Wabanaki Alliance has a goal of 500 people submitting testimony in support of LD 1626. Will you join us and submit testimony?

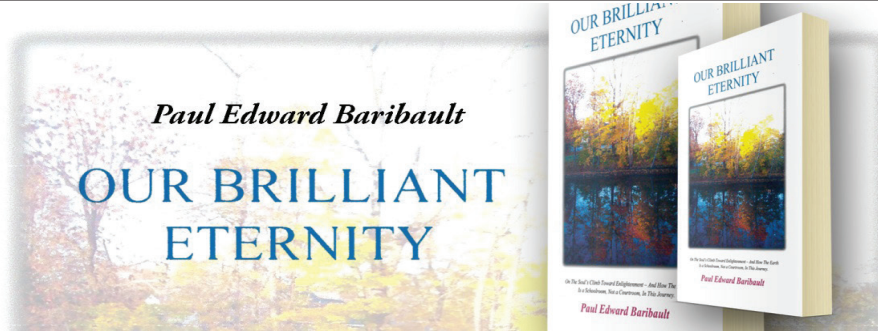
To testify or submit testimony, visit NRCM’s Take Action Toolkit for instructions that include a short video to walk you through the testifying process, as well as tips for writing effective testimony.

For talking points, an FAQ, and more, visit

the Wabanaki Alliance’s Take Action page.

Passing LD 1626 would restore the tribes’ rights and give them the same ability to govern their land as all other 570 federally recognized tribes. It would also bring about fairness and equity because Wabanaki tribes have been unable to benefit from the more than 150 federal laws that have passed since 1980 to improve their wellbeing. The Wabanaki should have the right to determine the future of their communities and to conserve the land and wildlife that is their heritage.

If you have any questions about the testifying process or LD 1626, please contact Melanie Sturm at [melanie@nrcm.org](mailto:melanie@nrcm.org).



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# Jewelry Industry Veteran Appointed to Day's Jewelers Board of Directors



**WATERVILLE, ME (February 9, 2022)** -- Joseph Corey, President of Day's Jewelers, announced the appointment of Ann Arnold as the newest addition to the company's Board of Directors. Day's became 100% employee owned in November of 2021 when Kathy and Jeff Corey sold the company under an Employee Stock Ownership Plan. The Corey's will continue to serve on Day's Board of Direc-

tors along with Ms. Arnold as the third member. Ann Arnold is a long-time jewelry industry leader and a Certified Public Accountant. Her experience in the jewelry business began at a young age working in her family's jewelry manufacturing business, Lieberfarb. She currently serves as Chief Strategy Officer at Buyer's Intelligence Group, helping jewelers more efficiently manage inven-

tory and communication through data analysis. After serving on many committees and as Treasurer of the Women's Jewelry Association (WJA), Arnold was elected president in 2006. Since then, she was quickly recruited and has served on many other leading jewelry industry boards. She is currently the Chair of the Jewelers Board of Trade and executive board member of the Manufacturing Jewel-

ers and Suppliers of America (MJSA).

In 2006 Arnold was inducted into the prestigious 24kt Club of the City of New York, and served as its Treasurer from 2012-2014, and is currently a board member. In addition to her work in the jewelry industry, Arnold joined the board of the Triple Negative Breast Cancer Foundation and serves as its Treasurer. In 2019, she also founded the Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation in honor of her father, a Holocaust survivor, which raises funds to give grants to schools nationwide in support of Holocaust education. Arnold is a leader for women hoping to break into the professional field, a public speaker, and a best-selling author with her book *Together: A Journey for Survival*, based on her family's history with Holocaust survival.

With her background in a family jewelry business, accounting and finance experience and work in the field of technology, Arnold is a wonderful addition to the Day's team. Additionally, Day's Jewelers is committed to helping support the professional growth of women within the jewelry industry, an in-

dustry that has been historically dominated by men. Ann's voice and perspective on this issue are sure to become a valuable addition to strategic planning and growth of the company.

"I'm thrilled to join Day's," states Arnold. "I've known Jeff and Kathy Corey for many years. Day's is such a well-respected company in the jewelry industry. I hope to help the company 'dive into our future' by providing tactical and strategic thinking skills that I've learned over my many years in this wonderful industry."

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## Holocaust & Human Rights Center Invites Public to Yom HaShoah Exhibit

**AUGUSTA, ME (February 10, 2022)** -- Six million Jews. One and a half million Jewish children. When we think about the Holocaust, the numbers are overwhelming. It can be hard to remember that each number, each statistic was a person with a name, a face, a life, a family. They loved and were loved. They had talents and passions, dreams and stories. They had pasts, presents and plans for a future.

This year, as we mark Yom HaShoah at the

HHRC, we will focus on individuals even as we acknowledge the vast numbers of victims. We want to hear your personal stories—to remember and honor the dead in a very personal way and invite you to share with us. Do you have family members or friends who perished in, or survived, the Holocaust whose story you would like to tell? Or have you been affected by the Holocaust in another way, perhaps by a trip to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, through a film or book?

What connects you to the Holocaust? How has knowing about it changed you? Please share your thoughts, feelings and stories. Submissions must be original work, not exceed 8.5 x 11 inches, and are due before March 22nd. To participate, fill out the google form at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe7u-L0ANJGcSSCdqiW-CuFB0rTXhJ8cjTI-wxIKwbsuP2fqXw9g/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0> or find it on HHRC's website.

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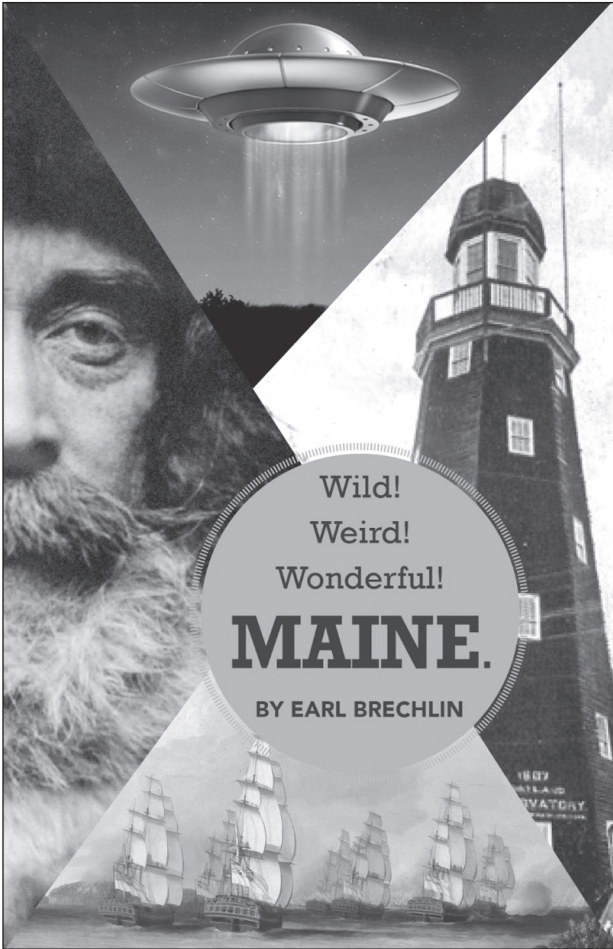
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# Lewiston Public Library Presents Great Falls Forum with Earl Brechlin



**LEWISTON, ME (February 3, 2022)** -- The 2021-2022 season of the Great Falls Forum continues on Thursday, March 17th, featuring author and Registered Maine Guide Earl Brechlin, with a talk entitled "So, you think

you know Maine? Think again!"

This free, public program will take place from 12 noon to 1 PM virtually via Zoom and streamed to the Lewiston Public Library Facebook page. From Kittery to Fort Kent,

from Calais to Camden, from Rangeley to Roque Bluffs, and from Bethel to Bucksport, Maine is home to natural wonders, quirky characters, remarkable inventors, historical firsts, ghosts, legends, landmarks, fairs, festivals, and culinary icons all born in the triumph of an unquestionably indomitable spirit nurtured over two centuries since becoming a state in 1820.

That marvelous heritage is celebrated in Wild, Weird, Wonderful — Maine!, a Maine non-fiction bestseller by noted Maine author and historian Earl Brechlin. In his Great Falls Forum talk, Brechlin will share some of his favorites from more than 300 people, places, things and events that have made Maine what it is today.

Brechlin, a Registered Maine Guide who lives in Bar Harbor with his wife Roxie, a retired kindergarten teacher, won the John Cole Award for Maine-themed nonfiction in 2019 for Return to Moose River, a collection of heartfelt essays celebrating the natural and human history of the Great North Woods.



He was the founding editor of the Mount Desert Islander, a weekly newspaper that has repeatedly won first place for general excellence from the National Press Association, New England Press Association, and Maine Press Associations. He is the holder of more than 100 awards for news, feature writing, and photography.

He is a former Maine Journalist of the Year and is the author of nine books published by Islandport Press, Down East Books and Hunter Publishing, including adventure and hiking guides to Maine and Acadia National Park and postcard history books

about regions of Maine and New England. Brechlin is currently working on a book about the mysterious downing of a Navy airship off the coast of Maine during World War II.

Admission is free to all Forum events. The Zoom link will be posted to the Library website

and Facebook prior to the event. For more information, please contact the Lewiston Public Library at 513-3135 or LPLReference@lewistonmaine.gov. The Great Falls Forum speaker series is co-sponsored by Bates College, Lewiston Public Library, and the Sun Journal.

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## New Ventures Maine to Offer Online Career Exploration Sessions: Connecting Women to Construction Trades

**MAINE, STATE-WIDE (February 7, 2022)**—New Ventures Maine has opened registration for free, 90-minute virtual sessions designed for women to explore high-wage careers within the construction trades. Connecting Women to Construction Trades will be offered on Wednesday, March 16, 2022 online; participants can choose a

daytime or evening session:

Daytime session: Wednesday, March 16, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Evening session: Wednesday, March 16, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

This is an opportunity to learn about low-cost or no-cost training programs and job opportunities in a variety of high-wage and in-demand construction careers in Maine.

"Our experience is that women do not often consider careers in the trades because they haven't seen female role models working in these areas," said Suzanne Senechal-Jandreau, New Ventures Maine Workforce Development Manager. "We want to provide current information to women not only about training, education, and earn-while-

you-learn opportunities, but also good-paying trade jobs with benefits that currently exist in our state."

For more details and to sign up, visit [bit.ly/NVMEBuildYourCareer](https://bit.ly/NVMEBuildYourCareer) or call toll-free in Maine: 800-442-2092.

Connecting Women to Construction Trades sessions are supported by the Maine Department of Transportation.

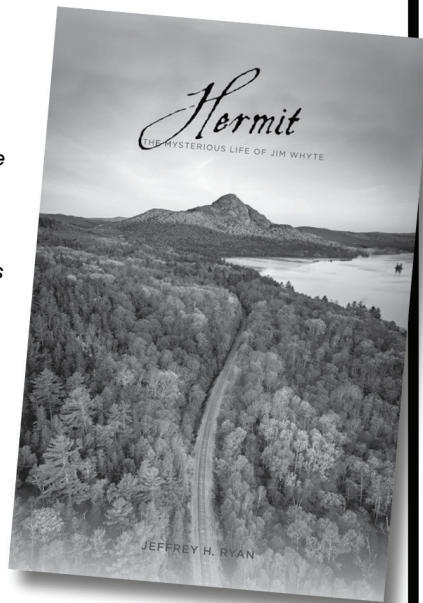
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# Innovate for Maine Fellows Opens 2022 Applications for Students, Companies

ORONO, ME (January 27, 2022) — The University of Maine Foster Center for Innovation is seeking Maine students and Maine companies to participate in the 2022 Innovate for Maine Fellows internship program. Applications are now open.

Innovate for Maine connects the best and brightest Maine college students with Maine's most exciting growing companies for paid, meaningful, hands-on internship experiences. The program is looking for both student fellows to join the 2022 cohort and a variety of for-profit companies developing innovative products, services or processes to

host them.

Emphasizing innovation and entrepreneurship, Innovate for Maine prepares student fellows to collaborate with companies on innovation projects that accelerate company growth. Innovation projects can include work on new products or services, process improvements, market research, prototyping, sales forecasting and more.

"Over the past two years, Maine businesses have faced incredible adversity," says Renee Kelly, UMaine assistant vice president for innovation and economic development. "Finding talented employees is even more

challenging now. Innovate for Maine introduces companies to new talent and helps students see their future opportunities in Maine's workforce."

Eligible students include those enrolled in undergraduate or graduate degree programs at any college or university in Maine, as well as Maine residents enrolled in degree programs at colleges or universities outside of the state.

Host companies can range in size from small startups to major corporations. Fellows can work full time or part time during the summer, with the possibility of continuing part time during the academic year.

Trained innovation experts guide and mentor both the fellow and the company for the duration of the internship. UMaine recruits, screens, matches, hires and trains fellows to work on projects for companies selected to participate in the program.

Since Innovate for Maine Fellows was established in 2012, student participants have gained exposure to innovative Maine companies and built strong networks that help them find opportunities to stay in Maine. A recent survey of Innovate for Maine Fellows alumni revealed that 70% of respondents were living in Maine and another 10% currently live

outside of Maine, but plan to return as their careers progress. Nearly 20% of program alumni have started their own companies.

To apply or learn more about Innovate for Maine Fellows, visit the program website.

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## Senators Collins, King Announce More Than \$1 Million to Support Entrepreneurs Across Rural Maine

WASHINGTON, D.C. (February 7, 2022) — U.S. Senators Susan Collins and Angus King announced that six organizations in the State of Maine have received a total of \$1,089,479 to support rural microborrowers and potential microborrowers. These grants and loans were awarded through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program.

"These investments will provide Maine entrepreneurs with the seed capital they need to start or grow their businesses and create opportunity across our state, particularly in our rural communities," said Senators Collins and King in a joint statement. "We welcome this funding that will help support local businesses, create and sustain quality jobs, and help grow our state's economy."

The funding will be allocated as follows:

Northern Maine Development Commission received a \$500,000 loan and a \$200,608 grant to support microentrepreneurs and microenterprises in Aroostook and Washington counties.

Sunrise County Economic Council received a \$250,000 loan and a \$10,525 grant to support microentrepreneurs and microenterprises in Washington County.

Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments received a \$34,540

grant to support microentrepreneurs and microenterprises in Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford counties.

Eastern Maine Development Corporation received a \$80,544 grant to support microentrepreneurs and microenterprises in Hancock, Penobscot, and Piscataquis counties, as well as portions of Waldo County.

Community Concepts Finance Corporation received a \$13,262 grant to support microentrepreneurs and microenterprises in Androscoggin, Cumberland, Franklin, Kennebec, Oxford, and York counties, as well as the Town of Thomaston.

The USDA Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program provides business-based training and technical assistance to rural microborrowers and potential microborrowers. Technical assistance is an essential part of the microlending process. It often makes the difference between the success or failure of a new business, affecting the ability of the microborrowers to repay its debt in a timely fashion.

Send all items for What's Going On to the Editor. Deadline is Friday by five.

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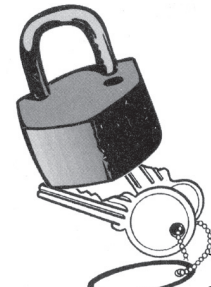
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**Feb. 11, 12, 13**

BUXTON – 7pm Feb. 11; 7pm Feb. 12; 10am Feb 13. SURGE Revival Meetings Join Living Waters Christian Church for 3 days of revival meetings as we invite Heaven to invade Earth. God is calling people to hear His voice and receive salvation, healing, and deliverance! Pete Talbot and Derek Morgan are revivalists from Bethel

# Calendar

Send your submissions to the Editor. More online.

School of Supernatural Ministry who are hungry to see God move in miracles, signs, and wonders. Special guests: Kingdom Life Worship on Fri & Sat nights! Living Waters Christian Church - 197 Parker Farm Road, Buxton, ME 04093

**Feb. 15**

GORHAM – 8am Ordinance Committee Meeting Conference Room A

**Feb. 16**

GORHAM – 8am Gorham Economic Development Corporation Meeting Conference Room A

**Feb. 17**

GORHAM – 6:30pm Tentative Recurring CIP Meeting TBD

**Feb. 23**

LEWISTON – 12:30pm at the Lewiston Public Library: READ YOUR MIND: MAIA KOBABE & SHELBY CRISWELL

In February Lewiston Public Library will host authors Maia Kobabe and Shelby Criswell to discuss how queerness & gender identity impact teen mental health, through the lens of their graphic novels Gender Queer and Queer As All Get Out. Maia and Shelby will be interviewed by youth from our community guest organization MaineTransNet. Free. The Zoom link will be posted to the Library website and Facebook prior to the

event. 513-3135; [www.LPLonline.org](http://www.LPLonline.org)

**Feb. 26**

GRAY -- Takeout Bean Supper - First Congregational Church of Gray. You MUST order in advance. Contact Carol at 650-9093 and let her know your name, phone number, how many meals you want and choice of pie. Cut off for reservations will be Wednesday, February 23 at 2:00 P.M. Please park at the Parish House, 5 Brown St. and enter the Parish House by the Front Door. Meals are single-sized and are \$10.00 each. Pick up time is 4:30 to 5:30. Please pay at time of pick up. Menu - Baked Pea Beans, 2 Red Hot Dogs, Coleslaw, Biscuit, and choice of Apple or Blueberry pie.

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### Curative Launches COVID-19 PCR Testing Site in Auburn

AUBURN, ME (February 9, 2022) – Curative today announced the opening its COVID-19 PCR testing site in Auburn for the general public at no out-of-pocket costs to patients.

The testing site is located at YMCA Auburn

(151 Stetson Rd, Auburn, ME 04210) and hours of operation are Monday - Friday (8:30am - 4:30pm) and Saturday (10am - 2pm).

Appointments can be made ahead of time by visiting [curative.com](http://curative.com).

### Community Health Options Announces Grants to Support Physical Activity Programs

LEWISTON, ME (February 3, 2022) -- Lewiston-based Community Health Options, the state's only nonprofit, Member-led health plan, is now making grant funds available to Maine-based nonprofits through March 7, 2022.

Health Options awards grants through its Community Benefits Expenditure (CBE) program. Grants will target small community-based programs that encourage physical activity as a way to improve overall health and well-being.

“Sustained physical inactivity and sedentary behavior have been linked with poor physical

and mental health and increased disease-specific morbidity and mortality risk,” said Kevin Lewis, Health Options’ president and CEO. “Providing grant funding to support the positive relationship between physical exercise and mental health is vital to our mission and as we all heal from the pandemic.”

In addition to their grant work, Health Options has also teamed up with the National Fitness Campaign® to launch a state-wide partnership to expand free access to world-class outdoor fitness centers. In its pursuit to promote health and well-being, the health plan will deliver new courts that will im-

prove quality of life, encourage activity and create equitable access to outdoor exercise programs for communities around the state.

To learn more about the 2022 Spring grant cycle, click on the Community Giving section of the Health Options website. Applications are due by March 7, 2022, and recipients will be notified in April 2022.

*About our Community Giving*

Health Options laid the financial and foundational groundwork for a Community Benefit Expenditure (CBE) program in 2019 and began awarding grants in 2020. Health Options works with the Maine

Community Foundation (MCF) to administer grant funds. The CBE Advisory Council includes public health experts, community organizers, and people with decades of experience working in the nonprofit sector.

*About Community Health Options*

Community Health Options is the only Maine-based, nonprofit, Member-led health plan and plan administrator providing comprehensive health insurance benefits for individuals, families, and businesses. Health Options partners with nearly 1,300 businesses and 48,000 healthcare providers in the state.

### Lewiston Auburn 911 Hires New Director

AUBURN, ME (February 9, 2022) – The Lewiston Auburn 911 Emergency Communications Center Committee has recently selected Timothy Hall to be the Center’s new Director. LA911 Committee Chair, Chief Jason Moen, noted that Hall’s experience, training and performance as the Centers Operations Manager were major factors in the Committee’s decision to choose Hall.

“Tim’s experience as the Center’s Operations Manager as well as his vision for the Center’s future made him the obvious

choice to replace outgoing Director Paul Leclair.”

Tim has been a member of the Lewiston/Auburn 9-1-1 Center since 2009. He has served in many capacities from dispatcher, trainer, supervisor and most recently, Operations Manager. Tim has served as the CALEA Accreditation Manager for the past five years and serves on the Maine EMS Emergency Medical Dispatch Committee. Tim began his career in emergency communications in 2000 and had worked for several agencies prior to

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# Geiger Announces 4th Quarter Geiger Star Winners

**LEWISTON, ME (February 9, 2022)** – Top 10 distributor Geiger, the nation’s largest privately held promotional products distributor, recently presented its 3rd Quarter Geiger Star Awards. These awards are given to associates, who have been nominated by fellow associates, in recognition of their efforts to work the values of The Geiger Way. These associates, by practicing the principles of Continuous Improvement,

embrace fresh and innovative ways to add value to our customers and positively contribute to the company’s business. This quarter we presented awards to two individuals and two teams. These awards are given based on five areas of accomplishment: Business Achievement, Community Service, Customer Satisfaction, Leadership, and Process Improvement.

The individuals who received the Geiger Star

Award are Joseph Turcotte, Deanna Pelletier and Stacy Rivet.

The team recipients include (the Pegasystems Team) associates Lisa Mangini, Krista D’Ateno, Maureen Simpson, Kelsey Rozenboom and Jennifer Garvin.

These awards have extra-meaning this year as the pandemic continues to disrupt customary routines and work practices. Due to their tireless efforts and

willingness to do whatever has been necessary, Geiger associates carry on with business, processing orders and adding more capacity for kitting projects to help other companies stay connected to their valuable associates and customers. The ability of so many associates to adapt, either to working from home or to CDC safety guidelines in our Distribution and Decoration Centers has continued to be amazing.

911

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joining Lewiston/Auburn 9-1-1. Tim is a graduate of the National Emergency Number Association’s Center Manager Certification Program and is an IAED certified Emergency Telecommunicator Course Instructor.

“I am honored to have been chosen as the center’s next Director and look forward to the challenges ahead in this new position,” said Hall, “it

was nearly 22 years ago that I first stepped through the door of an emergency communications center, it’s not a career that fits everyone, but it is exceptionally rewarding to recognize you are part of something critically important to your community.” “The emergency communications professionals at Lewiston/Auburn 9-1-1 are dedicated and hard-working people and I look forward to leading them into the future.”

# Virtual Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony to Celebrate the Renovation of Androscoggin’s Auburn Hospice House Kitchen

**LEWISTON, ME (February 2, 2022)** – Donors, volunteers, and staff of Androscoggin Home Healthcare + Hospice joined together virtually for a ribbon cutting ceremony to commemorate the completed renovation of Androscoggin’s Hospice House kitchen. Aptly named Karen’s Kitchen in honor of Karen Flynn, RN, the house’s first clinical manager when the house’s doors opened in 2005, the kitchen and dining area will serve as the heart of the Hospice House, providing a comfortable and welcoming space for patients and

their loved ones.

Understanding the role the renovated kitchen would play in the patient and caregiver experience, Androscoggin’s Foundation Committee of its Board of Directors recognized that the organization could not complete this project alone. The plan was then set in motion for what has become the most successful campaign Androscoggin has undertaken since the Hospice House’s Building Campaign in 2005. Chaired by Foundation Committee members, Mary and David MacMahon, and Foundation

Chair, Paul Andersen, support was rallied from individuals, businesses, Androscoggin’s own employees, foundations, and organizations both near and far to complete this vital renovation project for Androscoggin’s hospice patients and their families, raising a grand total of \$310,000.

“Wherever and whenever we gather under one roof and share sustenance, we make meaning and memories; every emotion will exist in this kitchen.” said Sarah Gillespie, Androscoggin Hospice Chaplain. “It is a sanctuary of shelter

and respite and comfort for those who need it. Here at the Hospice House, we feed people in every sense of the word – this new kitchen will help us do that better.”

To view the virtual ribbon cutting ceremony, please visit Androscoggin’s Facebook page or website at [www.androscoggin.org](http://www.androscoggin.org).

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